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Wedding businesses open doors to gay couples

Business owners say making people happy is good business, 'love is love'

By Rye Druzin
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After the Supreme Court's decision to legalize gay marriage nationwide, many Midland wedding businesses have said they continue to support and work with gay and lesbian couples looking to get married.

"We don't look against anybody who comes into our business, so there's no judgment at this flower shop. If they are same-sex marriage couples or heterosexual marriage couples, we will still be doing their wedding," said Flowerama management member Rodney Randall.

Business owners said that they had not yet seen an influx of gay couples coming to them to plan weddings, receptions or purchase wedding-related services. But some speculated that it might be the newness of the ruling and the ability to get married that is making newlyweds scarce.

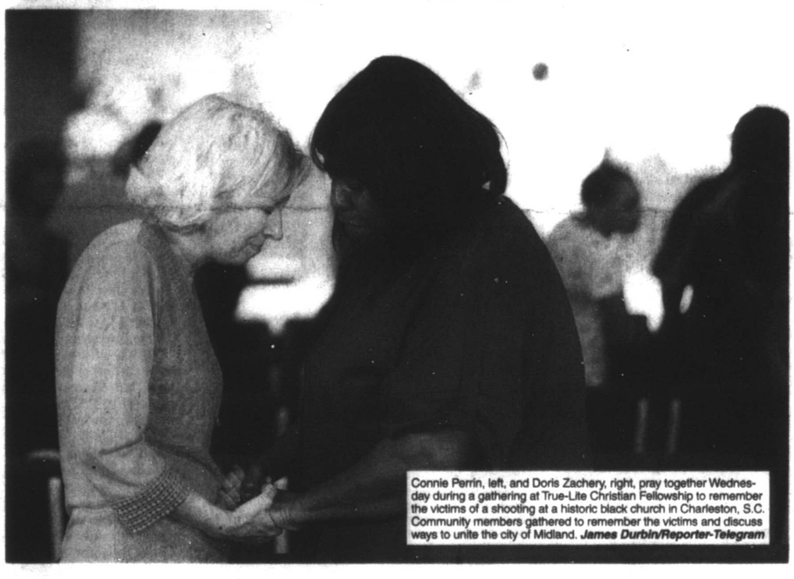
"It'll be real interesting to see if this is something that they're just wanting to just get it done with the (justice of the peace) ... or whether they want to do a full-blown celebration," said Boyd's Events owner Reed Boyd.

One business manager who said he would cater to gay couples brought up his own questions about the line of thought regarding businesses and their reaction to the gay marriage ruling.

"Would you treat me any different from how you would treat somebody else?" asked Shack in the Back manager Junior Alvarado. "Why would we treat anyone of those marriages any different from any other marriage?"

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COMING TOGETHER



Connie Perrin, left, and Doris Zachery, right, pray together Wednesday during a gathering at True-Lite Christian Fellowship to remember the victims of a shooting at a historic black church in Charleston, S.C. Community members gathered to remember the victims and discuss ways to unite the city of Midland. *James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram*

Church leader speaks about Charleston

From staff reports

Members of the community gathered Wednesday at True-Lite Christian Fellowship to pray for victims of the Charleston, S.C., shooting and discuss ways to unite the city.

Rev. Roy Smith of True-Lite provided his thoughts about the event, which attracted around 300 people, in a special question-and-answer.

Reporter-Telegram: What was the purpose of the community prayer event?

Rev. Roy Smith: The purpose was to draw our community together under the banner of Christian love. To demonstrate a cohesiveness, regardless of ethnicity.

Reporter-Telegram: The group that organized it is the same group behind other local prayer-centered events such as the annual Awake 7:14, correct? Tell me about the group and what it's hoping to accomplish in the community.

Rev. Roy Smith: While the people in the organization of this event are also part of Awake 7:14, the Awake 7:14 group was not the organizer. However, the same Spirit in which Awake 7:14 operates was the Spirit behind this effort. 2 Chronicles 7:14 says, "if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land." The name of the group itself is the indicator of what the group hopes to accomplish, bring God's people together, "to call on His name, seek His face, and turn from their wicked ways." This effort has in mind moving people of faith beyond prayer to the activity of building relationships across ethnic lines.

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Texas wants its gold back inside the state's borders

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Forget Fort Knox or the Federal Reserve. Texas has decided to start keeping its gold holdings within its own borders. But what makes sense politically in such a sovereignty-loving place is creating a logistical conundrum.

Texas is the only state that owns an actual stockpile of gold, according to public sector and financial industry experts — not just gold futures or investment positions, but approximately 5,600 gold bars worth around $650 million. The holdings, stored at a New York bank, for some harken back to century-old fears about the security of currency not backed by shiny bullion.

The Legislature's decision this summer to bring its gold cache home was hailed by many conservatives, and even some on the far left, who are suspicious of national government.

"There will always be the exact same amount of gold in there as the amount that was put in," no matter what happens to the financial system, said Republican state Rep. Rep. Giovanni Capriglione, a former tea party organizer from the Dallas suburbs who authored the gold bill.

But for the Texas comptroller's office, which has to implement the policy, the catch is that the new Texas Bullion Depository exists in name but not reality.

The law doesn't say where the depository would be or how it should be built or secured. No funding was provided for those purposes or for leasing space elsewhere. Further complicating matters is a provision allowing ordinary people to check their

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Ellington puts Houston one step closer to the stars

By Erin Mulvaney
Houston Chronicle

A new federal license and growing interest from aeronautics companies have moved Houston's Ellington Airport closer to becoming a Space Age hub where satellites launch, spacecraft land and astronauts train.

Several private space companies were on hand this week when a Federal Aviation Administration official presented local airport and city officials with the launch license abolishing Ellington as the nation's 10th federally designated commercial spaceport.

Fresh conceptual renderings show the former World War I training base transformed into a futuristic campus with sleek terminals, corporate hangars and spacious grounds around the runways where spacecraft are parked.

"This represents the future of Houston, not just the past," Mayor Annise Parker said during a ceremony at the Hobby Center for the Performing Arts. "This is one small step. ... It's an important step for Houston."

Her words echoed a time when space innovation in the U.S. was at its height and much of the action centered around Houston. President John F. Kennedy first promised to put a man on the moon in a speech on Rice University's campus in 1962. Now, as interest in space industry has waxed and waned over the decades in both the city and country, the latest evolution will likely be built on the back of the small but growing private space sector and those who envision space tourism and advanced manufacturing.



Associate Administrator for FAA Commercial Space Transportation Dr. George C. Nield, left, presents Houston Mayor Annise Parker and Houston Aviation Director Mario Diaz, right, with a Launch Site License on Tuesday from the Federal Aviation Administration to enable Ellington Airport to establish itself as a launch site for Reusable Launch Vehicles in Houston. *Houston Chronicle*

"While this process has been fraught with numerous disappointments and setbacks, now we will use space for the betterment of humanity on earth," said Houston Airport System Director Mario Diaz.

Two years after City Council approved the Houston Airport System's plan to convert industrial Ellington into a commercial spaceport, industry is responding.

Sierra Nevada's Space Systems announced earlier this year that it hopes to land its Dream Chaser — a spacecraft that looks like a small version of the space shuttle and is designed to carry humans — on Ellington's runways. Sierra Nevada was dealt a setback last year when NASA chose Boeing and SpaceX as its providers to deliver humans to the International Space Station by the end of 2017.

On Tuesday, Diaz said the airport was close to signing a similar agreement with Boeing.

Boeing, United Technologies and Integrated Spaceflight Services all sent representatives to the Ellington announcement.

Also present was Intuitive Machines, a young Houston company developing technology with applications in aerospace, medicine and energy.

Terrestrial Return Vehicle

Steve Altemus, president of Intuitive Machines, said he plans to bring his company to Ellington as an "anchor tenant." He said it is developing a Terrestrial Return Vehicle that will be capable of returning from space and landing at the spaceport.

"I see the spaceport as a campus to attract high-tech businesses for the purpose of advancing technology and developing and emerging space culture right here in Houston," Altemus said.

George Nield, associate administrator for FAA Commercial Space Transportation, said the history of space in the U.S. has historically been led by the moves from the federal government, but that is changing.

"Private industry now plays a leading role," Nield said. He said multiple companies could soon be offering flights on a regular basis to space and the way the U.S. thinks about spaceflight could fundamentally change.

Once completed, Ellington Airport would likely include vehicle manufacturing capabilities, an aviation museum, terminal facility, office complexes for aerospace companies and campuses for educational institutions.

Airport officials declined to specify a timeline and price tag for the ambitious project, though they said upfront costs, including a feasibility study and the application, were less than $750,000. A previous feasibility study conducted by the system found it would cost $48 million to $122 million to equip Ellington for landing small space vehicles on a regular basis. The actual cost will depend on the private companies that plan to work with the airport.

State and local governments have so far had mixed success with their spaceport initiatives.

New Mexico invested more than $200 million in Spaceport America, built in the southeastern part of the state, for Virgin Galactic. The sparkling facility opened in 2011 but has since sat empty, as Virgin Galactic has been unable to finalize the design of its suborbital space plane.

In Texas, Midland invested $10 million to lure another commercial space company, XCOR, which could test fly its Lynx spacecraft within the next year. However, that company won't fly tourists from Midland, preferring more scenic flights over the east and west coasts.

Like both of those spaceport facilities, rockets wouldn't be launched from Ellington, but eventually it could see the take off and landing of airplane-like spacecraft from runways.

Oil rig count turns upward

Editor's Note: Trevor Hawes' oil rig report returns to the Reporter-Telegram this week

By Jórdan Blum
Houston Chronicle

The number of U.S. rigs drilling for oil increased for the first time this year.

The nation added 12 actively drilling oil rigs this past week after 29 consecutive weeks of declines, including several weeks of small decreases, which had indicated the streak of rigs being taken offline was nearing its end.

The overall rig count, however, grew by only three because nine rigs drilling mostly for gas were taken out of service, according to data from oil services provider Baker Hughes. That is a switch from the previous week, when three oil rigs were lost but the gas-focused rigs increased by five.

"I think the meaningful component is, over the last two weeks, we've seen a bottom," said Marshall Adkins, director of energy research at Raymond James in Houston, "and it's trending up."

Adkins cautioned that he expects to see only a small uptick of 50 more rigs or so added throughout the second half of the year.

"Just small additions and, frankly, not a lot of upside for oil — maybe a few bucks," he said.

There were no major shifts in certain parts of the country. The rig count increased by three in the Eagle Ford Shale and grew by one in the Permian Basin, the Baker Hughes count found.

The first increase in oil rigs came in the same week that oil prices took their biggest single-day drop in two months on Wednesday, in response to increased U.S. inventories and another production hike from members of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries.

After oil closed at $56.96 on Wednesday, the price jumped early Thursday but then sagged in the afternoon and closed down 3 cents for the day at $56.93. That is the lowest since April 22.

The U.S. benchmark for oil had hovered around $60 a barrel since late April.

The total U.S. rig count is at 862 this past week, according to Baker Hughes, while the oil rigs count jumped to 640. The number of active oil rigs is still far below the October peak of 1,609.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration had projected U.S. oil production would fall for the first time this year in June.

Ed Hirs, a University of Houston energy economist, said some of the small increase in rig counts can be attributed to lower oil field services costs and to lease requirements that require activity to maintain the agreements. The weather also is becoming more favorable, he said.

But oil production will not necessarily go up with the rig count, Hirs said, because a lot of the wells drilled are not being completed or hydraulically fractured. Another caveat is that oil companies are drilling more wells per rig as technology and efficiencies have improved, he said.

Although oil futures were down, natural gas prices got a lift when a government report showed a smaller-than-expected gain in the amount of gas in storage.

Benchmark natural gas futures, for delivery at Louisiana's Henry Hub, closed up 3.9 cents at $2.822 per million British thermal units on Thursday after the release of the U.S. Energy Information Administration weekly storage report.

Analyst Tim Evans of Citi Futures called the gains fleeting in a note to clients: "While constructive, we don't see the market as driving significant support from the report, as the outlook for upcoming reports will still feature a swing back to above average injections."

Will gay marriage benefit Texas economy?

By Sheryl Jean
The Dallas Morning News

Same-sex marriage comes with a fringe benefit: It will pump a lot of money into the Texas economy as couples plan their weddings and guests visit from other places.

It's possible after the recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling that same-sex marriage is legal in all 50 states and Washington, D.C.

Marriage by 23,200 same-sex couples in the first three years could generate at least $182 million in total spending in Texas, estimated the Williams Institute on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Law and Public Policy in a report last year. That amount is based on wedding, tourism and sales tax revenue.

Nationwide, same-sex marriages will lead to $2.6 billion in total spending in the first three years, the Los Angeles-based institute projected.

And one of the report's co-authors thinks the economic impact to Texas and other states could be higher.

"We estimated a pretty conservative percentage of couples who would want to get married in the first three years, and I think that has increased," said M.V. Lee Badgett, research director for the Williams Institute. In addition, the estimated economic impact did not include fee revenue from marriage licenses, she said.

After the ruling, most Texas counties said they would abide by federal law and issue same-sex marriage licenses to anyone who requests one. Collin, Dallas, Denton and Tarrant counties are issuing licenses, but many are not because of religious objections or because they're awaiting state guidance or software updates.

"Dallas has always been a healthy market for (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) visitors," said Frank Librio, spokesman for the Dallas Convention and Visitors Bureau. "We expect that to increase. We welcome that and look forward to it."

Some North Texas businesses have high hopes for same-sex weddings.

"With open arms, we welcome them," Robin Flach, president of Di Fiori floral service in Dallas, said of gay couples wanting to tie the knot.

Di Fiori has designed floral arrangements for four gay couples' commitment ceremonies in the last four years, Flach said. Just three weeks ago, it supplied yellow and white hydrangeas and snapdragons for such a ceremony in Dallas.

Flach expects to see many more same-sex weddings. Di Fiori's average bill is about $3,000 for a wedding, she said.

Same-sex couples typically spend about a quarter of the money heterosexual couples spend on a wedding, the Williams Institute's Badgett said. That's because they may not have access to family resources or they may have had previous ceremonies and parties to honor their relationship, she said.

Still, most soon-to-be-married couples will buy rings, clothes, flowers, catered meals and other services. Their out-of-town guests also will spend money on lodging, food and entertainment.

Such spending can boost local and state tax revenue and help support local jobs. In Texas, the Williams Institute projects, same-sex marriages will generate $14.8 million in local and state sales tax revenue and support 523 to 1,570 jobs within three years.

Those estimates are based on half of the 46,401 same-sex couples — based on the 2010 U.S. census, the latest data available — in Texas getting married.

Dallas wedding planner Kimberly Rhodes has never arranged a same-sex wedding, but she's looking forward to her first one.

"I used to live in New York City, and coming to a more conservative state, this is super exciting," Rhodes, of Hitched Events, said about the ruling. "I'm just excited about the opportunity, to be honest, to expand to a new market."

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Paula Barnett, president of the Permian Basin Bridal Association which represents local wedding businesses, said that the association already supported gay couples before the ruling.

"Three years ago, we changed our bylaws to include (gay couples), although it wasn't legal in the state of Texas, there were still civil unions and we embraced that and made accommodations for that," said Barnett, who also owns her own floral and event company.

Pastry chef Christine D'Angeli, who owns SLiCE Cake Designs and has competed multiple times on the Food Network, believes individual businesses do have a right to make their own decisions about who they will serve, but, for her, the choice is clear.

"As a person who owns a private business, you know I'm not publicly owned. I think people should be able to, I guess, make their own decisions about their business," she said. "Now that being said, I wouldn't turn away a customer because of their religious beliefs or sexual beliefs. I just think love is love, and I'm in the business to make people happy, and we're celebrating something."

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Texas hosts companies finding economic opportunities in space

THE ECONOMIST



By M. Ray Perryman

Throughout history, space has intrigued mankind. Ancient monuments are aligned with the sun, moon, and stars. Navigators throughout history have studied the stars to find their way across oceans. Artists, poets, and authors have been inspired by the beauty of celestial bodies. Those of my generation were riveted to television sets as children to watch the progression from brief ventures into the unknown, to orbits of the earth, to landing on the moon. Over the past few decades, space exploration and the associated government-funded research process has generated thousands of discoveries which enhance our daily lives. More recently, the private sector has taken a larger role, and commercial space ventures are growing in importance.

Space programs and the supporting research and development projects have led to technological advances improving lives every day. In the area of health and wellness, National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)-supported discoveries have resulted in better endoscopes, an app to aid sleep, algae-derived supplements loaded with bio-available Docosahexaenoic Acid (DHA) to enhance human health, and devices to improve injury recovery and vision. Airplane fuel efficiency can be boosted while reducing noise through NASA-related findings. The agency's huge databank of earth imaging is being used to identify underground sources of water.

NASA-related technologies in consumer goods also abound, ranging from speakers incorporating magnetized fluid for better sound to a device to improve your golf swing. An air scrubber developed to allow astronauts to grow food in space can be installed in your home to reduce odors and germs. Special Light Emitting Diode (LED) lights developed to help astronauts rest better are now installed in hotels, resorts, and other place to help guests feel more rested. There are countless additional examples of commercialization of discoveries; for a look, go to NASA's spinoff website (spinoff.nasa.gov). In addition to enhancing quality of life, these discoveries have resulted in economic growth, productivity enhancement, and the development of entire industries in some cases.

The decades-long space program is also the foundation for the emergence of private-sector efforts. The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) established its Office of Commercial Space Transportation in the mid-1980s to oversee the development of the industry. Accordlng to the FAA's year in review report for 2014, the United States, Russia, Europe, China, Japan, India, Israel, and multinational provider Sea Launch conducted a total of 92 orbital launches, up from 81 in 2013. Of these, 23 were commercial, with 11 of them in the United States. NASA used commercial services for five missions to resupply the International Space Station. In addition, private-sector firms were hired to launch payloads for clients including various types of satellites.

With the commercialization of launching payloads and the associated decline in costs, possibilities are opening up for nations without space programs and additional corporate clients. For example, smaller countries now have a greater capacity to launch and use satellites for communications and other needs. The private sector is developing ways to use data collected from space for a number of purposes ranging from counting cars in parking lots to assess shopper patterns to determining when corn is likely to ripen.

Another area on the verge of reality is the ability to purchase a ticket for a flight in space. Only about 550 people have actually gone to space over the decades of space exploration, but that figure is likely to increase notably once commercial space flights are available. Companies such as XCOR Aerospace, Blue Origin, and Virgin Galactic have developed vehicles which can take passengers into space, return and land, and be reused with minimal refurbishing. The cost is high ($100,000 to $250,000 for a few minutes of time in space), but I have no doubt that it would be an incredible experience and there are doubtless people who could and would pay the price. While this segment of the industry may not at first glance seem as likely to result in spinoff technologies, research and development to ensure the safety, comfort, and convenience of passengers will doubtless benefit all astronauts as well as travelers of other types.

With a large NASA presence in Houston, Texas has long been a center for space-related activity. The FAA issued a commercial spaceport license to Midland International Airport last fall, the first time an airport with regular passenger air service has also been cleared to host spaceships. XCOR Aerospace is establishing a research and development presence in Midland and plans to use Midland's airport to launch its commercial spaceflights. SpaceX develops and tests rockets in McGregor, has an office in Houston, and is building a launch facility near Brownsville. Blue Origin is backed by Amazon.com founder Jeff Bezos and has its launchpad near Van Horn in far west Texas. There are many other companies also locating space-related facilities in the Lone Star State, and the economic impact of these firms continues to grow.

Space (and the idea of exploring space) has fascinated mankind for centuries. Now, thanks to decades of government funded research and the transfer of thousands of discoveries and ideas into the private sector, space travel and exploration is being commercialized. The result is thousands of jobs, billions in investment, enhanced quality of life and productivity, and much more.

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Tips on not getting bugged by pest control

HEATHER MASSEY

Regional Director for the Permian Basin office of Better Business Bureau

Living in a hot and humid state like Texas means you have probably encountered a few spiders, a trail of ants or an occasional cockroach in your home. Unfortunately, the occasional "home invader" could become more frequent thanks to weeks of constant rainfall and flooding.

In the summertime, ants tend to be the biggest problem. The hotter weather causes them to enter homes and businesses in search of water and food. They generally get in through tiny gaps in bricks, around windows and through other holes and cracks. Also, don't be surprised if you see more spiders and cockroaches than usual — these insects come out of the woodwork after rain. If your home is in or near a wooded area, fleas and ticks could be a problem.

If your home is seeing more pests than usual, it may be time to call a pest control service business. In 2014, BBB received more than 4,000 complaints against pest control services nationwide. Many complaints alleged they paid for services that were not provided, extermination attempts were ineffective and companies hid high cancellation fees.

To prevent pests, your Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas and the Permian Basin recommends:

■ Store food in sealed plastic or glass containers. According to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), consumers should try to remove sources of food, water and shelter that attract pests. Garbage containing food scraps should be sealed tightly; remove garbage regularly.

■ Fix leaky plumbing. Don't let water accumulate in trays under your house, plants or refrigerator. Also, don't leave pet food and water out overnight, as it could attract rodents and ants.

■ Get rid of clutter. While this is sometimes hard to avoid, especially in your garage, clutter provides places where pests can enter, hide or even make a home. Cover any holes with wire mesh and caulk cracks and crevices around cabinets or baseboards to keep pests out.

■ Learn about the pests around you. Research the kind of pests that could enter your home and the options to control them. If it is a persistent problem, your best option might be to hire an exterminator.

When looking for a pest control service business or contractor, BBB advises consumers to:

■ Compare prices. Solicit bids from at least three different pest control companies before making a decision. BBB provides a free Request a Quote service to make it easier to gather estimates from local BBB Accredited Businesses. You can also go to checkbbb.org for a full list of BBB Accredited pest control services in the area.

■ Get references. Ask family and friends for recommendations from pest control companies they have used. Beware of companies that offer to give your house a free inspection for pests or pressure you for immediate or costly treatments.

■ Ask about safety. Because pesticides and pest control products can be dangerous to touch or inhale, be sure to ask the company about the safety of the chemicals they use. Let the company know if you have children, pets or sensitive plants as that may impact the products they select for your home.

■ Check for licensing and insurance. Always hire a qualified pest control company and verify they meet state licensing requirements with the Texas Department of Agriculture. Also, find out if the pest control company has liability insurance to cover any damages to your house or furnishings during treatment.

■ Carefully review your contract. Be sure you fully understand the nature of the pests to be exterminated, the extent of the infestation and the work necessary to solve the problem.

■ Get it in writing. Make sure the contract and all guarantees are clearly stated in writing with details about the service agreement. Be sure you understand what the company will do if pests continue or come back after treatment.

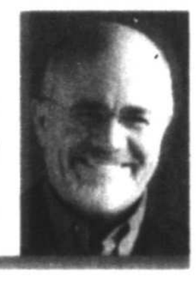
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Don't reduce retirement fund for expenditure

ASK DAVE

Dave Ramsey, financial expert



DEAR DAVE: Where should you save for large expenditures when you're doing the Baby Steps? — Heath

DEAR HEATH: Depending on what the expenditure is, I would suggest saving for these sorts of things after Baby Step 3. Once you've paid off all of your debts, except for your home, and built an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses, you reach a point where you can breathe a little bit. After all that hard work and sacrifice, you're finally in a position to replace that ratty, old furniture or get a better car. The question then is this: How much do you want to temporarily cut back on investing in order to make this expenditure happen?

Personally, I'd like to see you allocate a fixed percentage of your income toward play money and still be able to put 15 percent of what you make into retirement. If you want to slow down a bit on Baby Step 5, which is paying off the house, in order to take a once-in-a-lifetime vacation, I'm cool with that. But I don't like the idea of slowing down on funding your retirement.

The basic idea here is to always handle your money with planning, purpose and maturity. You've got a little room to play back and forth once you get past Baby Step 3. But until then, I want you to be hardcore about scrimping, saving and getting your financial house in order!

DEAR DAVE: How do cash-back rebates work on electronics and other items? — Dan

DEAR DAN: I like this question. Most consumers don't think about how the process works. They only care that it's benefitting them from a financial standpoint.

Let's say you buy an item for $1,000, and you get a cash rebate for $100. Basically, you just paid $900 for that item, right? So, what the companies are trying to do is incentivize certain retailers to buy a particular product or amount of that product yet sort of protect the sticker price in the minds of the consumers. To me, it's really a little ridiculous. Why not simply take off the money, and price it at $900?

That keeps retailers from jerking around with the margins. It purifies the process a little bit, but it adds to the hassle.

Good question, Dan!

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Source: City of Midland

GOLD

From 1A

own gold or silver bullion into the facility.

"We are honestly at the phase where the questions we are answering are creating more questions that we have to answer," said Chris Bryan, a comptroller's office spokesman.

Charged with figuring everything out is a four-member task force within the comptroller's office, which recently dispatched an official to a precious metals conference to study up.

One immediate concern is the possible cost. When Fort Knox was completed in 1936 it cost $560,000 — or roughly $9.2 million in today's dollars. When Capriglione first introduced his bill in 2013 it had an estimated cost of $23 million.

But Capriglione now thinks private companies would bid to create a depository in exchange for charging storage and service fees.

The plan has kicked up chatter outside of Texas that it's a step toward secession, an idea raised now and then on the state's farthest political fringe.

"Just moving it would be pretty expensive and, unless Texas is anticipating withdrawing from the union, which I suspect is some peoples' want, I don't see what advantage it is...," said Edwin Truman, a senior fellow at the Washington-based Peterson Institute for International Economics who has written about gold and monetary policy. "What are you getting for what you're paying for?"

But Capriglione says he's just convinced that gold is safer, especially close at hand.

After the bill sailed through the Legislature, Republican Gov. Greg Abbott signed it and tweeted: "California may be the golden state, but Texans deserve to keep their gold in-state!"

Texas' state-owned gold is held by the University of Texas Investment Management Company, the nation's second largest academic endowment behind Harvard. It began gradually amassing gold futures in 2009 as a hedge against currency weakness in the recession. It eventually transitioned to physical bullion, and by 2011 had $1 billion worth.

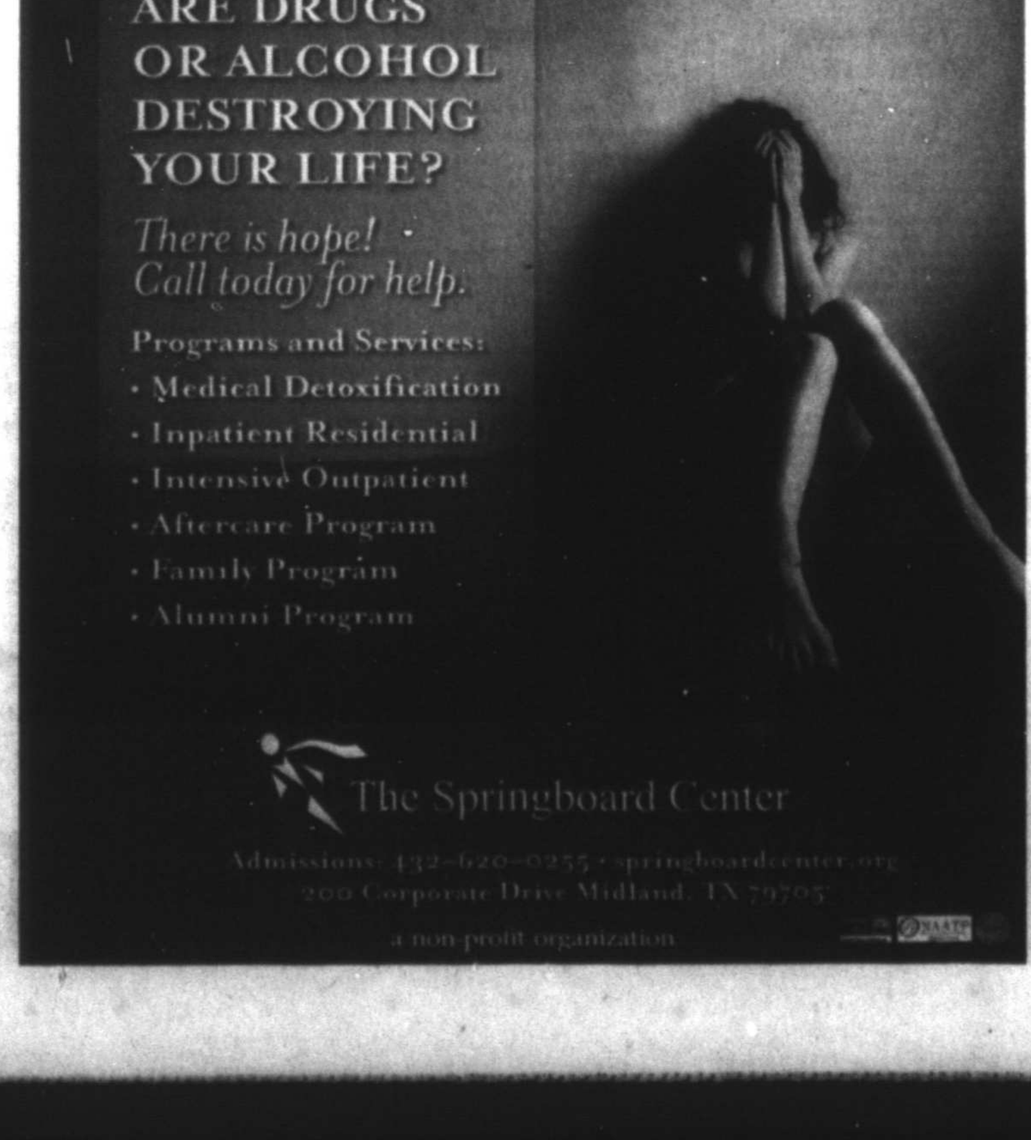
The price of gold has since mostly slumped amid a soaring stock market. Today, the fund's gold bars represent about 2.5 percent of its $25.4 billion in holdings, said Chief Executive Officer Bruce Zimmerman.

Asked about the new depository, Zimmerman said, "We don't do politics. We're just investors."

The Fed declined comment on the new Texas depository, as did HSBC bank, which currently stores the gold bars in an underground vault in Manhattan.

Stacked together, the state's gold occupies about 20 square feet. It's unclear whether repatriating it could be done with an electronic transfer or would require a fleet of planes or armored cars.

One possible effect of the new depository might be more attention to the idea of returning to the gold standard, long a cause of former Texas Rep. Ron Paul. The Federal Reserve was founded more than a century ago so that the value of the U.S. dollar no longer had to be anchored to gold, and Richard Nixon formally scrapped the gold standard in 1971.



