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FOOD FIGHT

Food truck begins petition to gain interest in fight with city.

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REMEMBERING FLORER

Longtime correspondent Ed Todd will offer a tribute to community leader Neil Florer, who sadly passed away earlier this week. Look for it in a future edition of the Reporter-Telegram.

Coming soon

Council passes texting ordinance

Lacy: 'I'm 100 percent in favor' of ban, which passed unanimously

By Cassie Burton
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The City Council made it official Tuesday morning: Texting while driving is effectively banned starting Oct. 1.

The council passed the ordinance unanimously. At-large member Scott Dufford

and J. Ross Lacy, District 4, proposed the ordinance last month.

The ordinance states that, with the exception of drivers operating an authorized emergency vehicle who act within the scope of their official capacity, no driver can "use a wireless communication device to view, send, or compose an electronic message or engage other application

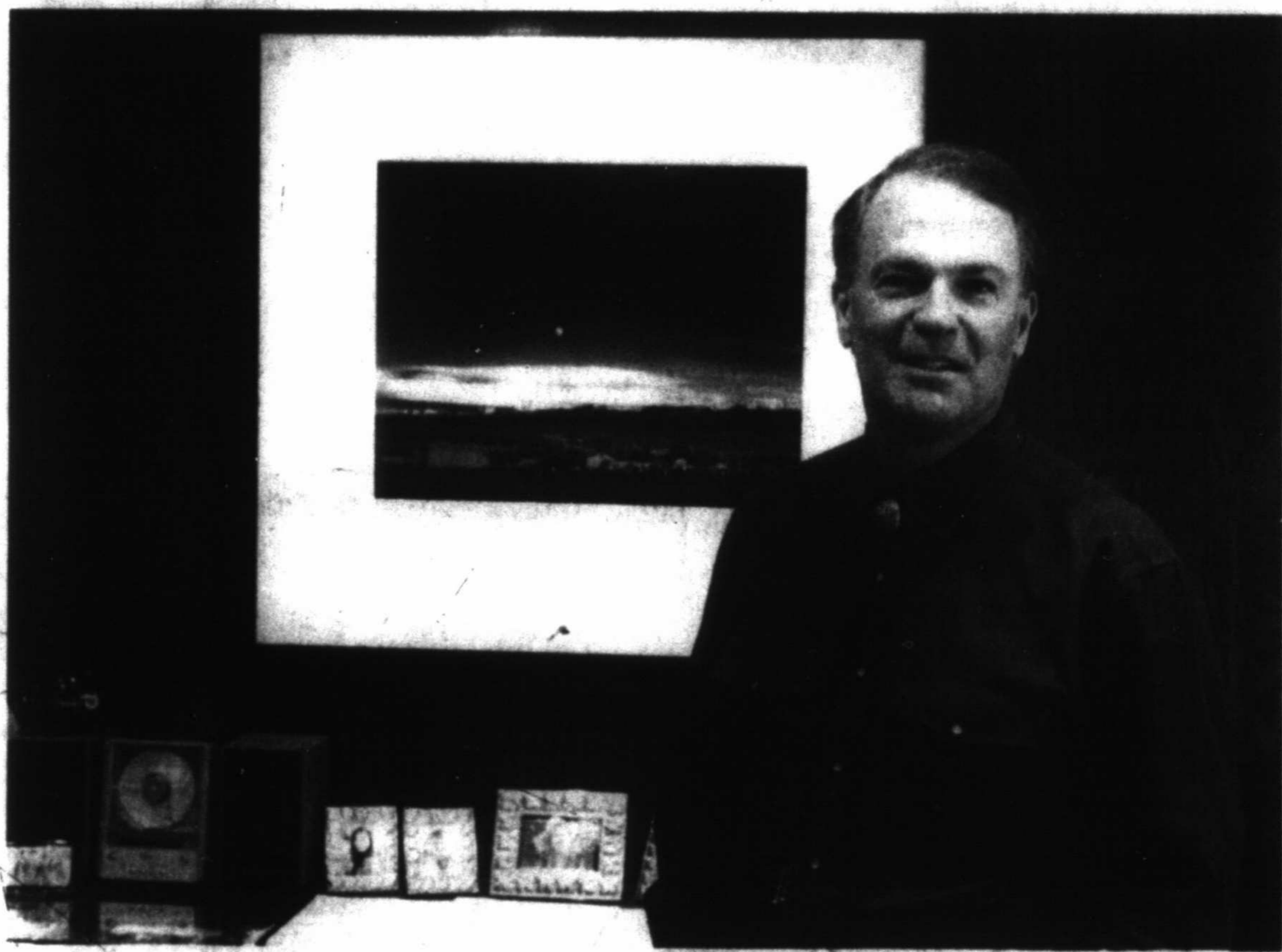
software (apps) while operating a motor vehicle on a public roadway."

The ordinance applies to mobile phones, tablets and laptops. Failure to comply could lead to up to a \$500 fine. The ordinance is modeled after House Bill 80, which was proposed by state Rep. Tom Craddick in the most recent legislative session but failed to pass.

Exceptions include using a phone to make a call, which includes dialing and ending the call, and as a GPS navigation system. Drivers still can send text messages when using voice-operated technology, a push-to-talk function or a hands-free device.

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OIL & ART: PICTURE THAT!



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West Texas oilman David Arrington poses March 28, 2014, next to one piece of his extensive collection of Ansel Adams prints in his downtown Midland office. Arrington, who began collecting Adams' work after graduating from Texas Tech University in 1983, has lent 100 original photographs from his collection to the Museum of Texas Tech University for a special exhibit.

Midland's Arrington loans Ansel Adams pieces for Tech exhibit

From staff reports

Texas Tech University President M. Duane Nellis and Midland oil executive David H. Arrington spoke at a news conference Tuesday morning celebrating the opening of an exhibit of Ansel Adams photography.

Arrington, who began collecting Adams' work after graduating from Texas Tech in 1983, lent 100 original photographs from his collection to the Museum of Texas Tech University for a special exhibit. Although his collection has been shown in museums and galleries throughout the world, he wanted his

alma mater to host it, as well. "Ansel Adams: American Master, Selections from the David H. Arrington Collection" will be on display through Jan. 16. The museum also will host a lecture by Arrington at 6:30 p.m. Friday and an event with Sarah Adams, the photographer's granddaughter, at 7 p.m. Nov. 6. "This is a must for every photographer, for every artist, for every lover of nature, for every fisherman, every hunter

Please see ARRINGTON/4A

Two officials shot are OK; gunman is killed

By Billy Jean Louis
Odessa American

ODESSA — Two DPS Texas Highway Patrol sergeants were shot Tuesday afternoon while assisting Texas Rangers in arresting a man with warrants out of Ward County.

The man, whose name was not released as of press time, was killed after exchanging gunfire with law enforcement. Few other details about the shoot-out or background of the slain gunman were released.

Dozens of officers from numerous law enforcement agencies swarmed the area following the shooting. At about 2 p.m., Texas Department of Public Safety troopers found a suspect at Phillips 66 between 42nd Street and Andrews Highway, according to Elena Viramontes, a spokeswoman for DPS.

Viramontes said the man didn't want to come out peacefully and was going to fight his way out. According to a release from DPS, the man was armed and wanted for aggravated assault.

He was killed during an exchange of gunfire, the release stated. One sergeant was shot in the leg and chest, which was protected by his body armor, according to the release, and the other was struck in the arm.

Viramontes said both are in stable condition and are expected to make a full recovery.

"When it's one of our brothers and sisters down, it's always emotional," she said.

At Medical Center Hospital, two ambulances arrived at the emergency entrance and quickly rushed two men inside; later, a third ambulance arrived and rushed another person inside the hospital.

Please see SHOOTOUT/4A

Want to go?

The Museum of Texas Tech University is located at 3301 Fourth St. in Lubbock. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1-5 p.m. Sunday. www.anseladams.ttu.edu.

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Food truck begins petition to gauge interest

Owner says it's hard to find spots downtown to set up

By Rye Druzin
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A local food truck has gathered 339 signatures on a petition to show city government the interest in food trucks.

The petition was started about a month ago by Cane D'Oro owner Teri Kilani after she and other food truck owners were told they could not set up in front of Bank of America on Wall Street downtown because they violated an ordinance by hopping the curb. City spokeswoman Sara Bustilloz confirmed that local code officials had brought up the curb-jumping concern.

Kilani said she wants the petition to convey to City Council that there is a need for food trucks downtown. She believes there are no current, viable locations downtown for the trucks to set up shop.

"We're having some problems finding a place to set up in downtown Midland that was not Centennial Plaza, because you don't



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get any foot traffic there at all," Kilani said. "We're hoping that we could get a petition and the food truck could be part of the revitalization of downtown Midland."

She said that after the location in front of the Bank of America building was shut down there weren't any other places for the trucks to set up. The location was running for just a few weeks and featured a

food truck in the recently redone plaza.

Bustilloz said local ordinances were changed in 2014 to bring local rules in line with the changing landscape that includes food trucks. Currently, food trucks can set up in three spots at Centennial Plaza and in front of the old Midland County Courthouse. Food trucks also can park on private property if they have

permission from the owner. Bustilloz said there are ongoing conversations of what to do downtown with food trucks.

"The door is open," she said. "If (food trucks want) to have a conversation with us, we've already been having conversations with mobile food vendors who've participated in making Midland more food truck-friendly in the past. We've been having

those conversation, so if they want to join in, they're more than welcome to."

Todd Brown, who runs Brown's BBQ and set up the Midessa Mobile Food Vendors Association, said he advised against creating the petition because the current ordinance favors the food trucks.

"The truck's frustration is nobody wants to walk over (to Centennial Plaza)," Brown said. "I don't know what to do. We can't just pull up and pop up on a curb and pull up in front of a building on wall and Big Spring and expect to do business."

Kilani has set up in the past at the Museum of the Southwest during events such as the Midland Downtown Farmers Market and hopes that the discussion will continue with the city to create more opportunities for both the city and food trucks.

"The city has really made some headway by changing that ordinance in 2014, and we're trying to work with them in every way," she said.

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PERRY

From 2A

of the former governor to give the super PACs \$100,000, Barbour said, declining to name the contributor.

Perry's official campaign is continuing as best it can, said Jeff Miller, his campaign manager. All but one staff member has agreed to continue working without pay, and Perry will be in South Carolina later this week before returning to Iowa next week, Miller said.

"Are we raising as much money as we'd like to? No. Are we still going to continue the governor's regular visits every week to early states? Yes," Miller said.

The Perry campaign's Iowa state chairman, Sam

Clovis, said Tuesday he would continue working as a volunteer. "I know everything there is to know about running a campaign with very little money," Clovis said.

Perry's not alone in relying heavily on super PACs. Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal and former technology executive Carly Fiorina are leaning on outside groups to build their name recognition. Former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum's ex-campaign manager and two other staff members recently left his financially troubled campaign to form a super PAC supporting him. And former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush has a massive super PAC ready to help him with voter outreach.

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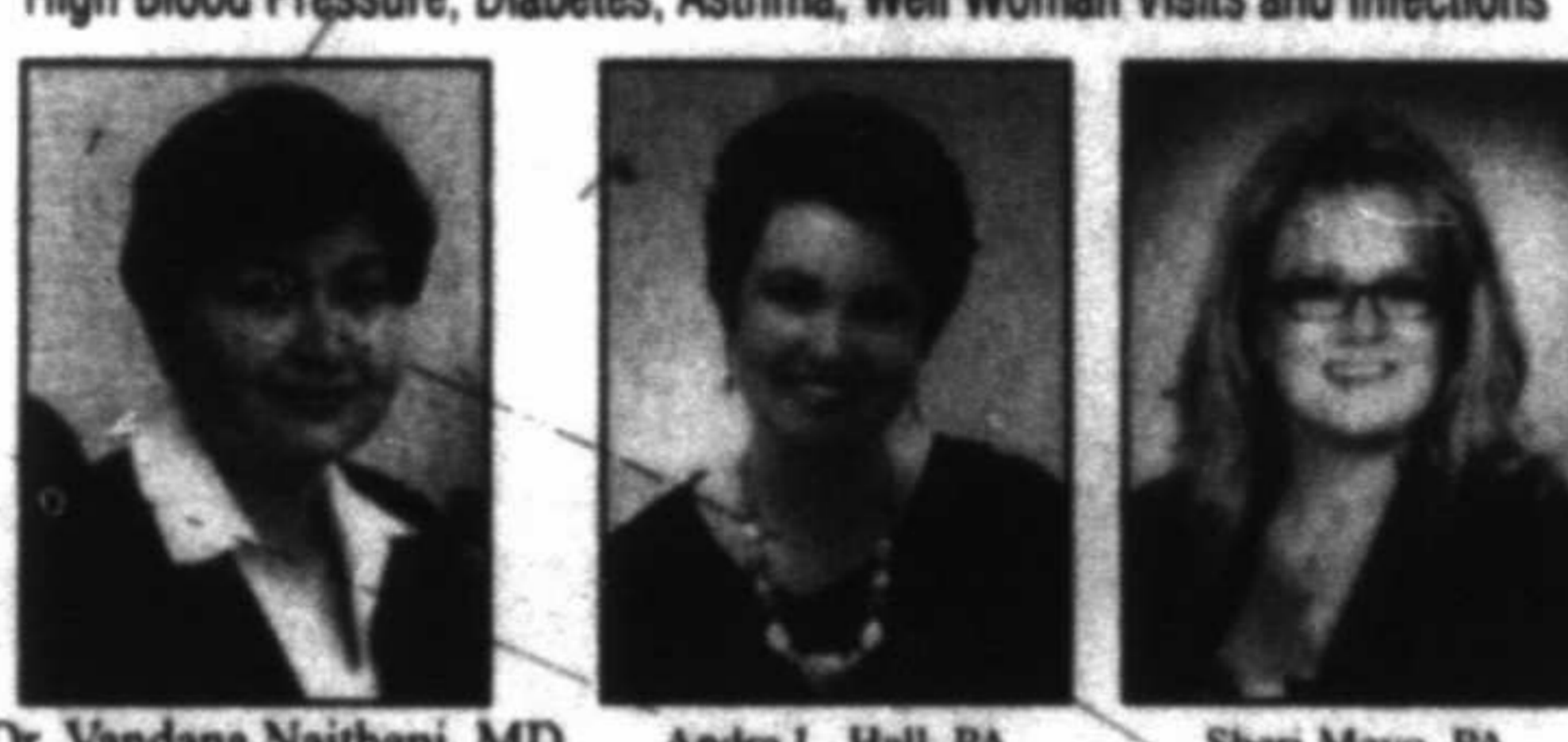
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The MIDLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT will hold a public hearing meeting at 5:30 pm on August 24, 2015, in board room of the Midland ISD Administration Building located at 619 W. Missouri St., Midland, Texas. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$ 1.04005	/\$ 100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$ 0.10	/\$ 100 (Proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters		

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	9.72 % (increase)	or	% (decrease)
Debt service	4.75 % (increase)	or	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	9.33 % (increase)	or	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value
 (as calculated under section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$21,678,967,896	\$22,912,419,315
Total appraised value** of new property***	\$489,681,360	\$1,063,811,130
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$19,303,397,026	\$20,127,433,487
Total taxable value*** of new property***	\$480,877,010	\$1,067,783,486

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(b), Tax Code
 ** "New property" is defined by Section 26.01(2)(7), Tax Code
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness \$ 387,991,439

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund**	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.04005	\$0.10000	\$1.14005	\$8.261	\$225
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.20216	\$0.10345	\$1.30563	\$8.625	\$273
Proposed Rate	\$1.04005	\$0.10000	\$1.14005	\$7.915	\$266

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or bond. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 2219,471	\$ 2234,992
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 209,236	\$ 226,322
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100	\$1.14005	\$1.14005
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 23.74	\$ 25.99
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ 2.25

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 65 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is 1.14247. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of 1.14247.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 591,639,229
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 84,025,729

TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

■ Storytime for preschool, 10:30 a.m., Barnes and Noble Bookellers, barnesandnoble.com.
 ■ Old Miners Maze family amusement park, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. and 5 p.m.-10 p.m. oldminersmaze.com.

Support groups, club meetings today

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net
 ■ Midland Downtown Lions Club, noon to 1 p.m., 200 Plaza St.
 ■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.
 ■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon, B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.
 ■ Caregiver support, noon, HospiceMidland 911 W. Texas Ave., 682-2855.
 ■ Midland Quilters Guild, 1 p.m., Alamo Heights Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. For more information call 694-0561.

Pools today

■ Doug Russell Aquatic Center, 900 N. Midland Drive, noon to 7 p.m.
 ■ Washington Aquatic Center, 1801 E. Indiana Ave., noon to 7 p.m.

MCRW meeting

Midland County Republican Women will meet 11:15 a.m. today at Midland Country Club. Speakers are to be Heidi Cruz, wife of U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz, and state Rep. Tom Craddick. Luncheon tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. To RSVP, call 520-3500 or email monwomen@monw.us. For more information, visit www.monw.us.

July weather recap

■ Average high: 86.8
 ■ Average low: 72.6
 ■ Average temperature: 84.7
 ■ Typical average for July: 82.2
 ■ Warmest high: 103 degrees (July 27)
 ■ Days in the 100s: 14
 ■ Rainfall: 0.72 of an inch
 ■ Days of measurable rain: 5
 ■ Average rainfall for July: 1.82 inches

Source: National Weather Service

Warmest Julys in Midland

1. 2011	87.0
2. 1964	86.9
2. 1998	86.9
4. 2011	86.7
5. 2000	85.4
6. 2006	84.8
7. 1951	84.7
7. 2015	84.7
9. 1996	84.5
10. 1953	84.4

Source: National Weather Service

Lee and Midland High to start later

Midland ISD is changing the school start time for Midland and Lee high schools for the 2015-2016 academic year, according to a press release from the district. Classes will begin at 8:50 a.m. instead of 8:40 a.m. to allow for student tutorials. The school day will end at 4:05 p.m., as in past years, according to the release. School start and end times remain the same for other campuses: elementary schools, 8 a.m.-3:20 p.m.; magnet schools, 8 a.m.-3:45 p.m. (after-school program until 5 p.m.); junior high and freshman schools and Coleman High, 8:40 a.m.-4:05 p.m.; and Early College High School at MC, 7:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

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 ■ Village, 2315 W. Louisiana Ave.
 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday
 ■ Graves, 3304 W. Wadley Ave.
 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday
 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday
 ■ Clay/Oesta, 612 Veterans
 Arpark Lane, and GMF Midland, 1000 Loop 40
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 All or Nothing night: 1-3-4-6-10-11-14-15-16-17-22-23

Today in history

Today is Wednesday, August 12, the 224th day of 2015. There are 141 days left in the year.
 Today's highlight:
 On Aug. 12, 1985, the world's worst single-aircraft disaster occurred as a crippled Japan Airlines Boeing 747 on a domestic flight crashed into a mountain, killing 520 people. (Four people survived.)
 On this date:
 In 1938, the MGM movie musical "The Wizard of Oz," starring Judy Garland, had its world premiere at the Strand Theater in Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, three days before opening in Hollywood.



Texting while driving proposal

■ What constitutes an offense?
 Using a wireless communication device (for example, mobile phone, tablet, laptop computer, etc.) to view, send or compose an electronic message or using the device to interact with application software, commonly known as "apps," while operating a motor vehicle on a public roadway.

■ Are there exceptions?
 There are seven exceptions or defenses to prosecution under the proposed ordinance. There would be exceptions if the person used the device:
 1. while the vehicle was completely stopped at a location other than in a traffic lane on a public roadway;
 2. strictly to engage in a telephone conversation, including dialing or deactivating the call;
 3. solely as a global positioning or navigation system;
 4. to contact police, fire, or emergency medical personnel in order to report a traffic accident, medical emergency, serious traffic hazard or crime in progress, or to prevent a crime that the driver reasonably believed

was about to be committed;
 5. in the reasonable belief that a person's life or safety was in immediate danger;
 6. that was permanently installed inside the vehicle; or
 7. in conjunction with voice-operated technology, a push-to-talk function or a hands-free device.

■ What is the fine for texting while driving?
 The fine can be up to a maximum of \$500.

■ Can I still talk on my phone when I drive within the city limits?
 Yes.

■ When will the proposed ordinance take effect if it is approved?
 Oct. 1

■ If I am stopped for texting while driving, can the police look at or go through my phone?
 The proposed ordinance explicitly prohibits a peace officer who stops a motor vehicle for an alleged violation of the ordinance from taking possession of or inspecting a phone for the purposes of determining the violation.