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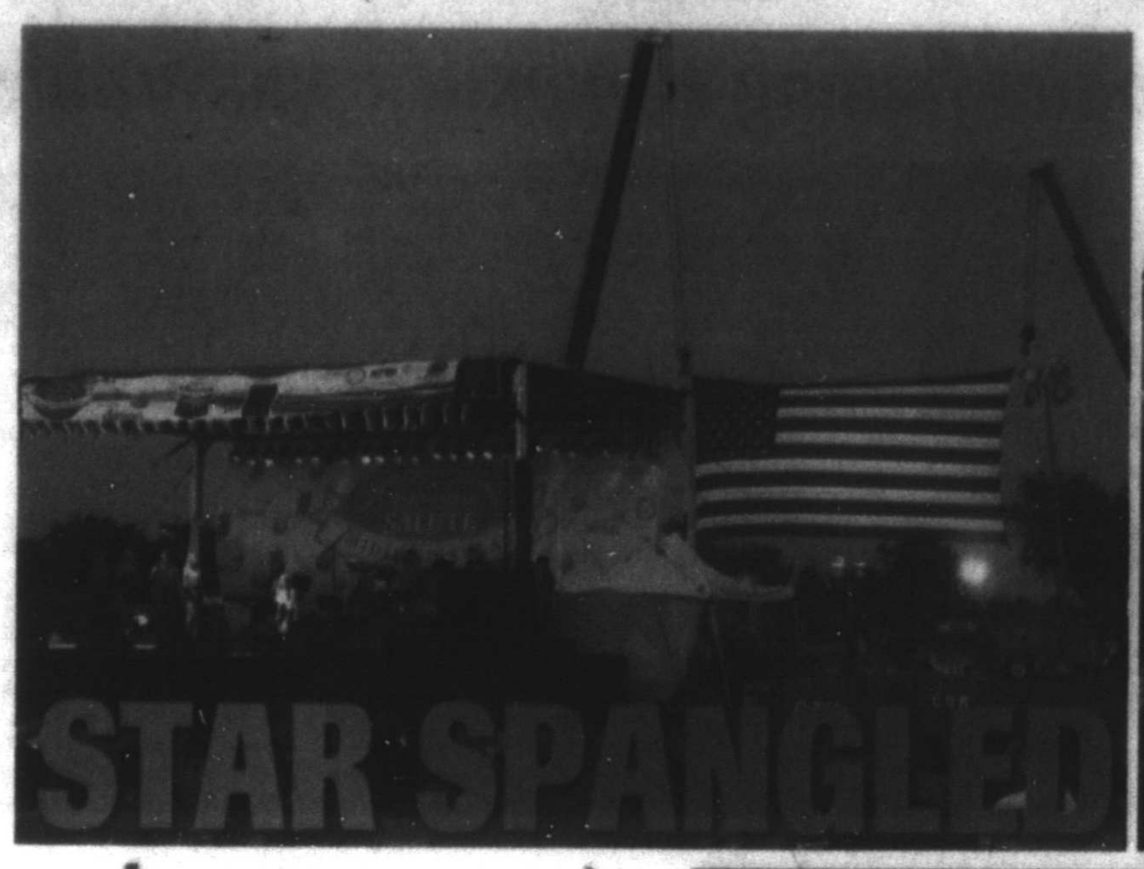
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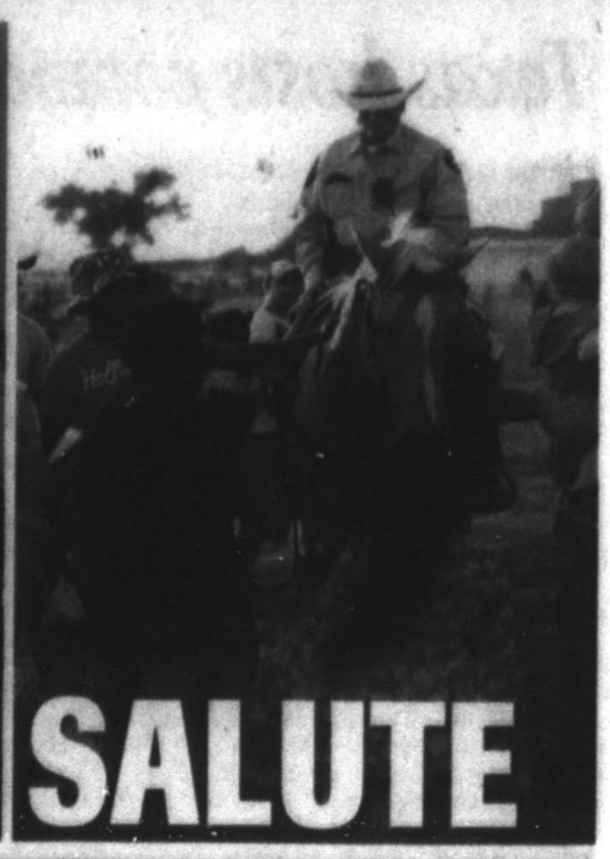
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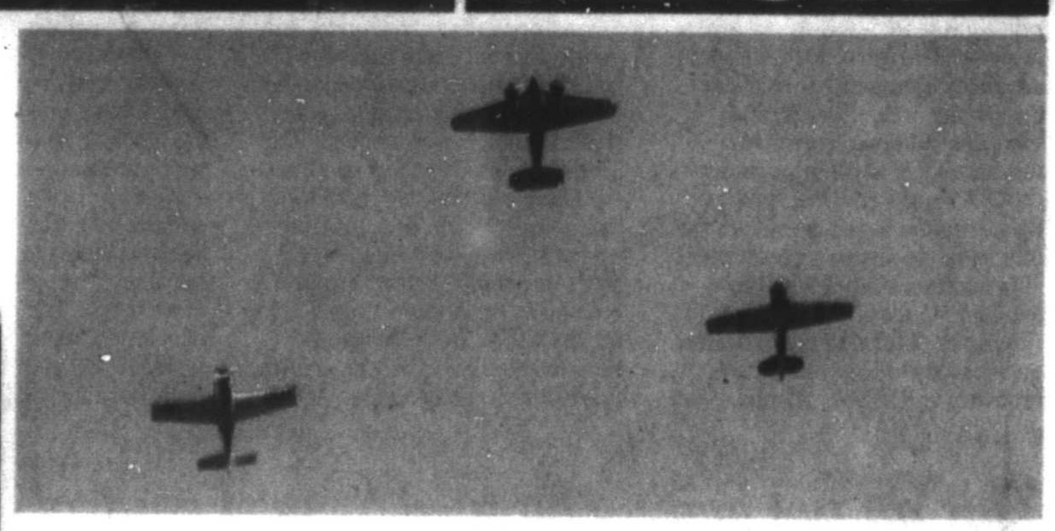
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Midlanders partook in the Star Spangled Salute on Saturday at Hogan Park to celebrate July Fourth. Kids got their faces painted and did all sorts of patriotic activities. Members of the CAF also did a flyover.

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Q&A

From 1A

In essence in many ways we have "humbled ourselves," we have "prayed," and we have "sought His face." Now we must to the last part and "turn from our wicked ways."

Reporter-Telegram: Why do you think gatherings like this are important in the community, especially in the wake of a tragedy like the shooting at Emmanuel AME Church?

Rev. Roy Smith: These types of gatherings foster a proactive attitude, one that will deal with and look at the problem whether than pretend they don't exist. We address it head on because we don't want it to land on our porch. These ailments, sins, are common to all people, and all people must examine their own hearts, not just to correct their own behavior and prejudices, but to speak life and healing into the lives of others that may harbor these same poisons in their heart.

Reporter-Telegram: We have a photo of MPD Chief Price Robinson speaking at the event. What was his message? Did other local officials speak?

Rev. Roy Smith: Chief Robinson's message was one that assured the community that one of his top agenda items is to insure that the all people under his watch are treated fairly and this was the message he communicated to those under his authority. He wanted the community to know that he was accessible and available. He sent the message that he represented all people in this community and he strived to make sure that the MPD was represented. Other speakers were Federal Judge Robert Junell, Sheriff Gary Painter and Mayor Jerry Morales.

Reporter-Telegram: What/who did the group pray about/for?

Rev. Roy Smith: Various people from the attendees offered up prayers for our community. Supplications included a call to action to be different, to love our neighbors as ourselves, and that the church community would rise up and strive to and embrace change.

Reporter-Telegram: What do you think we can learn from the tragedy at Emmanuel AME Church?

Rev. Roy Smith: We can learn that no "body" of people is exempt from evil actions of human depravity. That the actions of one can affect many. The actions of one, however, can serve to do good as well as evil.

Reporter-Telegram: What kind of feedback have you gotten from those who attended the prayer gathering?

Rev. Roy Smith: The feedback has been an overwhelming show of support and unity. Prayerfully that attitude will permeate throughout our community and help to bring about change where change is needed. The reality is that those that attended were like minded and there is still work to do in all ethnicities. And as one speaker pointed out, this is a "sin issue." Because of this, no heart is exempt, but every heart must be examined.

Reporter-Telegram: Do you hope to see more community prayer events like this in Midland?

Rev. Roy Smith: As I have stated on numerous occasions, I love prayer events. They call us to focus as one voice our petitions to the only One that can change the heart of mankind. I do, however, want us to always be mindful that the Lord God desires to use us in tandem with his sovereignty to see his will be done here on earth. We must always move our feet and be "doers of the Word and not hearers only" (James 1:22).

TODAYINMIDLAND

Things to do

Today

■ Tex-Mex Barrel Race at the Horsehoe Arena. midlandhorseshoe.com.

Tuesday

■ Summer Movie Camp "The Box Trolls," 9:30 a.m. or 1 p.m., Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

■ Dinosaur Dig, 2:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Thursday

■ Improv at the Yucca, 8 p.m, Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org.

Friday

■ Murder-mystery dinner "Murder at the Juice Joint," 6:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

■ Family Fridays: Tell Me a Story, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

■ "Bubble Boy" screening for Flash Back Fridays, 5 p.m.-midnight, RTD Skatepark. 235-7001.

Friday through July 12

■ Tall City Blues Fest at Centennial Plaza. tallcitybluesfest.com.

Kids Boot Camp

Midland Fire Department is hosting its annual Kids Boot Camp 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

The camp, geared toward kids 4-12, will emphasize teamwork, a healthy diet, physical fitness and fire safety, according to a press release from MFD. Activities will include tug-of-war, obstacle course, calisthenics and relays. There also will be a "smoke house" activity that allows kids to practice escaping from a house full of smoke.

Children should wear athletic attire and tennis shoes and bring a refillable water bottle. Gatorade and water will be provided.

During the camp, parents can participate in a boot camp-style work out and create identity packs for their children.

Registration forms are available at Central Fire Station, 1500 W. Wall St., or at www.midlandtexas.gov/kidsbootcamp.

For more information, call Capt. Aaron Cox at 685-7341.

Support groups today

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

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

Pools today

■ Doug Russell Aquatic Center, 900 N. Midland Drive, 1-7 p.m.

■ Washington Aquatic Center, 1601 E. Indiana Ave., 1-7 p.m.

Community calendar

■ Salvation Army is taking donations to provide fans to those in need.

Monetary donations can be made through July 12 at Westlake Ace Hardware, 1004 Andrews Highway. Westlake is kicking off the effort with the donation of 50 fans.

The Salvation Army will distribute the fans.

■ The George W. Bush Childhood Home monthly reading event is planned for 4:30-5:30 p.m. July 16. Ten-year-old Midlander Jaden Evans will read his book "The Rain."

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

UTPB JBS Series

Alex Sheen, founder of the nonprofit Because I Said I Would, is to be speaking Aug. 24 at at the Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center as part of the John Ben Shepperd Public Leadership Institute's Shepperd Distinguished Lecture Series.

His organization is dedicated to the "betterment of humanity through promises made and kept," according to a press release from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin.

The free lecture, "The Power of a Leader's Promise," begins at 7 p.m.

Know a member of the military coming home?

Military families can call 352-0785 or email Vickie Gomez (zemogv@cableone.net) when they know their member of the military is flying into Midland International Airport so the Permian Basin Welcome Home Committee can be there to greet her or him.

Honor those who served

There are many organizations in operation right here in the Permian Basin that are at the task of serving all kinds of needs for present and former members of our military. Some of them are:

■ Show of Support (687-2167)

■ Honor Our Troops (889-0177), Reel Thanx (528-6633)

■ Centers for Children and Families (570-1084)

■ Midland College Veterans Affairs Office (685-4511)

■ Permian Basin Welcome Home Committee (366-3458)

■ Soldiers of Today and Yesterday (631-3429)

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 2-6-2
Pick 3 day: 5-4-7
Pick 3 evening: 1-0-0
Pick 3 night: 6-9-1
Daily 4 morning: 1-7-4-6
Daily 4 day: 8-3-4-0
Daily 4 evening: 7-1-3-3
Daily 4 night: 0-6-8-7
Cash Five: 2-15-17-20-36
Lotto Texas: 5-12-16-18-37-42
Powerball: 3-6-14-18-24 PB:21 Power Play: 3
All or Nothing morning: 6-7-8-11-12-13-17-19-20-21-23-24
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I wouldn't trade these days for anything in the world.

With three kids under six, life is full of some very early days and more than a few late nights. We save time where we can . . . so we can spend our time making memories that last.



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Review: Gadgets for the beach and getting you there

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

NEW YORK — If you're headed to the beach or any other weekend getaway, don't forget these "essential" gadgets.

Of course, no technology is truly essential. You're at the beach! Disconnect! Go swimming! Build sandcastles!

Still can't leave the gadgets behind? Well, consider these:

E-book reader or tablet

You'll want reading material. Sure you can bring real books and real magazines, but that's a lot to carry.

I prefer e-readers over tablets for e-books because e-readers work better in direct sunlight and don't come with such distractions as Facebook updates. Amazon has the best readers out there. Last fall's Kindle Voyage is a premium model with a stunning, high-resolution display that makes letters resemble what's on a printed page. The main drawback: its $199 price tag (add $20 if you want a regular screensaver rather than ads).

This week, Amazon is bringing that great display to its mid-tier model, the Kindle Paperwhite. It doesn't have the extra buttons that make page-turning easier like the Voyage has. Nor does it have an auto-brightness feature that adjusts for ambient light. But the Paperwhite does have a new font that's meant to be easier on the eyes; other Kindles won't get it until later this summer. (That said, I thought the old fonts were just fine for reading.)

At $119 (or $139 without ads), the Paperwhite is $80 cheaper, while offering much of what the Voyage has.

For digital magazines, you're better off with a tablet because e-reader screens typically lack color. I like Apple's iPad Mini for its size and shape. The full-size iPad Air is too large to carry around, and Android tablets typically have dimensions more suited for widescreen movies than for replicating printed pages. You can read e-books on the tablet, too, but e-readers offer a better, glare-free experience.

Battery chargers

You'll probably have to crank up the brightness on your tablet and phone to overcome all that glare in direct sunlight. That will drain the battery quickly. Bring a portable power pack, which is essentially a battery for recharging the battery on your gadget.

New portable packs from myCharge have both Apple and Android cords built-in, so you can leave your tangled mess of cords at home. Those powerful enough for tablets start at $100. It's useful for groups with an array of devices. You can charge one Android device and one iPhone or iPad at once, but not two Android devices or an iPhone and iPad together. It's one of each. Many people stick with one system or the other, so for most individuals, that second cord will go unused.

The dual-cord chargers will be overkill for many individuals. Mophie makes not just battery packs but also phone cases with extra power for leading phones. The drawback is you need a new one when you switch models, though I've found batteries tend to wear out over time anyway.

There are lots of others to choose from. Some battery packs have Apple or Android cords built-in, while others have a USB port, which means more flexibility, but also cords you need to bring. A higher price tag usually means more charging capacity.

Dealing with beach traffic

The Waze mapping app won't eliminate traffic, but it might shave off time by finding a quicker route. In some cases, that means getting off a congested highway an exit or two early and using local roads. Users report traffic conditions through the app to let Waze find the fastest routes.

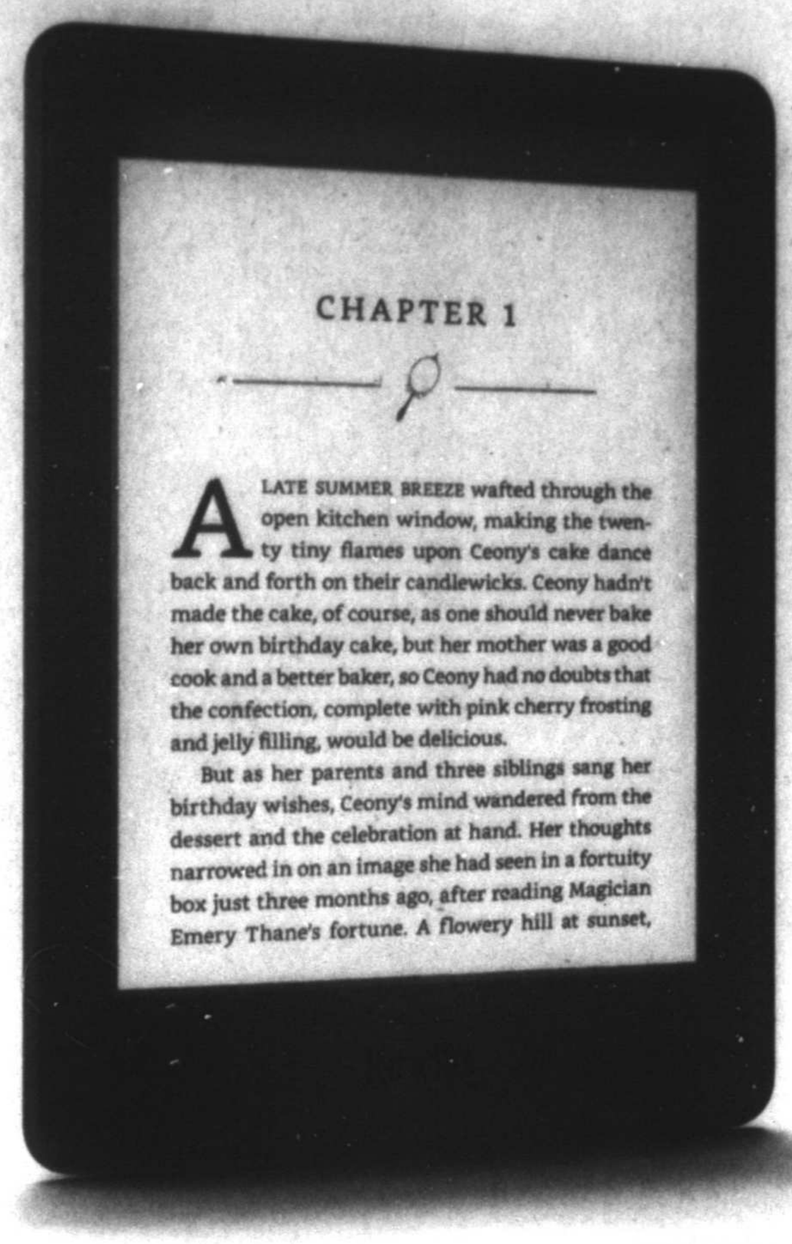
Mapping apps from Apple and Google, which owns Waze, do factor in traffic conditions, but it feels special to be getting that from fellow motorists. In the rare times that I drive, I've found Waze to be spot-on. It doesn't work well when there are few other Waze users to report traffic, but traffic-heavy destinations such as the beach should draw plenty of users and traffic data.

Getting wet?

Waterproof gadgets might be overkill unless you're a lifeguard at the beach every day. Same goes for waterproof cases and pouches, which also make gadgets more difficult to use. The only time I've found a waterproof case useful is when I've gone snorkeling with a point-and-shoot camera.

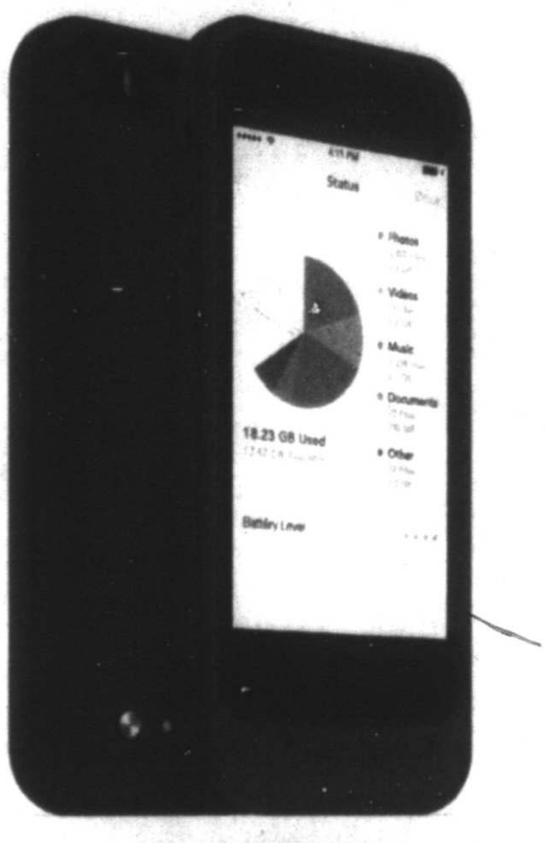
Ziploc and other re-sealable plastic bags can help protect gadgets from inadvertent splashes. A small amount of liquid usually won't kill a gadget. Jumping into the ocean or pool with the phone in your pocket is another matter. Use common sense.

Or leave your gadgets home. You're at the beach!



CLOCKWISE: This product image provided by Amazon shows the Kindle Paperwhite e-reader. The new Paperwhite's resolution has twice the pixels as the previous version for a sharper display. The new resolution, 300 pixels per inch, matches that on the higher-end Kindle Voyage device. This product image provided by Mophie shows the Mophie Space Pack for the iPhone. The Space Pack doubles battery life and gives you an additional 16 or 32 gigabytes of storage. It also serves as a phone case, albeit a heavy and bulky one because it needs to fit a battery and memory. The Waze mapping app won't eliminate traffic, but it might shave off time by finding a quicker route. In some cases, that means getting off a congested highway an exit or two early and using local roads. Users report traffic conditions through the app to let Waze find the fastest routes.

Photos by Associated Press





Solar-powered plane lands in Hawaii from Japan

Associated Press

KAPOLEI, Hawaii — A plane powered by the sun's rays landed in Hawaii Friday after a record-breaking five-day journey across the Pacific Ocean from Japan.

Pilot Andre Borschberg and his single-seat aircraft landed at Kalaeloa, a small airport outside Honolulu. His 120-hour voyage from Nagoya broke the record for the world's longest nonstop solo flight, his team said. The late U.S. adventurer Steve Fossett set the previous record of 76 hours when he flew a specially-designed jet around the globe in 2006.

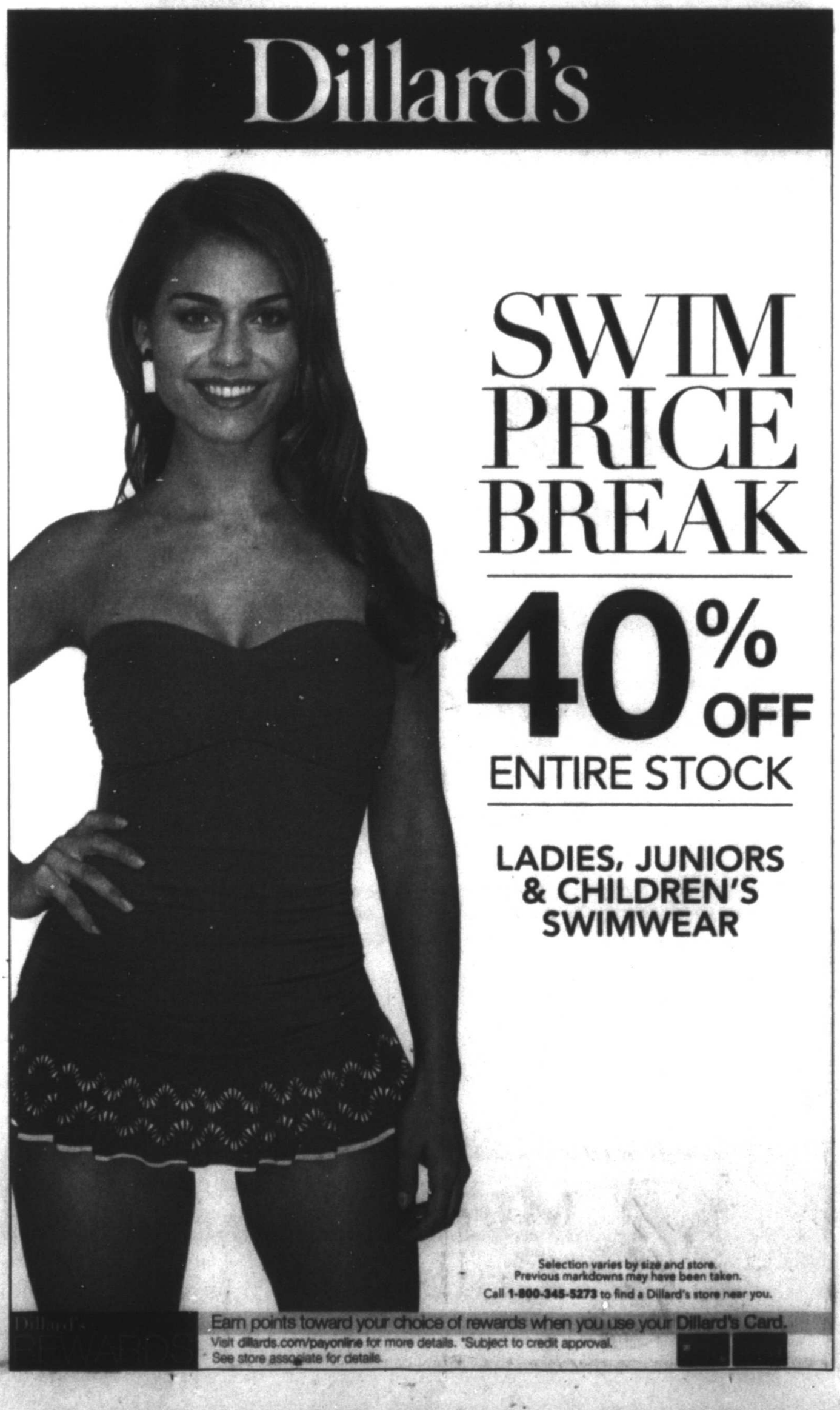
But Borschberg flew the Solar Impulse 2 without fuel. Instead, its wings were equipped with 17,000 solar cells that charged batteries. The plane ran on stored energy at night.

The engineless aircraft landed in silence, the only sound the hum of a nearby helicopter. About 200 people witnessed the touchdown shortly before 6 a.m.

Later in the morning, Borschberg called the flight an extraordinary experience, saying it marked historical firsts for aviation and for renewable energy.

"Nobody now can say that renewable energies cannot do the impossible," he said. Asked what was the most challenging part of the journey, he said it was when he and fellow Swiss co-pilot Bertrand Piccard had to decide when exactly to leave Japan, which he called a tough decision.

Borschberg stayed put for about an hour before finally emerging from the plane. Before exiting, he was approached by customs personnel who asked to see his passport. Some in the waiting crowd waved Swiss flags, and dignitaries shook his hand. Piccard also greeted him and six girls sang a welcoming song in Hawaiian.



TODAY: Mostly sunny	MONDAY: Showers	TUESDAY: Showers	WEDNESDAY: Partly sunny	THURSDAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 92 Low: 72	High: 94 Low: 72	High: 85 Low: 69	High: 87 Low: 70	High: 91 Low: 71	High: 93 Low: 71

Local forecast

The National Weather Service is calling for a 10 percent chance of showers today and then a 50 percent chance of storms Tuesday and Wednesday. A chance of storms remains in the forecast Wednesday.

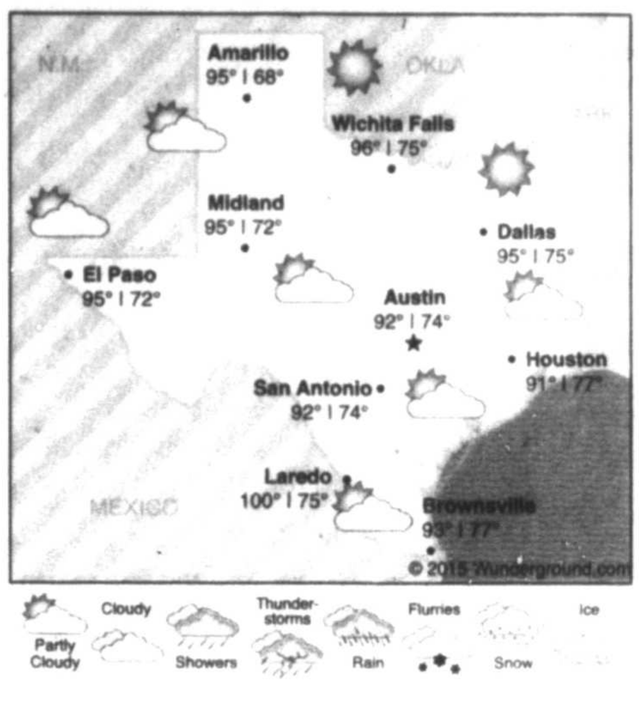
The record high for July 4 is 106 set in 1983. The record low is 60 set in 1940 and 1972. On July 4 of last year, the high was 95 and the low was 68.

National weather

Snapshot of July Fourth weather:

A stationary front stretched from the Mid-Atlantic to the southern Plains on Saturday, while a cold front dipped southward over the northern Plains.

A stationary front extended westward over the southern Mid-Atlantic, the Tennessee Valley and the southern Plains. Conditions remained warm and humid to the south of the frontal boundary. In addition, heavy rain and thunderstorms fired up from eastern Texas to the Mid-Atlantic. Flash flood warnings were issued in northeast Texas and southeast Arkansas. Severe thunderstorm warnings were issued in southern Mississippi and southern Georgia. Camden, Ark., reported a midday total of 3.76 inches of rain. Birmingham, Ala., reported a midday total of 3.14 inches of rain. Additionally, a cluster of rain and embedded thunderstorms moved across the Northeast.



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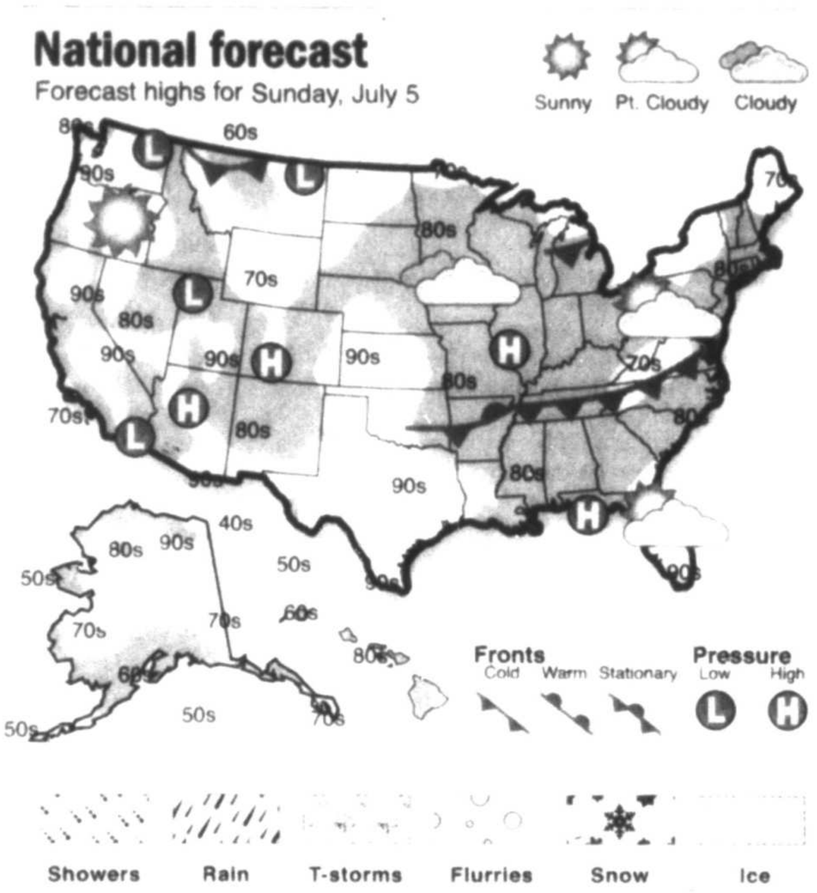
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Saturday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.00 in.
Year total	12.28 in.
Normal total (year to date)	6.30 in.

Saturday's temperatures

High	90
Low	70
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	6:48 a.m.
Sunset	8:58 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Sunday, July 5



Smoke from Canadian fires blows as far south as Tennessee

Associated Press

MINOT, N.D. — After almost of a week, smoke from Canadian wildfires continued to blanket parts of North Dakota on Saturday and some residents said they're growing tired of the hazy skies.

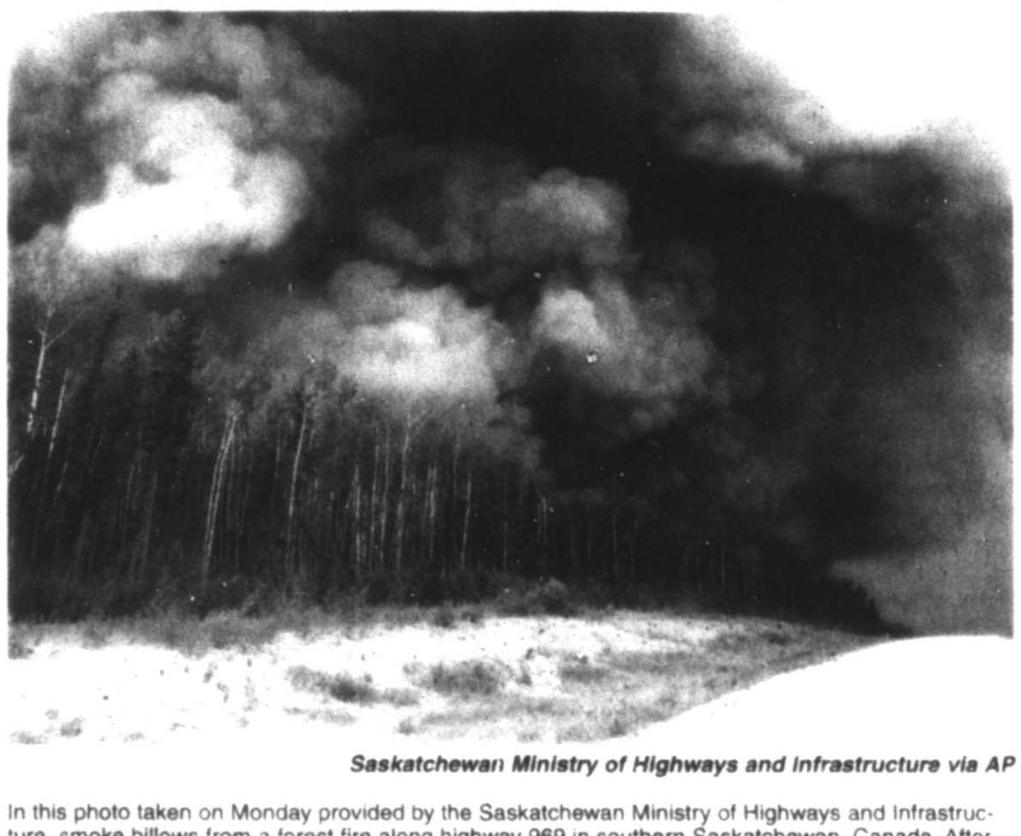
Smoke from wildfires in northern Saskatchewan has been blowing as far south as Tennessee, with a thick haze extending through much of North Dakota, South Dakota, Minnesota, eastern Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Missouri..

"I think it is really harmful for people with conditions like asthma and lung conditions," Amos Glem, a Minot resident, told the Minot Daily News. "You don't want to deal with any of that and even for people with no conditions, it is really annoying."

An air quality map produced by the federal Environmental Protection Agency showed Saturday morning that western North Dakota and the region surrounding Fargo had some of most unhealthy air in the country. By Saturday afternoon, the air quality in western North Dakota and around Fargo had been upgraded to being unhealthy mostly for sensitive groups, such as older people and people with respiratory problems.

The smoke is from dozens of fires burning in Saskatchewan, fed by drought and high temperatures. Because of the size of the fires, large amounts of smoke travel high into the atmosphere, where the upper layers have strong winds that can carry the smoke great distances.

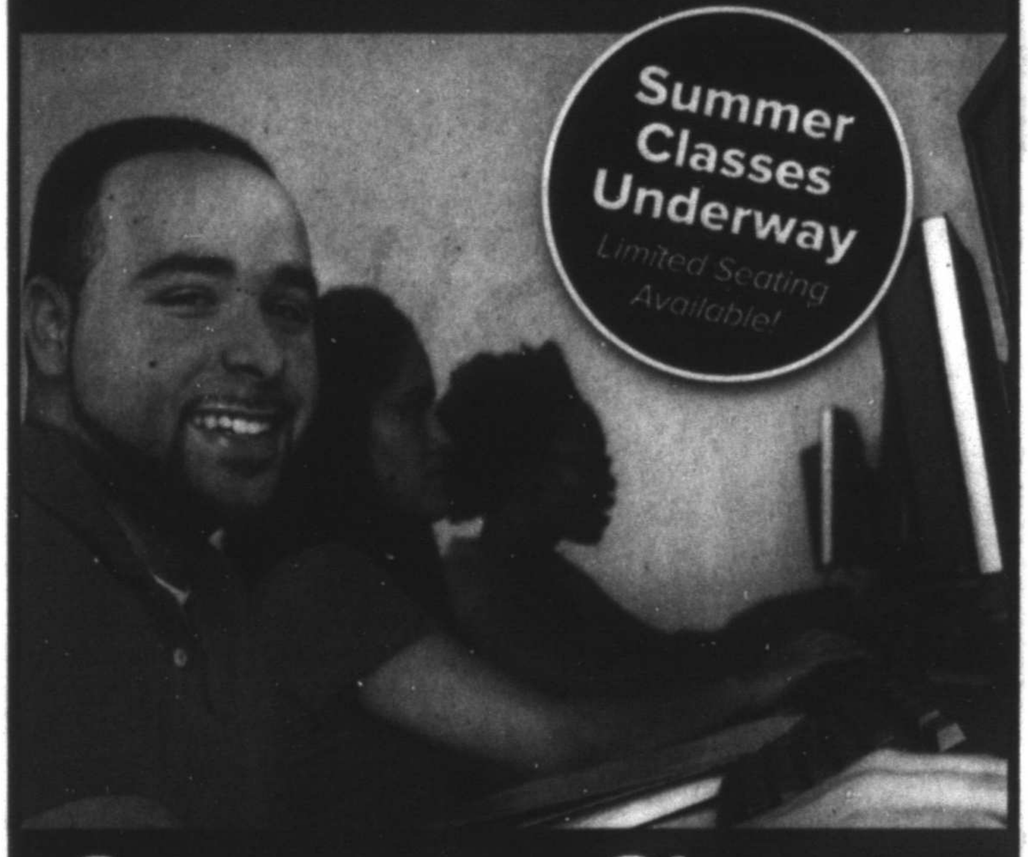
A forecast map from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration on Saturday showed smoky conditions are likely to return to north-central North Dakota by Sunday afternoon as upper-level winds shift back to the pattern they've been in over the past several days, according to KXMC-TV.



Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure via AP

In this photo taken on Monday provided by the Saskatchewan Ministry of Highways and Infrastructure, smoke billows from a forest fire along highway 969 in southern Saskatchewan, Canada. After almost of a week, smoke from Canadian wildfires continued to blanket parts of North Dakota on Saturday and some residents said they're growing tired of the hazy skies.

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Parades, hot dogs, cold beer: America celebrates July 4

Associated Press

Parades, fireworks, naturalization ceremonies, eating contests and music ushered in the Fourth of July as the United States marked 239 years as an independent nation on Saturday. Here were some highlights of Independence Day celebrations:

Music, cultural celebrations on National Mall

Heavy rainstorms drenched the region around the White house Saturday, forcing a cancellation of an annual July Fourth picnic for military members and their families on the South Lawn.

Still, many festivities in Washington proceeded as scheduled, including a fife and drum corps, parade and concerts on the National Mall.

As morning rains cleared, the capital's Fourth of July parade kicked off. The parade featured marching bands, floats and balloons with plenty of red, white and blue.

The U.S. Air Force Band performs Saturday evening on the Washington Monument grounds. The big event is the "Capitol Fourth" concert on the west lawn of the Capitol, featuring Barry Manilow and the National Symphony Orchestra. President Barack Obama was scheduled to make brief remarks prior to fireworks.

Pit spitting

A 15-year-old girl won the women's division of the 42nd annual cherry spitting contest in Eau Claire, Michigan, by sending a pit farther than anyone else: 49 1/4 feet.

"I just took a deep breath and pushed hard," said Megan Ankrapp of Buchanan. "I was shocked."

Kevin Bartz won the championship with a spit of 48 feet and 8 inches. Ankrapp was not allowed to participate in the overall championship round because her earlier spits were too short to qualify.

Bartz said he was excited to finally beat Brian Krause, the 2014 champ, but then realized a teenager had sent a pit farther than he did.

"I look up and say, 'Wait a minute. One of the girls beat me,'" said Bartz, 48. "It's not quite as exciting."

New citizens sworn in

Naturalization ceremonies big and small were held across the U.S.

The director of the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services' Baltimore district administered the oath of allegiance to 40 people from 27 countries during a ceremony at The Engineers Club in Baltimore.

In Plymouth, Vermont, 20 people became U.S. citizens at the President Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site. The great-granddaughter of President and Mrs. Coolidge sang the national anthem.

Officials say over 4,000 new citizens were welcomed in more than 50 naturalization ceremonies across the country from July 1 through July 4.

Presidential hopefuls campaign in parades

Parades across Iowa and New Hampshire were clear reminders of the race for the White House: Red balloons promoting "Jeb! 2016," a tractor draped in a Rick Perry banner and dutiful volunteers holding signs and chanting.

Former Govs. Jeb Bush of Florida, Rick Perry of Texas and Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island as well as South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham worked the crowd in Amherst, while Hillary Rodham Clinton marched in a parade in New Hampshire's North Country. New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and Florida Sen. Marco Rubio spent the holiday in New Hampshire's Lakes Region, as Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders and former Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley met voters in Iowa.

Declaration signing

Visitors to the National Archives building in Washington were invited to sign replicas of the Declaration of Independence.

Some signed with a quill pen while others used modern writing instruments.

The National Archives — which houses the Declaration of Independence, Constitution and Bill of Rights — also hosted a reading of the Declaration of Independence by re-enactors portraying Abigail Adams, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, John Hancock, Thomas Jefferson, and George Washington.

A historic candy drop

A pilot who delivered candy to children in Berlin at the end of World War II parachuted sweets down to Orem, Utah, to celebrate Independence Day.

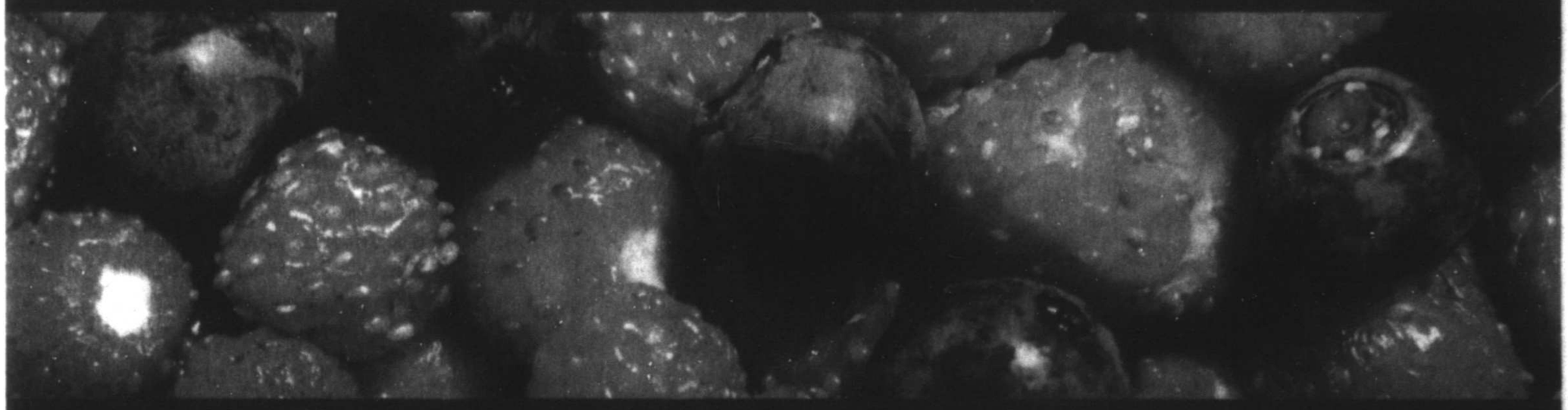
Gail Halvorsen, 94, also known as the "Candy Bomber," dropped 1,000 chocolate bars attached to tiny parachutes at Scera Park on Friday. He flew over the area three times before releasing the cargo into the hands of the children below.

Deb Jackson, co-chair of the event, estimated more than 50,000 people stood in 100-degree Fahrenheit temperatures to watch the 4 p.m. drop.

Halvorsen flew in a fixed-wing bomber from World War II with two escort planes attending, the Daily Herald of Provo reported.

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FOUNDING FATHERS

"An appeal to arms and to the God of hosts is all that is left us! . . . Sir, we are not weak if we make a proper use of those means which the God of nature hath placed in our power. . . . Besides, sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations and who will raise up friends to fight our battles for us. . . . Is life so dear, or peace so sweet as to be purchased at the price of chains and slavery? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what course others may take; but as for me, give me liberty or give me death!"
Patrick Henry

"To the kindly influence of Christianity we owe that degree of civil freedom, and political and social happiness, which mankind now enjoys. . . . Whenever the pillars of Christianity shall be overthrown, our present republican forms of government – and all blessings which flow from them – must fall with them."
Jedediah Morse

"I've lived, sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth: That God governs in the affairs of men. If a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We've been assured in the sacred writings that unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it. I firmly believe this, and I also believe that without His concurring aid, we shall succeed in this political building no better than the builders of Babel."
Benjamin Franklin

PRESIDENTS

"It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly to implore His protection and favor."
George Washington

"We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."
John Adams

"Before any man can be considered as a member of civil society, he must be considered as a subject of the Governor of the Universe."
James Madison

"And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the gift of God? That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that His justice cannot sleep forever."
Thomas Jefferson

"Is it not that in the chain of human events, the birthday of the nation is indissolubly linked with the birthday of the Savior? – that it forms a leading event in the progress of the Gospel dispensation? Is it not that the Declaration of Independence first organized the social compact on the foundation of the Redeemer's mission upon earth? – That it laid the cornerstone of human government upon the first precepts of Christianity?"
John Quincy Adams

SUPREME COURT JUSTICES

"The Bible is the best of all books, for it is the word of God and teaches us the way to be happy in this world and in the next. Continue therefore to read it and to regulate your life by its precepts."

"Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty, as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation, to select and prefer Christians for their rulers."
John Jay: *First Chief-Justice on the U.S. Supreme Court*

"Human law must rest its authority ultimately upon the authority of that law which is Divine. . . . Far from being rivals or enemies, religion and law are twin sisters, friends, and mutual assistants. Indeed, these two sciences run into each other."
James Wilson: *Original Justice on the U.S. Supreme Court*

"One of the beautiful boasts of our municipal jurisprudence is that Christianity is a part of the Common Law. . . . There never has been a period in which the Common Law did not recognize Christianity as lying at its foundations. . . . I verily believe Christianity necessary to the support of civil society."
Joseph Story: *U.S. Supreme Court Justice*

SUPREME COURT RULINGS

"There is no dissonance in these [legal] declarations. . . . These are not individual sayings, declarations of private persons: they are organic [legal, governmental] utterances; they speak the voice of the entire people. . . . These, and many other matters which might be noticed, add a volume of unofficial declarations to the mass of organic utterances that this is a Christian nation."
Church of the Holy Trinity v. U.S., 1892
(Unanimous Decision Declaring America a Christian Nation)
Significantly, the U.S. Supreme Court cited dozens of court rulings and legal documents as precedents to arrive at this ruling; but in 1962, when the Supreme Court struck down voluntary prayer in schools, it did so without using any such precedent.

"Why may not the Bible, and especially the New Testament, without note or comment, be read and taught as a divine revelation in [schools] – its general precepts expounded, its evidences explained and its glorious principles of morality inculcated? . . . Where can the purest principles of morality be learned so clearly or so perfectly as from the New Testament?"
Vidal v. Girard's Executors, 1844
(Unanimous Decision Commending and Encouraging the Use of the Bible in Government-Run Schools)

CONGRESS

"We are a Christian people . . . not because the law demands it, not to gain exclusive benefits or to avoid legal disabilities, but from choice and education; and in a land thus universally Christian, what is to be expected, what desired, but that we shall pay due regard to Christianity?"
Senate Judiciary Committee Report,
January 19, 1853

"At the time of the adoption of the Constitution and the amendments, the universal sentiment was that Christianity should be encouraged. . . . In this age there can be no substitute for Christianity. . . . That was the religion of the founders of the republic and they expected it to remain the religion of their descendants."
House Judiciary Committee Report,
March 27, 1854

EDUCATION

"Let every student be plainly instructed and earnestly pressed to consider well the main end of his life and studies is to know God and Jesus Christ which is eternal life (John 17:3) and therefore to lay Christ in the bottom as the only foundation of all sound knowledge and learning. And seeing the Lord only giveth wisdom, let every one seriously set himself by prayer in secret to seek it of Him (Proverbs 2, 3). Every one shall so exercise himself in reading the Scriptures twice a day that he shall be ready to give such an account of his proficiency therein."
Harvard: *1636 Student Guidelines*

"All the scholars are required to live a religious and blameless life according to the rules of God's Word, diligently reading the Holy Scriptures, that fountain of Divine light and truth, and constantly attending all the duties of religion."
Yale: *1787 Student Guidelines*

FOREIGN OPINION

"The Americans combine the notions of Christianity and of liberty so intimately in their minds that it is impossible to make them conceive the one without the other."
Alexis de Tocqueville: *French observer of America in 1831, author of Democracy in America*

"There is no country in which the people are so religious as in the United States. . . . The great number of religious societies existing in the United States is truly surprising: there are some of them for everything; for instance, societies to distribute the Bible; to distribute tracts; to encourage religious journals; to convert, civilize, educate; . . . to take care of their widows and orphans; to preach, extend, purify, preserve, reform the faith; to build chapels, endow congregations, support seminaries; . . . to establish Sunday schools; . . . to prevent drunkenness, etc."
Achille Murat: *French observer of America in 1832*

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Sanders, Trump have their day in the sun

■ America isn't ready for the populist or "pompulist" to claim a nomination



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Stranger things have happened in American politics, but the sudden surge of Democratic/Populist Bernie Sanders and Republican/Pompulist Donald Trump puts one in mind of alternate universes.

And I don't mean Miss Universes.

Both men are holding second place in some polls behind Hillary Clinton and Jeb Bush, respectively. And both are steadily ascending in the polls at a greater pace than anyone could have predicted — or imagined.

Sanders, a socialist running on a platform that should send shivers up the spines of most Americans, drew the largest crowd of the season — nearly 10,000 — in Madison, Wisconsin, Wednesday night. The anti-establishment candidate, who wants to break up big banks and redistribute wealth, makes President Obama (and Clinton) look like robber barons by comparison.

Although Madison is a liberal college town and Sanders' record crowd could be rationalized accordingly, poll after poll shows him closing the gap with Clinton. A Quinnipiac University poll released Thursday morning put him within 19 points of Clinton among likely Democratic caucus-goers in Iowa. Quinnipiac surveyed 761 likely Iowa Democratic caucus participants, with humans calling cell and land phones, and with a margin of error of 3.6 percentage points.

Meanwhile, A WMUR/CNN Granite State poll put Sanders just eight points below Clinton in New Hampshire.

As Sanders remarked in Madison upon seeing the throng that greeted him, "Whoa."

At the same time Sanders is on the zoom rail, mysterious things are happening around the candidacy of the Trumpster. Some of you may recognize him as the cartoon character eternally lost in a game of Monopoly, sort of the way Beetlejuice was confined to miniature quarters in the movie of the same name. (No matter what happens, do not say "Trump!" thrice in a row.)

He is otherwise known for the buildings he has named after himself; a couple of TV shows he has hosted, the names of which escape me now; his hair, which he recently averred is his own; his vast fortune, about which he can't stop bragging — and a proportionately small mouth for someone famous for having such a big one.

To wit: His recent commentaries about Mexican immigrants as rapists, drug runners and criminals. And, he added, "some, I assume, are good people."

Why, there's a good one right over there — mowing Trump's Palm Beach Mar-a-Lago estate lawn. *Hola, Paco, que tal?*

Trump's insulting tirade has had the dual effect of getting him fired from NBCUniversal, Univision, Macy's (and counting) for comments unbecoming an icon and getting him feted as The Iconoclast that Republicans have been waiting for. If you're a member of the Republican base, a candidate can't be too anti-immigration, too anti-Common Core — or too rich, apparently.

Even as Trump's various enterprises are vanishing — and support among, I dunno, let's call them "sane Americans" is waning — he has doubled down on comments that could as easily have been retracted with an apology. Here's a sample for future reference: "*Of course, I didn't mean that all Mexicans are rapists. I was upset by some of the statistics I've read and just mouthed off without more carefully considering the full impact my words could have on others. I'm sorry.*" (Warning: Do not add: Some of my best friends are Mexican.)

But no. Instead, commenting on a 2014 Fusion story about Latin-American women being raped as they traveled to the U.S. across Mexico, "Well, somebody's doing the raping, Don!" he retorted when CNN anchor Don Lemon gave him a chance to think things through. "I mean, somebody's doing it!" Trump said. "Who's doing the raping? Who's doing the raping?"

Trump has a point there. Someone *is* doing the raping, assuming the Fusion story is true. And the same Fusion story that claimed that 80 percent of Central American women and girls are raped as they cross through Mexico to the U.S. also answered Trump's question: "Perpetrators can be coyotes, other migrants, bandits, or even government authorities."

Hmmm, so not necessarily those who then funnel into North America?

See? Logic isn't so hard, but rant over reason is so much more effective in attracting attention.

Trump's fans say they like his blunt talk, that he says what they're thinking. He's BOLD! Indeed. But bold and blunt wear thin after a while.

And America, though keen to hear fresh voices and ideas, isn't ready for either a Robin Hood or a King John in the White House.

Enjoy the show, everybody. But rest assured: This too — and these two — shall pass.

OUR VIEW

Our community, our nation deserve more than big talk

Sometimes, as people, we fall short of the standard that we have set for ourselves.

In our view, falling short is easier in the world of big talk. This digital age, talk radio, cable news and even this space in the newspaper contribute to that.

We are all too content on telling you what is wrong. On the Internet, we go to Facebook or Twitter and spend our characters.

On cable news, we hear about the problems in our lives in short windows between commercial breaks.

Talk radio provides a similar feel typically without seeing the person behind the statement.

And as a newspaper, we must do a better job of following our own advice. We must show you our action. Failure to do so adds to the noise that sometimes makes America feel like it can't be fixed.

We have no problem saying we can do better. We are not perfect, and we never will be. We would love to measure up to:

■ the good that takes place in the community with the work of the foundations like Abell-Hanger, Scharbauer and Henry;

■ those who make an impact with their nonprofit work like Bobby Trimble of Christmas in Action or Bob Fu of China Aid;

■ the people who provide spiritual leadership for a community like Pastor George Bell of Greater Ideal or Patrick Payton of Stonegate Fellowship.

In each case, we know there are more. Midland exists because of the hard work of many, not a few.

We would like to live up to the example of our best leaders, and this week real leadership and real interest in community building were on display at True Lite Fellowship. Members of the community gathered Wednesday at True-Lite Christian Fellowship to pray for victims of the Charleston shooting and discuss ways to unite the city. One person involved in the event was the Rev. Roy Smith. In today's Reporter-Telegram (Section A, Page 1), Smith offers his perspective on the event, which had a purpose of drawing Midlanders "together under the banner of Christian love."

With so much dislike in today's headlines, it was so pleasing to see Midlanders be proactive. Want to talk about race? They were up to the task at True Lite, and those in attendance included local law enforcement and other community leaders.

"These ailments, sins, are common to all people, and all people must examine their own heart, not just to correct their own behavior and prejudices, but to speak life and healing into the lives of others that may harbor these same poisons in their heart," Smith writes in a special question-and-answer presentation in today's newspaper. There's no pointing fingers, just problem solving; no putting others down, just efforts to lift others up.

We appreciate that Smith and the other event organizers led by example. We hope to see more in the future and that Midlanders will show up in full force to take part in healthy community building.

And we hope that, in the future, our role can be equally productive. The time for big talk is over.

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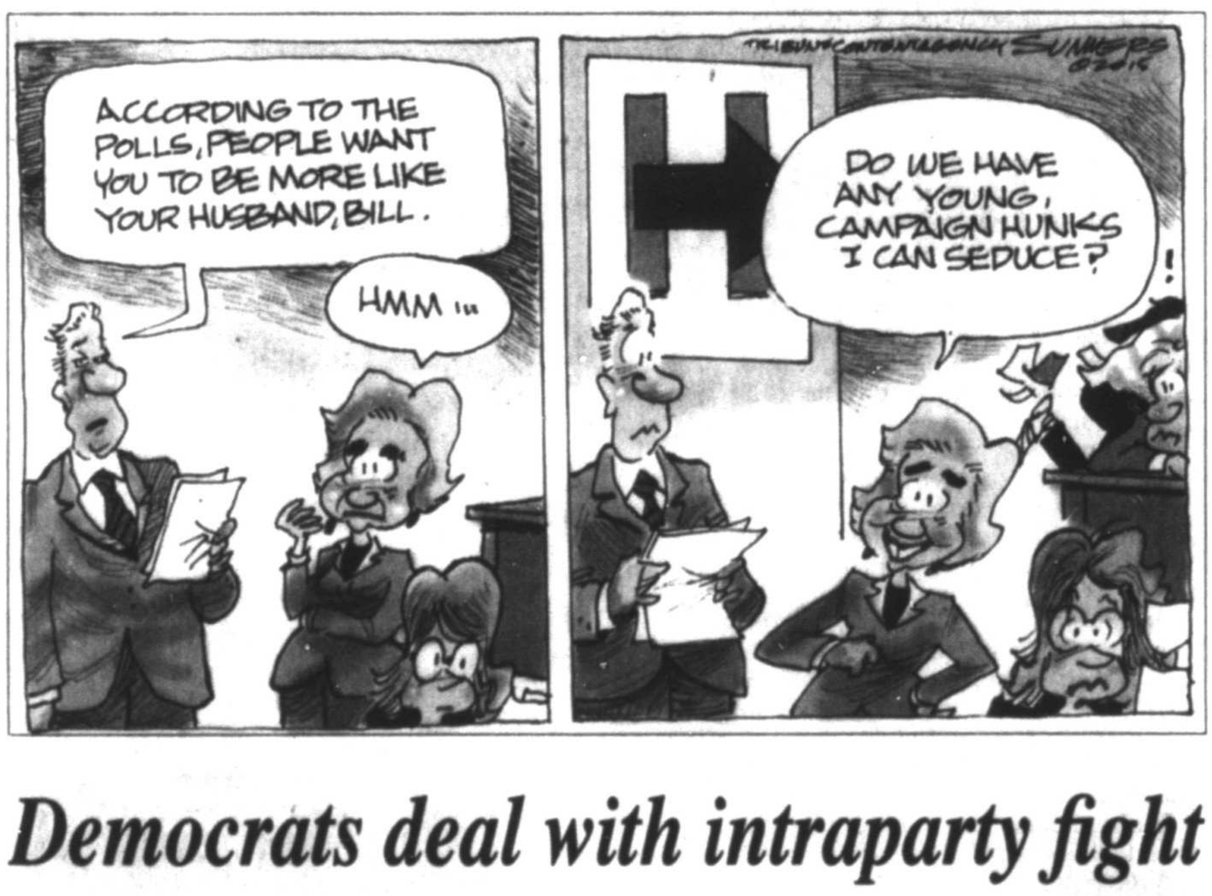
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Democrats deal with intraparty fight

■ Clinton and Obama find themselves on the wrong side of history

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Scenes from an insurrection: In Madison, Wisconsin, Wednesday, 10,000 people show up to rally for longshot presidential candidate Bernie Sanders — giving the self-declared "democratic socialist" the largest crowd any candidate has had so far this election cycle. Sanders, running on a shoestring and a prayer, has closed to within single digits of Hillary Clinton in some New Hampshire polls and is surging in Iowa.

In New York on Tuesday, populist Mayor Bill de Blasio lashes out in vitriolic terms at New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, a Democrat like de Blasio, accusing him of "games" and politically motivated "revenge." De Blasio and other Democrats blast Cuomo's handling of housing, immigration, the minimum wage and education.

In Washington the previous week, an overwhelming majority of Democrats — 158 of 186 in the House and 31 of 44 in the Senate — opposes President Obama on free-trade legislation. Obama prevails after failing in a similar vote earlier in the month, but the episode leaves the president attempting to repair a deep rift with his fellow Democrats by championing overtime rules last week favored by unions.

These are not isolated events. Together, they show anew how the populist movement is ascendant within the Democratic Party, and they confirm that the balance of power has shifted. Clinton, who reports raising $45 million since launching her campaign in April, will almost certainly beat Sanders. Obama won on trade. But Clinton and Obama are, to borrow a favorite phrase of the president, on the wrong side of history. As I've noted, the country is trending in a more liberal direction, and a growing proportion of Democrats are hard-core liberals.

There are various causes, but the change is likely in part a reaction to the tea party and to the Republican Party's swing to the right. So far, Democrats have shown less inclination to eat their own, but there is a real possibility that intraparty fratricide will break out if Clinton and the rest of the Democratic establishment don't co-opt the rising populist movement. In New York, for example, there is already talk of a liberal primary challenge to Cuomo if he chooses to run again in 2018.

That the Sanders campaign has caught fire is a surprise to just about everybody, not least the candidate himself, who had his doubts. The Brooklyn-born Vermonter with a didactic style lacks the fire and charisma of Elizabeth Warren, who chose not to run. But his call for huge infrastructure spending and taxing the rich has caught the moment just right, even if Sanders himself is an imperfect vessel.

In May, Clinton had a 31-point lead in New Hampshire over her nearest potential Democratic competitor in the WMUR-CNN poll; now she leads Sanders by only eight points, which, because of the poll's methodology, is a statistical tie. In Iowa, likewise, Clinton had a 45-point lead over Sanders in May, according to a Quinnipiac University poll. Now her lead has shrunk to 19 points.

The populist pushback that propels Sanders' unexpected surge also can be seen in the incendiary remarks of New York's top populist, de Blasio, who took the extraordinary step of calling journalists to City Hall to denounce the governor. He called Cuomo's actions "not anything like acceptable government practice," according to The New York Times.

At the heart of the criticism is a sense that Cuomo, though the son of the late liberal lion Mario Cuomo, was insufficiently pure in his ideology and too willing to strike deals with Republicans. Several New York liberals have begun rumbles of a primary challenge to Cuomo — an effort that would be like the conservative efforts to purge the Republican Party of RINOs (Republicans in Name Only) in recent elections.

Obama, too, has been upended by the populist wave. Though he eventually prevailed in the "fast-track" trade vote, he had nothing like the support Bill Clinton got when he pushed through the North American Free Trade Agreement with half of Senate Democrats and 40 percent of House Democrats. Liberals called that a victory. "This isn't 1993 and this is not Bill Clinton's Democratic Party," Rep. Rosa DeLauro of Connecticut, who led Democratic opposition in the House, wrote in The Huffington Post Thursday.

Bill Clinton reshaped the party with moderate "New Democrats," but the new New Democrats look more like the old. Hillary Clinton, notably, sided with liberals on the trade legislation, which is smart: If she doesn't want to get trampled by populists on the march, she'll need to grab a baton and pretend to be the drum major.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore





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Texas Public Policy Foundation

Want to reform education? Give parents a choice

■ The combination of parental involvement and more options in education will yield greater student preformance

In the coming months, the Texas Supreme Court will rule on the constitutionality of Texas' current public school system. The litigation debate over our education system has been incessant over the last 30 years. In its two most recent rulings, the state's highest court warned that more money was not the only solution, although it was the only solution schools demanded.

Ten years ago, the court challenged the legislature to reimagine the education system as a whole. But in the decade since, nothing's changed.

The Texas Supreme Court now hears another education case — the seventh in a line of similar cases stretching back to the 80s. But this newest case could turn the school finance system on its head.

The Texas Constitution requires an efficient education system that produces results with little waste. The court warned legislators not to ignore the "gross wastes in the bureaucratic administration" of the system.

In its ruling, the trial court found that the current system is failing "hundreds of thousands" of Texas students. If the Texas Supreme Court declares this inefficient, we will see open ground for reform.

And with true reform, Texas parents can — finally — become the pilots of their child's education. Parents can become powerful advocates for their children through innovative solutions.

One innovation is Parent Trigger. Under current law, parents of students can petition the Texas Education Agency for reform if their child's school is rated "unacceptable" for five years in a row. Parents of first-graders must wait until their child is in the fifth grade before they can attempt reform. No parents should have to wait that long to help their struggling child. A bill in the 2015 legislature would have cut the waiting time to two years, still much too long in the life of one child.

In a system that protects the status quo, the bill did not pass.

Another innovation gaining steam is school choice. In two dozen other states, parents receive financial support from the state if they transfer their student from public to non-public schools. This means that parents can benefit from great private schools, innovative online programs, and speech or physical therapy (for disabled students). But Texas lacks a parental choice program; so many families cannot feasibly consider these options.

Across the nation, parents' demands have inspired the creation of 46 parental choice programs, moving parents from the passenger seat to the driver seat.

School choice succeeds for individual children. Studies have found increasing math and reading scores, as well as rising college enrollment, for choice participants. The Louisiana Department of Education reports that "students who had been in the scholarship program for multiple years out-performed first-time scholarship students in every subject and grade."

And parents are happier. LaQuinneit Reneau, a parent of a child in the program, stated: "I believe that a parent should be able to put their child in a place that is comfortable, in an environment where they can get a great education."

School choice empowers parents and enables them to vote with the dollar, just as we all do while grocery shopping. When we purchase wheat bread at H-E-B (in place of white bread), we signal to bread companies the exact qualities we value, which relays the goods they should keep producing.

Under school choice, when parents choose a school, they send a signal about the kind of education they value, which encourages administrators to provide better support to classroom teachers and reward teachers as professionals. As a result, educational quality improves across the board. A parental choice bill would have given Texans a voice that parents around the nation already enjoy.

But in a system that protects the status quo, the bill did not pass.

In the current lawsuit, a lower Texas court found that no observed performance measure showed Texas students reaching their full potential. Texas students could use a boost, and Texas parents need options.

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Storie among inaugural class to Permian Basin Band Directors Hall of Fame

JOHN CARROLL
Permian Basin Band Directors Hall of Fame Committee

I am the associate band director at Permian High School. I also serve as the chair of the Permian Basin Band Directors Hall of Fame Committee, an entity recently established to honor outstanding band directors in this region. This part of Texas has long been a reckoning force in Texas school bands, and it is the desire of the present band directors here to honor people who have helped us get to this point in the musical education of young people. We wish to recognize those people publicly.

N-Tune Music and Sound has taken on great financial responsibility for the Hall of Fame. N-Tune will also house the Hall of Fame.

We will have the first induction class at the end of the 2015-16 school year.

We want people to know that, even though "a prophet has no honor in his own country," that these people do indeed have our respect, love and appreciation for blazing the way for so many of the rest of us. We want these people to know that they are not taken for granted, and that they are not forgotten by their own regional colleagues.

We want this to be a high honor for these inductees. Some of these people will have already been inducted into the Texas Band Directors Hall of Fame. We want this achievement to be right up there with any other honor and not to be considered a lesser honor.

The inductees for the first class of the Permian Basin Band Directors Hall of Fame are people of distinction who have brought great pride and recognition to the Permian Basin over the years. They have set the standard not only in our region, but throughout Texas. These are names known throughout Texas and, yes, in many different parts of the nation. We are lucky to call them our own.

These are people who have attained such honors as membership in American Bandmasters Association, Texas Bandmasters of the Year, Texas Music Educators Association (TMEA) Band Division chairman, TMEA presidency, being Honor Band directors, directors of state marching champions, directors of Midwest International Band and Orchestra Convention performing bands, directors of Rose Parade participating bands, and many other high-profile achievements, and you know what? They each cut their teeth here in our own back yard of the Permian Basin.

These are people who have created a culture of excellence in the band world of West Texas.

These are people who have set high standards in West Texas and who give the rest of us lofty and high goals to achieve and for which to strive.

These are the people for whom thousands of former students would do virtually anything, even now, long after their years in band.

These are the people who chose to spend all or the greatest part of their careers in West Texas for the love of the students and schools in this part of Texas.

These are blue-collar directors. These are people who were not afraid to get down on their hands and knees and to help little Johnny tap his foot up and down. These are people who worked day in and day out, teaching the difference between B-flat and B-natural, the difference between left foot and right foot, and the difference between right and wrong.

These are the Mr. Hollands of our own back yard, the ones who taught lovingly and often times sternly, the ones who learned many different ways to motivate, the ones who made their band halls home for thousands of students.

These are people who made West Texas a viable force in the Texas band culture.

These are people who loved teaching. One of these people once told me, after retirement, that they would give up every honor they ever had received to just be able to direct a band one more week.

I once visited one of these people in the hospital. I was complaining about a bad rehearsal that day, when this person told me, "Yes, but at least you got to rehearse a band today".

Most importantly, these are people who helped create the thought in West Texas that "Band changes lives."

These are people who love being able to call themselves Permian Basin band directors.

In other words, these are people who gave their adult lives to being in the trenches every day and being loving, caring and wonderful teachers to the children in West Texas.