Source: City of Midland

ORDINANCE

From 1A

"I'm 100 percent in support of this," Lacy said immediately before the final vote. "I was happy to join Councilman Dufford. He's been fighting for six years to protect this community and to increase our public safety. This is a great day for the city of Midland if it passes."
 Mayor Jerry Morales said he believed that the two public hearings allowed for many residents to voice concerns and generated a "passionate conversation" that was needed before passing the ordinance. There was also an opportunity for public input during the two readings of the ordinance

at council meetings.
 "I feel good about where we are today and knowing that this conversation did not just start one month ago," Morales said.
 He pointed to the increased number of road fatalities in the past few years when oil prices were high and the city saw a population surge.
 "We did see a lot of fatalities on our roads, the highest in the state, and there were a lot of traffic accidents," Morales said. "It was a very scary moment."
 Residents have spoken both for and against the bill at public meetings. Some concerns included enforceability issues — such as how law enforcement officers will

prove a driver was texting instead of calling or using the device as a GPS — and seizure of a driver's electronic device by police.
 The law specifically states that officers cannot take a driver's communication device to prove a violation occurred.
 "Without a doubt, we see overwhelming support over this ordinance by the citizens, and it should pass because of that," District 2 councilman John B. Love III said before the vote. "I do want to continue to express my concerns about enforceability, and I will just leave it at that."
 Besides echoing his past acknowledgments of residents' concerns, Love also posed the

question of what action the city would take if the state passed a similar ban in the coming years. Dufford said that he expected the Legislature would address that issue since 40 other cities have similar bans in place.
 The council heard more feedback from residents at the beginning of Tuesday's meeting.
 "We support this ordinance and will continue to do so as the layman's voice ... to make it known to the public of the seriousness of texting and driving," said Charles Hodges, CEO of Stop DWI.

Follow Cassie on Twitter at @Cassie_Burton51 or on Facebook at /CassieBurton15



Edyta Blaszczyk/Odessa American

Law enforcement agencies investigate a shooting involving two Department of Public Safety Troopers and a suspect from Ward County Tuesday in Odessa. One state trooper was shot in the leg and another was grazed in the hand in a shootout at a convenience store that left a male suspect dead.

SHOOTOUT

From 1A

A few minutes later police vehicles, including U.S. Marshals, DPS, OPD, Ector County Sheriff's Office, Andrews Police Department, among several others arrived at the hospital.
 Other law enforcement officials including District Attorney Bobby Bland and Sheriff's Mark Donaldson and Gary Painter also came to the hospital.
 News of the gunman's death came from the lieutenant governor's office.
 "Once again we are reminded of the dangerous job our law enforcement officers face every day in Texas," said Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick in a release. "Please keep these two officers, their families and all men and women who serve us in your

prayers."
 Tom Vinger, press secretary for the Texas Department of Public Safety, said the name of the suspect was not being released pending notification of next of kin, and the names of the troopers would not be released Tuesday.
 Odessan Valerie Valles snapped a photo from her car just as the shootings occurred showing one sergeant on the ground. She said she heard a loud pop and looked over and saw one sergeant grab his stomach and fall to the ground. She said several officers had guns drawn and were firing. Her photo shows one sergeant on the ground talking to other law enforcement and the suspect face down on the ground.
 Valles said the scene was shocking and she hoped that the officers were OK.

Some prisoners say they were beaten after pair escaped

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — Inmates who knew the two convicted killers who escaped from a maximum-security prison in northern New York reported beatings by guards trying to determine where the pair went, according to a legal services group.
 Prisoners' Legal Services of New York has received several complaints from inmates on that Clinton Correctional Facility honor block, who were later moved to other prisons, managing attorney James Bogin said Tuesday. Many were transferred and spent time in solitary confinement and some are still missing their clothes and

other belongings, he said. "People were beat up," Bogin said. "People lost property."
 A 23-day manhunt by more than 1,100 law enforcement officers followed the June 6 escape of murderers Richard Matt and David Sweat. Matt was fatally shot June 27 about 30 miles from the prison. Sweat was shot and recaptured nearby two days later.
 The New York Times first reported the prisoner accounts of beatings, noting 60 inmate complaints filed with the legal services group.
 Corrections spokeswoman Linda Foglia said Tuesday that the allegations have been under investigation by the depart-

ment's Office of Special Investigations for several weeks and she referred to the state inspector general, who is examining the prison operations and the escape. "Any findings of misconduct or abuse against inmates will be punished to the full extent of the law," she said.
 A former prison tailor shop worker, Joyce Mitchell, has pleaded guilty to charges of aiding the pair by smuggling hacksaw blades and other tools they used to cut their way through the back of their cells over weeks. And a guard at the facility has been charged, accused of bringing the two men frozen meat inside which Mitchell hid the blades.

No bail for couple accused of trying to join Islamic State

By Jeff Amy
 Associated Press

OXFORD, Miss. — A young Mississippi couple who are charged with attempting to join the Islamic State were ordered held without bail Tuesday, pending federal grand jury action on the charges.
 Twenty-year-old Jaelyn Delshaun Young and 22-year-old Muhammad "Mo" Dakhllalla, who were arrested at a Mississippi airport just before boarding a flight with tickets bound for Istanbul, went before U.S. Magistrate Judge S. Allan Alexander in Oxford on Tuesday.
 Alexander denied bail, saying that even though the pair have never been in trouble with the law and have relatives willing to oversee their home confinement, she believed their desire to commit terrorism is "probably still there."
 During the two-day hearing, prosecutors had urged Alexander to deny bail, citing statements Young and Dakhllalla made to undercover agents and handwritten farewell letters they left for their families saying they would never return.
 Assistant U.S. Attorney Clay Joyner likened them to Boston Marathon bomber Dzhokhar Tsarnaev, saying that like him, they could commit violence with knives, vehicles or homemade weapons.
 "They don't need a gun to do harm," Joyner said. "They don't need military training to do harm. What

they need is a violent, extremist ideology, and that's exactly what they have espoused."
 Alexander agreed that their apparent methodical planning overcame a recommendation by federal court personnel to allow pretrial release.
 "It was a very calculated, step-by-step thing," Alexander said of the planning that led the pair to the Golden Triangle Regional Airport Saturday morning. FBI agents arrested them there, filing criminal charges that both were attempting and conspiring to provide material support to a terrorist group, a federal crime punishable by up to 20 years in prison and a fine of \$250,000.
 An FBI agent's affidavit said both confessed their plans after their arrest. Defense attorneys declined to comment after the hearing, but told Alexander the material didn't prove either had committed a crime.
 The families of Young and Dakhllalla were still trying to come to grips with the accusations.
 Dakhllalla's family is "absolutely stunned" by his arrest, said Columbus lawyer Dennis Harmon, who represents the family. He said Tuesday they have been cooperating with the FBI.
 Dakhllalla's father, Oda H. Dakhllalla, is the longtime imam of the Islamic Center of Mississippi in Starkville, Harmon said, and has previously been reported to be a native of Bethlehem, in the West Bank.

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and every survivalist; you need to come see Ansel Adams' work," Arrington said. "This is a great family outing, it's a great outing for schools or just a good date with your best girl."
 He said the university is proud to have a well-rounded learning environment, to which the museum contributes.
 He thanked Arrington and other friends of the museum for their support in making Texas Tech a world-class school.

"We are thrilled to collaborate with David Arrington in showcasing the work of a true American treasure in Ansel Adams," Nellis said. "A commitment to the arts and bringing and sharing wonderful works such as these is important in our commitment to our faculty, staff and students and the public."
 Peter Briggs, the museum's curator of art, said the exhibition is a cross-section of Adams' life and allows visitors to experience the original works of many of the artist's famous pictures.

Armed militia group's return to Ferguson raises concern

By Alan Scher Zagier
Associated Press

FERGUSON, Mo. — The return of an armed militia group patrolling the streets of Ferguson drew criticism Tuesday from both protesters and the county police chief overseeing security amid ongoing demonstrations marking the anniversary of 18-year-old Michael Brown's shooting death.

St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar said the overnight presence of the Oath Keepers, wearing camouflage bulletproof vests and openly carrying rifles and pistols on West Florissant Avenue, the hub of marches and protests for the past several days, was "both unnecessary and inflammatory."

Belmar plans to ask county prosecutor Bob McCulloch about the legality of armed patrols by the far-right anti-government activist group, which largely comprises past and present members of the military, first responders and police officers. But Missouri law allows anyone with a concealed carry permit to openly display a firearm anywhere in the state.

John Karriman, a representative of the group who teaches at the Missouri Southern State University police academy, said there were five armed Oath Keepers at the Mon-

day night protests and a considerably larger number of unarmed members stationed nearby to try to help keep the peace. He said members plan to remain in Ferguson "at least through the end of the week."

"A handful of us were visible," Karriman, a former police officer in Joplin, Missouri who ran unsuccessfully as a Libertarian Party candidate for county sheriff in southwest Missouri. "The rest of us are behind the scenes."

Oath Keepers previously showed up in Ferguson in November after a grand jury declined to indict former Ferguson officer Darren Wilson in Brown's death, saying they stationed themselves along several downtown rooftops to protect businesses from rioting and looters. Karriman said the group stepped in only after Missouri Gov. Jay Nixon declined to summon the National Guard in the aftermath of the grand jury decision.

County police ordered them to leave then, but group members intermittently returned. The five armed Oath Keepers, all of whom appeared to be white, interacted freely with police late Monday and early Tuesday but endured catcalls and jeers from demonstrators.

Protest organizer Nabeehah Azeez called the presence of the armed men "a contradiction in how things work."



Associated Press

Heavily armed civilians with a group known as the Oath Keepers arrive in Ferguson, Mo., early Tuesday. The far-right anti-government activists, largely consists of past and present members of the military, first responders and police officers. St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar said the overnight presence of the militia group, wearing camouflage bulletproof vests and openly carrying rifles and pistols on West Florissant Avenue, the hub of marches and protests for the past several days, was "both unnecessary and inflammatory."

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It is difficult to define the meaning of Trump

■ What applies for typical politicians doesn't hold up for this candidate with nine lives

It is perhaps time to stop wondering what the Donald's got that the others ain't got.

What he's got is conservative America's number, which has less to do with policy or political purity than with an evolutionary tic that's been developing for decades.

It also has little to do with social issues, other candidates might note, though some values voters may also like Trump. Nor is it exclusively the economy, stupid — that cannonball of wisdom forever shackled to James Carville's name.

Indeed, Trump's fans may have revealed themselves to be ABDs (All But Democrats), since Trump himself is an ABD. But for his recent conversions — pro-life with exceptions, walls make good immigration policy, and repeal-and-replace Obamacare "with something terrific!" — he would be giving Hillary Clinton a primary run for her money (and possibly some of his).

As recently as Tuesday, he wasn't jumping on the anti-Planned Parenthood bandwagon, though he did say that no funding should go to abortion, which is pretty safe since such federal abortion funding is already disallowed under current law.

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What Trump primarily has is a manner of speaking. (And how.) His many outbursts, insults and invectives are by now familiar enough to be boring — and not at all the point. The point is what he said to Fox News' Megyn Kelly during the first debate when she asked about disparaging remarks he has made about women and whether he has the temperament to be president.

Trump, who frequently reminds us that he's a very busy man, said he didn't have time for such political correctness. Huh?

It was a fair question in my book — and probably to most women. It was not a "politically correct" question, as Trump insisted, nor do his intemperate words measure up to the kind of serious scrutiny that true political correctness does. An insult is not the same as stifling ideas or political thought, as has been the rage — if I may use that word in the absence of a "safe zone" — on many college campuses and, often, wherever bureaucrats gather.

But mention PC to a constituency that despises an increasingly alien (PC correction: unfamiliar) country whose core principles are routinely ridiculed by popular culture — and who perceive illegal immigrants (PC correction: undocumented workers) as receiving greater deference than hardworking Americans barely scraping by — and you, my friend, are a hero.

The fact that Trump has emerged not only unscathed but triumphant after his subsequent and disgusting remarks about Kelly, whom he described post-debate as having "blood coming out of her eyes, blood coming out of her wherever," speaks trumpets and trombones to critics' shakers, scrapers and cowbells.

Trumpists, like Honey Badger, don't care. Come to think of it, Trump is Honey Badger. (Footnote: Honey Badger was a YouTube sensation a few years ago that many un-PC types found hilarious, if also profane and revolting. Not for children.)

Attempting to cover his posterior, Trump says he was thinking of Kelly's nose when he said "wherever." Really. We all have wherever/whatever moments, but "nose" isn't one of those words that sends us foraging for misplaced vocabulary.

Rather than apologize, which would be as foreign to Trump as a woman his age, he's insisting that Kelly apologize to him. Classic narcissism. Trump is like

the murderer who blames the victim for being home when he was burglarizing the victim's house.

Meanwhile, Trump tweeted (no wonder he's so busy) that Fox News President Roger Ailes had called him and smoothed things over. How perfectly ... practical. For her part, Kelly announced on "The Kelly File" Monday night that she wouldn't be responding to Trump's taunts and she certainly wouldn't apologize for doing her job.

In a political arena lacking same, that's what classy looks like.

Perhaps now, as Kelly suggested, we can move on, but do people really want to? Trump is the quintessential partisan divider whom people feel obligated to denounce but love to watch. Ailes knows that 24 million viewers tuned into the debate not to delve deeply into Scott Walker's biblical psyche but because Trump would be there. Trump, of course, knows this, too.

After so much history that would destroy anyone else's candidacy, it's hard to imagine what would cause Trump's fans to abandon him. My own unscientific surveys turn up a consistent refrain: "I would never vote for him, but I like the way he stirs things up"

Polling reflects that the second part of that sentence is probably true. And I'm no longer sure I believe the first part.

OPINION EXTRA

GOP reality star turns into spoiled brat

Donald Trump is given to superlatives, so let's do him the honor of pronouncing him the most fabulous whiner in all of American politics.

By Trump's own account, he's the baddest, smartest thing going, except if you ask him a challenging question, in which case he kicks and screams and demands to know how anyone could treat him so unfairly.

Trump followed up his shaky-at-best performance at the first Republican candidate debate, hosted by Fox News, with days complaining that he hadn't been afforded the respect he deserves.

According to Trump, he'll bring Vladimir Putin to heel. He'll make Mexico pay for a border fence. He'll take the Middle East's oil. Assuming, that is, no one says a discouraging word to him. Then he'll lose it.

The mogul did indeed get a series of tough questions from the Fox debate moderators (disclosure: I'm a Fox News contributor). But Trump, as Trump always reminds us, is leading in all the polls. It is not unusual — indeed, it is to be expected — that a front-runner gets more scrutiny than the also-rans.

What were the affronts that Trump had to suffer? He was asked right at the beginning whether or not he would rule out running as an independent, a natural question of someone seeking the Republican nomination for president. Trump predictably got booed when he wouldn't pledge to support the eventual nominee, although he allowed, in a characteristic Trump tautology, that he would support the nominee — if he's the nominee.

Thanks, Donald. Then Fox anchor Megyn Kelly asked him about how he would respond to inevitable attacks from Hillary Clinton in a general election over his crass insults of women through the years. This set Trump off, but does anyone think if, say, Jeb Bush had ever called woman a pig or a dog, he wouldn't get asked about it, too?

Trump handled the ensuing flap with his typical aplomb and class, which is to say he flailed about wildly and hurled witless insults. He denied that he said the things Kelly alleged he had, even though he did. He called Kelly an overrated lightweight. Finally, he bizarrely said that "there was blood coming out of her eyes, blood coming out of her wherever."

When this was interpreted as a reference to her menstrual cycle, Trump objected that there was no way he possibly could say something so crude — all evidence to the contrary notwithstanding. He also insisted that when he said "wherever," he had been about to say Kelly's nose or ears, but stopped himself to get on with more important points — which happened to be more insults of Kelly.

For someone who prides himself on being the bold truth-teller, Trump has a penchant for trying to litigate his way out of his controversial statements. When he said a few weeks ago that John McCain wasn't a war hero, he backtracked and tried to prove that he hadn't said what he obviously had.

If "never complain, never explain" is a good rule of life, Trump is 0 for 2.

His typical response to any controversy is to boast of his own exceptional greatness — the Fox debate would have been nothing without him, the other candidates told him afterward that he had won, etc. — and to call anyone who has crossed him a loser. If Trump is aware of the fact that there is such a thing as a witty put-down, he is certainly not capable of summoning one.

If he didn't want to be wrong-footed on the biggest stage of the campaign so far, he could have thought about what questions he might have been asked and about possible answers. This is what candidates have done before debates since time immemorial. Trump was satisfied with Plan B: to wing it and, when it didn't go to his liking, whine like a spoiled child who didn't get a pony for his birthday.

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Trump is first-class narcissist

■ Presidential candidate's response vindicates Megyn Kelly's line of questioning

I've misjudged people before — written them off, only to later realize that they had more character than I gave them credit for. But I've never experienced this phenomenon with questions asked of a presidential candidate.

That is, until now. I was wrong about the grilling given to Donald Trump by Fox News' Megyn Kelly, co-moderator of the recent Republican presidential debate. It went like this: "Mr. Trump, one of the things people love about you is you speak your mind and you don't use a politician's filter. However, that is not without its downsides, in particular, when it comes to women. You've called women you don't like 'fat pigs,' 'dogs,' 'slobs,' and 'disgusting animals.' ... Does that sound to you like the temperament of a man we should elect as president? And how will you answer the charge from Hillary Clinton, who is likely to be the Democratic nominee, that you are part of the 'war on women'?"

From the moment the questions were asked, I thought this line of inquiry was unfair and inappropriate.

The questions had limited value in that they could only be answered by one person. It's not like the other candidates were going to be asked for their opinion of Trump's character. And the questions were accusatory in nature, and intended to embarrass Trump. Whereas the best questions try to get at whether the candidate might be a good leader, these were geared toward proving that Trump is a chauvinist. Finally, there are bigger fish to fry. With a shaky U.S. economy, the Iranian nuclear deal, a broken immigration system, mediocre public schools and all the rest, there were plenty of more important questions to ask. As for Clinton, does Kelly really think that the Democratic front-runner is — with her marital history — going to be eager to rush into a discussion about men who mistreat women? Besides, the whole GOP "war on women" meme was made out of whole cloth in the 2012 election; there is no evidence that it even exists. So, all things considered, this question looked like a total misfire for Kelly.

Then, the following evening, we all got a look at how Trump reacts to criticism, and it wasn't pretty.

At the debate, the GOP frontrunner had responded to Kelly with a line that now sounded like a threat.

"What I say is what I say," Trump explained.

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"And honestly Megyn, if you don't like it, I'm sorry. I've been very nice to you, although I could probably maybe not be, based on the way you have treated me. But I wouldn't do that."

Apparently, he would. Because he went on to be not so nice. During a CNN interview, Trump angrily took aim at Kelly.

"She gets out and she starts asking me all sorts of ridiculous questions," he said. "You could see there was blood coming out of her eyes, blood coming out of her ... wherever."

Trump later claimed that he was talking about Kelly's nose. The real estate tycoon also said that "only a deviant" would think he was alluding to menstruation.

Yet, the businessman has a long and colorful history of especially harsh and personal attacks on women who stand up to him. His locker-room poke at Kelly was obviously an attempt to take the cable-news star down a peg or two.

Now, in hindsight, Kelly's question about Trump's treatment of women was proper, perceptive and prescient. She read him right.

In assessing presidential candidates, Americans need to know a lot more than just positions on issues and his or her view of government. They need to be able to determine character. They have to see how he or she will respond under pressure. Most of all, they need to be confident that the candidate is guided by solid principles and dedicated to causes larger than his or her own ambition.