They are well-known names to many subscribers of this newpaper. They are:

■ Dan Gibbs — longtime band director at Monahans High School.

■ Bill Dean — longtime band director at Odessa High School.

■ J. R. McEntyre — longtime band director at Permian High School, later served as director of Fine Arts for ECISD.

■ Randy Storie — recently deceased, and longtime band director at Lee High School.

■ Charles Nail — longtime band director at Permian High School, later served as director of Fine Arts for ECISD.

I would like to suggest that any former students, band parents or current friends reading this to offer their congratulations as appropriate to these fine Permian Basin educators.



We should know history before sanitizing it

■ Push to remove Confederate statues at UT, across South ignores key facts about past

JERRY PATTERSON
Former Texas Land Commissioner



In this enlightened age, there are few I believe, but what will acknowledge, that slavery as an institution is a moral and political evil in any country."

All Americans would agree with the quote above — and in a moment I'll have something to say about the man who wrote it.

First, though, after the tragic murders by a drug-dependent mental case in Charleston, S.C., the nation has erupted with mostly rabid and ill-informed commentary regarding the display of Confederate flags and monuments on government property.

I support the removal of the battle flag from the South Carolina Capitol, in large part because it's historically inaccurate — the battle flag never flew over a state Capitol. I recommend that South Carolina do what Texas has done for at least 30 years and fly the First National flag of the Confederacy, also known as the "stars and bars," instead of the Confederate battle flag, at its Capitol.

I also understand, that, over the past decades, racist groups have co-opted the battle flag and, as a result, the flag means something different to black citizens than it does to me, a descendant of several Confederate veterans.

However, the feeding frenzy of the offended masses has now resulted in calling for the removal of Confederate statues across the South, as well. The University of Texas is likely to soon remove the statues of Jefferson Davis, Robert E. Lee, Albert Sidney Johnston and John Reagan from its campus.

Maybe we should replace the statues with more politically acceptable historical figures? Certainly, no one would object to a statue of Abraham Lincoln on the UT campus, would they?

Well, they should object. When measured by any standard, the Great Emancipator was a white supremacist.

During his March 4, 1861, inaugural address, Lincoln endorsed a constitutional amendment, commonly referred to as the Corwin amendment, as an inducement for the South to rejoin the Union if it were ratified. This constitutional amendment would have forever protected slavery where it currently existed.

Lincoln told the inaugural audience: "I have no objection to its being made express and irrevocable."

Abe Lincoln was clearly quite prepared to perpetuate slavery to save the Union. In an 1862 letter to Horace Greeley, Lincoln wrote: "... if I could save it [the Union] without freeing any slaves I would do it ..."

During his famous debates with Sen. Stephen Douglas, Lincoln explained to the crowd: "I am not now, nor ever been in favor of bringing about in any way the social and political equality of the white and black races. I am not now, nor ever been, in favor of making voters or jurors of Negroes, nor qualifying them to hold office, nor to intermarry with white people. And I will say in addition to this there is a physical difference between the white and black races which I believe will ever forbid the two races from living on

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Want to fix America's health care crisis? Eat better

STEVE BLOW
Dallas Morning News

Some people do crosswords. Others prefer jigsaw puzzles. For David Shiring, it's the U.S. health care crisis.

No ordinary brain games for him, thank you. The retired business executive from Carrollton has tackled the Gordian knot of our day.

"I love to think that one person can make a difference," the 67-year-old Shiring told me over lunch.

But don't worry. He's not going to drag us through the complexities of the Affordable Care Act or Medicare reimbursements, though he could.

As chief financial officer of several companies, he saw how soaring health care costs cut into pay raises, profits, reinvestment and just about every other worthy thing.

"As a citizen, I see how Medicare and Medicaid add to our national debt. We're literally forcing our children and grandchildren to pay for our health care today," he said.

"It's all so overwhelming, so I asked myself: Is there something anyone could do right now to help? And the answer was yes, absolutely."

Very simply: Eat better.

Wait. Don't run. This isn't another stern lecture on dieting. It's actually a strong word of sympathy.

Shiring said his most surprising discovery in nearly two years of looking at health care issues is how obesity is almost a conspiracy against us. "The deck is

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terms of social and political equality. And inasmuch as they cannot so live, while they do remain together there must be a position of superior and inferior and I as much as any other man am in favor of having the superior position assigned to the white race".

Lincoln was no different than 99 percent of white males in both the North and the South. He was a white supremacist.

To be fair, Lincoln was anti-slavery, but one of his major objections to slavery was that it competed with free white labor and that he thought it gave unfair economic advantage to slave owners. While opposed to and very uncomfortable with slavery, he did not support equality.

Lincoln was also an advocate of deportation and colonization of free blacks to Central America or Africa — telling a group of free black visitors to the White House they were "selfish" if they opposed the plan.

As the war progressed, Lincoln's views mellowed somewhat, primarily because of the bravery of black Union soldiers — he said he was in favor of allowing "intelligent" blacks to vote if they had served in the Union Army. The deification of Lincoln that began with his tragic assassination is based on a false view.

Back to that quotation above. Wouldn't the person who wrote those words in 1856 — five years before the war began — be a credible choice for a statue on the UT campus? The same gentleman who freed his inherited slaves long before the war began would surely be an inspirational choice for any educational setting.

The irony is, his statue is already on the UT campus, and many other public parks, squares and courthouses across the South. He was a man revered across the nation, even in the North, after the war ended.

He was Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee.

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stacked against us in so many ways," he said.

It probably doesn't need repeating that obesity is one of the key components of our health care crisis. Just looking up from our restaurant table, I saw men and women wider than their chairs.

Shiring said he began to understand why weight loss is so difficult when he saw brain imaging. It showed the almost identical effects of sugar and cocaine.

"Sugar acts very much like a drug," he said. "It makes us feel happier. And we want more of it."

So much of our eating is unrelated to hunger, he said. "We eat because we're stressed, because we're bored, because we're frustrated. And for the moment, it makes us feel better."

Ideally, we'd get no more than 25 grams of added sugar a day, Shiring said. Fifty would be the max. A single can of Pepsi has 41 grams.

We face an avalanche of sugar these days. Food manufacturers add it to everything, along with salts and fats.

Why? So we'll eat more, of course. It's part of that stacked deck we face, Shiring said.

Shiring is a pro-business, free-enterprise guy. He teaches it to kids through the Junior Achievement program. But the huge food industry is not our friend, he said.

"Their job is to increase sales. Their job is to maximize profits," he said.

So they spend millions researching ways to make food even more appealing. "Remember that potato chip slogan: 'Bet you can't eat just one?' That's their whole goal right there," Shiring said.

"Then they spend millions more on marketing research, learning which of our emotional buttons to push to make their products irresistible," he said.

Cruelly, even our bodies are part of the conspiracy against us. When we cut back on calories, the body begins to burn fewer calories. And our brains double down on craving messages, he said.

His point is not that we should give up. He believes that understanding the challenge will help us succeed.

Want an easy first step? Drink water. "Don't drink your calories. Water is the only drink an adult human needs," he said.

And don't kid yourself that a jog around the block will solve anything. "You can't exercise your way out of a bad diet," Shiring said.

A brisk, 30-minute workout burns 300 calories. A large chocolate shake at McDonald's has 850 calories.

Eat at home on small plates. Stick to the fruit, vegetable and meat aisles at the grocery story. Snack on nuts.

Our health care crisis seems overwhelming, but we can solve much of it one bite at a time.

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Insurer merger mania paints muddied picture for consumers

■ Aetna, Humana Inc., Centene Corp., Cigna Corp., and UnitedHealth Group Inc. among insuance companies planning acquisitions, mergers or sales

By Tom Murphy
Associated Press

More than a third of the U.S. population has health coverage through an insurer that either wants to make a huge acquisition or is about to be swallowed up in one.

Aetna laid out a plan on Friday to spend around $35 billion to buy the Medicare Advantage provider Humana Inc. That came a day after Centene Corp. and Health Net Inc. announced a smaller deal and a couple of weeks after Anthem Inc. went public with its offer of more than $47 billion for Cigna Corp.

The nation's biggest insurer, UnitedHealth Group Inc., also has kicked the tires on making an offer to Aetna Inc., according to The Wall Street Journal.

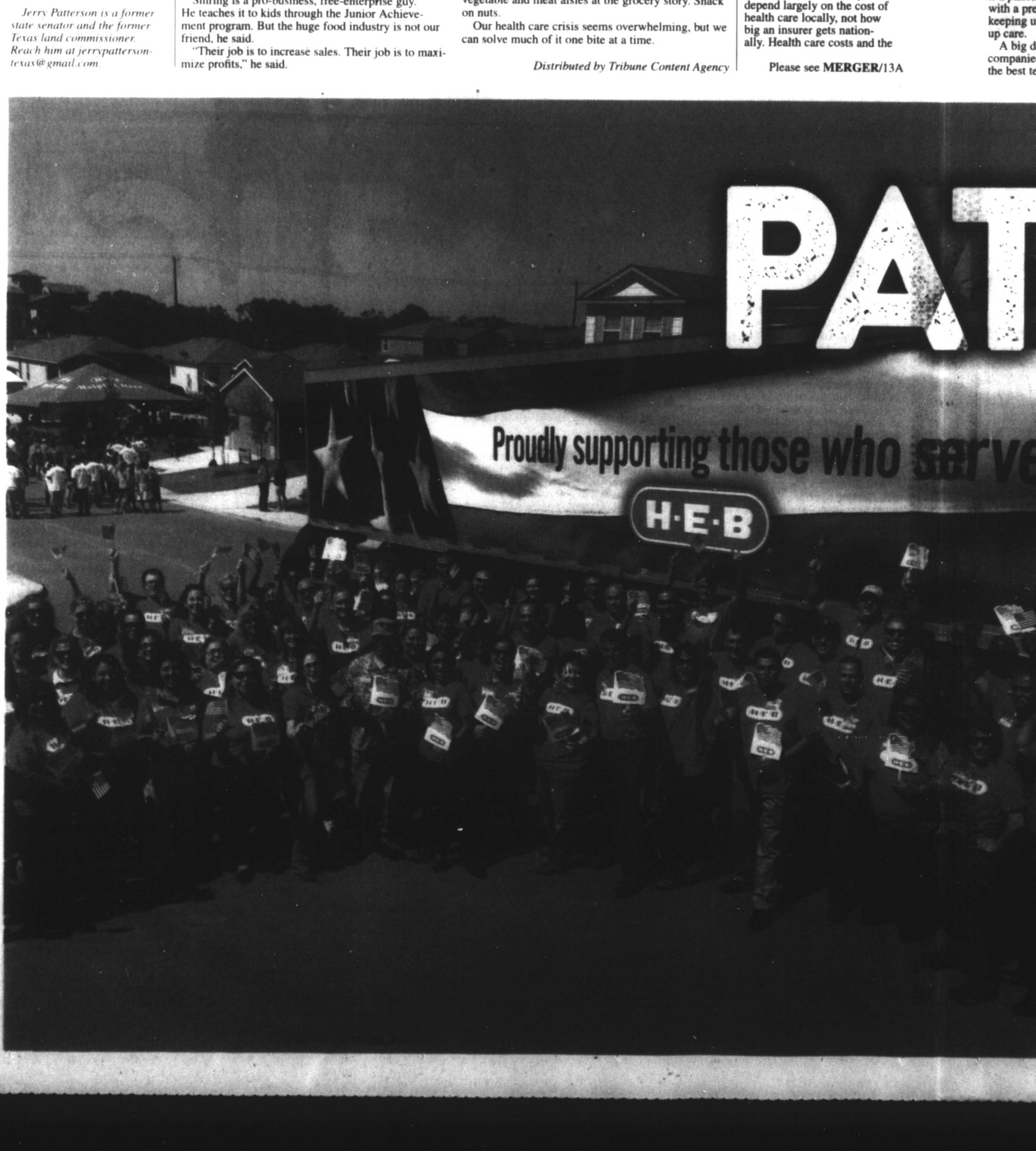
Health insurers routinely detail the earnings and savings they expect from these mega deals, but the impact on the average consumer can't be boiled down to crisp dollars and cents. Nevertheless, here are some answers to questions that may arise if your insurer becomes part of an acquisition.

Q: Will my premium go up?

A: Not necessarily. The cynic might argue that a bigger insurer will charge whatever it wants and not sweat losing a few customers because it has millions to spare and less competition.

However, insurance prices depend largely on the cost of health care locally, not how big an insurer gets nationally. Health care costs and the

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amount of competition an insurer faces can vary widely depending the market.

Premiums could jump if the cost of care spikes where you live and big deals wipe out a few competitors.

But an insurer also might reap some savings from combining with another company. Some of that might eventually trickle down to premiums.

So many variables affect pricing that it's hard to establish a clear cause-and-effect relationship with a mega deal.

Q: Will bigger insurers be able to clamp down on health care costs?

A: That also depends largely on each market.

In theory, a bigger insurer gains more negotiating muscle over care providers because it can exclude that doctor or hospital from its network and send patients elsewhere. But many of these health care providers also have been growing and gaining their own leverage.

Health care costs are still growing faster than the broader inflation rate, and the rising price of some prescription drugs is drawing concern.

Q: What will the consumer see from these big deals?

A: Better technology comes to mind.

Insurers are racing to develop better apps and other tools to help their customers buy coverage and health care because patients are being exposed to more of the cost of care through rising deductibles and other health insurance expenses.

Companies are also using technology more to monitor and improve patient care. That means using tools that tell them if a patient is sticking with a prescription or keeping up with follow-up care.

A big deal would allow companies to combine the best technology from each company.

Q: When will consumers start seeing any impact from these deals?

A: At least a year from now. Insurers have already settled on their rates and other details of the coverage they want to offer staring in January.

These acquisitions still must be approved by shareholders, and regulators have to review them to make sure no company gains an unfair advantage in any market. In some cases — see Anthem and Cigna — the companies haven't even struck a deal yet.

After an acquisition closes, the companies then have to combine their businesses.

Poll: Approval for Supreme Court health care decision

WASHINGTON — A new poll finds that most Americans approve of the recent Supreme Court decision preserving the health care law's subsidized insurance premiums for people in all 50 states.

Overall, 62 percent approved, while 32 percent disapproved, said the survey released Wednesday by the nonpartisan Kaiser Family Foundation.

Opponents of the law had argued that a strict reading of President Barack Obama's law only allowed subsidies in states that set up their own insurance markets. The court disagreed, 6-3.

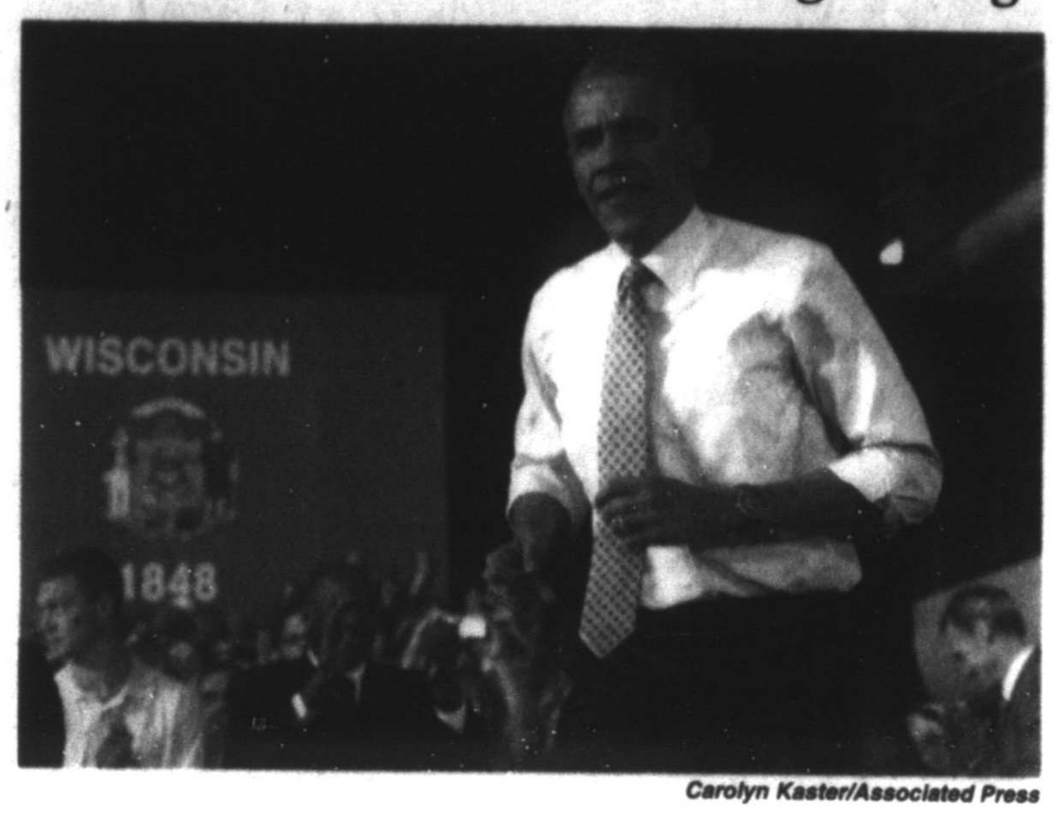
The poll found overwhelming approval for the decision among Democrats, and strong disapproval among Republicans. But independents mirrored the national results, approving by 61 percent to 34 percent.

The poll was conducted after last week's decision and has a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3 percentage points for the full sample.

Associated Press

How Obama reversed course on federal college ratings

By Josh Lederman
Associated Press



Carolyn Kaster/Associated Press

President Barack Obama arrives to speak at the University of Wisconsin at La Crosse in La Crosse, Wis., on Thursday about the economy and to promote a proposed Labor Department rule that would make more workers eligible for overtime.

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama dearly wanted to get the government in the business of rating colleges and universities based on value and affordability, promising a new system by 2015. Now that goal is shriveling under the weight of a concerted opposition from universities, lawmakers and bureaucrats in Obama's own administration.

Nearly two years after the president, standing before a crowd of 7,000 at the University at Buffalo, unveiled the bold proposal as a way to curb soaring college costs, his administration has quietly but drastically scaled back the initiative. No longer does the federal government intend to use a formula to score schools based on factors like price, average student debt and graduation rates, as Obama had envisioned.

Instead, the new tool will allow prospective students to decide which factors are important to them, then draw their own conclusions from the statistics. But officials couldn't point to any new statistics the tool will offer that aren't already available through existing government websites.

Abandoning the original plan marked the latest in a series of stumbles for Obama's education priorities. In his 2013 State of the Union address, Obama called for expanding access to pre-kindergarten to all American children, and in his 2015 address, he pushed a $60 billion plan to offer two years of free community college. Neither proposal has gained any traction.

The Education Department said it's still determining what the revised college tool will look like but that it's still on track to roll it out by the start of the 2015-16 academic year, roughly two months from now.

Yet Obama's goal, as he described when he announced the plan in August 2013, was to create an alternative to private rankings like U.S. News and World Report whose formulas incentivize schools to "game the numbers" and even raise costs. Instead, Obama sought a system that prioritized whether schools are enrolling and graduating poorer students and whether their graduates succeed in the workforce.

"I think we should rate colleges based on opportunity — are they helping students from all kinds of backgrounds succeed — and on outcomes, on their value to students and parents," Obama said. He took it a step further by proposing that Congress eventually tie a school's eligibility for federal financial aid to its score in the new ratings system.

Resistance to Obama's plan was swift, vehement and nearly universal.

Associations representing colleges with traditionally conflicting interests — such as community colleges and private universities — all lined up in opposition, warning the project was too complex, too subjective and too dependent on shoddy data to ever work fairly. As the Education Department mounted an extensive, lengthy listening tour across the country, college presidents warned of dire unintended consequences and implored the government to reconsider.

On Capitol Hill, the proposal drew pushback not only from the president's traditional Republican foes, but also some Democrats. Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., a former education secretary and chair of the Senate's education panel, took to the Senate floor to threaten an amendment blocking the ratings system. And in the House, Republican Rep. Bob Goodlatte of Virginia and Democratic Rep. Michael Capuano of Massachusetts — two states with large numbers of colleges — joined forces to sponsor a resolution opposing Obama's plan.

"Do I think they would have continued if no one had pushed back? Of course I do," Capuano said.

But for nearly two years, the administration stuck to the original plan. In a blog post in December 2014, the Education Department said it was considering rating schools as high-performing, medium-performing or low-performing and outlined a few potential metrics, but disappointed many by failing to flesh out the formula it would use to assign ratings.

Driving the decision to stick with a ratings system was Obama, who was dead-set on carrying out his original vision for the project, according to interviews with nearly a dozen congressional aides, administration officials and college association leaders. Many of them spoke on condition of anonymity to avoid criticizing the president publicly.

From the start, career bureaucrats and data experts at the Education Department said the idea wasn't feasible, but met continued White House resistance, those officials said. Technical experts in the education industry that the administration consulted offered similar warnings. Eventually, higher-level Education Department officials grew convinced the plan was unworkable, and persuaded the White House to allow a scaled-back approach devoid of hard-and-fast ratings.

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In this 2015 photo provided by Discovery Channel, a great white shark researcher stands in the clear shark cage while a great white shark swims by during an episode of "Shark Week." The television series returns today with 19 hours of prime-time programming including "Shark Island" with shark specialist Craig O'Connell, airing 7 p.m. July 12.

'Shark Week' returns for 28th year with first Cuban visit

By Lynn Elber
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Sharks are serious business this summer, with "Sharknado"-style flippancy a barely heard echo following grisly attacks on beachgoers off the Florida, California and North and South Carolina coasts.

Seriousness also marks the tone of Discovery Channel's Shark Week which, after veering off course with programs that lopsidedly favored thrills over information, aims to bring the balance back to hard science as the annual event begins Sunday.

It remains to be seen whether the lineup will satisfy critics of 2014's Shark Week who condemned, among other things, programs awash in what they labeled "pseudoscience."

If skeptics remain unswayed, it won't be for Discovery's lack of effort, as Howard Swartz explains it. He's the Discovery vice president for documentaries and specials who oversaw all Shark Week content, his first go at it. The summer staple is airing for the 28th time.

"Discovery is at its best when it's fulfilling our core brand promise, which is about exploration and adventure, science and research," Swartz said. Shark Week has met that goal before, he said, but this year's focus is even more intense and revealing.

"Technology keeps begging new questions that researchers are going after, whether it's about behavior, about migration, about finding new shark habits they didn't know before," he said.

"My best friend in keeping Shark Week new is the research community and the technology they're using," added Swartz, whose science-heavy TV career includes a stint as executive producer of PBS' acclaimed "Nova" series just before joining Discovery.

That's not to say that entertainment and hyperbole are missing in action — this is commercial TV, after all. Consider "Bride of Jaws," (8 p.m. Tuesday), about the search for the largest female Great White yet tagged, or "Sharksanity 2" (9 p.m. Saturday, July 11) with viewer rankings of Shark Week's "most insane bites, strikes and close calls," as the channel describes it.

Shark Week also acts as a travelogue, taking viewers to far-flung locations including Australia, South Africa, the East and West U.S. coasts, Cuba and the Gulf of Mexico.

On a sober note, the lineup offers timely examinations of efforts to develop new tools to help ocean-loving humans and sharks coexist peacefully in areas coping with dangerous shark vs human encounters. The shows were completed before the recent spate of attacks.

"I think Shark Week has done a great job over the last decades showing the sharks aren't mindless killing machines. But the reality is that shark attacks do happen — the question is why they happen, what can we learn from them and what can we do to mitigate them from happening happen," Swartz said.

There are several reasons for what shark expert Craig O'Connell characterizes as "maybe a slight increase" in dangerous encounters. The jump in the human population and more crowded oceans is one, he said, a factor also cited by scientists in explaining the attacks of the Carolinas.

O'Connell's efforts to keep people and sharks separated without harm to either are part of "Shark Island," which concludes Shark Week at 8 p.m. Sunday, July 12. He was a preteen in upstate New York when a Shark Week program of two decades ago showed a shark entangled in a net, leaving him resolved to find fish-safe alternatives to beach nets and drum lines.

He and other scientists are testing the use of magnets to repel sharks by interfering with their navigation system, which relies on their unusual electrical sense, O'Connell said.

There are other remarkable developments and discoveries scattered throughout the programs.

"Tiburones: Sharks of Cuba" (10 p.m. Tuesday, July 7) relates the joint exploration of the island's waters by American and Cuban scientists, a first for Shark Week and organized before the countries moved to restore diplomatic ties. The ocean is so pristine and untouched that one scientist compared it to the Bahamas of 80 years ago, Swartz said.

More notable Shark Week footage: epaulette sharks on Australia's Great Barrier reef using their fins as makeshift legs to return to the ocean from the rocky shore ("Shark Planet," 9 p.m. Thursday, July 9) and footage of Mako sharks breaching out of the water in ambush attacks ("Monster Mako," 10 p.m. Sunday, July 5).

Shark Week kicks off at 8 p.m. Sunday, July 5, with "Shark Trek," in which Massachusetts' marine fisheries biologist Greg Skomal tags Great Whites off Cape Cod and tracks them as they head out — with patterns pointing to the southern U.S. as their destination.

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Company town? In Seattle, some fret over Amazon's growth

By Gene Johnson
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Seattle, notorious for boom-and-bust cycles stretching back to the 19th-century Alaska gold rush, is booming once again.

Thickets of yellow cranes have crowded the skyline, where new glass-sided office buildings, hotels and apartment towers blot out views of the mountains and the Space Needle. Food trucks dot the streets and young software engineers with disposable income fill the bars.

But the boom has brought handwringing, as residents fret over whether Seattle has become a traffic-snarled city for the rich with soaring rental rates, overly dependent on the company behind it all: Amazon.

The online retail giant has brought tens of thousands of workers to its campus in the South Lake Union neighborhood, overtaken the University of Washington as Seattle's biggest employer and lined up enough office space to roughly triple its headcount here.

"A lot of people who have lived in Seattle for 10 or 20 years are getting pushed out," said Jeff Reifman, a former Microsoft programmer who has criticized the ways Amazon is changing Seattle, including in a well-read essay last year on how the influx of male tech workers has skewed the dating scene.

To some, the complaints sound like trying to find the dark cloud in the silver lining.

"Cleveland would be doing cartwheels for this type of situation," commercial real estate expert Jim Allison said.

He suggests such talk would have been unthinkable five years ago, when Seattle's biggest private employer, Washington Mutual, collapsed. He credits Amazon for Seattle's turnaround, and credits the city with being a model for the "right type of growth" — urban, young, educated and transit-oriented.

Nevertheless, growing pains are undeniable. Seattle, one of the nation's fastest growing cities, is expected to gain another 120,000 residents and 115,000 new jobs over the next 20 years. It's not just Amazon: Facebook, Google, Expedia and other tech giants have opened or are opening offices.

Those extra workers are putting pressure on rents, which have skyrocketed more than 37 percent in Seattle since mid-2010, according to Tom Cain of Apartment Insights Washington.

The median rental price for all homes in Seattle in May was $2,289 a month, Zillow reports, compared to a national average of $1,367.

Amazon said it has more than 20,000 workers in Seattle, and estimates suggest it has enough office space built or planned to grow to more than 70,000, taking up a huge chunk of the city's commercial real estate. That raises the specter among some residents of Boeing's bust in the early 1970s, when two real estate professionals put up a billboard reading, "Will the last person leaving Seattle turn out the lights."

Boeing's downturn led to thousands of lost jobs, with ripple effects throughout Seattle.

While City Councilman Mike O'Brien said he loves that Amazon is hiring, it "can't continue to grow at the pace they're growing at."

Building in Seattle, Amazon has helped remake an old warehouse district into a hub of glass-paneled office buildings, along with new restaurants and a Tesla dealership.

Some businesses were kicked out when their buildings sold for Amazon or related projects, but Monty Holmes still runs his family-owned trophy shop, Athletic Awards, one of the few remaining enterprises from South Lake Union's days as a blue-collar neighborhood. He says business is great, thanks in part to Amazon, which buys employee awards and emblazoned clothing from him.

FareStart, a restaurant and catering business that trains homeless people for food-service careers, is across the street from a building under construction for Amazon. When the company moves in, FareStart expects to see more Amazon workers at lunchtime.

Amazon said 55 percent of its workers bus, bike or walk to work, and it notes it has given the city tens of millions of dollars for affordable housing, paid for a new street car and has contributed to nearly 100 charitable organizations.

"We made a decision to invest in our hometown and build an urban campus in the heart of Seattle," spokesman Ty Rogers said in an email.

But the company has also brought a lot of people into an area that has relatively little housing or public transportation, though the city has added bus service and street cars, and light rail lines are being expanded.

Some of Seattle's new arrivals have spread out, driving up rents in far flung neighborhoods. That's prompted concern about the effect on seniors, low-wage workers, artists and others.

Even app-economy workers have felt the pinch. Jen Joyce, a marketing manager for a ride-service company, was startled to learn the rent for her one-bedroom apartment was going up $200 a month.

Urban planner Alon Bassok was inspired by Seattle's growth challenges to run for City Council this year.

"We as a city have to figure out how to accommodate and rise to the occasion of something like Amazon rather than saying something's their fault," Bassok said.



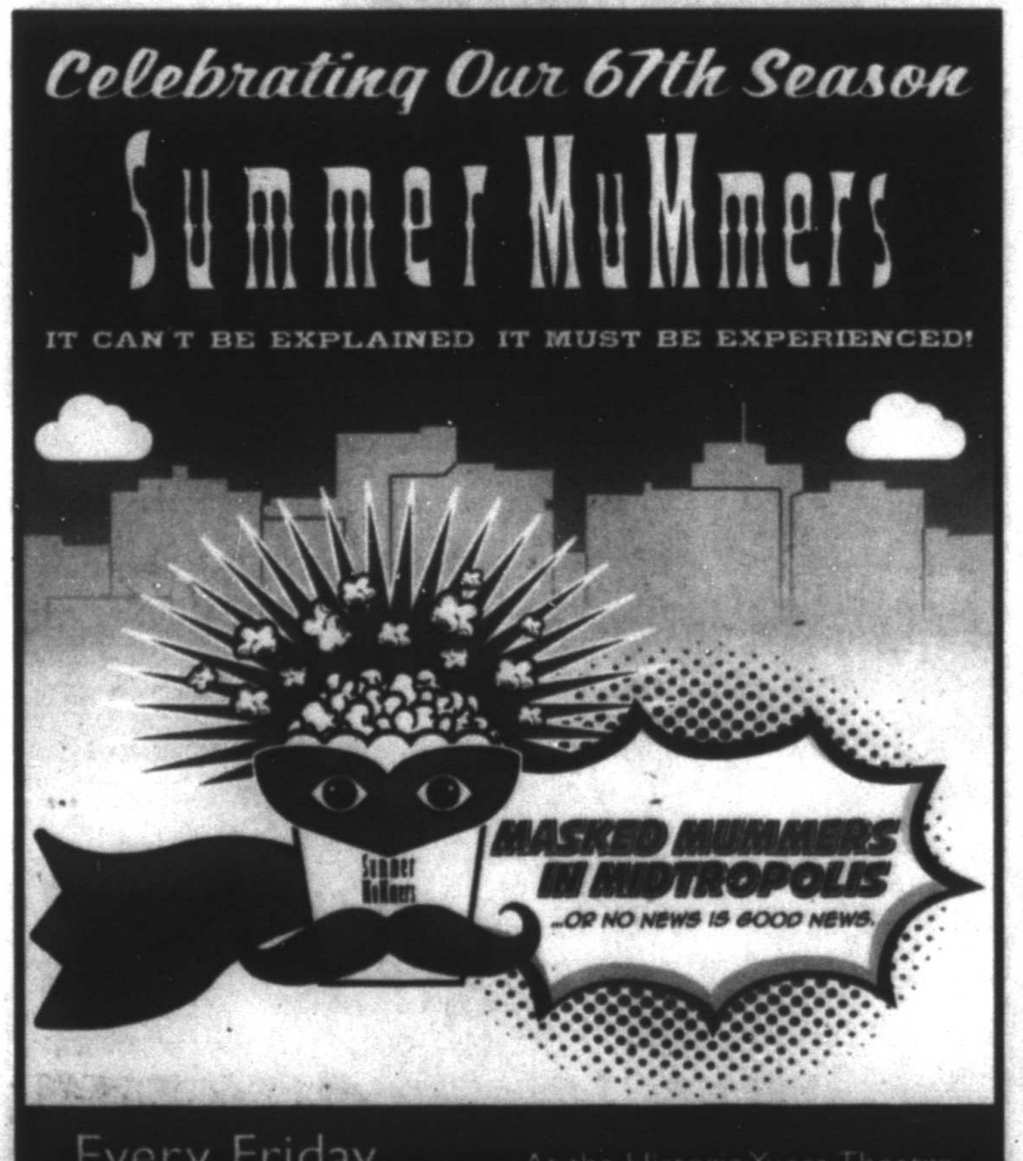
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Monty Holmes gestures outside of his family-owned trophy shop, next door to another high-rise starting up, one of the few remaining enterprises from South Lake Union's days as a blue-collar neighborhood in Seattle, on Feb. 26. Notorious for boom-and-bust cycles stretching back to the 19th century Alaska gold rush, Seattle is booming once again. But the boom has also brought handwringing, as residents fret over whether Seattle has become a traffic-snarled city for the rich, overly dependent on the company behind it all: Amazon.