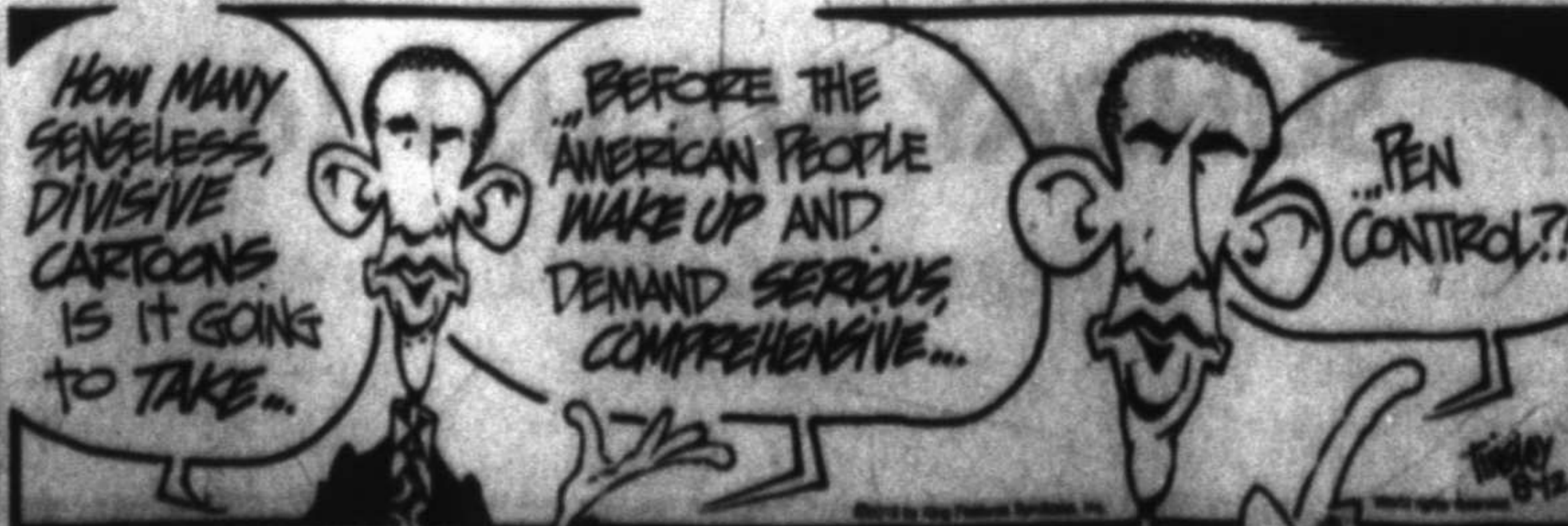
In dealing with the media, and especially his attack on Kelly, Trump has shown himself to be a first-class narcissist who takes criticism personally and responds in kind. He is good at playing the victim, refusing to say he is sorry and instead demanding that Kelly apologize to him for the question.

This week, on her first show since the flap, Kelly declared that she was moving on and would certainly "not apologize for doing good journalism." I'm glad Kelly didn't back down. This was good journalism. The ensuing dustup proved it.

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Trump bombast overshadows GOP challenges with women

By Steve Peoples and Lisa Lerer
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — When Jeb Bush said he wasn't sure the country needs to spend "a half billion dollars for women's health issues," many viewed the remark as a gaffe and the Republican candidate for president rushed to clean it up.

A week later, it's all but forgotten — thanks to Donald Trump.

The billionaire businessman cracked a joke during last week's GOP debate when asked about calling some women "fat pigs" and "disgusting animals," later said he couldn't remember using such words, and then attacked the popular female Fox News host who questioned his history of making such insults.

"Next to Trump, the other Republican candidates look like Gloria Steinem," said Penny Young Nance, president of the conservative Concerned Women for America.

Amid a concern the Trump tsunami may be hurting the GOP's standing with women, there is also a worry for Democrats who initially viewed his rhetoric as a net positive for their party. Some now fear his bluster has made others in the GOP field appear moderate by comparison and could affect the party's ability to maintain a hold on a voting bloc that's probably critical to winning the White House.

Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton's team has tried to emphasize the records of other Republican candidates in recent days, highlighting their opposition to abortion rights and their calls to defund women's health services offered by Planned Parenthood.

It hasn't been easy. At a Monday news conference in New Hampshire, Clinton fielded seven questions about Trump, trying again and again to refocus the conversation on the anti-abortion platforms of other Republicans.

"What a lot of the men on that stage in that debate said was

offensive. And I want people to understand, if you just focus on maybe the biggest showman on the stage, you lose the thread here," Clinton said.

"We'll let the Republicans go back and forth with each other, but I want to point out, there's really not that much difference in the policies they are proposing when it comes to women," she added.

Republican leaders acknowledged the need to improve the GOP's standing among women, who constituted 53 percent of the national electorate in 2012 and have favored Democrats in every presidential election in the last quarter century. Successful Republican candidates have won only by limiting Democrats' advantage with women.

President Barack Obama, for example, won women by 11 percentage points over Republican Mitt Romney in 2012, according to exit polls. The GOP's last successful candidate, President George W. Bush, lost women by just 3 percentage points in 2004.

"While some people are excited

by fat jokes and stupid jokes, I think there are a lot of people in the general election, independents as well as probably many of the women voters, who aren't really that entertained by this," said GOP presidential candidate Rand Paul, also a Kentucky senator.

Trump may have garnered the most attention, but several Republican candidates have emphasized priorities that could alienate women in recent weeks, including escalating attacks on Planned Parenthood. Republicans have seized on videos secretly recorded by anti-abortion rights activists that show Planned Parenthood officials clinically describing how they sometimes provide fetal tissue to medical researchers. The organization has said its staff has not engaged in any wrongdoing or agreed to violate any legal or medical standards.

While such criticism is popular among conservative primary voters who are adamantly opposed to abortion, it's unclear how the argument will resonate in 2016

with independents and moderates, many women among them, who are likely to decide the general election.

In last week's debate, Rubio said he had never advocated for bans on abortion that include exceptions for pregnancies resulting from rape or incest. Polls suggest Rubio's position is out of line with the overwhelming majority of voters.

"This is really good," Clinton campaign manager Robbie Mook said after watching Rubio's response.

Heading into 2016, GOP officials hoped to feature women in prominent positions, in line with recommendations from a post-election report compiled by the Republican National Committee after Romney's loss to Obama.

Yet the GOP's only female presidential candidate, former technology executive Carly Fiorina, did not qualify for the party's prime-time debate last week.

Democrats, of course, feature Clinton, who aims to be the first nation's first female president.

Despite skepticism, US confident it can monitor Iran deal

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Iran's intelligence agencies have penetrated CIA front companies, executed Western agents and captured a sophisticated U.S. drone.

So why should anyone believe American intelligence officials when they express confidence that they can monitor Iran's compliance with the just-completed nuclear agreement?

The main reason, according to a classified joint intelligence assessment presented to Congress, is that the deal requires Iran to provide an unprecedented volume of information about nearly every aspect of its existing nuclear program, which Iran insists is peaceful. That data will make checking on compliance easier, officials say, because it will shrink Iran's capacity to hide a covert weapons program.

"We will have far better insight (into) the industrial aspects of the Iranian nuclear program with this deal than what we have today," James Clapper, the director of national intelligence, told an audience last month at the Aspen Security Forum.

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"I couldn't do it without the hard working people who care for our customers," Haskell said. "I appreciate them every single day."

Also, Haskell noted his wife, Christine, and daughter, 12-year old Olivia, are part of Dickey's success in Midland.

"For us it's truly an honor to win any award in the Midland market because it's home for us," Haskell said.

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USA Fit Midland encourages healthy lifestyles Organization offers training regimen for runners of all levels

By Erin Stone
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USA Fit Midland, a training group that consists of runners of all levels, will set up a 14-week training regimen to help local runners prepare for the Dallas Half Marathon on Dec. 13. Ten people have already registered to train with USA Fit Midland for the half marathon.

However, USA Fit Midland isn't only for those who see themselves as serious runners. USA Fit Midland also has 14-week spring programs for runners of all levels.

"When someone completes their first 5K or 10K, the experience is so powerful that they carry it with them for

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the rest of their lives," the website states. "The physical and psychological benefits gained from this intensive training are truly remarkable. Here at USA FIT, our goal is to safely bring these benefits to as many people as possible, including couch potatoes, Boston-qualifying athletes, and everybody in between."

Andy Cedillo, assistant Parks and Recreation manager,

has had 18 knee operations, so when he first joined USA Fit Midland it was tough to do just two miles walking. But by the end of the training program, two-hour-long walks were no problem for him.

"Some people at the beginning of the spring season can barely make the test mile run/walk," Cedillo said. "But we see drastic improvement over the program. There were some women who ended up being able to do a 5K by the end and they were so happy."

At the beginning of each season, trainees do a trial run so they can be put in the group of trainees that matches

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TOLERATING TRIPLEDIGITS



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

A water truck from Warren CAT of Odessa cools off festival attendees during Rock The Desert on Saturday.

Be prepared when it's hot outside

If you spend time outside

- Reschedule strenuous activities to the early morning or evening.
- Know the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and heat stroke.
- Wear lightweight and loose-fitting clothing when possible and drink plenty of water.

When working outside

The Occupational Safety and Health

Administration recommends scheduling frequent rest breaks in shaded and air-conditioned environments. Anyone overcome by heat should be moved to a cool and shaded location.

Another 100-degree day

The temperature at Midland International hit 100 degrees for the eighth-straight day Tuesday, according to the National Weather Service.

The average high temperature this month is approaching 102 degrees.

100-degree streaks

The consecutive number of days when the temperature has reached 100 degrees or more:

1. June 16-29, 1998	14
1. June 7-20, 2011	14
3. June 30-July 11, 1964	12
3. July 14-25, 1981	12
5. July 25-Aug. 4, 1944	11
5. June 23-July 3, 1994	11
5. Aug. 1-11, 2011	11

Source: National Weather Service

Life lessons you might not expect from martial arts

Charles Edwards planned to earn a black belt by the time he was 50, but in the three years since he's been studying the Japanese martial art of aikido, that goal has, as he puts it, "whittled away."

"I don't think about the black belt," said Edwards, who's 45 and lives in Denton. "I just think about doing good and being good in my technique and being a better person."

For all the flexibility and balance that come from practicing martial arts, all the graceful kicks and self-defense moves, all the satisfaction derived from board-chopping prowess, the true benefits may be even more life-enriching, Edwards and other adherents say.

"The self-defense aspect is what everyone usually looks for, and that's uber-important," said John Thompson. He's president and chief instructor at Aikido Denton, the nonprofit martial



arts school where Edwards trains.

"We live our whole lives never having to use the techniques," said Thompson, 40. "But there's a dedication to a process that's really important for brain stimulation. There's the ritual of going to class, and a lot of etiquette things that happen in your school that are really important to help you find that in your everyday life and to help you."

At Texas Taekwondo Center in Richardson, owner Jason Lee said that learning to do a perfect side kick "is

great. But the discipline will serve your life a lot better and longer. You're using the discipline and perseverance it took to get there.

"Character development is the greatest and most important thing martial arts teaches."

This isn't knowledge someone walks in the door and learns the first day of class. Instead, it's a pore-seeping subtlety that one day students realize has become part of who they are.

For Edwards, that happened during an aikido class on his 45th birthday. As is the custom, his studio participated in "birthday rolls," which resemble being asked to dance, having your partner take your hand, and then, with a bit of a flourish, gracefully somersault you onto the floor.

"On your birthday, you have to do as

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HEALTHBRIEFS

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MISD student physicals at clinic

The Midland ISD Care Clinic will offer student physicals next week.

All MISD student athletes in the seventh through 12th grades will have the option to receive a physical exam that week only (Aug. 17-21). Physicals will be \$10 per student.

Apart from that week, services at the clinic are for MISD employees covered under the MISD Health Plan and their covered dependents.

The MISD Care Clinic is located at 709 W. Louisiana Ave. Hours of operation are noon to 8 p.m. The phone number is 289-7225.

Back to school info

■ Vaccination Information: View the immunization checklist at www.midlandisd.net, under the Parents tab, Wellness and Health Services.

■ School lunches: Click the Child Nutrition Services icon at www.midlandisd.net for payment or meal application assistance, or call the CNS Office at 240-1840.

How sick are you?

Midland Memorial Hospital is offering 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. Local nurses are available to help you determine the best place to receive care for your situation. 68-NURSE can help you save time and money by directing you to the most appropriate healthcare option, whether it's a neighborhood clinic, urgent care center, emergency room... or just staying home.

Support group calendar

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m. Aug. 12, at First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net

■ Caregiver support, noon Aug. 12 (except November and December), Hospice Midland 911 W. Texas Ave., 682-2855.

■ Permian Basin Community Service Organization (for individuals, organizations or businesses that provide services to improve quality of life), 11:45 a.m. Thursday, Mi Piaci Italian Restaurant, 2607 N. Grandview Ave., Odessa; 432-210-4234.

■ Chronic fatigue fibro-myalgia syndromes support group, noon Thursday, 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.

■ A confidential peer-to-peer support gathering for combat veterans, first, third and fifth Tuesdays at Midland College Cogdell Center, 201 Florida Ave.; Steve Cree, 770-7469.

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

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Nutritional benefits round out watermelon's scrumptious taste

By David Templeton
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Watermelon might be the best picnic dessert nature ever created with its sweet juice cleverly bound inside that spongy red (sometimes yellow) matrix, and fully protected by psychedelic green rind.

Talk about a party orb. But much like the thespian whose good looks overshadow brilliant acting skills, the watermelon's sweet, colorful qualities long have undercut its attributes as a wholly nutritious fruit whose tasty powers hydrate, as well as heal.

And no matter how you slice it, this green cannonball of nutrition is attracting scientific attention as an elixir that reduces muscle pain after workouts and a whole lot more. Studies also have shown beneficial effects on arterial plaque in cardiovascular disease, prostate and other cancers, erectile dysfunction, menopause, acid reflux and potentially Alzheimer's disease, among others.

A recent study, for example, found that "watermelon extract supplementation reduces blood pressure and arterial stiffness," in older adults in cold weather, so it "can prevent the progression of hypertension and the hypertensive response to cold exposure," said the author Arturo Figueroa-Galvez, associate professor at Florida State University's department of nutrition, food and exercise sciences.

Another of his studies found that the supplement also reduced ankle blood pressure in obese adults with hypertension. Studies by others found that watermelon compounds reduced inflammation in prostate, gastrointestinal and other cancers, while a study published recently showed that lycopene, which provides the red pigmentation in watermelon and tomatoes, potentially reduced the inflammatory cascade of Alzheimer's disease.

In April yet another study found lycopene reduced reflux disease in animals, in part, by inhibiting acid pathways in the stomach.

"Watermelon is a pretty well-documented source of vitamin C, vitamin A and potassium," said Penelope Perkins-Weazie, a professor of horticulture in the Plants for Human Health Institute at North Carolina State University. She said she's been studying watermelon nutrients for 15 years.

Most noteworthy are watermelon's two "secondary metabolites," citrulline and lycopene, which have been the focus of recent research. Citrulline, a nonessential amino acid, is abundant in watermelon, yellow watermelons having four times that of red watermelon.

As it turns out, citrulline is involved in producing nitric oxide, a potent molecule that relaxes blood vessels and lowers blood pressure, "with benefits to the brain, heart and in a cycle of amino acids necessary to properly flush the kidneys," said Perkin's Weazie, who has a Ph.D. in horticulture.

Lycopene is actually more abundant and more easily available in watermelon than tomatoes, where it's bound up in cellular walls, even if tomatoes draw more research



Hearst file photo

A watermelon salad is shown. attention because of their importance in the American diet. Perkins-Weazie said lycopene shows clear benefits in reducing plaque buildup in arteries and preventing prostate cancer.

Botanically, watermelon is a fruit in the same cucurbit family as pumpkins, squash and cucumbers, which often are mistaken as vegetables.

The longstanding bias against watermelon stems from its 21 grams of carbohydrates, mostly sugars, in every two-cup serving, with only a single gram of fiber. "People are concerned about the sugar, but compared to processed products it tastes sweet but isn't loaded with sugar," Perkins-Weazie said. "It's counterintuitive, but there is an enzyme present to regulate the glucose."

Despite the sugars (equally divided among sucrose, glucose and fructose), two cups of watermelon have only 80 calories with no fat, sodium or cholesterol. "Using the same watermelon extract used in my previous human studies, watermelon supplementation did not increase body weight and improved blood lipids in rats," Dr. Figueroa-Galvez said.

Watermelon originated in southern Africa and became nature's canteen. Rather than transport water long distances, travelers took watermelons, which are 92 percent water and don't begin rotting for three weeks.

Watermelon's key season is July 1 through Labor Day, with a tag team of suppliers from Florida in April, followed by Texas and Georgia, before California supplies the nation with watermelons through October. During winter months, Mexico and Guatemala are the source.

Stephanie Barlow, spokeswoman for the National Watermelon Promotion Board, said the fruit offers consumers health, value and versatility all year-round, all parts being edible, including the rind and seeds.

"We're really focusing on health," she said. "All pre-packaged foods have a smattering of health claims so our health message has to be the strongest one."

There are 1,200 varieties of watermelon grown in 96 countries, she said, noting that square ones are being grown in square containers in Japan so they fit into smaller refrigerators. There are even a few orange watermelons.

The 100 seeds in a watermelon are heavier than the flesh, she said, and act like marbles, damaging the flesh and causing them to rot more quickly. That helps explain why in the market today, she said, "It's a landslide majority of seedless watermelons."

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Obituaries



Eugene A. (Gene) Diert

Eugene A. (Gene) Diert was born August 6, 1929, and passed away on August 8, 2015, at the age of 86.

He was in the automobile business for 70 years in New Braunfels and Seguin. Gene's civic involvement included vice president of the Texas Jaycees, president of the Texas Automobile Dealers Association and board member of the National Ford Dealer Council. Avidly supporting Rotary International, Gene lived the Four-Way Test. He was a member of the Seguin Rotary Club for over 50 years. He served as District Governor, chaired the District Rotary Foundation, and on the 2001 International Convention Steering Committee. He received the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service Award and the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award and was a Paul Harris Fellow.

Gene was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Betty Wetz Diert.

He is survived by his wife, Sharon McAdams Steinberg Diert; daughter, Jenness and husband Jody Gilles of Midland; and son, Barry and wife Kim, of Cibolo. He was very proud of his six grandchildren including Leanna Gilles of Fort Worth and David Gilles and wife Laura of Denver.

Services will be held at Cross Church, 814 Bauer Street, Seguin, on Saturday, August 15, 2015, at 10:30. Memorials may be made to Cross Church, 814 Bauer, Seguin, TX 78155, Texas Agricultural Education and Heritage Center, 390 Cordova Road, Seguin, TX 78155, the Rotary Foundation or Trinity School 3500 W. Wadley, Midland, TX 79707. Arrangements by Tres Hewell Mortuary, Seguin TX.



Louise Schuelke

The memorial celebration for Louise Schuelke, along with the graveside service for Louise and Cecil Schuelke (husband & wife), will be held at 3:00 P.M. on August 15, 2015 at Resthaven Cemetery in Midland.

Call for more info - Eloise Schuelke 432-634-7372.



Peggy June Yantis (Bradley) Riggs

Peggy June Yantis (Bradley) Riggs went home to be with the Lord on August 7, 2015. She was born in Wichita Falls, Texas to Margarette and Felix Yantis, and was raised from the age of 3 by her grandmother, Lucille Dixon, after her mother's death.

She married Richard V. Bradley on November 22, 1948. They moved to Abilene, Texas where she worked for a pediatrician until they adopted their first daughter, Vaughn Ann, in March 1958. On Christmas Eve in 1960, they brought home their second adopted daughter, Valerie Lynn, and in 1963, they welcomed their birth daughter, Vickie Jan.

Peggy and Dick moved frequently throughout West Texas where he worked in oil field supply sales. Eventually they moved to Liberal, Kansas, where they lived for 3½ years, before Dick was diagnosed with lung cancer.

On March 7, 1969 they moved to Midland to be closer to the VA hospital in Big Spring. Dick passed away on March 13th, and Peggy found herself with 3 little girls in a town where she knew very few people. Peggy managed to purchase a house and made a home for herself and the girls. The Lord provided and they never went without anything they needed.

Through the grace of God, she was able to get a job at her church, St. Paul United Methodist. She left St. Paul in 1974. Later, she went to work for Grace Petroleum and held several positions there before she left in 1986.

In 1980, she met Forrest Riggs in a church singles group, and fell in love. Forrest and Peggy married on February 14, 1981. Forrest retired from Borden's and he and Peggy bought Midland Package Delivery in 1982. They owned the business until they retired in 1993. She was happy as long as she was with Forrest, and loved being able to talk to all the different people they delivered mail and packages to.

At age 70, Peggy discovered a hidden gift - oil painting. She began painting beautiful landscapes and still-lives. She was featured in an article in the Midland Reporter Telegram about local art classes. She also discovered her love of travel, and she and Forrest went on cruises and trips in their retirement years, including a trip to Hawaii.

Peggy and Forrest gave back to their community by volunteering for Meals on Wheels and Midland West Lions Club. Peggy received both the Life Membership Award and Bronze Vision Fellowship Award from the Texas Lions Club Eyeglass Center, as well as the Texas Lion Foundation Fellow honoring outstanding contribution to the Lions Foundation, one of the organization's highest honors.

Peggy is preceded in death by her grandparents, her parents, and brother, William Yantis.

She is survived by her husband, Forrest B. Riggs; daughters, Vaughn Bradley, Valerie Pieper, and Vickie Williams and husband Brad; grandchildren, Miranda (Dolbow) Williamson, Alexandra (Ali) Williams, and Dylan Williams; and great granddaughter, Ellie Hoffman. She kept a special bond with her former son-in-law, Ron Pieper.

Visitation will be at Ellis Funeral Home on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Graveside services will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. at Resthaven Memorial Park, with a memorial service following at 10:00 a.m. at St. Paul United Methodist Church with Monte Kreis officiating. There will be a reception at the church afterwards.

Honorary pallbearers will be Brad Williams, Dylan Williams, Ron Pieper, Don Warren, Paul Riggs, Clifford Riggs, and Jim Singleton.

The family wishes to thank all the caregivers and staff at Manor Park, Kent Kelly and the staff at Hospice of Midland, and Dr. Robert Vogel and the staff at Midland Memorial Hospital for the loving care Peggy received.

Memorial donations can be made in Peggy's name to the American Cancer Society, 2304 W Wadley Ave, Midland, TX 79705, or to Hospice of Midland, 901 W. Missouri, Midland, Texas 79701.

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

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Death Notices

B.W. Haskins

B.W. Haskins died Monday August 10, 2015. The viewing will be from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at the funeral home.

Funeral services will be Thursday, August 13, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Fairmont Park Church of Christ in Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

He is survived by two daughters, Connie Jordan and Cynthia Haskins; and one sister.

Neil Florer

Neil Florer, 79, of Midland, passed away on August 10, 2015. A rosary will be held at 7:00 p.m., Thursday, August 13, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Friday, August 14, 2015 at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

Survivors include children, Timothy Florer, Thomas Florer, Christine Florer, Robert Florer, and Jessie Smelser.

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many throws and rolls as how old you are," Edwards says. "Everyone used me as a human Frisbee. After about 13, you get nauseated. But about at No. 30, you get into the rhythm of it. You don't feel it any more. That was probably one of my best aha moments, when it doesn't matter whether I get my black belt or not.

"I'm a salesperson," he said. "I call people, and that's not popular. If I get a bad call, I have to pick myself up and get thrown down again."

He's also learned that the benefits of aikido sparring — the balance between two people, the pas de deux that at times can be rigorous — carry over outside the gym.

"I have a better relationship with my wife," Edwards said, "with my aikido buddies. My sales managers, my wife, they do notice the changes. I'm not a guru. I'm not an aikido master. I've just been doing it three years, but I have a thing in my head I'm working toward."

Additionally, aikido "dials up my empathy," Edwards said. "When you use empathy, when you have that connection with a customer or a friend, it's not to find weakness but to find the root of the problem. You don't go for the jugular. You redirect the energy and diffuse it."

Vanessa Rojas of Garland began taking muay Thai 12 years ago. She had been in an abusive relationship and was looking for a way to protect herself. She found that, as well as courage, patience, self-confidence and appreciation for life's small details. She also found a new career; she and her husband now own a studio, Rojas Muay Thai.

In this martial art, which



Tom Fox/Dallas Morning News

Charles Edwards, left, and John Thompson perform joint locks and throw drills at Aikido Denton. Edwards started in martial arts with thoughts about earning a black belt, but now "I just think about doing good and being good in my technique and being a better person."

is similar to kickboxing. "We throw elbows, knees," said Rojas, 33. "We punch, kick with our shins. It's a brutal sport."

Even in the toughness of tournaments and sparring, she looks for its beauty, the fluidity of its movements.

"When I fought in the ring, I was afraid," Rojas said. "But when something happened, I knew what to do. It's nerve-racking to be confronted negatively. But now it's more, 'I can listen to what you have to say.'"

Again, learning this is a process, Thompson said. It takes time, which America's instant-gratification society doesn't always understand.

"The beauty of training is that you have to stick with it. You fail. You go to these places and you mess up. You have a sense of humility and the attitude of

"Hey, I will get it eventually, just not right now." I personally think that allows us to be better people, to take that attitude elsewhere."

In taekwondo, Lee said, students learn that "everybody can win on any given day." That's one way respect is taught and that respect is learned.

"You have to respect everyone you encounter, whether you feel you're better than them or less," said Lee, 32. "People ask, 'How does this teach respect?' Through training. If you respect people, they'll respect you back."

"Kids want to see flying side kicks. That's the vehicle we use to teach respect. That's the fun part."

He devotes the first five minutes of the kids' classes he teaches to talking about the tenets of taekwondo. "Take perseverance," he

said. "We tell what it is, the way it shows you are not giving up. Every decision in your life will take perseverance, whether it's graduating from college or doing better in soccer or earning your black belt."

Such aspects of martial arts are what make them "so cool," Thompson said. "They push us to a point where you have to dig deep and push past. You're going to come up to something that you'll really have to deal with, whether health or death or work or loss of a job, when catastrophe happens, when you'll be put in those situations."

"People in martial arts deal with those a little better. Finding that in practice, you know how to deal with that."

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their running level. A training schedule is released each week. The programs are designed to fit around runners' busy schedules.

USA Fit is a national organization; USA Fit Midland is entering its third year. The number of participants in the program has skyrocketed from 35 members the first year to about 65 members last year. Cedillo said they've received plenty of calls already for this year's program.

"You don't necessarily have to go out and compete," he said. "Whether

you're a runner or a walker, it's about getting on a program. That's the goal: to walk or run at least three times a week. Do some kind of exercise."

There will be an orientation on Sept. 2, and the first run will take place Sept. 5. Midlanders can register through Sept. 11 at www.usafitmidland.com or by visiting the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.

Registration is \$90 for new USA Fit members and \$80 for returning members. City of Midland employees are eligible for a discount.



Mel Evans/AP

MIKEY RICHERT, 10, sits with his dog, Lou Lou at his home June 4 in North Brunswick, N.J. Mikey was diagnosed in December at age 9 with a brain tumor. Doctors told the family the chemo/radiation treatment might cause infertility and later told her about the experimental treatment, a testes biopsy and freezing the tissue for later use.

Kids with cancer get futuristic chance at saving fertility

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Barely 2 years old, Talia Pisano is getting tough treatment for kidney cancer that spread to her brain. She's also getting a chance at having babies of her own someday.

To battle infertility sometimes caused by cancer treatment, some children's hospitals are trying a futuristic approach: removing and freezing immature ovary and testes tissue, with hopes of being able to put it back when patients reach adulthood and want to start families.

No one knows yet if it will work.

It has in adults — more than 30 babies have been born to women who had ovarian tissue removed in adulthood, frozen and put back after treatment for cancer or other serious conditions. In lab animals, it's worked with frozen and thawed testes tissue.

But the procedures are still experimental in children who haven't reached puberty, and too new to have been attempted. There are challenges to making immature eggs and sperm from removed tissue suitable for conception. Still, fertility researchers hope to refine the science while the first generation of children whose tissue has been put on ice grows up.

Families like Talia's are clinging to that optimism. The dark-eyed toddler who loves princesses and play dough had an ovary removed and frozen in April. She was treated for kidney cancer last year but when

it spread, doctors started harsher treatment including brain radiation.

"It seemed very new and pretty amazing that we can do something like this and help her in a bigger way," said her mom, Maria Pisano, of Griffith, Indiana.

"It definitely brought some peace" and raised hope for Talia's future, Pisano said.

Doctors face a delicate balance in broaching the idea of yet another medical procedure when families have been hit with a horrible diagnosis and difficult treatment plan. The tissue-removing surgeries are typically done while a child is being sedated for another reason.

"We try to be thoughtful about the fact that their main focus and ours is on the survival of the child," said Dr. Erin Rowell, a surgeon at Chicago's Lurie Children's Hospital, where Talia is being treated.

Yet, Rowell added, many families are open to hearing about saving their child's fertility.

"That often is the one piece of information that gives them a glimmer of hope — that we believe that their children will live long enough to grow into adulthood and have their own family," she said.

A baby boy in Belgium makes scientists think they're on the right track. He was born to a woman who at age 13 had ovarian tissue removed before undergoing harsh treatment for sickle cell anemia. Doctors believe she had signs of puberty when the tissue was frozen, according to a recent medical journal report. Ten years later the tissue was

thawed, and portions were grafted onto her remaining ovary. She gave birth last November after a normal pregnancy.

She is the youngest person to date to have had success. Although her eggs were likely more mature than those of pre-puberty girls, the results are "super exciting," said Dr. Jill Ginsberg of Children's Hospital of Philadelphia, a pioneer in the field.

The irony of cancer treatment is that it can save lives while destroying the chance to create a new life. Chemotherapy works by killing rapidly dividing cells. These include malignant cells but also hair follicles, digestive tract cells, and sperm and eggs. Radiation can also damage these cells.

Dr. John Lantos, bioethics chief at Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri, said offering children the experimental fertility-preserving procedures poses no ethical problems "as long as there's informed consent and a desire to do it."

Federal guidelines say there should be minimal risk to children involved in research, and risks need to be weighed against potential benefits, he said.

"Kids themselves when they grow up would likely appreciate having that (fertility) option," he said.

After the tissue is removed, some is stored in liquid nitrogen for the patient's future use and some is sent to a central research lab at Northwestern University in Chicago, where scientists are studying ways to make it work.

Since 2008, the Philadelphia hospital has saved

tissue for about 40 girls aged 3 and up and 50 boys — the youngest was 3 months. A few have since died but most still have tissue on ice, waiting for science and adulthood.

Deaths from cancer are uncommon in children; about 80 percent survive, "so we have the odds in our favor," Ginsberg said.

At age 10, Michael Richert recently finished treatment for a brain tumor. The North Brunswick, New Jersey, boy had testes tissue removed earlier this year at the Philadelphia hospital after a stem cell transplant, before starting chemotherapy.

He comes from a large extended family, and from his hospital bed, mused about playing a Legos video game with a future son "like me and my dad did."

His mom, Aileen Richert, said consenting to the procedure was tough.

"But then I was thinking, years from now, if my son gets married and wants to have children, what if I told him I'd had this option and I didn't do it for him?" she said.

Parents help doctors present the details, depending on the child's maturity, Ginsberg said. "Some kids want to know every detail. Others are like 'I've heard enough.'"

When 8-year-old Hannah McStay of Mantua, New Jersey, was diagnosed with leukemia, the offer of ovary-freezing forced her mom, Rachel, to have a very grown-up conversation with her.

Now 11, with her leukemia in remission, Hannah said the potential chance for fertility is "a miracle."

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In 40 states, a new focus emerges on end-of-life care and counseling

Beginning next year, the federal government will conduct a five-year, 40-state experiment to determine whether there is a better way to help elderly Americans come to grips with terminal illnesses and prepare to die.

Last month, the Obama administration announced that 141 hospices across the country will offer end-of-life care and counseling to dying Medicare patients at the same time those patients receive treatment to extend their lives. Currently Medicare, the federal health insurance system for people older than 65 or with certain disabilities, requires terminally ill patients to choose one or the other.

Hospice services typically involve a team of doctors, nurses, social workers, bereavement counselors, aides and volunteers who address the physical, social, emotional and spiritual needs of dying patients and their families.

The hope is that by allowing people to pursue both paths, more will opt to receive hospice services that will improve the quality of their remaining days and reduce the cost of end-of-life care. If the experiment is successful, it likely will lead to a similar shift by Medicaid, the joint federal-state health insurance program for the poor, and by private insurers.

Under the Affordable Care Act, children enrolled in Medicaid or the Children's Health Insurance Program can receive curative treatment and hospice care simultaneously. Some states provide funding for hospice services for adult beneficiaries of Medicaid, but require patients to waive treatments for their underlying diseases.

"It's quite a big deal because right now a lot of people choose not to undergo hospice care because they believe they have to forgo something," said James Tulsky, incoming chairman of the Department of Psychosocial Oncology and Palliative Care at the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute in Boston. "People are understandably reluctant to do so, even if those therapies are not all that effective."

At present, nearly 30 percent of Medicare's \$600 billion annual budget is spent on treatment in the last six months of life, much of it on expensive interventions with limited benefits. Without changes, the cost of end-of-life care is likely to skyrocket as the nation's elderly population grows.

Medicare is by far the largest payer for hospice services in the United States. A report by the nonprofit National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization found that in 2009, Medicare reimbursed 83.9 percent of all hospice services. By contrast, Medicaid reimbursed about 4.9 percent and private insurance covered about 8.6 percent.

The announcement of the test program by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), which administers Medicare, follows another change in policy aimed at informing elderly patients of their options as death approaches. Starting next year, Medicare will for the first time reimburse doctors and other health professionals for talking to patients with advanced-stage diseases about their goals and wishes and the likely results of their remaining options for treatment.

For instance, some patients might want to forgo a surgical procedure that would be a long shot, require weeks of recovery and powerful painkillers, and result in diminished capabilities. They might prefer to spend their final days alert and in the company of family.

Some disability and anti-euthanasia advocates have opposed Medicare payments for advanced care consultations, wary that the motivation is to reduce costs rather than to follow patients' preferences.

The suspicion ignited controversy during the debate over the Affordable Care Act in 2009, when Sarah Palin, the former Alaska governor and 2008 Republican vice-presidential nominee, raised the specter of "death panels" charged with determining which patients deserved to be saved.

But the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the nation's largest right-to-life organization, said it supports allowing treatment to be combined with hospice care.

"We have long supported giving patients access to both curative and palliative care — to ease pain and suffering — instead of requiring them to choose between them as under current hospice funding requirements," wrote Burke Balch, an NRLC spokesman, in an email.

Hospice and palliative care providers are enthusiastic about both of the CMS changes to Medicare. Following greater than expected enthusiasm from providers, the agency expanded the number of Medicare-certified hospices that will participate in the pilot program from 30 sites serving as many as 30,000 patients to 141 sites and as many as 150,000 patients.

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Strep's evolution may provide clues for developing vaccine

By Lauren Neergaard
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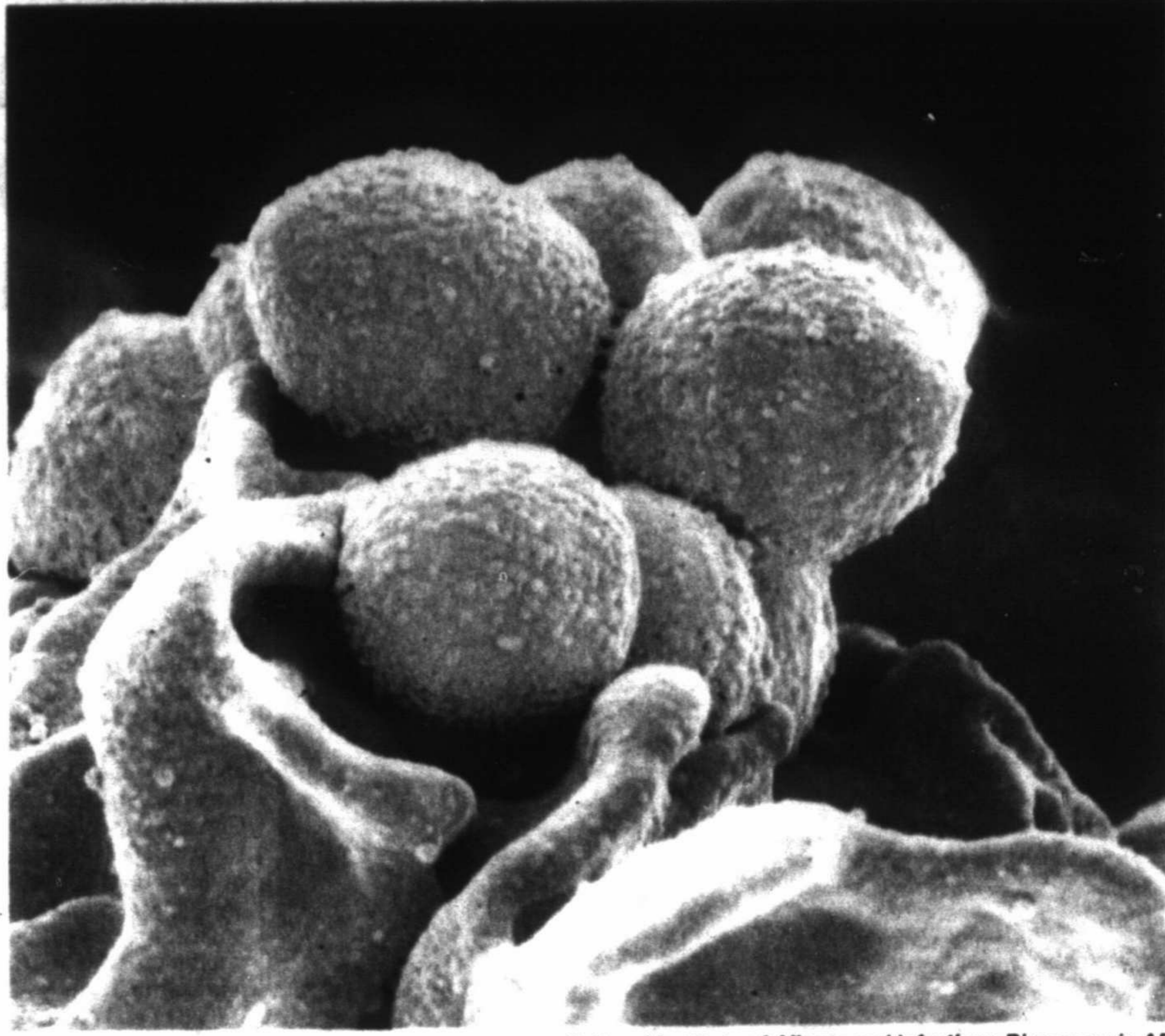
WASHINGTON — The same bacteria that cause simple strep throat sometimes trigger bloodstream or even flesh-eating infections instead, and over the years, dangerous cases have increased. Now researchers have uncovered how some strains of this bug evolved to become more aggressive.

The bacterial sleuthing may offer clues for developing a vaccine against group A streptococcus, and for detecting and fighting outbreaks.

The reason one person recovers easily from strep throat and another gets an invasive infection has lots to do with individual immune systems. But Monday's research found genetic changes can spur the germ to produce more of two key toxins, becoming more virulent.

"These increased amounts of toxins are like throwing an accelerant onto the fire," said Dr. James M. Musser of the Houston Methodist Research Institute, who led the project being reported in the *Journal of Clinical Investigation*.

Group A strep causes 600 million illnesses worldwide a year, the World Health Organization estimates, mostly strep throat that in developed countries is easily treated by antibiotics. Invasive strep — when the germ invades the bloodstream or muscle, often through a cut — isn't nearly as common but can be rapidly life-threatening. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



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This handout image provided by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases shows an electron microscope image of Group A Streptococcus (orange) during phagocytic interaction with a human neutrophil (blue). The same bacteria that cause simple strep throat sometimes trigger bloodstream or even flesh-eating infections instead, and over the years, dangerous cases have increased. Now researchers have uncovered how some strains of this bug evolved to become more aggressive.

estimates 9,000 to 11,500 U.S. cases of invasive strep occur in the U.S. each year, with 1,000 to 1,800 deaths.

Musser's team, including re-

searchers from Finland, Iceland and the U.S. National Institutes of Health, set out to learn why invasive strep infections increased in both number and

severity in numerous countries in the late 1980s, a shift that persists today.

The researchers mapped the genes of nearly 5,000 samples

from group A strep infections collected over several decades. They found some small genetic changes that allowed two strains to start producing higher than normal levels of two toxins that damage human cells and help the germ better evade the immune system.

It's kind of a double whammy. That means those strains can do more damage if they get deep into the body, and it's more easily spread because it lingers longer in the throat, Musser said.

Efforts to develop a vaccine for group A strep might try targeting those toxins, he said, and the finding also points toward molecular tests that could more rapidly diagnose if someone has a virulent strain. He wants to see more real-time gene mapping of bacteria, something his hospital's laboratory has begun, so that scientists can spot sooner when germs are evolving to become more aggressive or more resistant to antibiotics.