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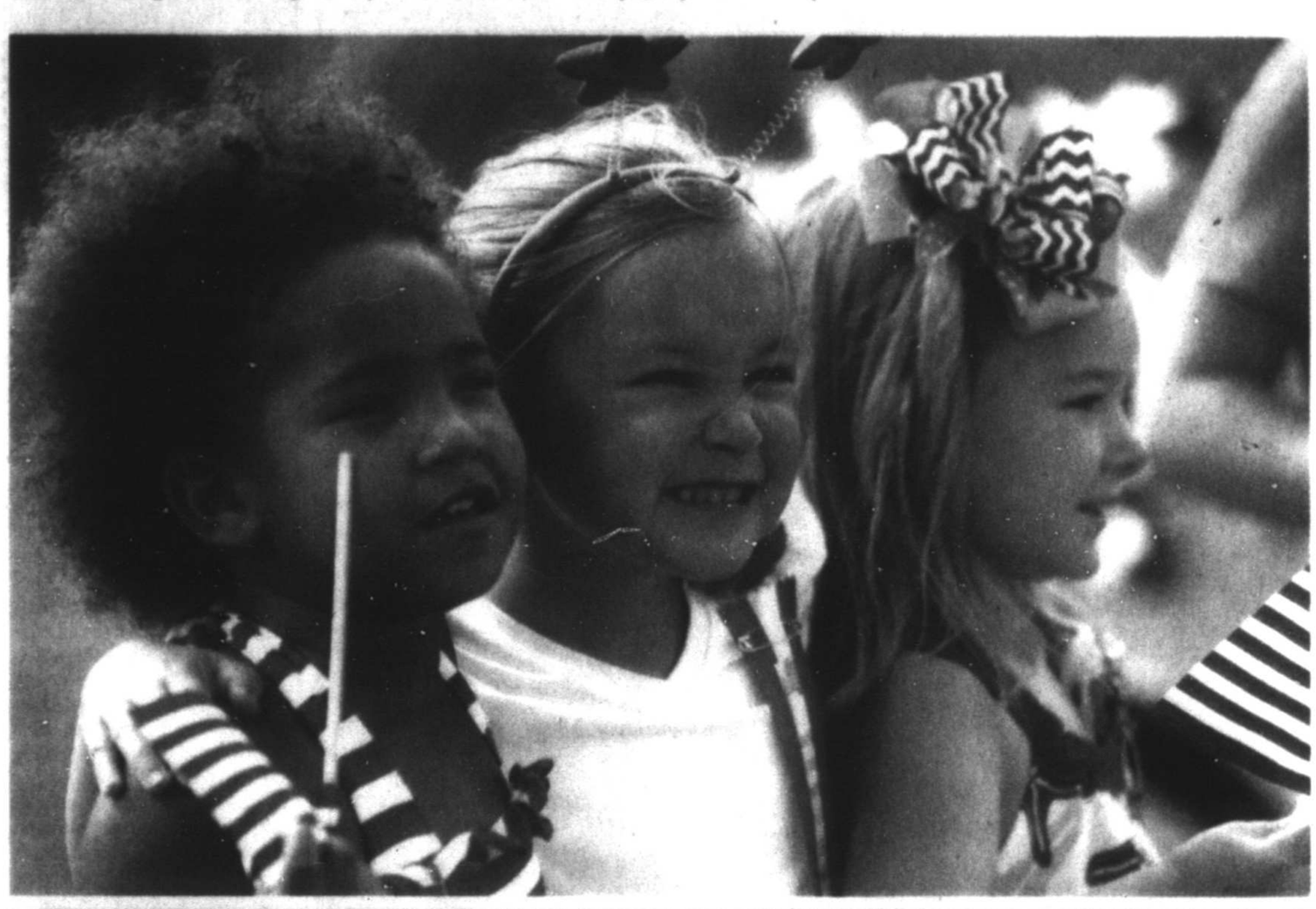
Less than a year later, H-E-B opened its first Odessa store at 42nd Street and Grandview Avenue. The 75,000-square-foot store was open 24/7 and featured the company's first drive-through pharmacy. Considered one of the most substantial retail investments the city had seen in years, the Odessa store created more than 600 jobs in just a few years.

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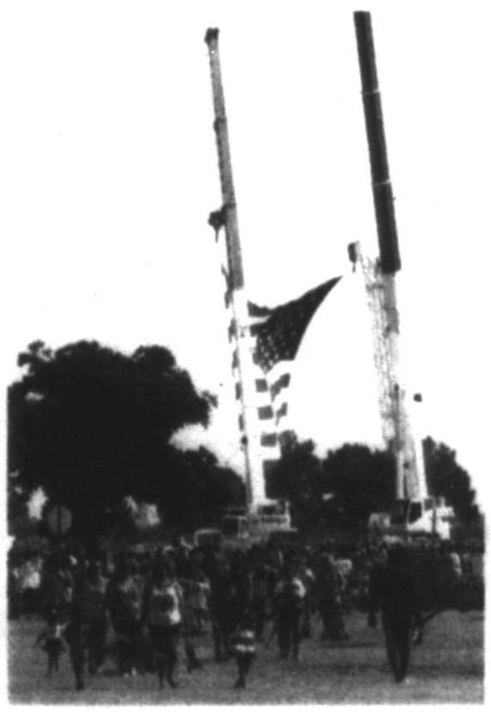
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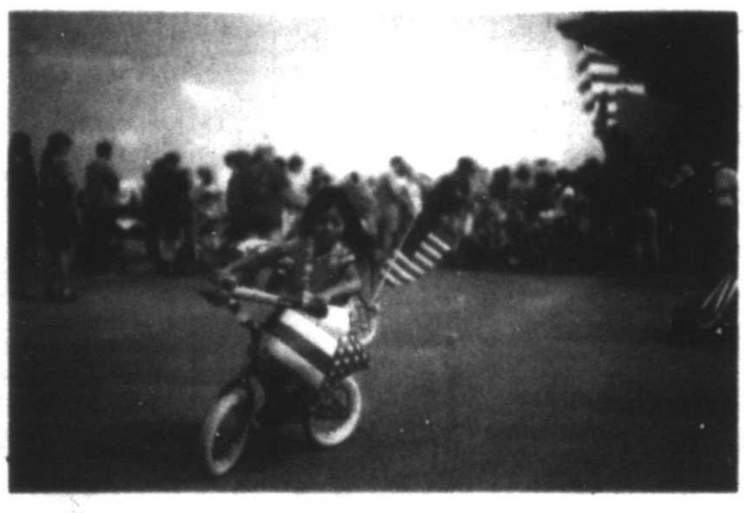
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MELANIE NICHOLAS
Columnist

Sometimes there aren't easy answers for parents

I have really been struggling this month. There are so many questions I just don't have the answers for these days.

My precious nephew Cole Austin died a month ago for reasons no clearer today than they were then. My son wants to know why Cole hurt himself, and my daughter wants to know why Jesus "took him" from her. It is hard to explain to Little Son that we don't know why and probably never will. But my son is secure in his knowledge that Cole is now happy, whole and in heaven. Bodacious, not so much.

It is hard to explain to a 4-year-old that her father and I do not believe that God "takes" people any more than we believe God "lets" terrible things happen to us. But I have to remember that she has a child's very literal Sunday school view of God. God sent the flood to cleanse the Earth. God gave Jesus to Mary. Jesus cried out to God on the cross, to no avail. So I understand why she thinks God, like some cruel child who steals a favorite toy away on the playground, took Cole away from us. We have tried to explain to her that she feels grief and loss — that we all do. That we probably will for a long time, and that being sad is OK.

But there has been so much to make me sad this month. Last week, as the kids and I sat eating breakfast at a hotel in Texarkana, we watched the live news coverage leading up to the eulogy of slain South Carolina pastor, the Rev. Clementa Pinckney. A foot away, the black family at the table next to us was watching the television as intently as my son.

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TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real life columnist

Same-sex marriage ruling reflects society's change in attitude

I suspect that many Americans have had a rough couple of weeks following society-changing rulings by the Supreme Court.

There are some who are elated with the two decisions — one involving the court's full-blown endorsement of the health care law, now known as Obamacare, and the same-sex marriage ruling that has now become the law of the land.

For others, however, these two rulings are the top abominations of the new century.

In between, the rest are left pondering the question of whether or not these rulings have placed us on a superior and forward moving path or has become a real train wreck for society itself.

Yes, we are left with much to ponder. So much coming all at once was a bit like sensory overload on a high scale.

Many expected different opinions. After all, the court make-up currently has a 5-4 conservative majority — or so we thought. However, Justice Anthony Kennedy, an appointee of Ronald Reagan, has proven to be a fence jumper, leaving both Democrats and Republicans nervous over how he will next vote.

He has now become the court's swing vote. For instance, he has joined the conservative side of the court with strong stances for privacy rights, race and free speech, but he went to the left on both of the recent rulings.

With his proclivity of changing robes in mid-course, it was not surprising that both liberals and conservatives expected a good result for their particular side of the arguments.

Naturally, this led to great celebration on one side and heartbroken sobs on the other.

All of this got me thinking about how much attitudes have changed in just the past decade. I doubt the same-sex

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Obituaries



Arthur G. Miller

. Arthur G. Miller born April 15, 1928, passed away July 1, 2015 at Navarro Regional Hospital in Corsicana, Texas. He was married to his wife, Betty Miller, for 65 years.

He had many accomplishments in his life. Arthur began his career as a welder with El Paso Natural Gas and later became a contract welder. He moved onto contract inspections including work for the Alaskan Pipeline covering five shops out of Seattle, Washington. In 1979 he retired from inspecting and built the La Vista Motel in Junction, Texas and managed it until 1992 at which time he built a home for his wife and hinself on property by the Llano River. Due to health issues the Millers moved to Midland, Texas in 2003 later relocating to Corsicana, Texas to be near their son.

Arthur grew up in the Lutheran church, loved his Lord and his family.

Arthur is survived by wife Betty; son, Ronnie Miller and wife Jan; daughter, Pattie Lay and husband T B.. Grandchildren include Eric Miller and wife Sally; Terry Miller and wife Jennifer; Jennifer Paiva and husband David. Great grandchildren include KD, Kaleb and Mackenzie. Also two sisters, Rosie Fritz, Loreth Jackson, brother Harold Miller and numerous nieces, nephews, and friends. He is preceded in death by his mother, father and four sisters.

Visitation will be 3pm - 5 pm Sunday, July 5, 2015 at Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home. Funeral service will be 10 am Monday, July 6, 2015 at Faith Lutheran Church 3824 W. Hwy 22 with Joe Mashburn officiating. Burial will follow at Oakwood Cemetery. Pallbearers include: Leland Gebert, Rodney Gebert, Eric Miller, Terry Miller, Steve Clary, and Rickey Allinen.

An online guest book is available at *www.griffin-roughton.com*.

Arrangements by Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home.



Barbara Fegett

Barbara Fegett of Midland, Texas passed away July 3, 2015, she was 78.

Barbara (Timmons) Fegett was born August 17, 1936 and lived in Elbert, Texas the daughter of James Zack Timmons and Fannie (Smith) Timmons. The family moved to Midland in 1939 where she graduated Midland High School in 1954. She worked at Buddy's Flowers and as a secretary at Texas Oil & Gas. She married C.L. Fegett in 1967 and had one son, Clifford Fegett.

Barbara is survived by her brother Burl Timmons and her son Clifford Fegett (wife Monica) and granddaughter Elena Fegett of San Antonio.

She was preceded in death by her parents James Zack Timmons and Fannie (Smith) Timmons of Gholson, Texas, her brother Carl Timmons of Waco, Texas and Nolan Timmons of Mount Calm, Texas.

The family will receive friends for visitation at Ellis Funeral Home Wednesday, July 8, 2015 between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 8:00 P.M.

In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to First United Methodist Church of Midland, 300 N. Main St., Midland, TX 79701, or the Employee Christmas Fund at Manor Park, 2208 N. Loop 250 W., Midland, TX 79707.

The family wishes to thank Derenda Davis, the staff at Manor Park and the Mabee Center for their care, love and support.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home.

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Ella Seidenberger

Ella Seidenberger of Andrews Texas, formerly of Garden City Texas, went on to meet the Lord on July 2, 2015.

Ella was born in Hermleigh, Texas on December 11, 1921 to parents Albert & Isabella Kuss. She married the love of her life, B.R. "Benny" Seidenberger on July 5, 1943 in Greenville, Texas. They moved to Glasscock County in 1959 where they established their family farm that is still in operation by the family. She was born and raised as part of a farming family and continued this way of life until moving to Andrews in 2005. Upon moving to Andrews Ella became an integral part of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Andrews. Ella was an avid sports enthusiast and rooted for all Texas based teams religiously, regardless of the sport or season. Her personal favorite was the Dallas Cowboys and she made sure to tune in every Sunday after Mass to cheer for the "Boys". She loved to quilt and embroider in her free time and many of her beautiful handmade pieces are adored by family and friends. The way she lived her life mimicked the artwork she created and was a portrait of her grace, beauty and elegance. She enjoyed to cook, and did it well, and took great pleasure in preparing large family feasts for all to enjoy during the holidays and family gatherings. Her passion in the kitchen was centered around sweets and her motto was "Life is Short, Eat Dessert First". Ella was a woman of tremendous faith and acted as a spiritual leader for multiple generations of her family and friends. During her many years in the St. Lawrence community she was very involved in all of the activities and functions of the St. Lawrence Catholic Church, which included her involvement in the St. Theresa's alter society.

Ella is preceded in death by her husband; two infant daughters; her parents; Ed Kuss (brother); Gertrude McFaul (sister); and Carla Seidenberger (daughter-in-law).

She is survived by her children Bernard Seidenberger and wife Dorothea of Midland, Dennis Seidenberger and wife Ellen of St. Lawrence, James Seidenberger and wife Marian of San Angelo, and Cecilia Livingston and husband Jerry of Andrews, sister Gladys Light of Abilene, 12 grandchildren: Robbie, Mark, Phillip, John, Eric, and Ryan Seidenberger, Sally Frierson, Ginger Langdon,Grant Seidenberger, Misty Maxell, - Carrie Hernandez, and Keith Livingston, in addition to 25 great grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

A visitation and rosary service will be held at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland, Texas on Sunday, July 5, 2015 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm with the rosary beginning at 7:00 pm. A Mass of Christian burial will be held at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Saint Lawrence, Texas at 10:00 am on Monday, July 6, 2015 with Rev. Arockiaraj Gali serving as celebrant. Interment will follow at St. Lawrence Catholic Church Cemetery. Pallbearers will be Ella's eight grandsons.

The family would like to express our most sincere gratitude for the care given to Ella by Star Hospice, Permian Regional Care Center, Dr. Nayak and his staff and Father Joseph Ogbonna of Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church.

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



James K. Hartman

James K. Hartman, 94, passed away on July 2, 2015 in Midland, Texas. He was born on August 4, 1920, in Richmond, Indiana and was raised on a farm in New Paris, Ohio.

He was a graduate of The Ohio State University and served proudly as a Lieutenant in the US Navy. As a member of the crew of the USS Staff (a mine sweeper), he was entitled to wear the American Theater Ribbon, the European Theater Ribbon with two stars representing participation in the Bombardment and the D-Day Invasion of the French Coast on 6 June 1944 and the Invasion of Southern France on 15 August 1944, and the Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon with one star for participation in the Okinawa Gunto Operation from 9 June 1945 to 30 June 1945. He was also awarded the World War II Victory medal for his service.

After the war, he moved to Midland with his wife and two year old daughter and began his long career as a Petroleum Geologist. He has resided in Midland since then, raising a family of four children with his wife. He and his wife are charter members of Hope Lutheran Church.

He is preceded in death by his beloved wife Ruth and grandson Matt.

He is survived by his daughter, Diane Walker of Leander, Texas, son Jim and wife Barbara of Midland, Texas, son Doug and wife Donna also of Midland, Texas, and daughter Maria Jones and husband Jason of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, four grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

He lived his life as an embodiment of our American Ideals for the last 94 years.

A visitation will be held Monday, July 6, 2015, at Ellis Funeral Home from 6:00pm to 8:00pm. Graveside services will be 9:00am on Tuesday, July 7, 2015, at Resthaven Memorial Park, with Becky Hand officiating.

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

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Judge Bob Parks

William Robert "Bob" Parks died on June 18, 2015 in Monahans. Memorial services will be 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 8, 2015 at Ward County Coliseum, located at 3600 S. Stockton in Monahans.

The family requests donations made to Friends of the Sandhills State Park, the West of the Pecos Museum, First United Methodist Church of Monahans, or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Memorial Gardens and Funeral Home in Odessa. To send family condolences, please visit our website at *www.sunsetodessa.com*.

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Marcelina G. Orona

Marcelina Orona Nacio en el mesquite Ojinaga Chihuahua El 5 de Junio 1944. Vivio y trabajo de cocinera en Presidio, TX. Donde disfruto junto a sus Hijos Varios anos. Luego residio en Midland, TX hasta su final. Hera una mujer muy querida por familiares y amistadads. Siempre vivira en nuestro Corazon. Tuvo una familia grande de 11 Hijos.

She is preceded in death by her two sons, Faustino Orona and Franciso Orona.

Marcelina is survived by one son, Pedro Orona of Midland, TX; eight daughters, Mari Miller of Cuero, TX, Ana Maria Flores of Odessa, TX, Petra Lujan and Josefina Orona both of Midland, TX, Martha Cecilia Thornberry of Florida, Sandra Orona, Liliana Juarez, and Alicia Madrid all from Midland, TX; 2 brothers, Juan Gonzalez of Midland, TX, nd Jose Gonzalez of Dumas, TX; and 2 sisters, Santos Utate of Ojinaga Chihuahua, MX, and Socorro Gonzalez of Sinaloa ,MX. Tenia 34 nietos y 23 vis nietos. Cuales disfruto mucho. Siempa Vivira en nosotros mama, Abuelay Hermana la extranamos mucho.

Servicio Funerales Para el martes dia 7 de Julio a los 10:00 en la St. Stephen's Catholic Church. Su ultinra partida sera en el pantion Serenity Memorial Gardens. Los servicios Seran dirijidos por Heavenly Gate Funeral Home and Chapel. Mensajes y condolencias pueden ser enviadas por correo-electronic pipkin@nts-online.net o *lewallengarciapipkinfh.com*

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Sammy Rodriguez

Sammy Rodriguez, 61 went to be with his Lord and Savior and his parents and siblings on Thursday July 3, 2015, while surrounded by his loving family.

A rosary service will be Tuesday July 7, 2015 at 7:00pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home & Chapel. Funeral Mass is set for Wednesday July 8, 2015 at 10:00am at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with Fr. David officiating.

Pallbearers for the service will be Mike Alvarado, Fernando Magallanes, Richard Rodriguez, Michael Garcia Jr., Auggie Ramos, Oscar Molinar, Manuel Marquez, and George Carrillo.

Sammy was born in Midland, Texas on September 7, 1953 to Paublino Rodriguez and Lenora Olgin Rodriguez. Sammy was raised and educated here in Midland, Texas.

Sammy was a beloved husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, and friend to many. He was full of life and loved his family. There wasn't a person he met that did not love him. Sammy was a source of wisdom and strength to his family. He was generous and giving and loved helping others. He loved to dance and listen to Oldies and Tejano music. Sammy loved playing basketball and played for Midland High School Bulldogs from 1970-1972.

Most of all Sammy was a courageous fighter having survived cancer for two and a half years. Sammy was a Catholic member of Our Lady of Guadalupe and Saint Stephens Catholic Church.

Sammy is proceeded in death by his parents, Paublino and Lenora Rodriguez, his brothers Paul (Gonzo) Rodriguez Jr., and Manuel Rodriguez. A sister Margarita Tucker.

He is survived by his wife Jeanne Rodriguez, three children Sammy Rodriguez Jr., Jason Rodriguez Sr. and wife Amanda, Seleste Molinar and husband Oscar. Eight grandchildren Jason Rodriguez Jr., Jordan Rodriguez, Jocelyn Rodriguez, Jaylee Rodriguez, Alijah Rodriguez, Aliyah Rendon, Andrea Molinar, and Dominic (Nico) Rodriguez. One great grandchild, Aaiden Rodriguez. Six sisters Rosa Valles, Yolanda Rodriguez, Joann Biscarro and husband Raul, Delia Hernandez and husband Rudy, Adelina Bernard, and Sandy Zarate. Several nieces and nephews.

We would like to express our gratitude to Hospice of Midland and their staff, to Dr. Carr and the Allison Cancer Center. For the awesome care that our beloved received.

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

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Sylvia Ann Villa

Sylvia Ann Villa, 57 of Midland, was called by our heavenly father to eternal rest on June 29, 2015. She was surrounded by her loving family and friends as she went peacefully.

Sylvia was born to Francisco and Francis Villa on August 12, 1957 in Midland, TX where she was raised and educated. She graduated from Midland High School in 1975 and was a proud "Bulldog".

Sylvia served in many organizations that included The Dept. of Human Services as a clerk, Brakesol Chemical Co. as a payroll clerk, and Dillard's department store as a sales assoc. and the Midland County DA's office as a Coordinator of Protective Order Program.

She had a passion to serve abused woman with children thru her 22 years of service at Safe Place of the Permian Basin. Presently her duties consisted of: The Director of Advocacy; The Coordinator of the staff team meetings; The Legal Advocate; The facilitator of the on-going mandatory 8-week Domestic Violence Information Support Group for the District Attorney and Child Protective Services referral program at Safe Place; Immigration Services Resource Advocate as a sole legal voice for the Spanish speaking victims of Abuse at Safe Place; Domestic Violence trainer for area law enforcement agents and officers; Domestic Violence trainer for various community agencies and churches; Domestic Violence trainer of Safe Place volunteers who serve the shelter in various vital aspects; Outreach trainer in many of the outlying counties Safe Place serves; a member of the advisory board for legal aid; a member of the Midland Victim's Coalition; a member of the Midland County Domestic Violence Task Force; a past member of the Junior League of Midland in which she assisted in the initial "Suits" Program for abused women, a partnership effort between Safe Place and the Junior League of Midland that still exists today.

Through her experience at Safe Place she leaves behind a legacy of awareness of Domestic Violence and all human rights, especially for women who have been victimized.

Sylvia was also involved in the community. She had been a member of the Midland Hispanic Chamber-Women's Group; the Permian Basin Women's Business and Professional Women's Association which she served as President for 1 term and was still an active member; National Association of Female Executives; Junior League of Midland, serving on various committees; part of VOCA/VAWA; Casa West Texas; West Texas Legal Aid; Casa de Amigos, which she held legal clinics; Young Professional Lawyers Association and Fair Haven as a coordinator for their yearly Thanksgiving Dinner.

Last but not least, she was instrumental to the Midland County Victims Coalition as a President in 2014. She proclaimed National Victim's Rights Week in April, which also held a yearly candle light vigil. Sylvia's kindness and beauty mentoring many women in her lifetime was embraced deeply by all who knew her. In her 20 years of involvement she held several various positions as secretary, treasurer, chairperson for the Tree of Angels-Victims Tree and setting up every December at the Midland County Library.

Sylvia was a life-time member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church where she received sacraments, married, and was a CCD teacher. She was also a member of the Cursillistas, helping with many aspects of fellowship, a member of ACTS and had recently attended an ACTS retreat. Sylvia was attending St. Ann's Catholic Church and was given her last rights by Monsignor Larry Droll.

Sylvia was preceded in death by her former husband, Henry Perales and a nephew, Jacoby Ramirez. Sylvia will be forever lovingly be remembered by her children, Patricia Perales, Marisol Perales along with David Cooper, & Michael Perales, will also be fondly remembered by her six grandchildren, Lauren, Madison Hillary, & Sophia Grace Carroll, Chloe and Sebastian Salgado; her parents Francis & Francisco Villa, her brother and sisters, Frank Jr. & Annie Villa, Beatrice & David Sanchez, Lisa & Eddie Mancha, Delilah Valenzuela, Virginia & Jesse Neria; numerous aunts, uncles, nephews, nieces and long-time loving friends.

Her strong support system has been her surviving family, friends and the Oncology 7th floor unit staff at Midland Memorial Hospital. The family is deeply grateful for the outpouring of love and support in many heartfelt forms from family and friends. How fondly she will be remembered, our angel that lived, laughed and loved each one of us all.

A visitation with the family will be available beginning at 6:30pm-7:00pm at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel on Sunday, July 5, 2015 with a rosary beginning at 7:00 held by her ACTS brothers and sisters.

A Catholic celebration Mass will be held at St. Ann's Catholic Church, Midland, TX on Monday, July 6, 2015 at 11:00am with Monsignor Larry Droll officiating. Interment will follow to Resthaven Memorial Park.

Honorary Pallbearers are: Sebastian Salgado, Josiah Valenzuela, & Jalen Ramirez. Pallbearers for the service will be: Christian Ramirez, Johnathan Ramirez, Salvador Ramirez, Anson Villa, Austin Villa, Stephen Mancha, Kevin Garcia, Frank Valenzuela and Hector Valenzuela.

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

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Death Notices

Darlene Webb

Darlene Webb, 64, of Abilene, formerly of Midland, died on Wednesday, July 1, 2015.

Graveside services will be held on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Resthaven North Cemetery in Midland.

Jane Ruth Brown

Jane Ruth Brown, 87, passed away on Saturday, June 27, 2015.

The family will be accepting guests from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

She is survived by her five children, Delores Young, Victor Brown, Ruth Lechwar, Mary Burleson, and Dale Garner.

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Immigrant children given adult dose of hepatitis A vaccine

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — About 250 immigrant children were given an adult dose of a hepatitis A vaccine at a Texas detention facility where they were being held with their mothers, according to U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officials.

The vaccines were administered this week, but none of the children have been hospitalized or had any adverse reactions, ICE officials said Saturday.

ICE spokesman Richard Rocha said health care professionals will monitor the children over the next five days for any potential side effects, though none are expected.

"Parents at the facility were advised and counseled by medical professionals about potential side effects, with services made available in multiple languages," Rocha said in a statement.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the hepatitis A virus can cause liver infection and is usually transmitted among individuals and through the consumption of contaminated food or water.

Dr. Peter J. Hotez, dean of the National School of Tropical Medicine at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, said the children likely received double the pediatric dosage of the vaccine. He said they should continue to be monitored, although it's unlikely that they will see short- or long-term complications.

"I'm guessing there will not be significant effects," he said. "If anything, you may get a higher immune response."

ICE and the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Health Affairs are investigating how the mix-up at the South Texas Family Residential Center in Dilley occurred and how such mistakes can be avoided in the future, Rocha said.

As of earlier this week, the center about 70 miles southwest of San Antonio held about 2,000 women and children, most from Central America and who entered the U.S. via Mexico seeking asylum. A second family detention center in Karnes City, about 60 miles southeast of San Antonio, held about 400 people. There is a third, smaller facility in Berks County, Pennsylvania.

Crystal Williams, executive director of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, which has provided pro-bono legal services to the women and children in the detention facilities, said in a statement that volunteers "have long noted disturbing patterns of what appears to be inadequate health care."

"This latest permutation is beyond appalling," Williams said in the statement.

But ICE has previously said that the health care professionals at the centers provide quality medical care and that the agency takes "very seriously the health, safety and welfare of those in our care."



ABOVE: In this photo taken June 24, Taren Moore works on exercises with her wild mustang Embark on Adventure at Lorrie Grover's Blue Sky Ranch in Corpus Christi. **LEFT:** Claire Walsh jumps barrels as she works on exercises with her wild mustang Dare to Dream after working out with him.

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2 girls take equestrian adventure training mustangs

By Nadia Tames-Robledo
Corpus Christi Caller-Times

CORPUS CHRISTI — It started with a 10-hour drive to Oklahoma.

Taren Moore and Claire Walsh didn't know which wild mustangs they would take home. Claire's charge let her pet only his nose on the ride home.

The Corpus Christi Caller-Times reported nearly two months later, 2-year-old mustangs Embark on Adventure and Dare to Dream are stronger, affectionate and on their way to being adopted.

The girls, who train with the horses twice each day, will be the first from Corpus Christi to compete in the youth division of the Extreme Mustang Makeover in September, their coach said.

The aim is to increase adoption of wild horses cared for by the Bureau of Land Management.

Taren and Claire stood in the shade of a tree in late June before running through exercises on their coach Lorrie Grover's Blue Sky Ranch.

"The first day, he was very resistant and grumpy with me," 16-year-old Claire said of Dream.

Taren, 13, chimed in as Venture nuzzled her face and shoulder, hungry for attention.

"This one was just as bad as he is now," she said. "Very in-your-face. He likes people."

Their mustangs are polar opposites, the girls said. Dream is probably older. He's the quiet one, a quick learner and a perfectionist. Venture can be immature sometimes, and it takes him a few tries to get tricks down. And his No. 1 motivator? Food.

Taren and Claire each document their experiences with the mustangs through blogs.

"They're so worth it," Claire said of the work she and Taren put into training. "They're not your regular horses. They're so smart."

The girls led their mustangs over bridges, barrels and for a dip in the ranch's pond. During the competition in the fall, they will have less than 4 minutes to show judges the best of what they've trained their mustangs to do.

Grover was the first Corpus Christi resident to compete in the Extreme Mustang Makeover in 2008. She was immediately supportive when the girls' parents said they were interested in the competition's youth division.

"I was like, 'They have to do it,'" Grover said. "It's a little bit of me getting to pay it forward since I'm not doing it this year."

Grover said she used to be a "quarter horse snob" until she saw an ad for the Extreme Mustang Makeover and went to watch the competition. She immediately knew she had to be part of it.

"Mustangs have changed my life," she said. "The bond you have with them because they're untouched by anyone else is incredible."

Claire and Taren put their bonds with the mustangs to the ultimate test when, after leading them out of the pond, they took them one at a time to a sandy corral to lie down.

"This really is the ultimate of trust with a wild or desert horse," Grover said.

The animals are vulnerable because they can't quickly get up after lying down.

Claire and Dream went first.

Grover instructed her to lead Dream in tight circles and encourage him to lower his head when he started pawing the ground. Onlookers cheered when he stretched himself on the soft sand.

Taren had to spend a little more time and patience on Venture, who was distracted by reward cookies left in the sand from Dream's turn. Eventually he too lied down for his handler.

"It's frustrating and fun at the same time," Taren said. "They make you want to cry, and they make you the happiest person on earth."

Nicholas

From 1B

The anchor led us through photos of Dylann Roof holding his Confederate battle flag then photos of him smirking at cameras. Next, we saw courtroom clips of the families of his victims offering Roof their forgiveness. Tears streamed down my face at both the senseless violence and the amazing grace that people showed him. The anchor recounted all the information that had been gathered on Roof and the shootings, and I silently prayed that my son would not ask me an endless round of questions.

Big eyes, solemn face. "Why did that boy shoot the reverend and his friends?" he asked.

Why, indeed, sweet boy. I struggled for words. Because I don't know. What on earth could motivate someone to shoot nine people to death at a church Bible study? I cannot fathom it or rationalize it, it is heartbreaking. I finally told him that I believe Roof is sick, sick in his brain and sick in his heart. I am trying to choose my words carefully. He is only 6. I want to explain racism to my son, but I don't want him to understand it yet. I want him to know there are mean people, but I don't want him to know about evil people yet. Right now, my beautiful little boy thinks we are all the same because we are all human beings, all children of God. He and his sister have a rainbow of friends and I think it will break his heart to know that people are murdered over the color of their skin.

I was uncomfortable talking about my opinions on racism in front of a black family and then I was embarrassed because I was uncomfortable. I didn't want to make eye contact with them, drag them into my awkward explanations of hatred and evil. I didn't know them or their personal experiences, they did not know me. But I believe in good manners, and I generally try not to make other people uncomfortable if I can help it. Best not to talk about it, keep voices low and answers short.

Perhaps that is part of the problem we're having these days, too much political correctness, too much fear, a general inability to have open and honest conversations about race, poverty and equality. Part of me, if I am being totally honest here, is also afraid to know what some people really think about these things.

What if I think less of them? Will I have to unfriend them on Facebook or, worse, in real life? Will I no longer be able to shop in their stores or participate in their lives? Because then I will really know them. And they will really know me. Sometimes, there is a very real price to pay for practicing what you preach.

Honest conversations about serious issues force us to examine how we really feel and act, how we model those beliefs to our children. And if we don't find some way to come together, no matter how uncomfortable or painful, this cancerous ignorance will only continue to spread.

On the way to the car, we passed by the television again. This time, the announcer told us that the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to legalize same-sex marriage that day. Head slap, thank you, CNN. Please oh please oh please, don't ask me what sex is or where babies come from!

"What does same-sex marriage mean, Momma?"

"It means a man can marry a man or a woman can marry a woman, Son."

"That's silly, isn't it, Momma? We have always thought it was OK."

Finally. An easy question to answer.

"Yes, Son. That is silly. We have always thought it was ok."

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marriage ruling would have been possible just 10 years ago, even with a liberal-leaning Supreme Court. This ruling is also a reflection of how society, as a whole, has changed. As the saying goes, "Who would have thunk it possible?"

When society changes, we see generation gaps forming. It's only natural. The younger generation mostly sees the progressive nature of the changes it encounters, while the older generation sees the morals of the nation in total decline. That's about where we stand with the recent court rulings.

Many think we are progressing in a natural pattern that reflects the mores of the times, while others see steady decay of the nation's moral fiber.

It will be interesting to see where these rulings take us into our future and what the public's concept of the rulings is 20 years down the road.

But we still are left with a lot to ponder because we wonder if we have become a more caring and compassionate nation — or if we have become so open-minded that our brains are falling out.

Thought for the Week: ***"The young man pities his elders, fearing the day he, too, will join their ranks. The elderly man pities the younger generation, well-knowing the trials and tribulations that lie ahead of them." — Lynda Fisher, author***

GUILTY PLEAS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Guilty pleas accepted and sentences imposed June 22-26 by district judges George D. Gilles, Elizabeth B. Leonard and Rodney W. Satterwhite:

Martha Delores Arciga, 42, theft by repetition, six months state jail, $75 restitution.

Edgar Reyes Belmonte, 37, theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, three years deferred adjudication, $1,000 fine, $1,800 restitution, 175 hours community service.

Brett Lee Blackwood, 47, failure to comply with snx offender registration, three years TDCJ.

Jessika Sue Carbajal, 38, theft by repetition, revoke, continue community supervision, add community service hours, fine.

Jerome Earl Ervin, 26, robbery, eight years TDCJ.

Charles Miguel Flores, 24, assault on a public servant, 10 years TDCJ suspended for five years probation, fine, court cost, community service hours; possession of a controlled substance, 10 years TDCJ suspended for five years probation, fine, court cost, community service hours.

Naomi Gerrain James, 34, abandoning or endangering a child in imminent danger of bodily injury, three years deferred adjudication, $1,500 fine, 175 hours community service, TAIP.

Kenneth Mack Harris, 26, tampering with physical evidence, six years deferred adjudication, fine, court cost, community service hours.

Theodore Jackson, 28, possession of a controlled substance, eight months state jail.

Brandon Scott King, 23, failure to appear, four years TDCJ; possession of a controlled substance, four years TDCJ.

Thomas Floyd Miller Jr., 49, theft, five days county jail, court cost, restitution.

Travis Kelly Philpot, 45, possession of a controlled substance, 180 days state jail.

Roy Lee Robinson, 23, evading arrest with a motor vehicle, 10 years TDCJ suspended for five years probation, fine, court cost; evading in a motor vehicle, 10 years TDCJ suspended for five years probation, fine, court cost.

Jeremy Jordan Rodriguez, 18, tampering with physical evidence, two years TDCJ suspended for four years probation, fine, court cost, community service hours.

Shawn Michael Rogers, 35, theft by repetition, revoke supervision, 10 months state jail; theft by repetition, revoke supervision, 10 months state jail.

Robert Charles Royals III, 38, possession of a controlled substance, six years TDCJ.

Sedric Salvonic Tramaine, 24, theft of service greater than $1,500 but less than $20,000, four years deferred adjudication, pay restitution, 240 hours community service.

TDCJ = Texas Department of Criminal Justice; TAIP = treatment alternative to incarceration program, CRTC = court residential treatment center; ISP = intensive supervision parole.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Chandler Abraham, 18, of Odessa was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram.

Amanda Brown, 25, of Midland was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram.

Taylor Headrick, 27, of Midland was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram.

Ricky Hobbs, 51, of Midland was charged Friday with burglary of a habitation.

Tanner Jackson, 22, of Beeville was charged Friday with obstruction or retaliation.

Samantha Mays, 27, of Big Spring was charged Friday with obstruction or retaliation.

Silvia Rivera, 42, of Midland was charged Friday with aggravated assault of a date, family or house member with a weapon.

Isaac H. Casias, 29, of Midland was charged Saturday with aggravated assault against a public servant, evading arrest or detention in a vehicle, burglary of a habitation with intent to commit a sexual offense, and aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Valorie L. Huston, 51, of Midland was charged Saturday with possession of a controlled substance under one gram.

Michael A. Sawyer, 25, of Midland was charged Saturday with assault of a family or house member.

Ashleigh B. Bennett, 19, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Jong S. Choi, 55, of Midland was charged Monday with a third count of driving while intoxicated.

Roderick D. McPherson, 51, of Midland was charged Monday with tampering with or fabricating physical evidence with intent to impair.

Andres E. Ybarra, 22, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Luis A. Ybarra, 21, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Morgan L. Buley, 27, of Odessa was charged Tuesday with aggravated assault of a date, family or house member with a weapon.

Daniel G. Holland, 40, of Midland was charged Tuesday with possession of marijuana under 4 ounces in a drug-free zone and possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram in a drug-free zone.

Justin A. Towe, 27, of Midland was charged Tuesday with credit card or debit card abuse.

Latryrum T. Williams, 18, of Midland was charged Tuesday with aggravated kidnapping and aggravated robbery.

Tucker Morris, 18, of Midland was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance between one and four grams.

Freddie Underhill, 48, of Midland was charged Wednesday with unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon and theft of a firearm.

Valarhea Williams-Cobbs, 28, of Midland was charged Wednesday with three counts of possession of a controlled substance of less than one gram.

Anthony Cabrera, 18, of Midland was charged Thursday with fraudulent use or possession of identifying information.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

AG Paxton fills several top jobs without public postings

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton's office hired several people from his campaign and elsewhere before they submitted applications or the jobs were posted publicly, as required by state law.

Fourteen people who worked on Paxton's campaign or for former Gov. Rick Perry or U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz were given administrative jobs in the new attorney general's office, the Austin American-Statesman reported. Only one of those jobs was advertised, and records obtained by the newspaper show that Paxton's office had chosen someone for it the day before the posting went online.

The hires highlight ethics laws that are often ignored and have no enforcement mechanisms behind them.

Several Perry hires were found last year to have received their positions without any competition, the newspaper reported. And another new statewide official, Agriculture Commissioner Sid Miller, created four assistant commissioner positions — each paying $180,000 annually — and appointed people for all of them. Two assistant commissioners donated their time as consultants for his campaign.



AP photo

In this Jan. 5 photo, Ken Paxton speaks after he was sworn in as Texas attorney general in Austin. Paxton's office hired several people from his campaign and elsewhere before they submitted applications or the jobs were posted publicly, as required by state law.

A state law requires agencies to list any openings that will involve external candidates with the Texas Workforce Commission.

Cynthia Meyer, a spokeswoman for Paxton, said his office was "confident that we followed applicable law in selecting high-level staff."

"It is common practice for high-level positions to be appointed to help the constitutional officer implement the policies the people elected him or her to do," she said in a statement. She did not respond to questions about what positions Paxton's office had designated as "high-level."

One letter released by the attorney general's office was written by the East Texas field director of Paxton's campaign, Thomas Taylor. In the letter, Taylor said he hadn't looked for jobs after the campaign because he expected to work for the attorney general's office "based on conversations I have had with Ken over the past year."

Taylor eventually received a $95,000-a-year position as a grants administrator.

Others in Paxton's office went through a rigorous hiring process. Assistant Attorney General Jessica Lesser competed against six other candidates and went through multiple interviews, according to her personnel file.

By comparison, longtime Paxton staffer Ben Williams' employment application was almost completely empty. He received an intergovernmental relations position that pays $90,000 a year.

Paxton faces a separate ethics inquiry related to investment advice he gave without registering with the state. Two special prosecutors say they'll soon present evidence for a possible felony securities fraud charge to a North Texas grand jury.

Craig McDonald, director of Texans for Public Justice, the group that filed an initial complaint into Paxton's securities work, said the state requirement to post jobs is "black and white."

"In Texas, cronyism is allowed," McDonald said. "But you have to at least follow the rules."

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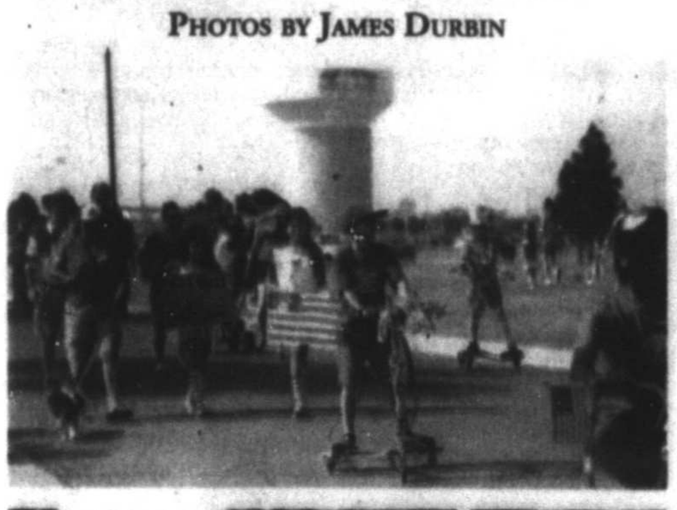
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More photos from annual Children's Sidewalk Parade

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"What good is it, my brother, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds..."
James 2:14-17



AP file photo

This June 30 file photo shows a sign at the entrance to the South Texas Family Residential Center in Dilley. Authorities say about 250 immigrant children were given an adult dose of a Hepatitis A vaccine at a Texas detention facility where they are being held with their mothers. U.S. Immigration and Customs spokesman Richard Rocha said health care professionals will monitor the children over the next five days for any potential side effects, though no adverse reactions are expected from the incorrect dose.

A look inside one immigration detention center

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times

DILLEY — At the 50-acre compound here holding hundreds of immigrant women and children, the lights stay on 24-7. At night they're dimmed, but not entirely out. Security, officials say.

The lights are among the persistent reminders that the South Texas Family Residential Center is designed to keep up to 2,400 in custody. Grainy black-and-white mug photos of mothers and children are posted in front of their doors. Even toddlers get ID cards.

The facility, an hour south of San Antonio, combines institutional coldness with homey touches. It is run by a private contractor, the Corrections Corp. of America, which has given each "neighborhood" of 480 mothers and children a theme color and animal: red bird, yellow frog, blue butterfly. The detainees stay in trailers, not cells, and unlike prisoners, they are allowed to wear shoelaces, officials note.

The Obama administration recently announced changes to its detention policies, saying it would allow more families to be released on bond. The move came after protests, lawsuits and a judge's order that the administration stop using family detention as a way of deterring immigrants from crossing the border illegally.

More than 130 members of Congress have called on the administration to close the centers. Some toured those in Dilley and Karnes City recently and said that despite the amenities — a chapel, salon and soccer field among them — the centers are prisons and no place for children.

A visit last month to the center in Dilley — the largest of three family detention centers nationwide, including Karnes City and Leesport, Pa. — highlighted its dual nature as a place of confinement and of family life. The average age of a child here is 9. In the library, small children flipped through dinosaur and Hello Kitty books, while across the carpeted room teenagers played video games.

Dilley opened in December with space for 480, and expanded by April to house up to 2,400 with a staff of nearly 700, including teachers, pediatricians and psychiatrists — almost as big as the surrounding town of 3,600. As of June 12, it held 1,735 individuals, about 1,000 of them children.

In the pre-K class, children sat surrounded by bright posters and word and number cards in Spanish and English. Students played counting games on computers, while classmates colored, played with firefighter figurines and flipped through books.

In a nearby middle school classroom, older children gathered around a table for an English lesson. A teacher asked them to spell two English words: "Very bad."

One of the boys made a face, frustrated.

The teacher patiently wrote the words on a white board, then asked her students to translate. Another boy volunteered, correctly: "Muy mal."

In another trailer, 45 women listened with their children to a man from the center's legal orientation program. Some have only a few years of education, speak indigenous languages and cannot read.

"Who has a lawyer?" he asked in Spanish.

Half a dozen raised their hands. In the nation's administrative immigration courts, run by the Justice Department, there are no public defenders. Lawyers are not guaranteed, even for children.

One who secured a lawyer was Alba Veronica Cruz Montano, a 32-year-old from El Salvador, and on this day she faced her final immigration hearing. She had been deported before, in 2010. She and her 3-year-old daughter, Valeria Nicole Escobar Cruz, had been held at the center for 2 1/2 months.

After they entered the U.S., an agent with Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE, found she had a "reasonable fear" of returning home because her boyfriend had abused her and her daughter. But they had to face off against a Justice Department lawyer and persuade the judge.

She had reviewed her story with her attorney, Brian Hoffman, an Ohio-based lawyer who has been coordinating cases here for CARA Family Detention Pro Bono Project, sponsored by several immigration lawyers' groups. She was seeking asylum for her daughter and deferred removal for herself, and permission to stay and work legally.

In a windowless trailer courtroom, she and Hoffman appeared in a teleconference with Judge Lourdes de Jongh in Miami. The high demand has meant judges from other jurisdictions hear cases from Dilley. Valeria waited outside.

"You're going to be telling me your story," De Jongh said.

Cruz nodded. Hoffman said Cruz had twice been a victim of domestic violence.

After she arrived in the U.S. the first time in 2004, Cruz met a boyfriend in Carmel, N.Y., who beat her. "He used to drink a lot, and with so much alcohol in his head, he used to say the devil was telling him to kill me," she said. He threatened to stab her with a knife, followed her to work and shattered her car windows. Hoffman offered a police report as corroboration.

After she returned to El Salvador, she met a new boyfriend, got pregnant with her daughter and moved in with him. He was nice at first, but once the baby was born, he refused to give her more than $5 a day unless she had sex with him.

"She didn't want to go to the police in El Salvador because having gone to the police in the U.S., she knew it could escalate the abuse," Hoffman explained.

With an interpreter translating his questions into Spanish, Hoffman asked whether Cruz had ever resisted having sex with her boyfriend.

"Yes," she said. "He would yank me and pull my clothes and tell me he would have sex with me by force."

"How would he threaten you?" Hoffman said.

"That he would take Valeria away. ... He would tell me that if I left, I would leave alone. ... He knew that I would never leave my daughter behind," she said.

At the same time, Cruz said her boyfriend would abuse their daughter: screaming at her, yanking her and slamming her down in a chair.

After she returned to the U.S. in March, Cruz said the boyfriend had tried to contact her through Facebook and her grandmother. If she returned to El Salvador, she said, he would come find her.

The Justice Department attorney asked Cruz whether she told relatives about the abuse.

Not many, she said.

"I would tell his mother what was happening, and she would say, 'In order to have a home, you have to put up with it,'" she said.

The government attorney asked how much she paid a smuggler to come to the U.S. this time, crossing the Rio Grande from Ciudad Acuna, Mexico. Cruz said $5,000. Relatives helped raise the money.

The judge listened sympathetically, and when Cruz emerged from the makeshift courtroom, she scooped up Valeria and exclaimed, "We won!" They were released later that day to stay with an aunt and uncle in Houston.

But for many families, the wait at the South Texas Family Residential Center continued.

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STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PORTLAND

2 die in crash of small plane near Corpus Christi

Police say 2 people are dead in a small plane crash just north of Corpus Christi.

KIII-TV reported that a man and a woman were on board, but no more details were immediately available on their identity or where they were headed. The plane crashed at the North Shore Country Club in Portland, about 150 miles southeast of San Antonio.

The National Transportation Safety Board on Twitter identified the plane as an Aeronca Champion 7BCM. The NTSB said it was investigating.

A spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration did not immediately return a message about the crash.

HOUSTON

Police: Train hits back of 18-wheeler; no injuries

No injuries are reported after a train collided with a tractor trailer at a crossing in northwest Houston.

Police told KTRK-TV that a Union Pacific train hit the 18-wheeler, which hadn't fully cleared the tracks yet.

Debris from the trailer damaged a nearby vehicle.

Dozens of cardboard boxes could be strewn at the site of the crash.

BAY CITY

Coast Guard saves 6 fishermen off SE Texas coast

Six fishermen are safe after being rescued overnight when their fishing boat capsized 6 miles off the Southeast Texas coast.

The Coast Guard said in a statement Saturday that the fishermen were in a boat tied to an unmanned oil rig at around 3:30 a.m. Saturday, about 6 miles away from Bay City. When their boat began to take on water, three of the men were able to climb on the rig and call for help. The other three men were in the water.

The Coast Guard said it dispatched a helicopter and response boat to track down the men.

They were found drifting near each other about half a mile away from the rig.

Bay City is about 20 miles south of Houston.

SALT LAKE CITY

Texas sheriff maintains Eldorado polygamous ranch

Seven years after a massive police raid on a remote polygamous ranch in Texas, a small-town sheriff is mowing the lawn and irrigating the orchard as the state tries to sell the expansive property.

Schleicher County Sheriff David Doran is tasked with making sure the Yearning for Zion Ranch stays intact, including its log-cabin-like living quarters and the gleaming white temple built by the Utah-based group led by Warren Jeffs.

While the Texas attorney general covers the $1,600-a-month utility bills, no money has been set aside to maintain the property, located outside Eldorado, 200 miles west of Austin. Doran does most of the maintenance himself, along with a few of his staff and a jail inmate he allows to work there.

The duties include police work like patrolling for thieves or vandals, but also watering 23-acre orchard and tending to a 300-animal herd of exotic livestock, including axis deer and blackbuck antelope. The animals are leftovers from the property's days as a game ranch. Doran keeps an eye out to ensure the pipes don't burst, that the fire hydrants are functional and that the sewer pond — large enough to serve a town— is in working order.

"It is a small city or a small community," Doran said in a telephone interview with the Salt Lake Tribune.

Meanwhile, authorities are scouting for buyers interested in purchasing the $20 million ranch, the Tribune reported Monday.

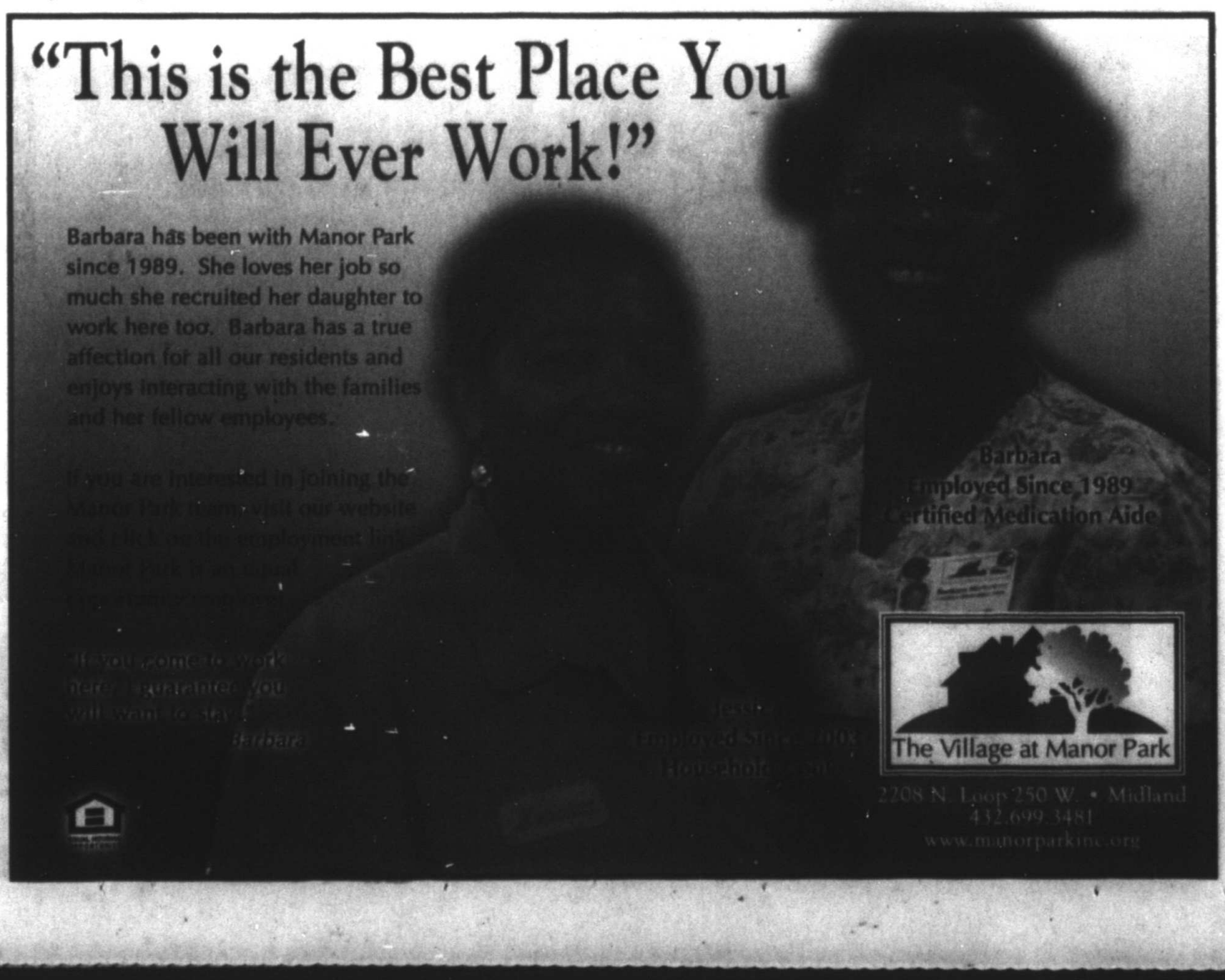
Fifty-first District Attorney Allison Palmer is responsible for disposing of the property. She says that she'll consider all legal options. Ideas include a law enforcement training center, a holding facility for juvenile offenders or a sleep-away camp.

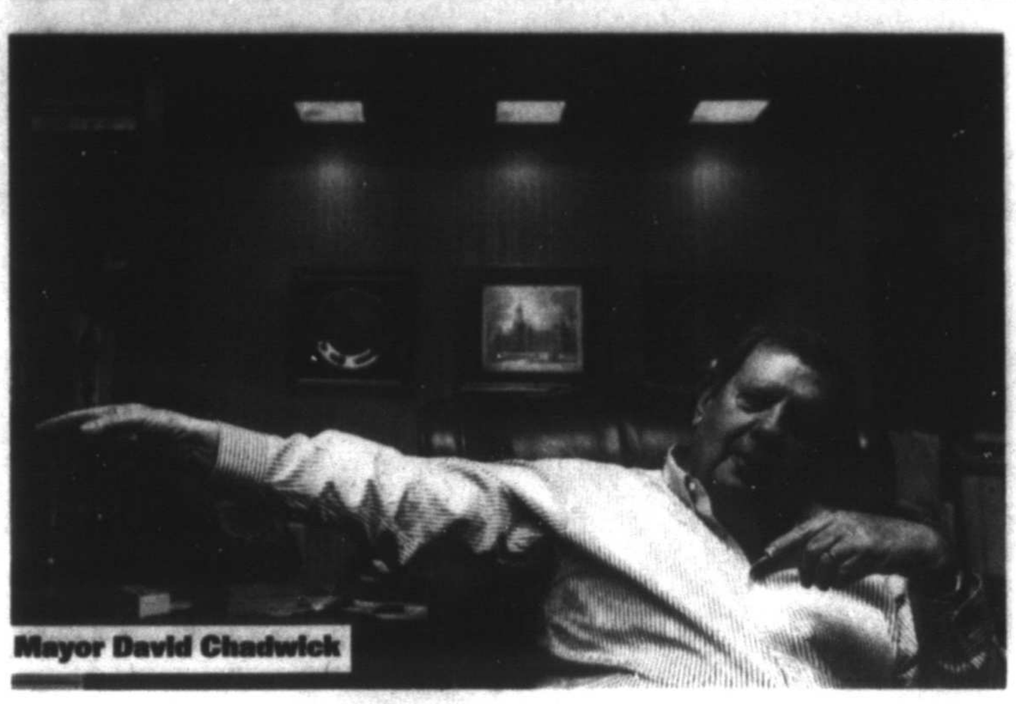
But the remoteness of the property, which is 40 miles from the nearest town with a Wal-Mart, works against it, as does the notoriety of the crimes that Jeffs was convicted of committing there.

The 1,691-acre ranch was abandoned after authorities removed more than 250 children from the ranch in a raid that uncovered evidence of underage marriages. The children were eventually returned to their parents, but 11 men from the group were charged in the aftermath, including Jeffs. He was sentenced to life in prison after being convicted on underage sex charges.

The state took control of the ranch more than a year ago. It could go to auction, but Palmer says she wouldn't consider selling it back to Jeff's group. The sect is a radical offshoot of mainstream Mormonism whose members believe polygamy brings exaltation in heaven. Polygamy is a legacy of the early teachings of the mainstream Mormon church, but the faith abandoned the practice in 1890 and strictly prohibits it today.

"If we had reason to believe someone was going to use the property to commit offenses," Palmer said, "I think we could certainly not sell to that group or person."




Mayor David Chadwick


Jerry Lathan

East Texas town struggles with the past

By Allan Turner
Houston Chronicle

CENTER — They've cut down the lynching tree in the town square.

It has no place in modern, progressive Center, a Shelby County hamlet just 17 miles from the Louisiana line. Neither do the nagging memories of Jim Crow days — a time when African-Americans were accorded "back door" service at local restaurants, barred from good seats at the downtown picture show and menaced with potential violence whenever they forgot themselves and their decidedly inferior "place."

Today, Center residents, white and black, like to describe their town, population 5,100, as a sylvan paradise where "big city blues melt away."

"This is the best little town in Texas," said Jerry Lathan, 67, one of two African-Americans on Center's City Council. "Those old days have changed so much."

But even as the piney woods town, home to roughly equal populations of whites, blacks and Hispanics, moves into the 21st century, the specter of racial animosity lingers.

Now, at a time when President Barack Obama went to Charleston, South Carolina, a bastion of the Deep South, to deliver the funeral eulogy for Clementa Pinckney, the pastor and state senator killed with eight others by a white gunman during Bible study, Center residents join Americans everywhere in grappling with a seemingly irreconcilable legacy of racism and slavery.

"Jim Crow, discrimination in almost every institution of our lives — you know that casts a long shadow," the nation's first African-American president observed in the days following the Charleston murders at the historic Emanuel AME Church. "And that's still part of our DNA that's passed on. We're not cured of it."

In Center, an East Texas trade hub in which more than one in five lives in poverty, recent national events — deadly encounters between white cops and black men, the Charleston deaths, contention over the Confederate flag on South Carolina's statehouse grounds — have resonated deeply.

"You really have to talk about it, bring it out," said Y. D. Jackson Jr., 60, an African-American, speaking of his hometown and the nation. "It's something you can't hide no more. It's here and here to stay unless we start dealing with it."

Bishop W. C. Martin of Bennett Chapel Baptist Church, a black church, said "This is kind of like having slavery back. Racism is like the bull coming out of the closet, finally coming out and sitting on the front porch. It's been there all the time."

Unchecked, he told the Houston Chronicle, racism might generate another "civil war."

It took a long time for Center residents to forget the first Civil War.

Settled by Southern immigrants and established in 1836, Shelby County quickly became a center of slave-fueled agriculture. In 1860, six years before Center became the county seat, more than one in four people in the county was a slave. Residents voted 333-28 to join the Confederacy; 750 fought with rebel armies.

The Rev. Michael Hale, the white pastor of Center's First Baptist Church, said that when he prepared to relocate to the deep East Texas town from Corpus Christi 10 years ago, friends warned him that he was moving to a racist part of the state. "I just told them, 'Maybe that's where God wants me to go,'" he said.

While Hale acknowledged that nationally "racism is alive and well" and that it "cuts both ways," he said he found Center surprisingly unbiased.

"Personally," he said, "I never see 'problems.' I just see people. Often we tend to look at people who are different from us and we're afraid. Why don't we just get to know them?"

Hale said he has endeavored to build racial bridges. On one occasion, he hosted an African-American evangelist at his predominantly white church. Only one church member failed to attend.

Hale said he endeavored to "reach out and shake a hand."

"The church is on the cutting edge in solving racism," he said. "In 42 years as a pastor, I just wish that I had done more."

Hale's friend, the Rev. Robert Gipson, pastor of Mount Zion CME, an African-American congregation, said more needs to be done — locally and nationally — to ease racial friction.

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The Rev. Michael Hale


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small town, we still have division," he said. Nationally, his concerns are legion. "The playing field's not level. We have to make change come." Regarding the Charleston tragedy, he opined, "Look at this Rebel flag. This has been inflicted on us as pain and anger. They need to take the thing off the pole and put it in a museum."

When Gipson's church recently marked its 139th anniversary, he invited Mayor David Chadwick, who is white, to address his congregation to help end blacks and whites "living at a distance."

Chadwick, a town bank president, said he believes Center's race relations are good but deplored national events that have roiled racial waters.

Yet, from the gravest tragedy, he suggested, good might emerge.

The stricken congregation of Charleston's Emanuel AME Church, he said, has served as a model for the nation. "They've shown that they are a very forgiving congregation," he said.

Eula White, 97, a longtime schoolteacher and widow of Center's first African-American city councilman, Marcellus White, said recent national events have left her troubled. "I wish I had the answer," she said.

Still — as Obama did in the wake of the South Carolina killings — White acknowledged that, over the long term, progress toward racial harmony has been achieved.

"It's so much better than it used to be," she said. "I don't have problems in Center with any of the races. I really don't."

When her late husband first ran for office in the 1970s, though, she said, conditions for African-Americans living in a neighborhood bordering what is now Martin Luther King Street, were primitive. "He wanted people to have what people in other neighborhoods had," she said. "We didn't have water or gas."

Councilman Lathan said that as recently as the 1960s, many black residents were forced to rely on wells. "We had outhouses in the '60s," he said.

Lathan, who returned to his hometown five years ago after living in Austin, Dallas and Shreveport, Lousiana, commended the city for making street improvements in black neighborhoods. Blacks consistently have been members of City Council for 25 years, he said.

Still, he said, challenges loom. Blacks, he said, still are underrepresented on police and sheriff's departments. More attention needs to be placed on developing parks. Low-income housing desperately is needed.

He expressed confidence that City Council, working with Center's mayor and city manager, would succeed in addressing the problems. "We can work together whatever the challenges," he said.

Nationally, he believes Obama has moved blacks and whites toward racial harmony. "The president has had great influence," Lathan said. "His change is felt. We now have a better way to live." He is heartened, too, by the racial tolerance apparent in younger Americans. "There's coming a day when the color of your skin won't matter more than the color of your eyes. It's already starting. We have a little more to go."

Lathan's optimism, though, was tempered by experience.

"There is still a lot of hatred out there," he said. As a youth, he recalled the indignities of the Jim Crow era. And he clearly remembered a horrific photograph once shown him by a relative.

The image depicted the Aug. 3, 1920, lynching of Lige Daniels, a 16-year-old African-American youth accused of murdering a white woman. In the picture, commercially reproduced as a postcard, a barefoot Daniels — one of 339 Texas blacks lynched between 1885 and 1942 — is shown hanging from a tree in the town square. Around him are many of the approximately 1,000 locals who had pulled him from his cell at the nearby Shelby County Jail.

Bennett Chapel's Martin believes the attack on black worshippers in Charleston indicates little has changed since Daniels' murder. Nationally, he said, Obama's election, viewed by many as a sign of racial healing, instead triggered a rebirth of racial animosity.

"Obama never was supposed to happen," he said. "That started the retaliation. It has to stem from somewhere. People never wanted to accept a black person because he is black."

Martin said he believes unchecked racism can lead to catastrophe. But, he added, "It can stop today. We can start to love one another. It's not a hard job to do. If you don't love me, you better not die. God sent his son, Jesus, to die for all humans. He will not tolerate people to be hated for the color of their skin."

Racial healing, said Y. D. Jackson, who works for Center's Triumph the Church & Kingdom of God in Christ, "must start in the church. Black preachers, white preachers have got to talk. We've got to communicate with each other. We've got a long way to go."

Asked about the events in Charleston and the president's eulogy at Pinckney's funeral, he grew solemn.

"Man," he said, "I was sad. I hated that, all those people getting killed in that church."

Jackson stopped talking, his head pitched forward onto the table and he broke into convulsive sobs.

Photos for this story by Brett Coomer/Houston Chronicle.

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Gene and Ruthann Duke of Lake City, Florida, and formerly of Midland, recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. The Dukes married June 10, 1955 in Dallas. They lived in Midland 42 years. They were members of First Christian Church and both logged many hours of volunteer work while in Midland. Their son, Jeff Duke, lives in Obrien, Florida.

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LaMarcus Aldridge chooses the San Antonio Spurs

By Tim Reynolds and Jon Krawczynski
Associated Press

LaMarcus Aldridge got the answers he needed from the San Antonio Spurs.

And the Spurs apparently got the answer they wanted.

Ending a frantic few days of courtship — and perhaps cementing the Spurs as the preseason favorites to win yet another NBA title — Aldridge announced Saturday that he will sign with San Antonio and align with Tim Duncan and Kawhi Leonard to form what would figure to be among the league's most-formidable frontcourts.

"I'm happy to say I'm going home to Texas and will be a Spur!!" Aldridge, a Dallas native, posted to his verified Twitter account. "I'm excited to join the team and be close to my family and friends."

The Spurs could not comment because of the league's offseason moratorium. Aldridge's representatives did not respond to requests for further comment beyond the tweet.

Aldridge, who spent his first nine seasons with the Portland Trail Blazers, will be eligible to sign his new deal Thursday.

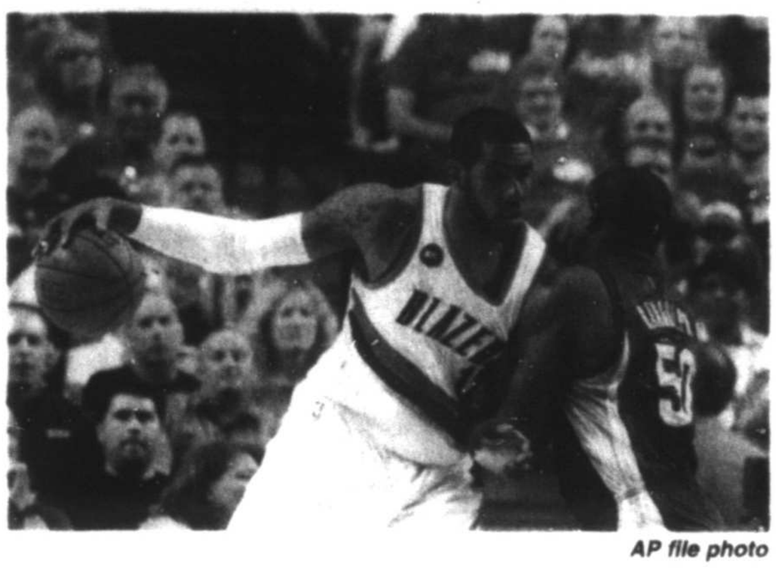
"You could kind of tell once this whole thing started that he was trying to go somewhere else," Oklahoma City star Kevin Durant said during summer league play in Orlando, Florida. "In those decisions, you've just got to respect the guy for making a decision that was right for him. I know a lot of fans were probably upset in Portland in his decision, but at this point in your life and your career you've got to focus on you."