The work is part of a growing effort to understand why a variety of germs behave more aggressively in some people than others, so that public health specialists can better fight outbreaks.

"Especially in an era of increasing antibiotic resistance, thinking about bacterial infections in a different way is becoming increasingly necessary," said Dr. Ephraim Tsalik, an infectious disease specialist at Duke University School of Medicine, who also wasn't involved in the new research.

Parents face difficult decision when it comes to football and their kids

My nephew, a responsible, sweet-natured young father, reports that his son, 12, will be trying out for his school's football team this fall.

He and his wife are ambivalent. At every level, football is a rough game that demands the willingness to impose and endure pain — and injury — for the sake of victory. In fact, one index on a team's chances of success is its capacity to be rougher and tougher than its opponents.

So, in the nature of the game, virtually every kid who plays football is going to suffer some sort of injury, major or minor, long-term or short.

What's a concerned parent to do? On one hand, you can't swaddle your child in "bubble wrap." On the other, he really could suffer a life-changing injury. Yet from Pee Wee League to the NFL, our culture assigns the highest status to the football hero, an aspiration that a 12-year-old boy has trouble resisting. I suspect that many parents do what my nephew is doing: Hoping that good coaching and modern equipment will somehow protect their sons.

The dilemma reminds me of my brief football career. This wasn't in the pre-facemask era, but at least one coach boasted of never having played a

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down with a facemask. I think he was implying that only sissies would require such luxuries as facemasks. "Never sacrifice speed for safety," he said.

My parents were reluctant to give their approval, but eventually they relented. My mother's concern over my safety took a blow when a kid named Ronnie broke his leg in the first game. That was the end of his football career, and all through high school his gait was never the same.

In eighth grade, Freddie broke his arm; it was in a cast for a long time and eventually doctors had to "re-break" it so that it would heal correctly. In ninth grade, Brian broke his leg, and he spent a long time in the hospital.

I was a good player, but when I was a sophomore, a knee injury brought my career to an end. The effects of the injury persisted. For years I had a "bad" knee, now that the rest of my joints have caught up, it feels, more or less, normal.

I mention this brief history not because it's extraordinary, the

injury that never quite goes away is common in football.

And in some ways, Ronnie, Freddie, Brian and I were the lucky ones. We left the game with injuries that have only modest lifelong effects. Consider the case of Alex Pierscionek.

At 250 pounds he was a prospect for the varsity at his Chicago high school. One day he blacked out after a hard collision with an offensive lineman.

He woke up hours later in an emergency room. A couple of years later he's still suffering from headaches, depression, anxiety and suicidal thoughts, and his educational opportunities are limited.

But there's nothing extraordinary about Alex, either. His was one of 60,000 concussions that occur in high school football every year (the real number is probably considerably higher; the football ethic involves hiding injuries).

And a recent study from Purdue University indicates players can suffer significant mental impairment from "sub-concussive" injuries, the

ordinary wear and tear on the brain from getting hit in the head a lot.

So, parents, you face a tough decision. The game isn't going to change in any meaningful way, and efforts toward better equipment and more trainers are mostly window dressing.

But if you're still on the fence, consider the story of John McClamrock, as told by Skip Holland-

sworth in *Texas Monthly*, May 2009.

In 1973 McClamrock, 17, made an ordinary tackle on the opening kickoff for his high school in Dallas. From that moment until he died almost 35 years later, he never moved another muscle below his broken neck.

Unfortunately, his story isn't all that unusual, either. Diehard football

fans will not be dissuaded by what happened to McClamrock. But read his story before you decide whether your son should play.

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The sites will be open to patients who have advanced-stage cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure or AIDS and who have a prognosis of six months or less to live.

Hospice services available at the sites will include supervision and treatment from doctors, nurses, social workers and chaplains; temporary relief for caregivers; or respite care; routine home care; various forms of therapy and round-the-clock telephone consultations. Prescriptions and medical devices will also be covered, along with palliative treatments.

Medicare will pay the hospices up to \$400 a month per beneficiary.

The use of hospice services has grown steadily since they were first offered in the U.S. four decades ago.

Nevertheless, of cancer

patients enrolled in Medicare who died in 2013, only 47 percent had used hospice services, according to the latest data available reported on by the Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, the nonpartisan legislative branch agency that provides analysis on the Medicare program to Congress. The median length of stay for hospice decedents was 17 days, although the Medicare hospice benefit can extend for six months or longer.

Many hospice and palliative care experts say more people would choose hospice care were it not for Medicare's requirement that patients give up potentially life-extending treatments.

The either-or policy dates to the beginning of hospice care, which started as a grassroots movement to shield dying patients from invasive, painful and futile medical procedures. Because the operations were often expensive,

Medicare sought to restrict hospice eligibility to patients willing to forgo them.

But medicine has changed since then: Patients are able to better tolerate many life-sustaining treatments. Some treatments not only hold the promise of extending lives but can relieve painful symptoms.

The demonstration sites will determine whether a shift in policy would drive up Medicare's cost by covering medical treatment of hospice patients. But Tulskey of the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute doubts it will.

Patients who are expected to live less than six months already are expensive to care for, Tulskey said, and the additional cost of hospice care is smaller than many new therapies. If patients forgo burdensome treatment, he said, costs could be less.

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Hepatitis increasingly goes hand in hand with heroin abuse

By Patrick Whittle
Associated Press

MACHIAS, Maine — Public health agencies and drug treatment centers nationwide are scrambling to battle an explosive increase in cases of hepatitis C, a scourge they believe stems at least in part from a surge in intravenous heroin use.

In response, authorities are instituting or considering needle exchange programs but are often stymied by geography — many cases are in rural areas — and the cost of treatment in tight times.

In Washington County, at the nation's eastern edge, the rate of the acute form of hepatitis C last year was the highest in a state that was already more than triple the national average. The problem, health officials there agree, is spurred by the surge in the use of heroin and other injectable drugs and the sharing of needles to get high.

Ryan Kinsella's story is sadly typical. He was badly hurt in a rock climbing accident and became dependent on opioid painkillers several years ago. But when his prescriptions ran out, he sought drugs from the street, where he found heroin cheaper and easy to get, replacing one addiction for another. He's now recovering from hepatitis C.

"It's tough getting medical professionals to look at you as something that's not a junkie," said Kinsella, 33, who runs a bicycle shop in tiny Penobscot, next door in Hancock County. "There's a little bit of social stigma, and there's a little bit of 'There's nothing we can do for you' that's hard to hear."

Maine is undergoing its worst outbreak of acute hepatitis C since it started to record cases in the 1990s. In Washington County, the rate is about 6 cases per 100,000 residents, well above the national rate of about 0.7 per 100,000.

But the problem is not limited to Maine, by far. It has afflicted other areas where heroin use is a growing concern, such as:

■ Springfield, Missouri, where the disease is on the rise and police have already confiscated more than five times the amount of heroin as in 2013.

■ Madison County, Indiana, which had 70 new cases of hepatitis C in 2013, followed by 130 in 2014, and where health officials expect current rates to at least match or surpass last year's. (Indiana's Scott County is also grappling with an HIV outbreak among injection drug users.)

■ Massachusetts, where cases of acute hepatitis C grew from 10 in 2009 to 174 in 2013.

■ Large swaths of Appalachia. Kentucky leads the nation in the rate of acute hepatitis C, with 5.1 cases for every 100,000 residents, more than seven times the national average, according to 2013 data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Hepatitis C, which can result in liver failure, liver cancer and other serious complications, is the nation's most common blood-borne infection. About 3 million Americans are infected, according to federal statistics. It presents as either acute, or short-term, and chronic, which can last a lifetime. Both forms are most closely linked to needle-sharing, although hepatitis C is less commonly spread through unprotected sex or other contact with infected blood.

Nationwide, the number of cases of acute hepatitis C grew 273 percent from 2009 to 2013, the CDC reported in its most recently available statistics. Tracking similarly is heroin use; the CDC reported that the number of users nationwide rose nearly 150 percent from 2007 to 2013 and that use of the drug also more than doubled among ages 18 to 25 in the decade that ended in 2013.

More than 19,000 people died from hepatitis C in 2013, up from 16,235 in 2009, according to the



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Ryan Kinsella poses outside his bicycle repair business July 30 in Penobscot, Maine. Kinsella broke his back in a rock climbing accident in 2002. The accident left him with partially paralyzed legs. He is recovering from a long battle with hepatitis C, which he contracted by sharing IV drug needles. The rise of cheap heroin has brought a rise in hepatitis C. Perhaps nowhere is the problem starker than in Downeast Maine, which has the highest hepatitis C rate in a state with quintuple the national average.

CDC. Although the agency hasn't established a causal link between individual hepatitis C outbreaks and injected drug use, it notes that injected drug use is the primary risk factor for hepatitis C infection in this country.

Many local health agencies and health care

providers have made the connection or are confident there is one, and are allowing users to turn in dirty syringes in exchange for clean ones. But many states disallow the practice and federal funding for it is banned.

Madison County, in central Indiana, won approval

in June to run a needle-exchange program to fight the spread of hepatitis C among intravenous drug users. Clallam County, Washington, public health program manager Christina Hurst operates the local needle exchange program and calls it "one of the best interventions we

have for this prevention," and a key tool to prevent dirty needles from being discarded in public.

A rise in acute hepatitis C, which nearly tripled in Washington between 2009 and 2013, is due to "most likely the needle sharing aspect of needle drug use," Hurst said.

Maine's Downeast AIDS Network opened the only needle exchange program in Washington County about a year ago in Machias, the county seat, one of six such programs in the mostly rural state.

The AIDS Resource Center of Wisconsin, which also provides services for people with hepatitis, says it collected more than 3 million needles in 2014, up from a million in 2010.

Last month, a law took effect in Ohio making it easier for health departments to establish needle exchanges. The state had more than 100 cases of acute hepatitis C last year and the previous year, up from single digits in 2005 and 2006.

In Franklin County, home to Columbus, the capital and the state's largest city, hepatitis C was diagnosed in 1,369 people last year, up from 719 in 2010. A decade ago, it had zero cases.

The costs of prevention and treatment often fall

on public health agencies when many patients don't have insurance and can't pay. That can add up fast when just getting a diagnosis can be \$19, said Scott Stokes, executive director of the Wisconsin AIDS center.

Rural regions like Washington County and parts of Appalachia and the Midwest struggle with drug problems because of poverty, job shortages and the difficulty of providing care in a vast area with few large population centers, said Kenney Miller, executive director of the Downeast AIDS Network.

The virus differs from hepatitis A, which is spread person-to-person or via contaminated food or water, and hepatitis B, which is transmitted by bodily fluids. There are vaccines for hepatitis A and B, unlike hepatitis C, for which there is none.

New treatments are available, but they're expensive and out of reach of most of the rural poor who make up the ranks of the infected. For instance, Harvoni, the leading drug to treat hepatitis C, costs more than \$1,300 per pill.

Even so, the number of prescriptions filled for hepatitis C drugs more than doubled to a monthly average of 48,000 during the early part of 2015.

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MCS sweeps Trinity behind Pullen's efforts

By Will Korn
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Midland Christian junior outside hitter Kenzie Pullen left a positive impression on her head coach, Alicia Filyukova, after her team's first varsity match of the new season.

Pullen was one of the most threatening hitters on the floor in the Lady Mustangs' 25-14, 27-25, 25-15 sweep of Trinity, Tuesday at Beal Gymnasium. And she put her versatile game on display, as she tallied six kills, 14 digs and an ace in the match.

With the win MCS moved to 1-0 on the season. Trinity, which also fell to the Lee JV team in five thrilling sets earlier in the evening, dropped to 0-2 on the year.

Lady Mustangs 3
Lady Chargers 0

"Kenzie is just one of those athletic players," Filyukova said. "She's an outstanding volleyball and track girl and she just makes big athletic plays. She jumps high. She reads the hitters. Defensively, she reads tips. She's quick. She'll make some of the blocking plays. She's just one of those all-around players that you need on the court."

Pullen's aggressive hitting helped the Lady Mustangs to a hot start, as MCS scored five of the match's first six points. MCS built a sizable lead and while it made some mistakes toward the end of the first set, it had a big enough cushion to stomach

them comfortably and take the game, 25-14.

Trinity roared back in the second frame, especially near the end, when it crafted a momentous 9-1 run to take a 24-21 lead and get to set point.

Pullen said over the course of the second set, that her team's communication started to get out of sync. This led to a series of costly errors that pulled the Lady Chargers into the lead.

"I think our talking kind of got off," Pullen said. "We made a few mistakes, shut down and that brought the whole team down. Our passes were also off."

But after a quick timeout by

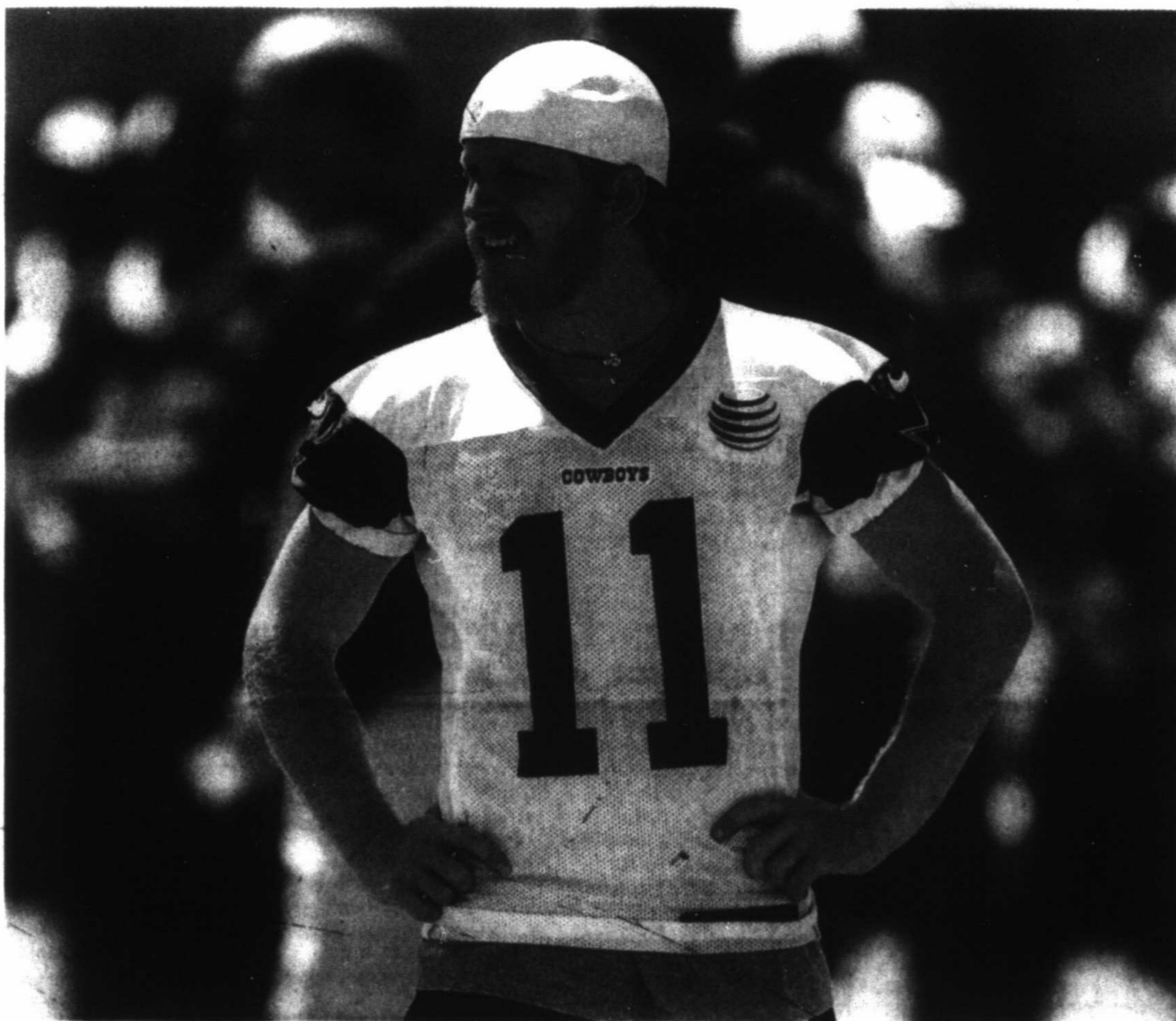


Midland Christian's Kenzie Pullen (3) hits past Trinity's Callie Herd (24) and Hilary Lanier (23) on Tuesday at Beal Gymnasium.

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Pulling his weight



Associated Press

On Aug. 4, Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Cole Beasley watches other players during training camp in Oxnard, Calif. Beasley's shifty moves draw loud cheers from fans at Cowboys training camp, and Tony Romo is noticing too. The 5-foot-8 receiver is showing why Dallas was willing to give him a four-year contract in the offseason.

Beasley proving his growing value to Cowboys

By Schulyer Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Cole Beasley has the security of a long-term contract and a growing bond with Tony Romo in the Dallas passing game.

Whether the diminutive receiver can get rid of the "paper boy" tag put on him by coach Jason Garrett is another question, even with a bushy beard atop his 5-foot-8 frame.

"He still looks like the paper boy," Garrett says with a chuckle. "You got to admit that."

For the record, Beasley didn't quit shaving to get his coach to quit calling him that. Doesn't bother him. The fourth-year player figures he will always be proving he's big enough to play in

the NFL. Frankly, he doesn't know any other way to play.

"They think I can't play outside. I'm going to try to do that. I'm going to try to do everything they think I can't, just to be a complete player," said Beasley, listed at 180 pounds.

Beasley showed up in several big moments during the Cowboys' playoff run last year and had career highs in yards receiving (420) and touchdowns (four).

His reward as a restricted free agent was a four-year, \$13.6 million contract with \$5 million guaranteed. Another \$2.4 million will be guaranteed just a few days into the new league year in 2016.

Not that he needed money for motivation, but Beasley has been one of the standouts of camp, drawing loud cheers

from fans with shifty moves that leave him wide open in passing drills. He's probably fourth on Romo's list behind Dez Bryant, Terrance Williams and tight end Jason Witten but is developing into a dynamic threat from the slot.

"That's the funny part," Romo said. "When Cole was here when he was young he was a mismatch. It just takes time for people to learn everything. He's a tough matchup. He took that mental step. Once he did it was game on to him."

The first thing Beasley had to do was decide he wanted to play in the NFL. He walked away from camp when he was a rookie out of SMU in 2012, saying he was quitting. But Garrett and the staff

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Woods comes to PGA with modest goal: get better

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

SHEBOYGAN, Wis. — Tiger Woods knows the concept of going through a transition, just not the numbers associated with this one.

His world ranking is No. 278. Throw out some of the past champions and the 20 club pros at the PGA Championship, and his ranking is the worst of all but two players at Whistling Straits — Nick Taylor and Darren Clarke.

He has not won a tournament in two years, and he has only one top 10 on the PGA Tour since



Woods

And while his winless streak in the majors is at 23 dating to the 2008 U.S. Open, only once in the last six years has he gone into the final round within three shots or fewer of the lead. That was at Muirfield two years ago, and he closed with a 74 to finish five shots behind.

This is the new world of Woods at the majors. Expectations are lower than ever. There wasn't a lot of talk about Woods winning the PGA Championship. His main theme was taking baby steps.

"I'm just trying to get better," Woods said after playing nine holes with Davis Love III. "I'm just trying to get up there where I can win tournaments. get my game organized so I can be consistent on a tournament basis where I'm going to give myself a chance to win each and every event I play in. That's what I have done over most of my career. And I'd like to get to that point again where I could do it."

Even if expectations are low, he is still Tiger Woods.

He had one of the largest galleries for a morning practice round at Whistling Straits, and he stopped to sign autographs heading to the next tee, which is unusual for him. Hundreds of fans stood below the steps of the media center when they saw Woods walk in, all of them holding flags for him to sign.

Woods, who turns 40 at the end of the year, made it clear at the Memorial (where he shot a career-high 85) that he was in this for the long haul. Different from past swing changes is that he is coping with what he keeps calling a "perfect storm" because the switch followed back surgery and recovery that cost him half the 2014 season.

Steve Stricker played with him two days at The Greenbrier Classic, where Woods tied for 32nd while posting his lowest 72-hole score (273) since his last win.