Aldridge met with several teams, all who offered what the Spurs did: $80 million for four years.

The Los Angeles Lakers tried to woo him to play alongside Kobe Bryant. The Mavericks tried to sell him on coming home. Houston and Phoenix — which cleared a ton of cap space in an effort to get Aldridge — made pitches as well, and Pat Riley flew to Los Angeles to try to talk Aldridge into leaving the loaded Western Conference, coming East and joining the Miami Heat.

Some of the pitches were more

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AP file photo

In this April 27 file photo, Portland Trail Blazers forward LaMarcus Aldridge, left, works the ball in against Memphis Grizzlies forward Zach Randolph during the first half of Game 4 of a first-round NBA playoff series in Portland, Ore.

Looking for redemption



AP file photo

In this June 16 photo, Nigeria's Onome Ebi, left, and United States' Abby Wambach vie for the ball during a FIFA Women's World Cup soccer game in Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. With the title match looming, Wambach isn't mincing words. "All I care about is winning this World Cup," she said. The star U.S. forward is playing in her fourth Women's World Cup, and she says it will be her last. A victory Sunday in the final against Japan would be the perfect ending to her World Cup career.

Will history repeat itself? The US women hope not

By Anne M. Peterson
Associated Press

VANCOUVER, British Columbia — Abby Wambach remembers the date by heart: July 17, 2011.

That was the day the United States lost to Japan in the Women's World Cup title match in Germany.

The Americans get a rematch on Sunday when the teams meet again in the final, this time in Canada. The U.S. women are favored, and there figures to be a mostly pro-American crowd making the short trip across the border to Vancouver's BC Place.

Wambach and the rest of her teammates say they aren't taking anything for granted. The United States, ranked No. 2 in the world, is seeking its third World Cup title, but first since 1999.

"We still have to win. We haven't won anything yet, and we know what that feels like from four years ago," Wambach said. "It's not a good feeling."

The United States is coming off an impressive 2-0 semifinal victory over Germany, the team that had unseated the Americans for the top spot in the world rankings. Criticized at times for a lack of offense, the U.S. has posted five straight shutouts.

"I think we have really good momentum. I think we have confidence as a group. But we need to raise our game as well," said midfielder Carli Lloyd, who leads the Americans with three goals. "This is the final, everything's on the line, there's no holding back. There's no reserving energy. It's full throttle."

Japan, ranked No. 4 in the world, has won each of its six matches during the monthlong tournament, relying on its steady tactical skill. It is trying for its second straight World Cup title.

"It's the final game, the last one, so there's no more than that and we should really cherish this moment that we are going to the final," Japan coach Norio Sasaki said. "But I would also like to have a game that would contribute to the development of football in the world."

THE LAST TIME: Japan's victory over the United States four years ago was Asia's first-ever World Cup title.

The Japanese erased a pair of one-goal deficits. Wambach scored in the 104th minute to give the U.S. a 2-1 lead, and Homare Sawa tied it 13 minutes later. Japan then prevailed 3-1 on penalty kicks.

It was an emotional victory, following the massive earthquake and tsunami that hit the nation in March, killing more than 20,000 people and touching off the worst nuclear catastrophe since Chernobyl in 1986.

Before boarding the flight home from Germany, Sawa said: "I have to dedicate this win to the people who suffered the

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Dennis wins 1st Tour de France stage in style

By Samuel Petrequin
Associated Press

UTRECHT, Netherlands — Rohan Dennis won the first stage of the Tour de France in record speed in the individual time trial on Saturday, while defending Tour champion Vincenzo Nibali gained some precious time on his main rivals.

Dennis powered along the 8.6-mile flat and windy urban circuit through cycling-mad Utrecht in 14 minutes, 56 seconds.

"I didn't expect to go that fast," the Australian rider said. "I was just thinking '16 minutes, 16 minutes' from what I did in training, and in the end I got a bonus."

His average speed of 34.4 mph beat the record by British rider Chris Boardman on the 1994 Tour prologue, albeit over a distance twice as short.

"There's still emotions going on," said a thrilled Dennis, who previously held the world hour record when covering a distance of 52.49 kilometers in February. "The team has done a lot of hard work and it's paid off. Recons, specific trainings, it's all come together."

The last Australian to wear the yellow jersey was Simon Gerrans in 2013.

"I don't want to be a

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Associated Press

Australia's Rohan Dennis, wearing the overall leader's yellow jersey, celebrates on the podium of the first stage of the Tour de France cycling race, an individual time trial over 8.57 miles, with start and Finish in Utrecht, Netherlands, on Saturday.

Midland's Maxwell starting to turn a corner

By Christopher Hadorn
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RockHounds catcher Bruce Maxwell dazzled professional scouts with his bat when he starred at Alabama's Birmingham-Southern in 2012.

Maxwell was selected by the Oakland Athletics in the second round of the 2012 First-Year Player Draft after leading all NCAA Division III players with 15 home runs and a .915 slugging percentage.



Maxwell

Maxwell was new to catching at the time. He began to don the "tools of ignorance" predominantly as a junior after spending most of his collegiate career at first base.

When the Alabama native entered professional ball, Maxwell struggled at catcher as he soon discovered how demanding the position is at the next level.

Three years later, the tables have turned as Maxwell has blossomed into a capable defensive catcher while his hitting has lagged.

"He's come a long way with what he does behind the plate," Midland manager Ryan Christenson said. "I really like what he is doing as far as receiving, throwing. He handles the pitchers' meetings very well. He has a good game plan, a good idea of what he wants to do behind the plate.

"He's always fought with his offensive approach. He is tremendously strong and in batting practice we see him hit a lot of home runs to right field. His strength is to work the ball on the line to the middle of the field into the gaps."

In Maxwell's first season of professional ball, the 6-foot-2, 235 pound catcher was charged with 18 passed balls in only 38 games. During the next year in 2013, Maxwell struggled with throwing out attempted base stealers, retiring only 16 percent of all runners.

Last year Maxwell began to turn the corner as he tossed out 37 percent of attempted base stealers, an above-average rate and vast improvement.

The 24-year-old has been a brick wall behind the plate this season with no passed balls in 41 games.

"I'm finally comfortable this season," Maxwell said. "I'm doing well. I'm making strides behind the plate, but now I can start to focus on my hitting because for two and a half years I had to put my hitting kind of on the back burner so I had to learn how to be an exceptional catcher behind the plate."

As a hitter, Maxwell has exhibited a strong feel for the strike zone. The backstop has drawn nearly as many walks (24) as strikeouts (26) and carries a respectable .340 on-base percentage.

Even though he's strong, Maxwell has not transferred his power to actual games with only one home run and seven doubles in 186 at-bats this season.

"He is not quite where he wants to be, but he's never satisfied with where he is at," Christenson said. "As long as he continues to work and go out there and show us that he is trying to make the improvements, the results are going to take care of themselves over time because he's going to improve as a hitter. He is extremely talented."

Since the All-Star break, Maxwell has been on a roll with a pair of multiple-hit games and five total RBI during the RockHounds' home stand. In the Fourth of July contest versus the Arkansas Travelers, Maxwell delivered two RBI singles in Midland's 5-3 loss to the Travelers.

Maxwell, a son of a U.S. Army veteran, was excited to be playing on the

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BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Optioned INF Ryan Flaherty to Norfolk (IL).

BOSTON RED SOX — Recalled RHP Steven Wright Pawtucket (IL). Optioned RHP Noe Ramirez to Pawtucket.

DETROIT TIGERS — Placed 1B Miguel Cabrera on the 15-day DL. Selected the contract of 3B Johy Marte from Toledo (IL).

MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned RHP Alex Meyer to Rochester (IL). Reinstated RHP Ervin Santana from the restricted list.

SEATTLE MARINERS — Optioned LHP Roenis Elias. RHP Tom Wilhelmsen and LHP Vidal Nuno to Tacoma (PCL). Recalled OF James Jones and RHP Mayckol Guaipe from Tacoma. Reinstated LHP David Rollins from the restricted list.

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Optioned LHP C.J. Riet enhauser to Durham (IL). Selected the contract of LHP Everett Teaford from Durham. Designated 1B-OF Marc Krauss for assignment. Announced RHP Ronald Belisario declined an outright assignment to Durham and elected to become a free agent.

TEXAS RANGERS — Reinstated LHP Matt Harrison from the 60-day DL. Recalled RHP Anthony Ranaudo from Round Rock (PCL). Optioned RHP Chi Chi Gonzalez to Round Rock. Designated RHP Neftali Feliz for assignment.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Reinstated LHP Patrick Corbin and C Oscar Hernandez from the 60-day DL. Optioned RHP Danny Dorn and RHP Matt Stites to Reno (PCL).

CHICAGO CUBS — Selected the contracts of LHP Clayton Richard and C Taylor Teagarden from Iowa (PCL). Placed C Dawill Ross on the 7-day concussion DL retroactive to July 2. Optioned RHP Donn Roach to Iowa. Transferred INF Tommy La Stella to the 60-day DL. Designated RHP Gonzalez Germen for assignment.

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Recalled RHP Mitch Harris from Memphis (PCL). Optioned INF Greg Garcia to Memphis.

Eastern League

TRENTON THUNDER — Sent INF Greg Bird to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Added INF Rob Segedin from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.

American Association

AMARILLO THUNDERHEADS — Released RHP Brysan Gregg.

FARGO-MOORHEAD REDHAWKS — Signed C Mike Schultz. Released C Mike Leach and INF Tyler Doughty.

GARY SOUTHSHORE RAILCATS — Signed RHP Chris Bodishbaugh.

JOPLIN BLASTERS — Signed RHP Carlos Fuentes.

KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed OF Christian Torres and RHP Michael Nannini.

LINCOLN SALTDOGS — Signed RHP Ryan Fennell.

ST. PAUL SAINTS — Signed INF Ron Bourgeun.

Can-Am League

NEW JERSEY JACKALS — Signed LHP Daniel Meyer.

QUEBEC CAPITALES — Signed LHP McKenzie Ader.

SUSSEX COUTNY MINERS — Released OF Chris Valencia.

Frontier League

GATEWAY GRIZZLIES — Signed LHP Jordan Spencer. Released RHP Troy Barton.

LAKE ERIE CRUSHERS — Signed OF Turner Gill.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS MINERS — Acquired 1B Joe Rapp from the Kansas City (AA). Released INF Ryan DiMascio. OF Jon Minnuci and RHP Joe Pavlovich.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Signed D Derek Smith to a one year contract.

MINNESOTA WILD — Re-signed G Devan Dubnyk to a six-year contract.

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Signed F Cody Bass to a one year contract.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Signed G Dan Ellis to a one-year contract.

FISHING REPORT

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water stained. 79-86 degrees. 0.1 feet low. Black bass are fair on Texas rigs. Senkos and medium running shad pattern crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color. 78-87 degrees. 0.21 feet high. One ramp open and few anglers have been on the lake.

COLORADO CITY: 21.37 feet low. No report available.

FORT PHANTOM HILL: Water clear. 80-88 degrees. 12.91 feet low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: Water off color. 81-89 degrees. 20.23 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on topwaters early, later switching to Texas rigs and jigs. Crappie are fair to good on jigs and minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers and live shad.

NASWORTHY: No report available.

OAK CREEK: Water stained. 79-87 degrees. 18.59 feet low. Black bass are fair to good on buzzbaits early, later switching to Texas rigs and crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs under a slip cork. Catfish are fair on chartreuse (use Worm-Glo) nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained. 79-86 degrees. 43.14 feet low. Black bass are good on Yellow Magics early, later switching to Texas rigs. Senkos and crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs fished shallow. Catfish are fair to good on live bait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear. 79-87 degrees. 0.35 feet high. Black bass are fair to good on spinnerbaits. Texas rigs, jigs and medium running crankbaits. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair on Road Runners. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are fair to good on live shad and nightcrawlers.

SPENCE: 62.29 feet low. No report available.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained. 80-87 degrees. 15.88 feet low. No report available.

SOUTH

AMISTAD: Water murky. 75-79 degrees. 27.87 feet low. Black bass are excellent on topwaters, crankbaits, spinnerbaits, swimbaits, Senkos, frogs, and soft plastics. Striped bass are good on Red Fins and topwaters. White bass are fair on crankbaits, grubs, and live minnows. Crappie are slow. Catfish are good on cheesebait, shrimp, and nightcrawlers under popping corks in 9-9 feet. Yellow catfish are slow. Everyone in a boat must have a Mexico fishing license (if fishing the Mexico side) whether fishing or not.

CENTRAL

BASTROP: Water stained. 75-79 degrees. Black bass are fair on watermelon crankbaits. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are good on cheesebait and stinkbait. Yellow catfish are slow.

BELTON: Water murky. 72-76 degrees. 13.88 feet high. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and dark soft plastic worms in coves. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows. Hughes at night in 30 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on bacon. Yellow catfish are fair on juglines baited with live perch.

BROWNWOOD: Water murky. 78-82 degrees. 0.41 feet low. Black bass are slow. Hybrid striper are slow. White bass are good on Pop-R's and crankbaits in 12-18 feet, and on minnows and jigs under lights at night. Crappie are good on minnows and white or shad Li'l Fishies in 8-12 feet. Channel catfish to 5 pounds are good on trotlines and juglines baited with cheesebait and cut shad in the river mouths. Yellow catfish to 10 pounds are good on trotlines baited with cut perch and shad in 8-12 feet.

BUCHANAN: Water murky. 72-73 degrees. 20.26 feet low. Black bass are good on watermelon lizard/Gits, chartreuse Whacky Sticks, and Texas rigged green pumpkin Scorpion worms on secondary points and ledges in 10-22 feet. Striped bass are fair on small Rat-L-Traps and trolling crankbaits in 1-5 feet. White bass are fair on Pink Minnows and Li'l Fishies over rock piles in 15-20 feet. Crappie are good on minnows and chartreuse tube jigs over brush piles. Channel catfish are good on live bait and stinkbait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on juglines and trotlines baited with perch cutbait.

CANYON LAKE: Water murky. 72-76 degrees. 1.12 feet high. Black bass are fair on Shad Raps, Rat-L-Traps, and gobbling jerkbaits near laydowns along banks in 5-10 feet early and late. Striped bass are fair on watermelon plum colored crankbaits on main lake points. White bass are fair on live bait. Smallmouth bass are fair on smoke grubs and watermelon tubes on jigheads in 8-18 feet. Crappie are fair on Curb's crappie jigs and live minnows upriver over brush piles in 12 feet. Channel catfish are slow. Yellow and blue catfish are good on trotlines and juglines baited with live bait.

COLEMAN: Water murky. 71-75 degrees. 9.41 feet low. Black bass are good on watermelon Rat-L-Traps and spinnerbaits. Hybrid striper are good on live shad near the park. Crappie are good on minnows at night. Channel catfish are good on trotlines baited with live perch. Yellow catfish are slow.

COLORADO RIVER (At Colorado Bend State Park): No report available.

FAYETTE: Water murky. Black bass are good on shad colored spinnerbaits, crankbaits, and Rat-L-Traps in 10-20 feet. Channel and blue catfish are good on shrimp and shad in 10-15 feet.

GRANBURY: Water murky. 76-80 degrees. 0.01 feet low. Black bass are fair on pumpkinseed soft plastics, crankbaits, and spinnerbaits. Striped bass are fair on chartreuse striper jigs. White bass are fair on minnows and chartreuse spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows. Catfish are good on stinkbait, nightcrawlers, and frozen shrimp.

GRANGER: Water clear. 76-80 degrees. 1.31 feet high. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits. White bass are fair on slabs and spoons near the dam. Crappie are good on minnows and jigs tipped with Berkley Crappie Nibbles in 6-15 feet. Blue catfish are good on live bait in shallow flooded grassy areas. Yellow catfish are good on live bait.

LBJ: Water stained. 72-76 degrees. 0.26 feet low. Black bass are good on watermelon soft plastic worms and topwaters, and on shad colored Rat-L-Traps along break lines in 5-15 feet early and late. White bass are slow. Crappie are fair on minnows and chartreuse tube jigs over brush piles in 10 feet. Channel catfish are fair on minnows and prepared bait. Yellow and blue catfish are good on trotlines and juglines baited with live perch.

NAVARRO MILLS: Water murky. 71-75 degrees. 18.02 feet high. Black bass are good on topwaters near the boat ramps, and on red/black soft plastic worms along banks. White bass are good on silver dollars and slabs. Crappie are fair on minnows over brush piles in 7-12 feet. Channel catfish are good on stinkbait and hot dogs. Blue catfish are good on trotlines and juglines baited with perch and shad. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with perch and goldfish.

PROCTOR: Water murky. 73-77 degrees. 9.14 feet high. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits and crankbaits off points early and late. Striped bass are slow. White bass are good on live shad and jigging spoons. Crappie are good on minnows. Channel and blue catfish are good on cut bait and stinkbait. Yellow catfish are fair on trotlines baited with live bait.

SOMERVILLE: Water murky. 74-78 degrees. 17.47 feet high. Black bass are fair on watermelon soft plastics and crankbaits. Hybrid striper are good on shad off points. White bass are good on shad and Li'l Fishies. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on dead shad. Yellow catfish are slow.

STILLHOUSE: Water murky. 73-77 degrees. 1.93 feet high. Black bass are fair on shallow running crankbaits and topwaters. White bass are fair on Li'l Fishies and pet spoons. Crappie are slow. Channel and blue catfish are fair on stinkbait and shrimp. Yellow catfish are slow.

Former MC star Williams getting his shot



OSCAR LEROY
Sports Editor

Former Midland College standout Darrell Williams is going to get a shot at making it to the NBA as he will be a part of the Chicago Bulls' roster during the Las Vegas Summer League, which begins Friday.

Williams played for former Chaps head coach Ross Hodge during the 2009-10 season and led an MC team that was ranked No. 1 in the NJCAA Division I men's basketball poll for much of that year.

After leaving MC, Williams went on an emotional roller coaster ride that no one should have to go through.

During his first season at Oklahoma State, Williams was a starter and was enjoying a good season for the Cowboys. But then in February of 2011 he was charged and later convicted of sexual battery and rape by instrumentation by a Stillwater, Oklahoma, jury with what seemed like flimsy circumstantial evidence at best.

Williams was in shock and I know Hodge, who is now an assistant coach at Colorado State, was heartbroken. Hodge told me that he cried when he first heard the news of his conviction.

The 6-foot-9 power forward had tremendous talent but he seemed like a good kid who had overcome a lot in life, especially growing up on the south side of Chicago. During his time at MC, he not only worked hard on the court but worked hard to get his academics up to par so he could go to an NCAA Division I program. He did all this after his older brother Derrick was shot and killed in what appeared to be a random drive-by in Chicago right after Williams enrolled at MC.

Williams got his academics in order and fulfilled his dream of going to a Division I program, until his life was shattered by the conviction.

The conviction was eventually overturned thanks to the help of Williams' new attorneys and Chicago's Innocence Project, a nonprofit that investigates possible wrongful convictions.

However, the conviction cost him his chance to compete at the Division I level. Very few colleges wanted anything to do with him, until this past season when he landed at NCAA Division II Texas A&M Commerce.

Williams showed what he was capable of and flourished and he was named Lone Star Conference Newcomer and Player of the Year.

Now at age 25, Williams is getting a shot — albeit a long one — at playing in the NBA.

"It's crazy. I can't believe it right now," Williams told the Dallas Morning News about making the Summer League roster. "I'm just thankful for the opportunity. Now I've got to make the most of it."

I know a lot of people who got to know Williams during his time at MC are very happy for him, especially Hodge, who is smiling from ear to ear, knowing that a good guy is finally getting his due.

■ The U.S. women's soccer team is back in the Women's World Cup final and it gets a rematch with Japan at 4 p.m. today.

I see "Go USA!" written all over social media, and even female friends of mine, who are not necessarily sports fans, are at their local watering hole cheering for the U.S. women. Just don't ask them or any other casual fans what National Women's Soccer League teams Hope Solo (Seattle Reign FC) and Alex Morgan (Portland Thorns FC) play for. I had to look up which team Morgan played for because I had no clue myself.

It's great to get behind the national team playing in the biggest tournament in the sport but most fans only are interested in the sport once every four years. One would have thought that after the U.S. captured the World Cup title in 1999 that interest in the sport would have skyrocketed in this country.

That didn't happen back then and I doubt that more people will be interested in the sport after this tournament is over.

But at least once every four years, women's soccer will have its time in the spotlight, and if it brings out more patriotic pride in this country outside of the Fourth of July, who is anybody to complain about it.

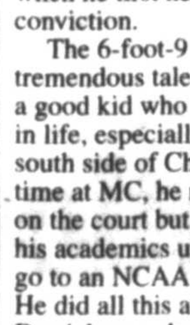
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Just like old times, it's Williams vs. Williams

By Howard Fendrich
Associated Press

LONDON — Just like old times.

Used to be that a match involving Miss Williams vs. Miss Williams, as they like to say at the All England Club, was a regular occurrence at the latter stages of the most prestigious tennis tournaments in the world.



Serena



Venus

During a span of eight majors from the U.S. Open in 2001 to Wimbledon in 2003, Serena and Venus Williams participated in six all-in-the-family Grand Slam finals. Think about it this way: Before that stretch, the only previous major title match between sisters came when Maud Watson beat her younger sibling, Lillian, in the very first Wimbledon women's final in 1884.

There would be two more all-Williams Grand Slam finals, both at Wimbledon, in 2008 and 2009. But since then, they have not met in any round at any Slam. Until now. No. 1-seeded Serena and No. 16-seeded Venus will reprise their unique rivalry on Monday in the fourth round at Wimbledon.

"We just don't know what can happen there. We've all seen, a million times, them play. And we've seen different results, especially at Wimbledon. You just have no clue," said Venus' coach, David Witt. "We've seen good matches. We've seen bad matches."

This will be their 26th showdown on tour (Serena leads 14-11), their 13th at a major (Serena leads 7-5), and their sixth at Wimbledon (Serena leads 3-2).

It comes 17 years after their first professional matchup, in the second round of the 1998 Australian Open.

And it comes 15 years after their first encounter at the All England Club, in the 2000 semifinals

"I think we're both more mature. Still as tenacious," said Venus, who won that one en route to the first of her seven career Grand Slam titles, five at Wimbledon. "I mean, back then, we were definitely fun to watch. I think we still are."

Serena also has won five trophies at the grass-court tournament, part of her collection of 20 major singles championships.

Her narrow escape in the third round Friday against Britain's Heather Watson — after trailing by two breaks at 3-0 in the third set, then twice standing two points from defeat at 5-4 — extended Serena's Grand Slam winning streak to 24 matches. She is aiming for a fourth consecutive major title, a self-styled "Serena Slam," and trying to get the third leg of a calendar-year Grand Slam.

Given that Venus is 35 and dealing with the day-to-day difficulties of an energy-sapping autoimmune disease, and Serena turns 34 in September, it seems fair to ask: How many more times will the world get to see this?

Remember, they were taught to play tennis by their father in Compton, California, and went on to spend time at No. 1 in the rankings, collect a total of 27 Grand Slam singles titles and another 13 as a team in doubles.

When they're across the net from each other, it can be awkward for everyone involved — the sisters themselves, of course, but also their parents, their sisters and even their coaches.

"It's fun, in the regard of seeing two of the best athletes in tennis play. ... But it's tough. It's tough watching. It's tough for them playing," Witt said. "When they do play each other, I just say, 'She's going to be your sister after the match. You've got to go out there and just play the ball. Forget about who's on the other side.'"

Said Serena's coach, Patrick Mouratoglou: "It's always super-special and difficult to play her sister, first because she's a super player — and even better on grass. And second, because it's her sister."

Asked which Williams fans will be pulling for, Venus said: "I'll probably be cheering for her."

Serena, meanwhile, predicted: "I expect more people to be rooting for Venus."

WIMBLEDON RESULTS

Saturday
At The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club
London
Purse: $42.1 million (Grand Slam)
Surface: Grass-Outdoor

Singles

Men

Third Round

Viktor Troicki (22), Serbia, def. Dustin Brown, Germany, 6-4, 7-6 (3), 4-6, 6-3.

Roberto Bautista Agut (20), Spain, def. Nikoloz Basilashvili, Georgia, 7-6 (4), 6-0, 6-1.

Marin Cilic (9), Croatia, def. John Isner (17), United States, 7-6 (4), 6-7 (6), 6-4, 6-7 (4), 12-10.

Roger Federer (2), Switzerland, def. Sam Groth, Australia, 6-4, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 9-7.

Ivo Karlovic (23), Croatia, def. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (13), France, 7-6 (3), 4-6, 7-6 (2), 7-6 (9).

Vasek Pospisil, Canada, def. James Ward, Britain, 6-4, 3-6, 2-6, 6-3, 8-6.

Tomas Berdych (6), Czech Republic, def. Pablo Andujar, Spain, 4-6, 6-0, 6-3, 7-6 (3).

Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Andreas Seppi (25), Italy, 6-2, 6-2, 1-6, 6-1.

Gilles Simon (12), France, def. Gael Monfils (18), France, 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (8), 2-6, 6-2.

Women

Third Round

Garbine Muguruza (20), Spain, def. Angelique Kerber (10), Germany, 7-6 (12), 1-6, 6-2.

Monica Niculescu, Romania, def. Kristyna Pliskova, Czech Republic, 6-3, 7-5.

Caroline Wozniacki (5), Denmark, def. Camila Giorgi (31), Italy, 6-2, 6-2.

Agnieszka Radwanska (13), Poland, def. Casey Dellacqua, Australia, 6-1, 6-4.

Madison Keys (21), United States, def. Tatjana Maria, Germany, 6-4, 6-4.

Timea Bacsinszky (15), Switzerland, def. Sabine Lisicki (18), Germany, 6-3, 6-2.

Olga Govortsova, Belarus, def. Magdalena Rybarikova, Slovakia, 7-6 (4), 6-3.

Jelena Jankovic (28), Serbia, def. Petra Kvitova (2), Czech Republic, 3-6, 7-5, 6-4.

Doubles

Men

Second Round

Jamie Murray, Britain, and John Peers (13), Australia, def. Nicholas Monroe, United States, and Artem Sitak, New Zealand, 7-5, 4-6, 4-6, 7-6 (5), 6-4.

Daniel Nestor, Canada, and Leander Paes (11), India, def. Teymuraz Gabashvili, Russia, and Yen-hsun Lu, Taiwan, 5-7, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (4), 7-5.

Marcin Matkowski, Poland, and Nenad Zimonjic (7), Serbia, def. Dominic Inglot, Britain, and Edouard Roger-Vasselin, France, 6-7 (4), 2-6, 7-6 (3), 6-4, 6-3.

Lleyton Hewitt and Thanasi Kokkinakis, Australia, def. Robert Lindstedt, Sweden, and Jurgen Melzer, Austria, 6-3, 3-6, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 6-4.

Jonathan Marray, Britain, and Frederik Nielsen, Denmark, def. Juan-Sebastian Cabal and Robert Farah (16), Colombia, 6-3, 5-7, 7-5, 6-4.

Pierre-Hugues Herbert and Nicolas Mahut (10), France, def. Gilles Muller, Luxembourg, and Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi, Pakistan, 6-7 (9), 7-6 (4), 6-4, 6-4.

Jonathan Erlich, Israel, and Philipp Petzschner, Germany, def. Marcus Daniell, New Zealand, and Marcelo Demoliner, Brazil, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

Women

Second Round

Bethanie Mattek-Sands, United States, and Lucie Safarova (9), Czech Republic, def. Jocelyn Rae and Anna Smith, Britain, 6-3, 6-0.

Karin Knapp and Roberta Vinci, Italy, def. Andrea Hlavackova and Lucie Hradecka (8), Czech Republic, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Anna-Lena Groenefeld, Germany, and CoCo Vandeweghe, United States, def. Caroline Garcia, France, and Katarina Srebotnik (10), Slovenia, 7-6 (3), 6-3.

Alla Kudryavtseva and Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (11), Russia, def. Belinda Bencic, Switzerland, and Katerina Siniakova, Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-2.

Anabel Medina Garrigues and Arantxa Parra Santonja (16), Spain, def. Marina Erakovic, New Zealand, and Heather Watson, Britain, 7-6 (2), 5-6, 6-0.

Jarmila Gajdosova and Ajla Tomljanovic, Australia, def. Lara Arruabarrena, Spain, and Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, 6-4, 6-4.

Timea Babos, Hungary, and Kristina Mladenovic (4), France, def. Monica Niculescu, Romania, and Olga Savchuk, Ukraine, 6-4, 6-4.

Casey Dellacqua, Australia, and Yaroslava Shvedova (9), Kazakhstan, def. Daniela Hantuchova, Slovakia, and Sam Stosur, Australia, 6-3, 6-0.

Mixed

First Round

Oliver Marach, Austria, and Olga Savchuk, Ukraine, def. Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and Heather Watson, Britain, 6-7 (5), 7-6 (4), 6-4.

Second Round

Raven Klaasen, South Africa, and Raquel Kops-Jones (10), United States, def. Mariusz Fyrstenberg and Klaudia Jans-Ignacik, Poland, walkover.

Bruno Soares, Brazil, and Sania Mirza (2), India, def. Andre Begemann, Germany, and Janette Husarova, Slovakia, 6-2, 6-4.

Marin Draganja and Ana Konjuh, Croatia, def. John Peers, Australia, and Chan Yung-jan (14), Taiwan, 7-6 (6), 7-6 (8).

Horia Tecau, Romania, and Katarina Srebotnik (6), Slovenia, def. Rohan Bopanna, India, and Maria Jose Martinez Sanchez, Spain, 6-2, 6-4.

Artem Sitak, New Zealand, and Anastasia Rodionova, Australia, def. Jean-Julien Rojer, Netherlands, and Anna-Lena Groenefeld (11), Germany, 6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-3.

Mike Bryan and Bethanie Mattek-Sands (1), United States, def. Nicholas Monroe and Madison Brengle, United States, 6-4, 6-1.

Marcin Matkowski, Poland, and Elena Vesnina (3), Russia, def. Ivan Dodig, Croatia, and Ajla Tomljanovic, Australia, 6-4, 6-2.

Leander Paes, India, and Martina Hingis (7), Switzerland, def. Edouard Roger-Vasselin and Alize Cornet, France, 0-4, 6-2.

Alexander Peya, Austria, and Timea Babos (5), Hungary, def. Philipp Oswald, Austria, and Belinda Bencic, Switzerland, 6-2, 6-7 (5), 7-5.

Nenad Zimonjic, Serbia, and Jarmila Gajdosova, Australia, def. Bob Bryan, United States, and Caroline Garcia (4), France, 3-6, 6-3, 9-7.



Astros lose 6-1 to Red Sox, streak snapped

By Mike Cranston
Associated Press

Red Sox	6
Astros	1

BOSTON — Pablo Sandoval made a running catch of a foul pop and began tumbling over the railing into the Houston dugout when pitcher Vincent Velasquez reached out to help brace his fall.

Sandoval inadvertently kicked Velasquez in the neck. It was that kind of day for the Astros.

Clay Buchholz pitched a six-hitter to win his fourth straight start, coming within one out of a shutout as the Boston Red Sox rebounded from a tough loss with a 6-1 victory Saturday.

"He pounded the strike zone with a couple different pitches," Astros manager A.J. Hinch said. "He had a really good changeup, a really good cutter. This game was almost entirely about him."

It was a rare day of frustration for Houston, which entered on a five-game winning streak and only 14 hours after a 12-8 comeback victory Friday night in 10 innings.

Collin McHugh (9-4) was denied a fourth straight win, giving up four runs — three earned — and seven hits in 5 1-3 innings. Xander Bogaerts delivered an RBI single in the first and a run-scoring double in the fifth off the right-hander after catcher Hank Conger's throwing error.

Mookie Betts' RBI double came on the final pitch for McHugh, who walked three and struck out one.

"Fastball was sporadic, especially early on," McHugh said. "I threw more off speed today, cutter, curveball. Especially at the top of the lineup, they put together some good at-bats against me."

Houston's offense, which a night earlier had 10 players score, was quieted by Buchholz (7-6). The right-hander struck out five through three innings, set down 12 straight and won his fifth straight decision.

Three of Buchholz's eight strikeouts came against Colby Rasmus in his return from injury.

"He looks fine and he was moving around fine," Hinch said. "It was more about Buchholz and less about Colby. I think he was a tough matchup for all our guys."

The Astros narrowly avoided their fifth shutout loss. Jose Altuve extended his hitting streak to 12 games with a ninth-inning single and scored on Luis Valbuena's two-out single up the middle.

Velasquez was sporting two large scratches on the left side of his neck in the clubhouse after taking Sandoval's right cleat in the head on Preston Tucker's foul pop in the fourth.

Three innings later, Sandoval started a nifty double play while playing on the right side in a shift against Valbuena.

"We've been playing good baseball," Conger said. "So for (Buchholz) to go out there and play the way he did right there, hats off. Just move on to Sunday."

'HOUNDSREPORT

FROM STAFF REPORTS

TRAVELERS 5, ROCKHOUNDS 3
At Security Bank Ballpark
TOP HITTER: Travelers catcher Raywilly Gomez spoiled the RockHounds' Fourth of July by going 3-for-4 with a double and two RBI. ... Midland left fielder Jaycob Brugman was 2-for-3 with a home run, a double and two walks.