"He's going through some down times," Stricker said. "It looks like he's getting things pushed back into shape and he's getting stronger and healthier. I've talked to him. He's feeling better. And it's just about getting that confidence level back, him settling on what he wants to do with his swing and going from there, and then that confidence level will come back. ... I expect him to get it back and get it going again."

Still, it's odd for Woods to be at a major and attract so little attention.

The majors this year have been about Jordan Spieth, the Masters and U.S. Open champion who missed by one shot a chance at the third leg of the Grand Slam at St. Andrews. Still in play at Whistling Straits is a chance to sweep the U.S. majors, which has never been done.

Rory McIlroy, the world's No. 1 player, returns from an ankle injury that has kept him out since the U.S. Open. Dustin Johnson has had at least a share of the lead in four rounds at the majors this year and comes back to the course where a two-shot penalty on the final hole cost

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With Foster out, Blue prepared to step up for Texans

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Alfred Blue isn't daunted at the prospect of filling in for Arian Foster.

The second-year player is calm and cool about stepping up for the Houston Texans with Foster out indefinitely after groin surgery.

He believes the key to success is simple.

"You've just got to act like you've been there before and just own it," Blue said on Tuesday after practice.

Blue has been there before, starting three games as a rookie last season when Foster missed time with minor injuries. This time, it's a bit different because

Foster will miss a good part of the season.

The Texans also have Jonathan Grimes, Chris Polk and rookie Kenny Hilliard. They could also add another player to beef up the position, but for now it seems that Blue is the front runner to take Foster's place.

The 6-foot-2, 222-pound Blue did well in his limited chances last year, rushing 36 times for 156 yards in a win over Cleveland. He appeared in every game in 2014 and finished with 528 yards rushing and two touchdowns. He also had 113 yards receiving and a TD.

"It's a great opportunity to come in and start," Blue said.

Please see BLUE/4C



Associated Press

On Aug. 5, Houston Texans running back Alfred Blue talks with the media after an NFL football training camp practice in Houston. Alfred Blue had a solid rookie season in 2014 backing up Arian Foster.

'HOUNDWATCH



TUESDAY'S SCORE Midland 10 Springfield 6

TODAY'S GAME Springfield at Midland, 7:05 p.m.

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SECOND HALF RECORDS Midland 30-15 Springfield 24-21

Table with 5 columns: Sunday, Tuesday, Today, Thursday, Friday. Rows show scores for Corpus Christi, Midland, Springfield, and Tulsa.

DAILY RUNDOWN FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

- ON TV GOLF US Women's Amateur, 1st Round, 3 p.m., FS1. LITTLE LEAGUE WORLD SERIES SE Region Semifinal #2: Virginia/Tennessee winner vs South Carolina/Florida loser, 2 p.m., ESPN.

HIGHSCHOOLVOLLEYBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MHS SWEEPS MONAHANS

The Midland High volleyball team swept Monahans, 25-13, 25-7, 25-14 in a non-district match on Tuesday at home.

MIDLAND HIGH DEFEATS MONAHANS 25-13, 25-7, 25-14

Statistics for Midland High: Kills - Clare Lancaster 11, Misty Epley 6, Christen Beckham 3, Fernell Harper 3, Gentry Foreman 2, Sarah Nelson 1.

ment, Thursday

GREENWOOD BEATS COAHOMA IN THREE

The Rangerettes began their season on the right footing by sweeping Coahoma, 25-17, 25-22, 25-14, in a non-district match at Greenwood High on Tuesday.

GHS will face Midland Christian, Fort Davis and El Paso Montwood during the first day of the Monahans Tournament on Friday.

GREENWOOD DEFEATS COAHOMA 25-17, 25-22, 25-14. Statistics for Greenwood: Kills - Payslee Sims 8, Kaley Martinez 4, Kyndal Dove 4, Cally Payne 3, Maddi Ucak 2.

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LEE JV DEFEATS TRINITY VARSITY

The Lady Rebels JV team bested the Trinity varsity squad in a thrilling five-set non-district match on Tuesday at Beal Gymnasium.

GREENWOOD DEFEATS TRINITY 25-14, 27-25, 25-15. Statistics for MCA: Kills - Lizabelle Russell 9, Elteri Haest 8, Assaya - Alessa Beattie 11.

MCA TOPS KERMIT IN FOUR SETS

MCA defeated Kermit, 22-25, 25-15, 25-19, 25-19 to pick up a win in new head coach Lindsay Dunn's first varsity match with the program.

MCA DEFEATS KERMIT 22-25, 25-15, 25-19, 25-19. Statistics for MCA: Kills - Lizabelle Russell 9, Elteri Haest 8, Assaya - Alessa Beattie 11.

MCS

From 1C

Filyukova, the Lady Mustangs turned a corner and took the set, 27-25, capped off by a clinching 6-1 run. Fatigue appeared to be a factor for Trinity, which was playing its second match of the night.

After the match, Filyukova said she was satisfied with the win, but added that her team needs to cut down on some of the unforced errors it committed.

hitting errors into practice, work on that and just get better as a team." Follow Will on Twitter: @Will_MRT

MCS DEFEATS TRINITY 25-14, 27-25, 25-15. Statistics for MCS: Kills - Megan Ashton 8, Emma Holder 8, Kenzie Pullen 6, Maegan Thomson 5, Bayle Weaver 4.

Brownwood defeats Greenwood in tennis

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO - Brownwood defeated Greenwood, 13-6, in non-district team tennis at Lake View High on Tuesday.

Brownwood's Tyler Lengly, 18-16, in the deciding third set to win his boys singles match.

downed the Lions' duo of Tyler Lengly and Pablo Solis by an 8-3 margin. The Rangerettes did not record a win in either girls singles or girls doubles.

Boys doubles: Hall-Thompson, Brownwood def. Day-Hernandez, GHS 8-3. Girls doubles: Rector-Gomez, Brownwood, 8-4.

Daughter has new heart, and fighter has new hope

By Tim Dahlberg Associated Press

It's been a few months now, time that in the Cunningham household is best measured by the decreasing number of visits 9-year-old Kennedy Cunningham makes to the doctor.

Friday at the Prudential Center in Newark, New Jersey. "It was like the end of the world is happening in two hours or 10 weeks. There's nothing you can do to prepare yourself for that."

work out well and we were preparing ourselves for the bad as well as the good. We knew it was a possibility this was the last time we saw our daughter."

to come home for Christmas. A week later, she was home for good, a new heart from another young girl whose circumstances Cunningham didn't ask too many questions about.

TRANSACTIONS

- BASEBALL American League BOSTON RED SOX - Placed RHP Koe Uehara on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Saturday.

WNBA STANDINGS

Table with columns for Eastern Conference and Western Conference, listing teams like Los Angeles, San Antonio, Seattle, Indiana, Washington, Chicago, Connecticut, Atlanta, Minnesota, Phoenix, and Tulsa.

MIDLAND HUMANE COALITION advertisement featuring a photo of a dog named Buster and contact information: 4206 W. Loop 250, Midland, TX 79707, 432-520-3134 ext. 7.

Rockhounds vs St. Louis Cardinals Double-A Affiliate advertisement for Wednesday, August 12, featuring gates opening at 6:00 p.m. and a player photo packet.

MIDLAND TORONTO hit a solo home run in the top of the first inning to give the Blue Jays a 1-0 lead over the White Sox.



Associated Press

Minnesota Twins rush to Kurt Suzuki (8) as he scores the winning run on a double by Eduardo Escobar during the ninth inning, as the Twins defeated the Texas Rangers 3-2 on Tuesday in Minneapolis.

Twins double their way back to beat Rangers

By Dave Campbell
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Eduardo Escobar's two-out double in the ninth inning drove in the winning run, capping a late rally by the Minnesota Twins for a much-needed 3-2 victory Tuesday night over the Texas Rangers.

Joe Mauer and Miguel Sano tied the game with RBI doubles in the eighth, and Glen Perkins (1-3) pitched a scoreless ninth to pick up the win, just the seventh for the Twins in 23 games since the All-Star break.

Spencer Patton (1-1) quickly got the first two outs in the ninth. But he walked Kurt Suzuki before reaching the bottom of the order with Escobar, who grounded a full-count fast-ball down the right-field line. Suzuki scored easily and the Twins were able to smile and dance.

The Twins returned from a brutal road trip to Toronto and Cleveland when they went 1-6 and were outscored 60-27, pushing them into sixth place in the chase for two American League wild cards and prompting a players-only meeting in the clubhouse before batting practice.

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Gallardo gave up only two singles and three walks in 5 2-3 shutout innings, but needed 100 pitches to get there. Gallardo, though an important cog in a Rangers rotation stung by season-long injuries to Yu Darvish and Derek Holland, has completed six innings only once in his last seven turns.

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MLB ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

BLUE JAYS 4 ATHLETICS 2
TORONTO — Jose Bautista hit a solo home run. Drew Hutchison pitched seven strong innings and Toronto won its ninth straight game, beating Oakland.

ROYALS 6 TIGERS 1
KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Lorenzo Cain went 4 for 4 with a home run and Jordano Ventura pitched six scoreless innings as Kansas City defeated Detroit.

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

ROCKHOUNDS 10, CARDINALS 6
At Security Bank Ballpark
TOP HITTERS: Anthony Aliotti spearheaded Midland's offensive outburst by going 3-for-5 with two doubles, two RBI and a run scored. RockHounds right fielder Matt Olson joined in on the fun as he went 2-for-4 with two doubles, three RBI and a run scored.

TOP PITCHER: Midland left-hander Sean Manaea did not get a decision even though he allowed only two earned runs over 5 2/3 innings. Manaea struck out six Cardinals.
HIGHLIGHTS: Trailing 4-0 at the middle of the second inning, the RockHounds fired back with three runs in the bottom of the frame as Josh Whitaker, Aliotti and Nick Rickles all clubbed doubles. Down 4-3, Midland repeated the three-double, three-run theme in the sixth frame when Wade Kirkland, Colin Walsh and Olson each hit two-baggers, extending the 'Hounds' lead to 6-4. Midland broke the game open in the eighth as Olson swatted a two-run double and Aliotti added a RBI double during a four-run inning.

NOTES: Midland totaled nine doubles, still four shy of the Texas League team record set by Fort Worth versus Dallas in an 1897 game. All nine RockHounds batters reached base safely. Seven of Midland's nine batters recorded two hits.
TODAY'S PROBABLES: Springfield—RHP Arturo Reyes (7-7, 2.64). Midland—RHP Chris Jensen (7-9, 5.74).

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists standings for North Division and South Division.

Table with columns: Team, W, L, Pct, GB. Lists today's games for Springfield, Tulsa, San Antonio, Corpus Christi, and Midland.

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Royals refuse to coast with comfy cushion in AL Central

By Dave Skretta
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — When Ned Yost was the bench coach in Atlanta, he watched the Braves cruise to a few division titles with big leads by the time August rolled around. This year, he's learning how that feels as the manager in Kansas City.

After eking out a wild-card spot last year, the reigning American League champions had rolled to a 12-game advantage in the Central entering Tuesday night's game against the Detroit Tigers. In fact, there were more games between the Royals and second-place Minnesota Twins than separated the West-leading Houston Astros from the last-place Oakland A's.

The St. Louis Cardinals had a five-game lead in the NL Central, the second largest margin of any division. Otherwise, most races are wide open entering the final six weeks of the season.

"It's nice. That's good. It gives us some breathing room," Yost said, "but we still have 50-something games yet. Even though you have a big lead, you can't let your guard down for a second. Everybody is out to get you."

It would be easy for a team to relax with such a comfy cushion, but the Royals insist that's not their style. They quickly point out that they have not won a division title since 1985, the year of their only World Series triumph, and that anything — injuries to pitchers, slumps in their lineup — could send Kansas City limping toward the finish line.

ever happened was 1951, when the Brooklyn Dodgers squandered a 13-game lead in the National League, then lost a three-game playoff to the New York Giants on Bobby Thomson's infamous walk-off home run.

With a 12-game advantage after Monday night's victory over Detroit, the Royals achieved their largest lead since finishing the 1980 season 14 games ahead of the A's in the AL West.

The Royals never get too high or low, even though they remain one of the youngest teams in baseball. When they dropped three straight games last week, they quickly ended the skid with a win in Toronto. They followed the slide with a three-game sweep of the White Sox in Chicago.

"You try to do too much in this game, you can get a negative result," first baseman Eric Hosmer said. "I think over the course of our careers and going through the postseason, we've learned that you let the game come to you. You don't get so up for the situation."

Then again, there isn't much to get up for. The Angels and Orioles were the only teams still on the schedule with winning records entering Tuesday night's play.

Not that playing in first place should be all that strange to Kansas City by this point. The long downtrodden franchise has been atop the AL Central for 109 days, counting Tuesday, more than it had spent in first place in the previous 11 seasons combined.

Standings table for American League, National League, and Texas box score.

Today's games table listing matchups, times, and results.

Line scores table for various MLB games.

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Jets' Smith out 6-10 weeks after punched in jaw by teammate

By Dennis Waszak Jr.
Associated Press

FLORHAM PARK, N.J. — Geno Smith's hopes for a breakout season with the New York Jets took a major blow — to the jaw.

The quarterback will be sidelined at least 6-10 weeks with a broken jaw after being punched by teammate Ike-emfuna Enemkpali in the locker room Tuesday morning. Smith, entering his third season, will require surgery to repair the injuries. He hadn't yet

undergone the procedure as of late Tuesday afternoon.

"It had nothing to do with football," coach Todd Bowles said. "It was something very childish, and he got cold-cocked, sucker-punched — whatever you want to call it — in the jaw."

Bowles made the stunning announcement in an impromptu news conference before training camp practice was scheduled to start. Enemkpali, an outside linebacker in his second season, was immediately released by the Jets.

"It was something very childish, that sixth-graders could have talked about," Bowles said. "It had no reason for happening."

Neither Bowles nor a small handful of players made available to the media would go into detail about the incident, or if they knew what sparked it.

"This isn't a UFC match," guard Willie Colon said. "We're football players, not fighters."

Added cornerback Darrelle Revis: "I hold both of them responsible. ... But at the same time, you've got to

move forward."

Smith, who was having a good training camp, will be sidelined for the rest of the summer and likely for the first few games of the season.

The regular-season opener at home against Cleveland on Sept. 13 is five weeks away.

"Depending on how surgery goes, we'll see where we go from there," Bowles said.

Smith took to Instagram and posted a picture of himself sitting in a car — mouth closed and looking stern — and a simple message: "ILL BE BACK."

In a statement issued to The Associated Press by his agent, Enemkpali apologized to the team and fans.

"Geno and I let our frustration get the best of us, but I should have just walked away from the situation," Enemkpali said. "I deeply regret and apologize for my actions. It was never my intention to harm anyone. I appreciate the opportunity I had with the Jets."

Bowles said the Jets could add another quarterback, but veteran Ryan Fitzpatrick will assume the starting job. Bryce Petty, a fourth-round pick this year out of Baylor, and undrafted free agent Jake Heaps out of Miami are the Jets' other remaining quarterbacks.

Bowles spoke again after practice and wouldn't commit to Fitzpatrick for the rest of the season or to Smith reclaiming his job when he's healthy, but indicated that a player could lose his starting spot due to injury.

"If the other guy is playing well and the boat is going right and there are no waves and everything is going and we're 4, 5, 6, 7-and-0," Bowles said. "Yeah, you're not coming back to start."

Bowles, in his first season as coach, dealt with the news last month that star defensive lineman Sheldon Richardson

was suspended four games by the NFL for violating the league's substance abuse policy and then was charged with resisting arrest after a high-speed road race in Missouri 12 days later. Richardson could face additional discipline by the league for violation of the personal conduct policy once the legal process plays out.

Bowles and the Jets players insisted that there is no deep-rooted issue in the locker room that requires a change in culture, and this was an isolated incident.

"Well, this is a first for me," said center Nick Mangold, entering his 10th season. "The biggest thing we need to look at is to make sure it doesn't happen again."

Bowles spoke for about 2 minutes before heading to a meeting and then practice, but was clearly angered by the situation.

"The team knows this is something we don't tolerate, something we can't stand," Bowles said. "You don't walk up to another man and punch him in the face."

Smith has 34 interceptions and 41 total turnovers in his first two seasons, but new offensive coordinator Chan Gailey was impressed with his progress this summer. Smith threw the first two interceptions of camp on Monday, an impressive stretch that had the quarterback and coaches thinking positively about his prospects for the upcoming season.

Enemkpali had three tackles in six games last season after being taken in the sixth round out of Louisiana Tech. This is not the first time Enemkpali, from Pflugerville, has been in trouble for fighting. He was suspended from the Louisiana Tech team in 2011 after being arrested for an off-campus incident in which he was booked with disturbing the peace and battery of a police officer.

BEASLEY

From 1C

gave him time and space and he came back within a couple of days.

"I think about that every so often," Garrett said. "It's a great reminder to us as coaches to understand what these guys are going through. Sometimes I reflect back just in my mind to my experiences as a rookie and how big everything seemed."

Beasley doesn't reflect on it at all, and rejects any attempt to revisit it.

"It's irrelevant. It happened a long time ago," Beasley said. "There's a thing we live by in the football world is you have one play, if it's bad or good, you move on to the next one. That's kind of how I live it."

With the new contract, the Cowboys are trying to get their money's worth. Beasley has been prominent as a return man on special teams during camp.

He has a chance to be the primary punt returner after Dwayne Harris signed with the New York Giants

in free agency.

"I absolutely love him. Period," special teams coach Rich Bisaccia said. "There's no way to measure Beasley by what you see. Can't get inside him. Because if we did, that heart would encompass his entire body. He knows how to get hit, how not to get hit, knows how to finish."

All "paper boy" kidding aside, Garrett sees the same things.

"Right from the start he believed he belonged and he believed he could beat guys playing in the National Football League," Garrett said. "He was confident enough to beat them, beat them physically, beat them with his know-how, beat them with his awareness. Any surprises about him were three years ago."

As strong as he has looked in camp, Beasley isn't counting on a new batch of career highs. He believes it depends on a running game that is trying to replace NFL rushing champion DeMarco Murray. And it depends on his approach.

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"Last year I got my feet wet a little bit, started a couple of games. So I feel real confident going into this season."

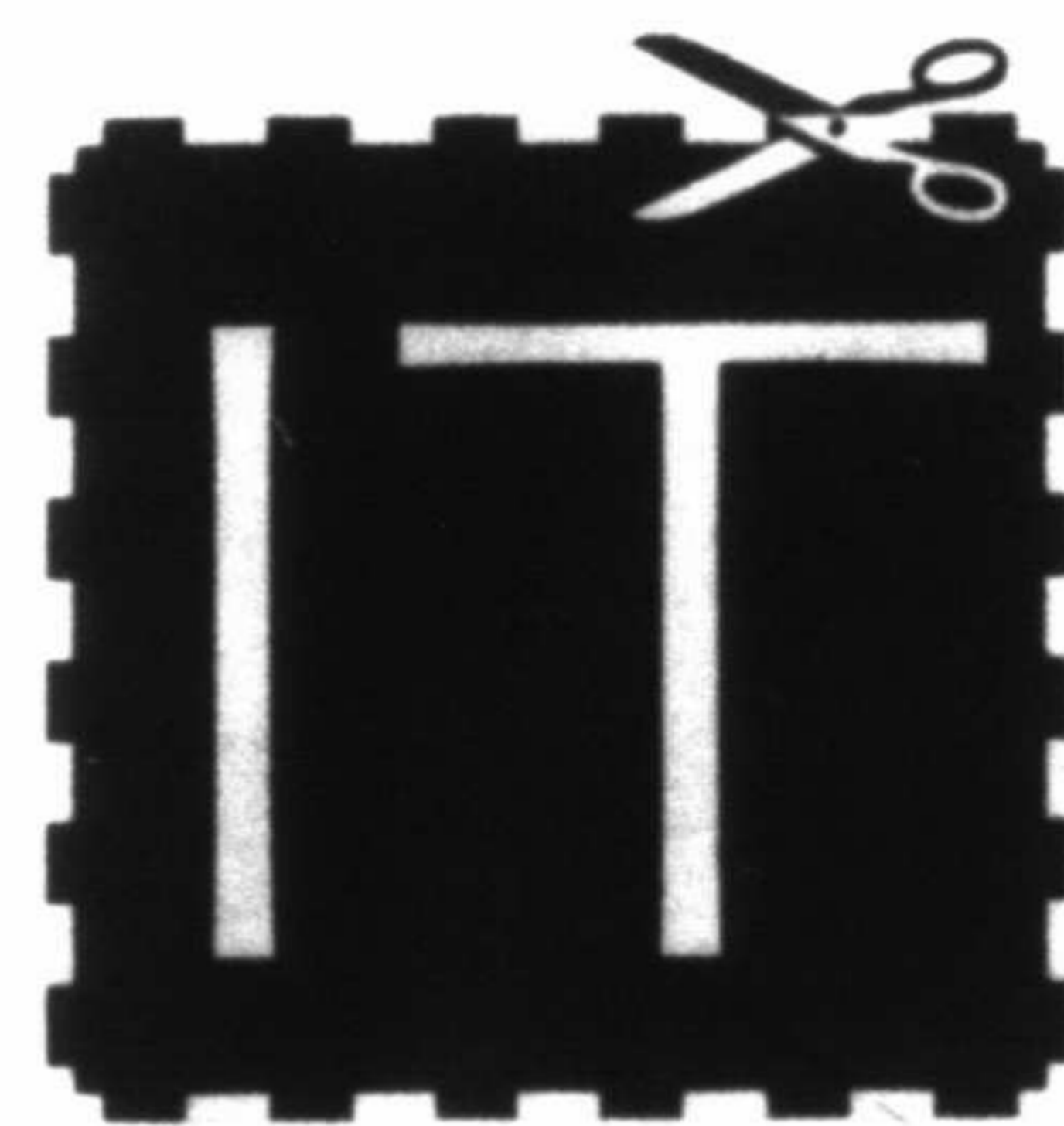
What helped most last season was learning from Foster. Blue said getting the chance to watch the way the four-time Pro Bowler did things every day was invaluable.

"Just sitting behind him and watching him play, getting the experience from a vet that's done it for years in the league ..."

Blue said. "Just learning from him and him critiquing me last year and this year. So that does help a lot by sitting back and watching an older guy that did it before you rather than just jumping straight into it as a young guy."

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KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7 News	Ent. Tonight	Big Brother	Extant	8:30	"Arms and the Humanch" (N)	
KWWT CW	5	14	9	14	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	A. Griffith	A. Griffith	Laverne & Shirley	9:30	Laverne & Shirley	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Masterchef (N)	Home Free	10:30	"Hammer It Holmes" (N)	
KMML IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mani Erfan	House Call	Update News	Dollars & Sense	11:30	Light of the Southwest	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NewsWest 9 at 6 p.m.	America-Talent Live	"Live Results 1" (N)	Robinson	12:30	Robinson	
KPBT PBS	13	13	13	8	Business	Scully the World	Nature	"River of No Return"	Nova	1:30	"Ben Franklin's Balloons"	
KUPB UNI	4	4	4	16	La sombra del pasado	Amores con trampa	Lo imperdonable	Yo no creo en los hombres	Noticias	2:30	Noticiero noct.	
KOSA MNT	16	16	16	Fam.Feud	Million...	Dead "Internment"	Dead "Live Bait"	News	Million...	3:30	Anger M.	
FLIX	340	575	185	(5:00) * To Wong Po...	(5:30) * * * * *	EdTV	Matthew McConaughey	(9:00) * * * * *	The Last Shot	(9:00) * * * * *	Johnny Siskind	
HBO	300	550	14	14	The Brink	(2:30) * * * * *	Godzilla (14, Act)	Elizabeth Olsen	True Detective	10:30	"Omega Station"	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(5:30) * * * * *	Two Night S...	Joe Yag Parole	(5:30) * * * * *	Into the Storm	Movie	
HBO5	304	552	16	102	(4:35) * * * * *	Get on Up	Detective "Omega Station"	LastWeek	The Brink	11:30	"That Awkward Moment"	
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:30) * * * * *	The Legend of Hercules	Kellan Lutz	Strike Back	(4:45) * * * * *	Strike Back	
MAX2	382	558	18	122	(5:10) * * * * *	Non-Stop (14, Thr)	Liam Neeson	(5:30) * * * * *	Kick-Ass 2	Femme	Femme	
PLEX	383	559	19	123	(5:10) * * * * *	Quicksilver	(5:30) * * * * *	Crossover	Tamer Werial	(5:30) * * * * *	Price of Glory	
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(5:00) * * * * *	Frequencies	(5:30) * * * * *	Last Vegas (13, Com)	Robert De Niro	Ray Donovan	
TMC	336	573	22	195	26	(5:00) * * * * *	Happy-Go-L...	(5:30) * * * * *	Song One	Anne Hathaway	(5:30) * * * * *	Idolwild (06, Mus)
ABC	27	58	28	35	47	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	Duck Dynasty	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:30) * * * * *	The Dark Kn...	(5:30) * * * * *	300 (06, Epic)	Lena Headey	Gerard Butler	
BET	58	-	-	-	40	Movie	To Be Announced	TBA	Nellyville	(06, Epic)	Lena Headey	
BRAVO	65	76	41	-	-	The Real Housewives	H.Wives "Girl Code"	Flipping Out (N)	Million Listing SF (N)	Watch (N)	Flipping Out	
CNBC	46	52	39	72	-	West "A Time to Grill"	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	Shark Tank	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	OutFront	A. Cooper 360	A. Bourdain "Detroit"	CNN Tonight	A. Cooper 360	A. Bourdain "Detroit"	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Airplane Repo	Airplane Repo (N)	Airplane Repo (N)	Land Rush (N)	Airplane Repo	Land Rush	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	KC Under Jessie	Friends "Friends"	Friends "Friends"	Monte Carlo	Selena Gomez	(5:50) * * * * *	Idon't (KC Under)
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	Baseball Tonight (L)	MLB Baseball Pittsburgh	Pirates at St. Louis Cardinals (L)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	Baseball Little League	World Series (L)	Arm Wrestling	Rookie	Rookie	NFL Live	
FAMILY	53	63	34	42	33	(6:30) * * * * *	Pitch Perfect	Kevin Wk	Kevin Wk	Job or No Job (N)	Pretty Little Liars	
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	Cutthroat Kitchen	Cutthroat Kitchen	Cutthroat (N)	Cravings	BeachEAT	Burgers	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Big 12 (N)	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Texas Rangers	at Minnesota Twins Site: Target Field	Rangers Live (L)	Texans Train (L)	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(5:00) * * * * *	Taken 2	(5:30) * * * * *	Oblivion (13, Act)	Morgan Freeman	Tom Cruise	
HALLMARK	54	71	58	34	-	The Waltons	The Waltons	Middle	Middle	Middle	Middle	
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Buying and Selling	Property Brothers	Buying & Selling (N)	H.Hunt	House (N)	Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pickers "KISS and Sell"	American Pickers	American Pickers (N)	(05) Woodsmen (N)	(05) Alone: Inside	American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	Little Women: LA "LA Safari"	Little Women: LA "Big Secrets"	Little Women: LA "Seattle or Bust" (N)	Terra's Family (N)	Terra's Family (N)	Terra's Family	
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	-	-	-	Poker Super High Roller	Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker	Poker	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Thunder	Talia	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	* * * * *	The Craziest Timothy Olyphant	* * * * *	Straw Dogs (11, Thr)	James Marsden	* * * * *	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Sein. "The Seinfeld Sponge"	The Seinfeld	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:45) Dick Cavett	Caso cerrado	Avenida Brasil	Bajo el mismo cielo	El señor de los cielos	Al rojo	
TELE	20	-	10	20	-	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	It's All Relative	It's All Relative	I Am Jazz	I Am Jazz	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Castle "The Double Down"	Castle "Inventing the Girl"	Castle "Fool Me Once"	Castle "When the Bough Breaks"	Major Crimes "Fifth Dynasty"	CSI: NY "Civilized Lies"	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Gilligan	Gilligan	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit	Suits (N)	Mr. Robot (N)	(05) Modern Family	(05) Suits	
USA	26	55	42	27	49	America's Funniest Home Videos	America's Funniest Home Videos	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	
WGN	19	85	-	-	-	America's Funniest Home Videos	America's Funniest Home Videos	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	

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Money game: Phil, Fowler, Spieth add spice to PGA practice

By Eddie Pells
Associated Press

SHEBOYGAN, Wis. — Jordan Spieth let out a very large "Whoooooo" after watching the 20-foot putt hit the bottom of the cup.

Sunday on the 18th green at the PGA Championship? Not quite.

But still very satisfying. And it wasn't even Spieth's putt.

Rather, it was rookie Justin Thomas making the long twister on No. 16 at Whistling Straits to give himself and Spieth a 2-up lead over Phil Mickelson and Rickie Fowler in their Tuesday best-ball match. Mickelson has been setting up these practice-round games — just for fun and a bit of cash — for years.

"It feels good for everyone," Spieth said. "That's why Phil gets them together."

Two-down with two holes to go, Mickelson and Fowler pressed Spieth and Thomas on the 17th tee box, setting up a new bet that covered only the last two holes. Mickelson responded by hitting his tee shot pin high, to 8 feet, on the 223-yard par 3, then making the putt for birdie to win the hole.

That set up some drama on 18, when Fowler drained a 20-foot birdie putt, forcing Spieth to knock one in from about 5 feet to halve the whole. keep the lead in the overall game and end up even in the betting.

Which, of course, is what really counts on days

like this.

"You don't want to lose and have to hand those guys whatever you play for," said Spieth, who goes for his third major of the season when the "real" golf starts Thursday. "There's a little bit of nerves strictly because of bragging rights. And also because it means something."

Nobody reveals the stakes. Suffice to say it's not a \$2 Nassau. The combined career earnings of the four players is more than \$135 million.

Thomas, a 22-year-old tour rookie making his second appearance in a major, has won only \$2 million of that. His entry into this game is another longstanding tradition of Mickelson's. In addition to getting sharp

for the grinding week ahead, Mickelson sets up these games to give the young players the taste of pressure — and, specifically, pressure in a team game, the likes of which they play every year on the U.S. side in the Presidents or Ryder Cups.

Anticipating the showdown with Mickelson, Spieth suggested last week that he might bring the U.S. Open trophy he won at Chambers Bay and place it on every green. It's the only major trophy Lefty has yet to win. "It's the first time I have something on him," Spieth said.

But it never came to that. Less is more, Spieth

said, when going against Mickelson, a Grade A trash talker who once made copies of the \$100 bills he won off Tiger Woods, drew smiley faces on them and placed them in Woods' locker, along with a note telling Tiger the Benjamins were very happy in their new home.

Woods

From 1C

him a spot in the playoff. Zach Johnson goes for back-to-back majors. Jason Day is trying to win his first after being in contention in the last two.

It's a long list.

And at the moment, that list doesn't include Woods. The greatest player of his generation, at the moment, is an afterthought.

Woods was going through swing changes during his two previous trips to Whistling Straits — with Hank Haney in 2004 (tie for 24th) and he

was just starting to work with Sean Foley in 2010 (tie for 28th). So it's not as if he has positive memories from this course.

"Tiger's game has been flat-lined for the last couple years, and we're starting to see a sign here or there that he might be able to orchestrate something at Whistling Straits," longtime friend Notah Begay III said. "But it's not a golf course that particularly suits his eye or his game."

Woods was in contention going into the weekend at his Quicken Loans National

until fading badly, but it was a step. Barring a turnaround, this likely will be his last event of the season. He is at No. 186 in the FedEx Cup, and only the top 125 qualify for the playoffs.

"I'm not looking at it like that at all," Woods said. "I'm just trying to get my game better for years to come. ... I'm here now in this position, and as far as my tournament future, if I play well, I play well and I'll play in more events. If I don't, then I have more time to practice and get ready for the following events the next season."

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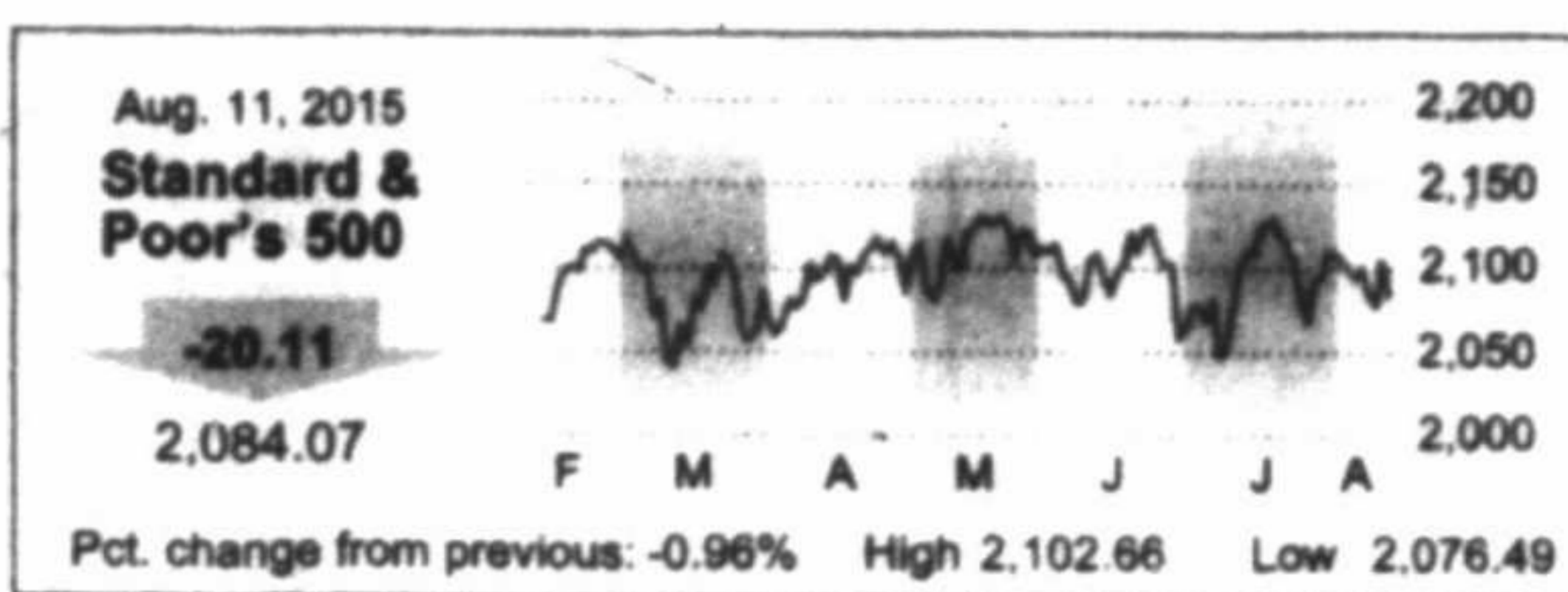
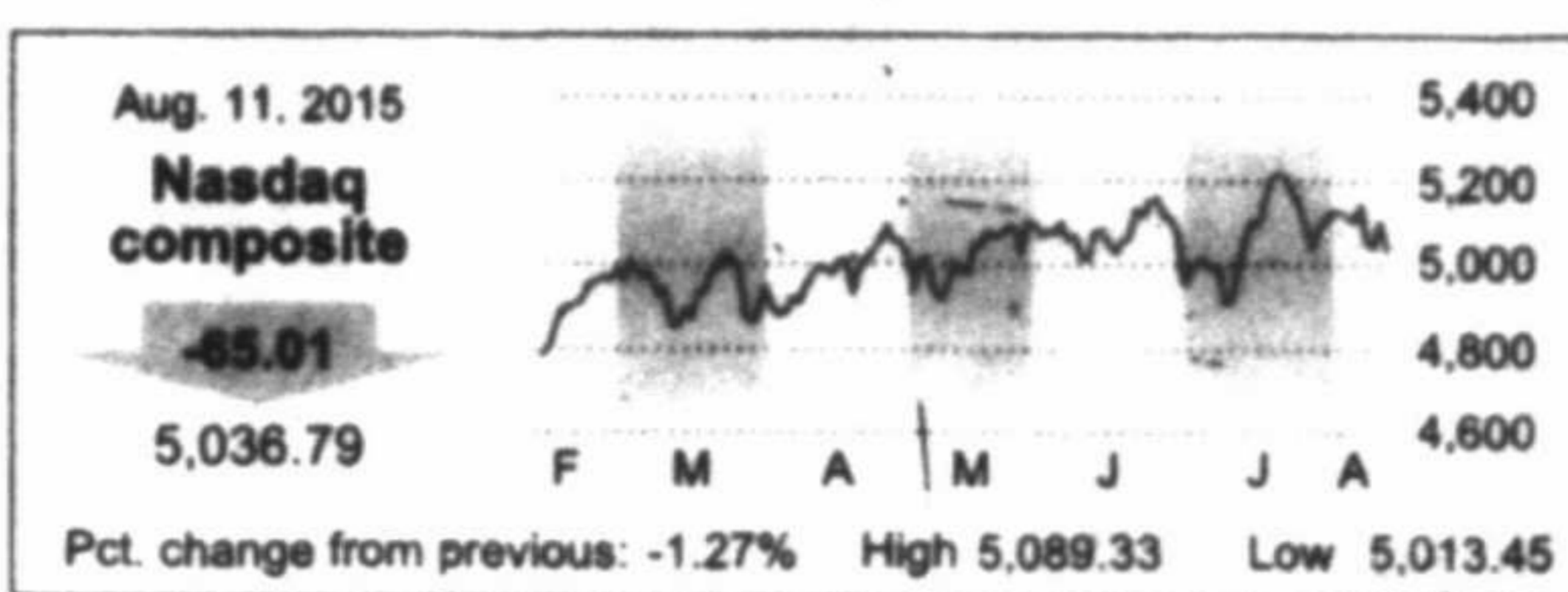
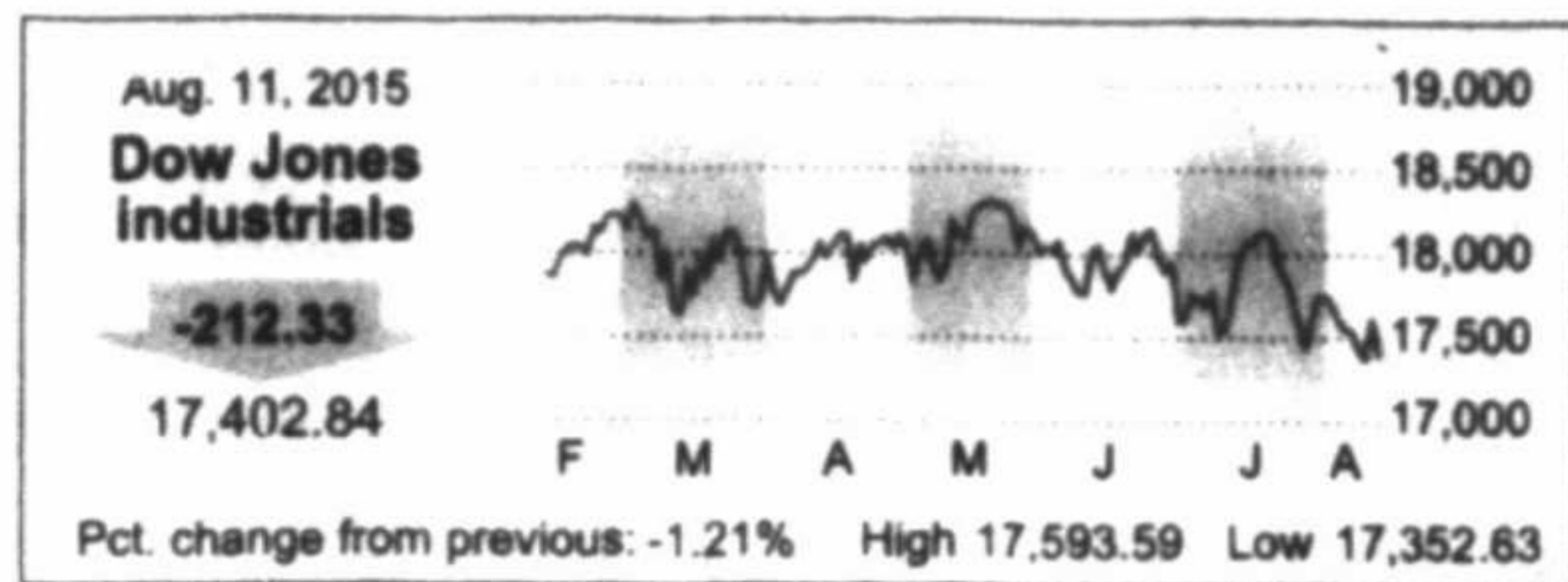
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A DAY ON WALL STREET



Midland wages still high, says Texas Workforce Commission CEO

By Rye Druzin
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Despite the fall in oil prices and Bureau of Labor Statistics figures that indicate nearly 2 million Americans are being paid less than the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an hour, Texas Workforce Commission CEO Willie Taylor said such issues do not often occur in Midland.

"We don't really get that many calls, simply because the wages were so high here and very few people even pay the minimum wage out here," Taylor said.

The oil boom that lasted until 2014 created a shortage of workers in the Tall City. Midland ranked No. 1 in the nation in 2013 for highest per capita income at \$86,574, according to the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis. Bridgeport-Stamford-Norwalk in Connecticut came in second with a per capita income of \$82,009.

Local businesses were forced to raise wages to stem turnover as employees moved around. At one point, Wal-Mart was advertising starting wages of \$14 an hour. "The wages have been so high here —

whether it's McDonald's or Bush's Chicken — all of those folks are paying above those minimum wages right now, \$9, \$10, and some are paying even more than that," Taylor said.

He said he was surprised this was still such an issue because many states have begun to move away from the federal minimum wage and have created their own standards.

"That minimum wage may be paid to some of your younger youth," Taylor said. "But most of your adult workers — states have gone to what they call livable wages, and they're definitely above minimum wage."

The current uncertainty about where oil prices are headed is creating worry that there could be real effects to the workforce soon, Taylor said.

"I think everybody's worried about the continuing impact. Is it going to be long-term or short-term?" he said. "We're looking at trying to come up with more training money to make sure that people are enhancing their skills rather than sitting back and not doing anything right now."

OIL PRICES

FUTURES

Tuesday: \$38.30
Previous: \$44.96

POSTED

Tuesday: \$39.75
Previous: \$41.00

WEST TEXAS SOIL

Tuesday: \$38.30
Previous: \$39.55

NATURAL GAS

Tuesday: \$2.844
Previous: \$2.842

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	%Chg
S&P500ETF1066339208	67	-1.90		-47.1
CSVLgCrde1057213	1.18	-12		-22.7
BioAm	64272	17.79	-25	-14.7
DuqdBul	590662	3.96	+21	+5.7
SHEMts	568779	36.10	-81	-2.2

GAINERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Alkerm	14.39	+4.81	+47.1
Terx	26.78	+4.95	+22.7
SeabGld	5.76	+74	+14.7
NwSEN pIA	6.75	+65	+10.7
Landaur	39.89	+3.83	+10.6

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Ernstnt	29.38	-15.83	-53.9
Yule	3.48	-1.12	-32.2
ChinaSolr	44.23	-8.79	-19.9
Intecon	48.93	-8.75	-17.9
SunEdison	13.35	-2.24	-16.8

DIARY

Advanced	Declined	Unchanged	Total Issues
1,186	1,963	84	3,233
45	161	25	323
3,643,278,270			

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	%Chg
BaroGSOI	56536	8.40	-27	-3.2
NwGold	49241	2.23	+07	+3.1
Organov	45433	2.63	-77	-29.0
CheniereEn	33684	69.00	-1.65	-2.4
SynthBio	29838	2.43	-32	-13.1

GAINERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Libertif	2.44	+30	+12.4
Medgen	2.50	+25	+11.1
EmerDrs	2.15	+19	+8.8
PathLong	173.54	+14.54	+8.4
UniqeF	14.25	+90	+6.3

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Orginovo	2.63	-77	-29.0
Dalsam	2.9	-21.6	-7.4
Novavax	4.77	-12.7	-2.7
SynthBio	2.43	-32	-13.1
CorMedix	2.86	-35	-12.2

DIARY

Advanced	Declined	Unchanged	Total Issues
166	215	29	410
2	42	2	50
85,308,856			

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE (\$1 on stock)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg	%Chg
Apple Inc	942242	113.49	-6.23	-5.3
PvShs	303254	110.14	-1.43	-1.3
Novavax	303926	13.99	+2.70	+23.6
Microsoft	279441	46.41	-92	-2.0
21stCFoxA	262681	30.05	-61	-2.0

GAINERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
VeriExn	2.45	+57	+23.6
Yodlee	16.20	+3.60	+22.6
Lipodine	17.37	+3.40	+24.3
Novavax	13.89	+2.70	+24.1
nTelos	8.99	+1.68	+23.0

LOSERS (\$2 on stock)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
TroveGt	3.38	-1.95	-57.7
WdAccept	34.00	-17.80	-52.4
AvTech	8.54	-3.48	-40.7
AscendCap	29.22	-11.13	-38.1
ImmuneDe	16.89	-5.86	-34.7

DIARY

Advanced	Declined	Unchanged	Total Issues
841	1,963	154	2,958
42	128	2	172
1,864,751,692			

Stocks, oil prices sink after China currency move

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A move by China's government to devalue its currency set off a sharp sell-off in global financial markets Tuesday as investors worried about the health of the world's second-largest economy.

China's government said the move to weaken the yuan was a result of reforms intended to make its exchange rate more market-oriented. However, most investors interpreted the action as an attempt by authorities to stimulate a slowing economy.

A cheaper yuan will benefit China's exports by making them less expensive overseas. The move triggered a wave of selling. Oil, copper and other commodity prices fell as traders anticipated weaker demand from China. That led to big drops in energy and materials stocks. Companies that derive a large part of their sales from China, like Apple and Yum Brands, also fell sharply.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 20.11 points, or 1 percent, to 2,084.07. The Dow Jones industrial average lost 212.33 points, or 1.2 percent, to 17,402.84. The Nasdaq composite index fell 65.01 points, or 1.3 percent, to 5,036.79.

The Chinese government allowed the yuan to fall 1.9 percent, the biggest one-day drop in a decade. In recent months, the yuan has strengthened along with the U.S. dollar, hurting Chinese exporters. China's exports fell by an unexpectedly large 8.3 percent in July. The yuan was valued at 6.32 per dollar Tuesday, compared with

6.21 per dollar a day earlier.

Yum Brands, the owner of the KFC and Taco Bell chains, was among the biggest decliners in the S&P 500. The fast-food company gets more than half of its sales from China. The company said last month that it was expecting a strong second-half of the year in China. Yum fell \$4.28, or 4.9 percent, to \$83.54.

Apple, another company that makes a lot of money in China, dropped \$6.23, or 5.2 percent, to \$113.49 and Wynn Resorts, which generates more than half of its revenue from the Chinese gambling hub of Macau, slipped \$2.39, or 4.3 percent, to \$54.36.

The price of oil had another big drop, closing at its lowest level in six years. Oil prices also fell after OPEC said its production increased to a 3-year high, adding further evidence of a global supply glut. U.S. crude fell \$1.88 to settle at \$43.08 a barrel in New York, its lowest close since March of 2009. Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils used by many U.S. refineries, fell \$1.23 to close at \$49.18 in London.

The losses for stocks Tuesday wiped out a large part of the gains from a day earlier, when the market logged its largest advance in three months as the price of oil logged a big gain and some corporate deal news boosted investor sentiment.

Investors shouldn't be too worried by the big moves in market prices, said David Kelly, chief Global Strategist at JPMorgan Funds, because the moves were likely being exacerbated by low trading activity during the summer months.

Hunt to acquire Oncor in bid to solve \$46 billion bankruptcy

FORT WORTH — Hunt Consolidated has reached an agreement to buy the Texas electric utility Oncor in a bid to resolve the \$46 billion bankruptcy and breakup of power giant Energy Future Holdings.

Dallas real estate and energy mogul Ray L. Hunt and his partners announced Monday they would buy Energy Future's power transmission arm and restructure the broader company into a real estate investment trust to save on taxes.

Moody's analysts said the deal could lead to customer rate increases because of "dismantling of ring-fence provisions and higher leverage" across the corporation.

A bankruptcy court could review the deal in October. It also requires approval from the Public Utility Commission of Texas and a ruling from the IRS that splitting Energy Future does not trigger a \$7 billion tax charge.

Gold gains, copper crashes, silver stagnant

Gold climbed \$3.60 to \$1,107.70 an ounce and silver was little changed at \$15.28 an ounce. Copper dropped 6.9 cents to \$2.33 per pound.

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Closing Price \$111.93 Up 0.17

Dawson Operating (DWSN)
Closing Price \$5.13 Up 0.43

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price \$70.87 Up 0.68

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price \$8.01 Up 0.28

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price \$2.33 Up 0.10

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price \$21.90 Up 0.39

RSP Permian (RSP)
Closing Price \$23.91 Up 0.11

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price \$9.21 Up 0.49

Viper Energy Partners (VNOM)
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Annaly	1.20	-	10.16	+09	+9.0		DTE	2.92	17	81.16	+52	+6.0		SandRidge	-	55	-04	-98.7		
Apache	1.89	-	47.89	-78	-23.9		Dalsam	-	1.52	-	-10.6		Schmbrg	2.00	23	84.36	-08	-1.2		
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FIFA picks Olympic veteran Carrard to lead reform task force

By **Graham Dunbar**
Associated Press

GENEVA — FIFA has turned to Francois Carrard, who helped oversee cleaning up the IOC after the Salt Lake City bidding scandal, to chair a group leading reforms of football's corruption-hit governing body.

Carrard, former director general of the International Olympic Committee, was chosen Tuesday to lead a team of 12 officials picked by the six soccer continental confederations, plus two chosen by World Cup sponsors.

The selection of new FIFA executive committee member Sheik Ahmad al-Fahad al-Sabah of Kuwait as a member of the reform team confirmed the IOC powerbroker's growing influence in world soccer.

By now including sponsors in

the project, FIFA acknowledged its growing anxiety since 14 people were indicted and four more made guilty pleas in an American federal investigation of racketeering and bribery in international soccer in May.

"It's a very big crisis," Carrard said in a conference call with reporters. "The objective is to get acceptable reforms to the world and to restore FIFA's credibility."

Carrard set a mid-September target for the panel's first meeting and acknowledged that a Sept. 24-25 meeting of FIFA's executive committee in Zurich was a "very tight" deadline to report much progress.

The Swiss lawyer served as the IOC's director general for 14 years until 2003, a period which included the scandal that led to the expulsion or resignation of 10 members connected to Salt Lake

City's winning bid for the 2002 Winter Games.

The scandal prompted the IOC to enact a series of reforms, including the creation of an ethics commission, the introduction of new term and age limits and a ban on member visits to bid cities.

Reform proposals being discussed for Sepp Blatter's successor as FIFA president and executive committee members include term limits, publishing their salary and stricter vetting of candidates.

Carrard's team includes three members of FIFA's often-discredited executive committee, whose seats could be voted on in future by soccer leaders worldwide instead of their home continent alone.

Amid skepticism by World Cup sponsors and FIFA critics that his task force would lack both inde-

pendence and figures from outside the world of football, Carrard said input from so many confederation officials was "an asset."

Though Carrard praised previous FIFA anti-corruption advisers led by Swiss law professor Mark Pieth for providing "pillars" for his panel, he suggested people from within the sport could achieve more.

"At some point these outsiders are sitting on the clouds. You have to be in the eye of the storm and moving the reforms with the people inside," said Carrard, who will call on some outside help.

Carrard will choose up to five people to form an advisory board that will review his reform proposals to the FIFA executive committee. Final approval is by FIFA's 209 member federations when they also elect their new president in Zurich on Feb. 26.

Blatter announced plans in June to quit, only four days after being re-elected for a fifth, four-year term.

Blatter said Carrard can "help FIFA to strengthen its governance structures in a credible and meaningful way."

UEFA President Michel Platini, the front-runner to succeed Blatter and inherit the reforms, said creating the panel was an important step.

"All of the confederations have picked their representatives based on their knowledge of football and governance matters, and we will now all work together for the greater good of the game," Platini said in a statement.

Platini's right-hand man at UEFA, general secretary Gianni Infantino, and legal director Alasdair Bell are on Carrard's team.

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The City of Midland, Texas, invites interested parties to submit proposals for the award of six non-exclusive rental car concessions at the Midland International Air & Space Port pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the proposals and contract documents. Commencing August 4, 2015, proposals and contract documents may be obtained at the Airport Administration offices on the third floor of the Midland International Air & Space Port Terminal, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday-Friday, except for scheduled holidays, or contact Justine Ruff at jruff@midlandtexas.gov to request an electronic copy. A Pre-Proposal meeting will be held at the Airport Administration Offices on the third floor of the Terminal Building at 2 p.m. on August 18, 2015. The deadline for this RFP is September 15, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

Legal & Public Notices

Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Mixed Beverage Permit, Mixed Beverage Late Hours Permit with FB and PE by Midland Sheraton Concessionaire LLC dba Four Points by Sheraton Midland, located at 5518 Starboard Drive, Midland/Midland County Texas. Manager/Member of said LLC is Sandeep Patel.

ATTN: READERS

Re: Advertising
It is against City ordinance to attach any notices or advertising matter to any utility pole. Please contact City of Midland Code Enforcement Office, 685-7410, for additional information

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters of Administration for the Estate of Howard Wade Waddell, Deceased, were issued on the 11th day of August, 2015, in Cause No. P18371 pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Kelli Diane Calverley.

Claims may be presented in care of the Executor of the Estate addressed as follows:
Kelli Diane Calverley
Estate of Howard Wade Waddell, Deceased
c/o Richard R. Fletcher
3525 Andrews Highway
Midland, Texas 79703

All persons having claims against this Estate which is currently being administered are required to present them within the time and the manner prescribed by law.

DATED the 11th day of August, 2015

Richard R. Fletcher
3525 Andrews Highway
Midland, Texas 79703
P O Box 8704
Midland, Texas 79708-8704
Telephone: (432) 694-3000
Facsimile: (432) 681-7345
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By Richard R. Fletcher
State Bar No. 07142500
ATTORNEY FOR APPLICANT

Legal & Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for **OPENWIDE BORE MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGING SYSTEM** for Midland Memorial Hospital

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital or after **Wednesday, August 12, 2015.**

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **12 (noon) on Wednesday, August 26, 2015.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled **"RFP # 1170-081215."**

Under no circumstances will faxed proposals from bidders be accepted.

All proposals must be price protected for a period of **twelve (12) months.**

All bids will remain confidential until after an award has been made. Vendors will then be allowed to review the bids in the purchasing office according to the policy/procedure of Midland Memorial Hospital. Midland County Hospital District reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive formalities.

Proposals shall be addressed to:
Rachel Hanna Jones
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LEGAL NOTICE
Application has been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a legal sale of alcoholic beverages including mixed beverages by Francisco & Veronica Mora dba Las Moras Kitchen to be located at 3701 E. County Rd. 190, Midland, Midland County, Texas. Officers of said corporation are Francisco & Veronica Alvarado.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

Burlington Res O & G Co-Midland, 600 N Dairy Ashford Rd, Houston, Texas 77079 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit amendment to inject fluid into a formation which is productive of oil or gas. The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Dune, Queen and Grayburg fields, Waddell, W.N. Lease, Well Number 275W. The injection well is located 10 miles NW of Crane, Texas. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3262' to 3511'.

LEGAL AUTHORITY:
Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the State-wide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P. O. Drawer 12967, Austin, Texas 78711. (Telephone 512/463-6792).

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Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 27, 2015
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 31, 2015
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 37 Case No. 0297516
Status/Permit No. 808260

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. (RRC Operator No. 665748) has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 9, Bk. N, HE&WT RR CO Survey, A-241, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC Field, UPTON County, being 20.9 miles NE direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted WITHOUT A HEARING if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protester should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at (512) 463-6848.

If you have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512) 463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 31, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC

Lease/Unit Name BROOK N-20B
Lease/Unit Well No 2H
Lease/Unit Acres 478.5
Nearest Lease Line (ft) 1.0

Lease Lines 236.0 F NORTH L 309.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines 2400.0 F SOUTH L 2332.0 F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s) Horizontal

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Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines 236.0 F NORTH L
309.0 F WEST L

Terminus Location
BH County UPTON
Section: 20 Block: N Abstract
Survey: H E & E T RR CO
Lease Lines 100.0 F SOUTH L
419.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines 100.0 F SOUTH L
2205.0 F EAST L

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) R 40 EXC: Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres

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If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, DAVID VINCENTI, at (972) 969-3935.

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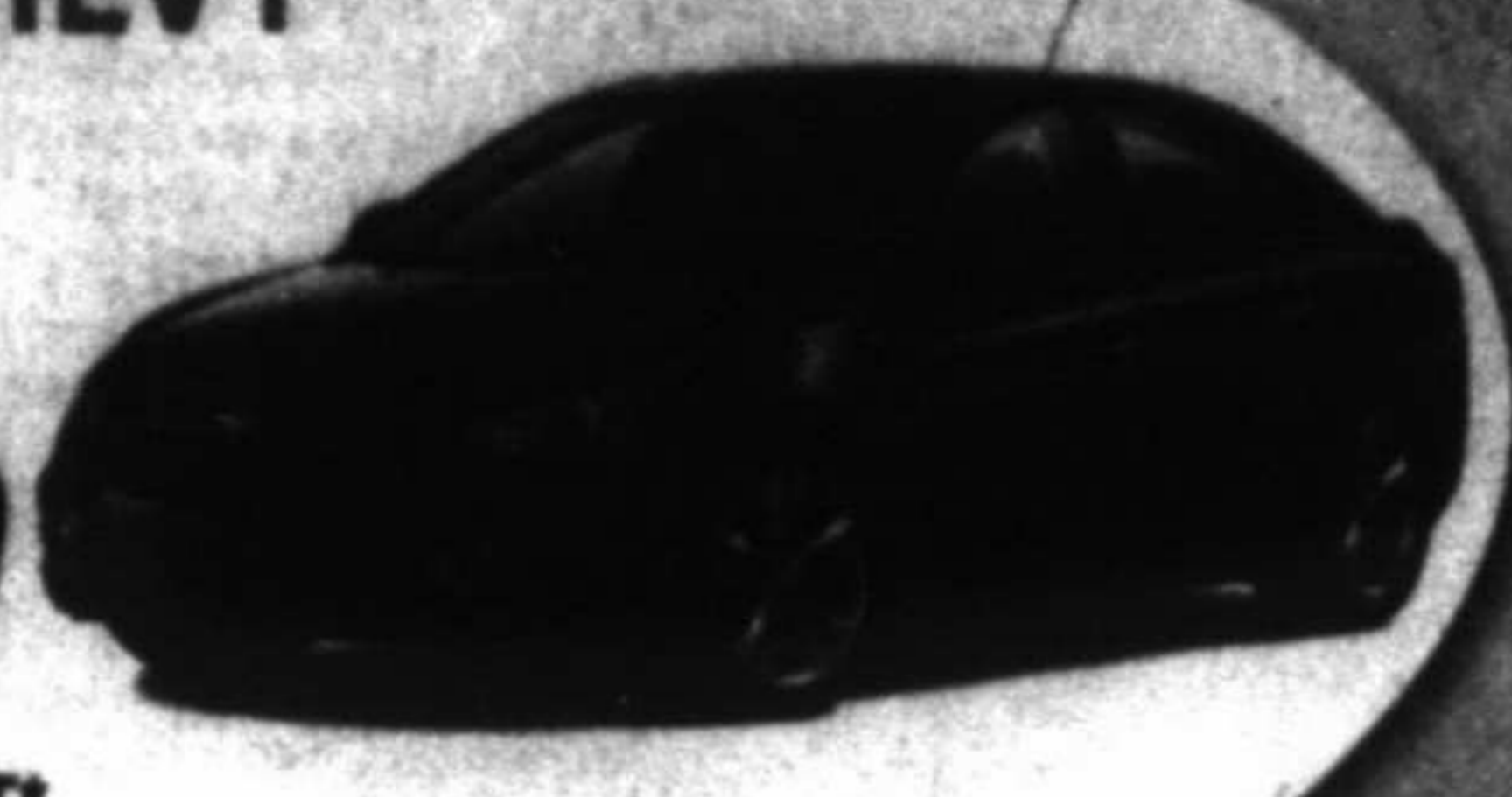
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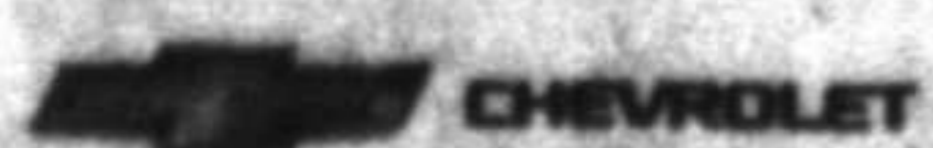
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