TOP PITCHER: Arkansas reliever Eduardo Santos fired 2 1/3 shutout innings of hitless ball, while striking out four Midland batters.

HIGHLIGHTS: The Travelers scored two runs in both the first and third innings even though RockHounds starting pitcher Chris Jensen struck out the side in both innings. ... Trailing 5-3 in the bottom of the ninth inning, the RockHounds loaded the bases with one out. Travelers shortstop Eric Stamets booted a potential double play ball putting two runners on and Brugman followed with a walk. However, Travelers lefty Greg Mahle escaped trouble after getting Josh Whitaker to hit a foul pop out and then induced a game-ending, ground ball force out off the bat of Renato Nunez.

NOTES: Arkansas avoided a three-game sweep with the win. ... In the top of the fifth inning, Arkansas' Drew Maggi hit a hard ground ball that bounced up and struck RockHounds third baseman Ryon Healy in the face. Healy left the game. ... Jensen struck out nine batters over five innings. ... Arkansas right-handed pitcher Chris Ellis, the No. 5 ranked Angels' prospect according to Baseball America, allowed three runs, eight hits and two walks in 5.2 innings. Ellis struck out seven.

TL standings

Second Half				
North Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa	5	4	.556	—
Arkansas	4	5	.444	1
Springfield	4	5	.444	1
x-Northwest Arkansas	4	5	.444	1
South Division				
Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	6	3	.667	—
x-Corpus Christi	5	4	.556	1
Frisco	5	4	.444	2
San Antonio	4	5	.444	2

x-clinched first half

Saturday's Scores
Springfield 8, San Antonio 3
Arkansas 5, Midland 3
Corpus Christi 5, Tulsa 1
Northwest Arkansas 3, Frisco 2, 10 innings

Today's Games
San Antonio at Tulsa, 2:05 p.m.
Northwest Arkansas at Midland, 6 p.m.
Arkansas at Frisco, 6:05 p.m.
Corpus Christi at Springfield, 6:10 p.m.

TODAY'S PROBABLES:
Northwest Arkansas—RHP Luke Farrell (1-2, 4.61). Midland—RHP Tim Atherton (5-3, 5.31).

TRAVELERS 5, ROCKHOUNDS 3

Arkansas	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Johnson 2b	4	2	1	0	Oberacker cf	5	0	1	0
Maggi 3b	4	2	2	0	Brugman lf	3	1	2	1
Mitchell lf	3	0	0	0	Whitaker rf	4	0	3	0
Hernandez 1b	4	1	2	1	Nunez 1b	5	0	0	0
Gomez c	4	0	3	2	Pinder ss	4	1	1	0
Gallen cf	4	0	1	2	Olson dh	3	1	0	0
Snyder dh	4	0	0	0	R Healy 3b	2	0	2	0
Fish rf	4	0	0	0	Walsh 2b	2	0	0	0
Stamets ss	4	0	0	0	Maxwell c	4	0	2	2
					Kirkland 2b-3b	4	1	1	0
Totals	35	5	9	5	Totals	36	3	9	3

Arkansas	202 010 000 —5
Midland	011 001 000 —3

E—Stamets (4). Pinder (13). DP—Arkansas 1; Midland 1. LOB—Arkansas 5; Midland 10. 2B—Hernandez (14), Gallen (3), Gomez (2), Brugman (14). R Healy (17). HR—Brugman (4). SB—Johnson (13), Maggi (16), Oberacker (8).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Arkansas						
Ellis W, 3-0	5.2	4	1	1	3	7
Santos	2.1	1	0	0	0	4
Mahle S, 4	1.0	4	2	2	0	1
Midland						
Jensen L, 5-8	5.0	5	3	3	5	9
Lamb	2.0	1	0	0	1	1
T Healy	1.0	4	2	2	0	0
Dull	1.0	0	0	0	0	2

T—2:55. A—7,026.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

TIGERS 8
BLUE JAYS 3

DETROIT — J.D. Martinez homered and David Price pitched seven strong innings as the Tigers beat the Blue Jays.

Before the game, the Tigers placed Miguel Cabrera on the disabled list for the first time in his 13-year career. Detroit has scored 15 runs in 14 innings since losing their best offensive player.

Alex Avila, making his first career start at first base in place of Cabrera, made the day's most spectacular defensive play, diving into the crowd far down the right-field line to retire Russell Martin in the fourth inning.

Price (8-2) pitched seven innings, giving up one run on eight hits and a walk, striking out seven. The Tigers are now 14-3 when he starts and 27-36 with anyone else.

WHITE SOX 3
ORIOLES 2

CHICAGO — Avisail Garcia robbed Chris Davis of a tying home run with a leaping catch in the ninth inning, and the White Sox held off the Orioles.

J.B. Shuck put Chicago in front with a pinch-hit double in the eighth. Gordon Beckham scored the go-ahead run after he walked and advanced on a sacrifice bunt against Bud Norris (2-8), who was just demoted to the bullpen. Shuck doubled to right field off Darren O'Day.

David Robertson earned his 18th save in 22 opportunities — with a huge assist from Garcia. The right fielder jumped and reached behind him over the wall to take a home run away from Davis with one out in the ninth.

Manny Machado hit a two-run homer for the Orioles to tie it at 2 in the eighth. Machado connected against Zach Putnam (2-3), who replaced Jeff Samardzija after he walked the previous batter.

YANKEES 3
RAYS 2

NEW YORK — A ninth-inning throwing error by pitcher Brad Boxberger gave the Yankees their second straight walk-off win against the Rays.

Steven Souza Jr. tied the score in the top half with a two-run drive, the first home run off Dellin Betances (5-1) since Baltimore's Jonathan Schoop connected on Aug. 13.

James Loney singled leading off the inning against Betances, who blew a save for the second time in nine chances.

Souza was in an 0-for-26 slide that included 16 strikeouts before his fourth-inning single.

Mark Teixeira doubled past Loney, who was guarding the first-base line, and into the right-field corner against Boxberger (4-4) leading off the bottom half.

Chris Young walked and rookie Ramos Flores, recalled from the minors a day earlier, sacrificed. Boxberger threw wildly to first, and pinch-runner Jose Pirela scored all the way from second.

ATHLETICS 2
MARINERS 0

OAKLAND, Calif. — Rookie Kendall Graveman pitched seven innings to help hand Seattle ace Felix Hernandez his first loss in Oakland in nearly seven years, as the Athletics beat the Mariners.

The A's only scored twice off Hernandez (10-5) but peppered him for 10 hits — the most he has allowed this season.

Hernandez, who struck out six and walked two, had gone 13 consecutive starts without losing at the Coliseum, matching the longest streak by an opposing pitcher. The loss — his first in Oakland since Sept. 19, 2008 — was just his third in 21 career starts at this aging facility.

Graveman (6-4) allowed five hits to earn his third straight win.

Drew Pomeranz pitched the eighth and Tyler Clippard worked the ninth for his 15th save to complete the six-hit shutout.

National League

NATIONALS 9
GIANTS 3

WASHINGTON — Bryce Harper homered using a patriotic bat and the Washington Nationals beat the San Francisco Giants 9-3 on Saturday despite Stephen Strasburg exiting in the fourth inning with tightness in his left side.

The bat was painted blue with white stars. It was also illustrated with the American flag and a silhouette of the D.C. skyline, including the Capitol, the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument — all in navy blue and white.

Rain delayed the game's scheduled first pitch by 19 minutes. Washington's offense got to Madison Bumgarner (8-5) quickly with four consecutive hits including home runs by Michael A. Taylor and Harper.

Tanner Roark (4-3) earned the win after pitching 4 1/3 innings in relief of Strasburg.

BREWERS 7
REDS 3

CINCINNATI — Jimmy Nelson won his career-best third consecutive start and the Milwaukee Brewers rode a six-run fifth inning to a 7-3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds on Saturday night.

Six Brewers each drove in one run as Milwaukee extended its best winning streak in more than a year to seven games. Adam Lind homered and Jean Segura had three hits, helping suddenly explosive Milwaukee has scored 47 runs in the first six games of the current road trip.

The winning streak is the Brewers' longest since they won nine straight from April 4 through April 13, 2014.

Nelson (6-8) overcame solo home runs by Marlon Byrd and Ivan De Jesus Jr. to last 5 2-3 innings. He gave up eight hits and three runs with one walk and five strikeouts.

DODGERS 4
METS 3

LOS ANGELES — Zack Greinke scattered four hits over seven scoreless innings to outduel Matt Harvey, Adrian Gonzalez hit a solo homer and the Los Angeles Dodgers survived their shaky bullpen to beat the New York Mets 4-3 on Saturday night.

Greinke (7-2) extended his scoreless innings streak to 27 2/3 while striking out four and walking none. He had a two-out single in the fourth inning, too.

J.P. Howell got the final out for his first save since June 12, 2011, against Tampa Bay.

Harvey (7-6) gave up seven hits and three runs in five innings. He struck out four and tied a career high with five walks while getting in bases-loaded jams in the second, third and fifth innings. His ERA ballooned to 3.11.

BRAVES 9
PHILLIES 5

ATLANTA — Cameron Maybin had three hits, including a home run, and the Atlanta Braves beat the Philadelphia Phillies 9-5 on Saturday night in their best offensive showing in six weeks.

Kelly Johnson drove in three runs with two hits as the Braves scored their most runs since a 10-1 win over Milwaukee on May 21.

The Phillies, who have the majors' worst record (27-56), have lost six straight and nine of 10.

CARDINALS 2
PADRES 1

ST. LOUIS — Jhonny Peralta broke an eighth-inning tie with a sacrifice fly, and the Cardinals beat the Padres to stop their longest losing streak of the season at four games.

Carlos Martinez threw 6 2-3 solid innings, and Seth Maness (3-0) got the win. Trevor Rosenthal closed for his 24th save in 25 opportunities, getting Matt Kemp to ground out with a runner on to end it.

Rosenthal had a 23-game scoreless string halted on Friday. San Diego won the first two games of the series, including a 2-1 victory Friday.

All four losses during St. Louis' skid came at home.

Brandon Maurer (5-1) took the loss.

CUBS 7
MARLINS 2

CHICAGO — Kris Bryant hit two early home runs, including a grand slam, to lead the Chicago Cubs over the Miami Marlins 7-2 Saturday night.

The multihomer game was the second for Bryant, who hit a two-run drive in the first inning and chased Marlins starter Jarred Cosart (1-4) with a grand slam in the second that made it 7-0.

Clayton Richard (1-0) sailed into the seventh inning in his first major league outing since 2013, pitching the Cubs to their fourth victory in five games. Acquired from Pittsburgh in a trade Friday, he gave up two runs and eight hits with one walk in 6 1-3 innings.

Interleague

PIRATES 1
INDIANS 0

PITTSBURGH — Jeff Locke pitched eight innings of two-hit ball, retiring his last 19 batters, and Neil Walker had an RBI single to lift the Pirates over the Indians.

Locke (5-4) allowed only second-inning singles by Yan Gomes and Giovanny Urshela as the Pirates ended Cleveland's five-game winning streak. The left-hander struck six, walked none and faced one batter more than the minimum in a game that took just 2 hours, 6 minutes.

Pittsburgh scored in the sixth against tough-luck loser Cody Anderson (1-1).

MAXWELL

From 1C

national holiday. Maxwell, also known as Bruce III, was born on a U.S. military installation in Wiesbaden, Germany while his father, Bruce Jr., did a tour of duty overseas.

"It means a little bit more to me," Maxwell said before Saturday's game "I take it a little more personal. It's closer to my heart than most holidays and so it's just about a respect of guys that give their lives every day and their families that feel the repercussions of what they do over there, even in the States. It's a big thing for me and it's an honor to play on this day."

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Rangers activate Harrison, send Chi Chi back to minors

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Left-hander Matt Harrison was activated from the disabled list and rookie right-hander Chi Chi Gonzalez was sent back to the minors by the Texas Rangers on Saturday.

Texas recalled right-hander Anthony Ranaudo from Triple A-Round Rock, the club where Gonzalez was sent. Ranaudo, a starter throughout his pro career, is expected to pitch in long relief.

Harrison will start Wednesday against Arizona, his first major league start since spinal fusion surgery in June 2014. Saturday was the deadline for Harrison to be activated from the DL after his 30-day medical rehab assignment.

Texas already had a spot on its 25-man roster for Harrison after Neftali Feliz, the closer for both of the Rangers' World Series appearances, was designated for assignment after throwing two scoreless innings Friday night.

Feliz was 1-2 with a 4.58 ERA in 18 games this season, but his appearance in an 8-2 loss to the Los Angeles Angels on Friday night came after coming off the disabled list.

The Rangers have 10 days to trade, release, or outright Feliz to the minor leagues. The right-hander can decline a move to the minors and become a free agent. General manager Jon Daniels said Texas will try to trade Feliz, the former All-Star closer who developed arm issues after the Rangers put him in the starting rotation following their 2010 and 2011 AL pennants.

The 23-year-old Gonzalez (2-4), who had a 0.90 ERA through his first four major league starts, allowed six runs in 1 2-3 innings against the Angels on Friday night.

Texas has two days off next week before the All-Star break. The move with Gonzalez was made since Harrison will pitch Wednesday and Yovani Gallardo is scheduled to stay on regular rest and pitch twice before the break. Plus, the Rangers needed a long reliever after Gonzalez's short outing.

MLB AT A GLANCE

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	44	37	.543	—
Baltimore	43	38	.519	2
Tampa Bay	42	41	.506	3
Toronto	42	41	.506	3
Boston	39	45	.464	7
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	45	33	.577	—
Minnesota	43	36	.544	3½
Detroit	41	39	.513	5
Cleveland	36	42	.462	9
Chicago	35	42	.455	9
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	48	35	.578	—
Los Angeles	42	38	.525	4½
Texas	41	40	.506	6
Seattle	37	44	.457	10
Oakland	39	46	.459	10½

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	45	33	.556	—
New York	41	41	.500	4½
Atlanta	40	41	.494	5
Miami	39	47	.427	10½
Philadelphia	27	58	.325	19
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	52	30	.634	—
Pittsburgh	46	36	.561	6
Chicago	43	39	.544	8½
Cincinnati	36	43	.456	15½
Milwaukee	35	49	.422	18½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	49	30	.620	—
San Francisco	42	40	.512	7
Arizona	39	41	.488	9
San Diego	39	44	.470	11
Colorado	34	48	.415	15

Saturday's scores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
N.Y. Yankees 3, Tampa Bay 2
Detroit 8, Toronto 3
Boston 6, Houston 1
Chicago White Sox 3, Baltimore 2
Oakland 2, Seattle 0
Minnesota 5, Kansas City 3
L.A. Angels at Texas, late

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Washington 9, San Francisco 3
St. Louis 2, San Diego 1
Chicago Cubs 7, Miami 2
Milwaukee 7, Cincinnati 3
L.A. Dodgers 4, N.Y. Mets 3
Atlanta 9, Philadelphia 5
Colorado at Arizona, late

INTERLEAGUE
Pittsburgh 1, Cleveland 0

Today's games

AMERICAN LEAGUE
Tampa Bay (E.Ramirez 6-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Nova 1-1), 12:05 p.m.
Toronto (Estrada 5-4) at Detroit (Verlander 9-1), 12:08 p.m.
Houston (McCullers 4-2) at Boston (E.Rodriguez 4-2), 12:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Mi.Gonzalez 6-5) at Chicago White Sox (Rodon 5-1), 1:10 p.m.
Minnesota (E.Santana 0-0) at Kansas City (D.Duffy 2-4), 1:10 p.m.
Seattle (Montgomery 3-2) at Oakland (Bassitt 0-1), 3:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 6-6) at Texas (Lewis 8-3), 6:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Milwaukee (Jungmann 2-1) at Cincinnati (Leake 5-6), 12:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Hamels 5-6) at Atlanta (S.Miller 5-4), 12:35 p.m.
San Diego (Kennedy 4-7) at St. Louis (Lynn 5-4), 1:15 p.m.
Miami (Latos 3-5) at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 3-4), 1:20 p.m.
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 5-3) at Arizona (R.De La Rosa 6-3), 3:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Matz 1-0) at L.A. Dodgers (Bolinger 4-2), 3:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Vogelsong 6-8) at Washington (Zimmermann 8-6), 7:08 p.m.

INTERLEAGUE
Cleveland (Salazar 7-3) at Pittsburgh (G.Cole 11-3), 1:35 p.m.

Texas box score

Houston	RED SOX 6, ASTROS 1 Boston					
	ab	r	h	bi		ab	r	h	bi
Altuve 2b	4	1	1	0	Betts cf	3	1	2	2
Tucker lf	4	0	0	0	B.Holt 2b	4	1	1	0
Correa ss	4	0	1	0	Bogarts ss	4	0	2	2
Valuen 3b	4	0	2	1	Ortiz dh	3	0	0	0
Gattis dh	4	0	1	0	Hrmnez lf	4	0	0	0
Cf'lhns cf	3	0	0	0	De Aza lf	1	0	1	1
Singltn 1b	3	0	0	0	Sandovl 3b	3	0	0	0
Conger c	3	0	1	0	Nieptl 1b	4	0	0	0
Presley rf	3	0	0	0	Victorn rf	4	2	2	0
S.Leon c	4	2	3	0					
Totals	32	1	8	1	Totals	36	6	11	6

Houston	000 000 001—1
Boston	110 011 02x—6

E—Conger (3), McHugh (1). DP—Boston 1. LOB—Houston 4, Boston 12. 2B—Valbuena (8), Betts 2 (20), Bogaerts (18). SF—Betts.

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
McHugh L,9-4	5 1-3	7	4	3	3	1
R.Hernandez	2 2-3	4	2	2	2	1
Boston						
Buchholz W,7-6	9	6	1	1	0	8

WP—Buchholz 2.
T—3:02. A—36,703 (37,221)

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
YANKEES 3, RAYS 2

Tampa Bay	000 000 002	—2	7 1
New York	200 000 001	—3	8 0

Karns, B.Gomes (8), Boxberger (9) and Casali; Pineda, Ju.Wilson (8), Betances (8) and J.Murphy. W—Betances 5-1. L—Boxberger 4-4. HRs—Tampa Bay, Souza Jr. (15).

TIGERS 8, BLUE JAYS 3

Toronto	000 010 002	—3	10 1
Detroit	400 100 03x	—8	13 2

Dickey, Tepera (6), Delabar (8), Cecil (9) and Ru.Martin; Price, Alburquerque (8), Farrell (9) and J.McCann. W—Price 8-2. L—Dickey 3-9. HRs—Toronto, Pillar (7), Colabello (7). Detroit, J.Martinez (22).

WHITE SOX 3, ORIOLES 2

Baltimore	000 000 020	—2	4 1
Chicago	100 010 01x	—3	11 0

Tillman, B.Norris (5), O'Day (8) and Wieters; Samardzija, Putnam (8), Dav.Robertson (9) and Solo. Flowers, W—Putnam 2-3. L—B.Norris 2-8. Sv—Dav.Robertson (18). HRs—Baltimore, M.Machado (17).

ATHLETICS 2, MARINERS 0

Seattle	000 000 000	—0	6 0
Oakland	100 000 10x	—2	10 0

F.Hernandez, D.Rollins (8) and Sucre; Zunino, Graveman, Pomeranz (8), Clippard (9) and Vogt. W—Graveman 5-4. L—F.Hernandez 10-5. Sv—Clippard (15).

TWINS 5, ROYALS 3

Minnesota	300 010 100	—5	13 0
Kansas City	000 003 000	—3	9 0

Pelfrey, Duensing (8), Perkey (8), A.Thompson (7), Boyer (7), Fien (8), Perkins (9) and Hermann; Blanton, Finnegan (6), K.Herrera (7), FMontas (8), Frasor (9) and S.Perez. W—Duensing 3-0. L—Blanton 2-5. Sv—Perkins (27). HRs—Minnesota, Mauer (5).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
NATIONALS 9, GIANTS 3

San Francisco	000 000 111	—3	7 0
Washington	300 102 30x	—9	13 0

Bumgarner, Y.Petit (6), Machi (8) and Posey, Susac; Strasburg, Roark (4), Janssen (9) and W.Ramos. W—Roark 4-3. L—Bumgarner 8-5. HRs—Washington, M.Taylor (6), Harper (25).

CARDINALS 2, PADRES 1

San Diego	000 100 000	—1	9 1
St. Louis	000 001 01x	—2	4 0

Despaigne, Mateo (6), Kelley (7), Maurer (8) and De.Norris; C.Martinez, Choate (7), Maness (8), Rosenthal (9) and Molina. W—Maness 3-0. L—Maurer 5-1. Sv—Rosenthal (24). HRs—San Diego, Solarte (4).

BRAVES 9, PHILLIES 5

Philadelphia	001 030 010	—5	11 2
Atlanta	410 400 00x	—9	10 0

Correia, Araujo (4), De Fratus (7), Diekman (8) and Rupp; A.Wood, Aardsma (7), Eveland (8), Brigham (9) and Pierzynski. W—A.Wood 6-5. L—Correia 0-3. HRs—Philadelphia, Ruf (4), O.Herrera (3). Atlanta, Maybin (7).

CUBS 7, MARLINS 2

Miami	001 000 100	—2	10 0
Chicago	250 000 00x	—7	4 2

Cosart, Phelps (2), B.Morris (6), B.Hand (8) and Realmuto; Richard, H.Rondon (7), Ne.Ramirez (8), J.Russell (8), Strop (9) and M.Montero. W—Richard 1-0. L—Cosart 1-4. HRs—Chicago, Bryant 2 (12).

BREWERS 7, REDS 3

Milwaukee	000 160 000	—7	11 1
Cincinnati	010 011 000	—3	11 1

Nelson, Blazek (6), W.Smith (7), Jeffress (8), Broxton (9) and Lucroy; Jos.Smith, Mattheus (5), Villarreal (5), M.Parra (7), Hoover (8), Badenhop (9) and B.Pena, Stanhope. W—Nelson 6-8. L—Jos. Smith 0-2. HRs—Milwaukee, Lind (13), Cincinnati, Byrd (14), De Jesus Jr. (3).

DODGERS 4, METS 3

New York	000 000 021	—3	9 0
Los Angeles	010 020 10x	—4	10 0

Harvey, A.Torres (6), C.Torres (7), Gilmartin (8) and Flexen; Greinke, Y.Garcia (8), Liberatore (8), Baez (8), Howell (9) and Grandal. W—Greinke 7-2. L—Harvey 7-6. Sv—Howell (1). HRs—Los Angeles, A.Gonzalez (15).

INTERLEAGUE
PIRATES 1, INDIANS 0

Cleveland	000 000 000	—0	3 0
Pittsburgh	000 001 00x	—1	6 0

Co.Anderson and Y.Gomes; Locke, Melancon (9) and Cervelli. W—Locke 5-4. L—Co.Anderson 1-1. Sv—Melancon (28).



A Royal rant: my picks for the 2015 All-Star Game



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As we approach July 14 and Major League Baseball's 86th All-Star Game in Cincinnati, it's time to re-examine how the All-Star balloting should be handled.

In the future (because it's too late this year) fans — and not just Kansas City Royals fans — who are about to cast their votes online or at the ballpark need to ask themselves the honest question: 'Is this player I'm about to pick really the most deserving player at his position on the ballot?'

Clearly, this was a major issue this season, as those fans blindly devoted to their favorite team's players far outnumbered the reasonable voting fans in the baseball world.

As of Saturday afternoon, five Royals players are the leading vote getters at their position — Omar Infante at second base, Alcides Escobar at shortstop, Salvador Perez at catcher and Lorenzo Cain and Alex Gordon in the outfield. That's absurd.

You could make an argument that Escobar is deserving of the start and maybe even Cain and Perez as well. But that's it and it's not even close.

Does anyone really want to see Infante and his .239 on base percentage start at second base for the AL? He's in line to start.

And with both the American and National League's starting All-Stars scheduled to be announced today, there is a real possibility that fans will see a terribly skewed AL All-Star team take the field against the NL.

Why is this a problem?

Well, first and foremost because of another problem with the All-Star Game itself: home field advantage in the World Series. Fans of AL teams would undoubtedly like to see the AL All-Star team at its best, so it can legitimately challenge the NL team for home field in the Fall Classic.

This season, the NL roster will likely be the strongest it's been in years and as a fan of an AL team that could be in the playoff race, I do not want to see five Royals position players out of nine for the first half of the game.

Another thing to keep in mind as you ponder all this voting madness: every Major League team has to be represented by at least one player, per the rules for the All-Star Game. Generally, this hasn't been a predicament in the past. But when one team's players dominate the balloting like the Royals have this season, things can get chaotic. Still, I think this is a rule that should be rescinded.

When you take a look at my picks below, you'll notice that in the AL, both Jose Altuve of the Houston Astros and David Ortiz of the Boston Red Sox are not on the roster. For the NL, Brandon Crawford of the San Fransisco Giants as well as Anthony Rizzo of the Chicago Cubs are excluded. These guys are All-Stars, but in the scenario of my selections, there is already a legitimate All-Star player from their respective teams on the roster. You can thank the 'every-team-represented' rule for that.

Should fans have a say in which players play in the game? Absolutely, but only to a degree. The fact that Sal Perez has nearly twice as many votes as Russell Martin to start as the AL catcher is crazy. Getting a grip on the limits of fan voting is a task that commissioner Rob Manfred and his staff should prioritize beginning next season.

Meanwhile, I have absolutely no complaints whatsoever with the set of players in line to start for the NL. It's a monster roster filled with deserving guys who have truly earned their votes with their production this season.

There's only one reasonable way to cast an All-Star ballot — by picking the most deserving players for each league. It's not easy as there are many worthy players and some will have be left off the roster. But it just takes a little discipline, objectivity and a sight of the bigger picture and how the outcome of this game might effect the outcome of the World Series.

With that in mind, here are my picks for the 2015 All-Star Game.

AMERICAN LEAGUE ALL-STARS

Starters

Catcher: Russell Martin, Toronto Blue Jays
First Base: Prince Fielder, Texas Rangers
Second Base: Jason Kipnis, Cleveland Indians
Shortstop: Jose Iglesias, Detroit Tigers
Third Base: Josh Donaldson, Toronto Blue Jays
Designated Hitter: Nelson Cruz, Seattle Mariners
Outfield: Mike Trout, Los Angeles Angels
Outfield: Jose Bautista, Toronto Blue Jays
Outfield: Adam Jones, Baltimore Orioles
Starting pitcher: Chris Sale, Chicago White Sox

Bench

Catcher: Stephen Vogt, Oakland Athletics
Catcher: Salvador Perez, Kansas City Royals
First Base: Jose Abreu, Chicago White Sox (Miguel Cabrera replacement)
First Base: Albert Pujols, Los Angeles Angels
Second Base: Brian Dozier, Minnesota Twins
Shortstop: Alcides Escobar, Kansas City Royals
Third Base: Manny Machado, Baltimore Orioles
Outfield: Yoenis Cespedes, Detroit Tigers
Outfield: Lorenzo Cain, Kansas City Royals
Outfield: Brett Gardner, New York Yankees

Bullpen

Starting Pitcher: Dallas Keuchel, Houston Astros
Starting Pitcher: Chris Archer, Tampa Bay Rays
Starting Pitcher: Sonny Gray, Oakland Athletics
Starting Pitcher: Felix Hernandez, Seattle Mariners
Starting Pitcher: Corey Kluber, Cleveland Indians
Starting Pitcher: David Price, Detroit Tigers
Starting Pitcher: Yovani Gallardo, Texas Rangers
Relief Pitcher: Dellin Betances, New York Yankees
Relief Pitcher: Wade Davis, Kansas City Royals
Relief Pitcher: Andrew Miller, New York Yankees
Relief Pitcher: Zach Britton, Baltimore Orioles
Relief Pitcher: Koji Uehara, Boston Red Sox
Relief Pitcher: Huston Street, Los Angeles Angels

NATIONAL LEAGUE ALL-STARS

Starters

Catcher: Buster Posey, San Francisco Giants
First Base: Paul Goldschmidt, Arizona Diamondbacks
Second Base: Dee Gordon, Miami Marlins
Shortstop: Johnny Peralta, St. Louis Cardinals
Third Base: Nolan Arenado, Colorado Rockies
Designated Hitter: Todd Frazier, Cincinnati Reds
Outfield: Bryce Harper, Washington Nationals
Outfield: Matt Holliday, St. Louis Cardinals (Giancarlo Stanton replacement)
Outfield: Andrew McCutchen, Pittsburgh Pirates
Starting Pitcher: Max Scherzer, Washington Nationals

Bench

Catcher: Yadier Molina, St. Louis Cardinals
Catcher: Yasmani Grandal, Los Angeles Dodgers
First Base: Adrian Gonzalez, Los Angeles Dodgers
First Base: Joey Votto, Cincinnati Reds
Second Base: Kolten Wong, St. Louis Cardinals
Shortstop: Troy Tulowitzki, Colorado Rockies
Third Base: Kris Bryant, Chicago Cubs
Outfield: Joc Pederson, Los Angeles Dodgers
Outfield: Nori Aoki, San Fransisco Giants
Outfield: Starling Marte, Pittsburgh Pirates

Bullpen

Starting Pitcher: Madison Bumgarner, San Fransisco Giants
Starting Pitcher: Johnny Cueto, Cincinnati Reds
Starting Pitcher: Cole Hamels, Philadelphia Phillies
Starting Pitcher: Gerrit Cole, Pittsburg Pirates
Starting Pitcher: Jacob de Grom, New York Mets
Starting Pitcher: Zack Greinke, Los Angeles Dodgers
Starting Pitcher: Shelby Miller, Atlanta Braves
Relief Pitcher: Aroldis Chapman, Cincinnati Reds
Relief Pitcher: Trevor Rosenthal, St. Louis Cardinals
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Durant: 'I can't wait to play the game I love again'

ORLANDO — Kevin Durant says next summer can wait.

Next season is his only priority at this point.

The Oklahoma City star — limited to 27 games last season because of injuries — was at the NBA summer league games in Orlando on Saturday, and said he would be ready for next season and he hasn't thought about the summer of 2016 when he likely will be the biggest domino in a free-agent class that already seems certain to earn incredibly large deals as the league's salary cap skyrockets.

"I haven't thought about it," Durant said before the Thunder summer team played its opening game. "I hear it all the time but I'm really just focusing on rehab. I can't get there unless I take care of today, so that's how I try to look at it even though I hear it from every side, thinking past to next summer. I'm not even trying to focus on that. I'm excited about our team, new coaches and just trying to get back right."

He watched OKC's game with new Thunder coach Billy Donovan, who isn't leading the summer squad but is obviously overseeing the club. At one point, Donovan spoke for more than a minute during play, pointing at various things while Durant kept nodding and absorbing what his new coach was saying.

It can hardly be considered a surprise that Donovan is trying to fast-track building a relationship with Durant.

"Coach D's been working me out this past week, so it's pretty cool to see your head coach on the floor with you, putting in work with you," Durant said. "It's like he's been on this journey with me since he got in. That's making us closer."

The 2014-15 season was likely one that Durant can't wait to forget.

He had surgery to repair a Jones fracture in his right foot in October, was back on the floor in December and lasted only nine games before having to sit again with a sprained ankle — an injury that came in a game against Golden State when he had 30 points in less than 19 minutes. The Thunder had won seven straight games at that point before losing Durant that night in what became a loss to the Warriors.

Durant missed more time in late January and early February, uncharacteristically lashed out at reporters in a media session on All-Star weekend — "I let a lot of stuff bother me, I read a lot of stuff that I shouldn't have, lesson learned for me," he said Saturday in a very friendly eight-minute interview with reporters — and then got shut down for the rest of the season in mid-February.

With him, the Thunder were 18-9. Without him, they were 27-28, wound up missing the playoffs and coach Scott Brooks then got fired.

"The toughest year I've ever been through in my life as far as basketball is concerned," Durant said. "Just to get back on the floor, all that other stuff really doesn't matter to me. Everything, all that stuff, distractions, all that type of stuff, they don't matter because I get to do something I love again, hopefully. I can't wait to get back out there and be fully cleared to play."

He is already a four-time NBA scoring champion and doesn't even turn 27 until September. He might not even be in his prime yet. Teams will do whatever they can next summer to get him, much in the same way LeBron James was pursued in 2010 when he wound up signing with the Miami Heat.

For now, Durant said, everyone else can focus on that. He is just trying to play.

"To be honest, my main thing is getting rid of distractions," Durant said. "No matter what, just focusing on what I have to do. I can't wait to play the game I love again."

That being said, well over $1 billion in newly issued contracts will start getting signed Thursday when the NBA's offseason moratorium on player movement ends.

Durant is fully aware of who is getting what, and what is happening in the market. This time next year, he could be the most coveted prize.

"It's a fun time to be in the NBA," Durant said. "You're seeing all these moves being made, guys getting an opportunity to take care of their families by getting these big contracts. Man, it's beautiful to see."



AP file photo

In this Oct. 22, 2014 file photo, San Antonio Spurs assistant coach Becky Hammon helps with team warmups prior to an NBA preseason game against the Atlanta Hawks in San Antonio. Becky Hammon is about to become the first woman to serve as the head coach of an NBA summer league team. San Antonio announced Friday that Hammon will lead the Spurs during summer league play in Las Vegas.

Hammon says she's thankful for chance to coach summer Spurs

Becky Hammon had known for some time that she was going to be coaching San Antonio's summer league team in Las Vegas.

When her phone blew up Friday, she knew the secret was out.

Hammon spoke out for the first time Saturday about the history-making move by the Spurs, who have given the former WNBA star player the chance to become the first woman who'll serve as a head coach in an NBA summer league. She'll lead San Antonio's entry in the Las Vegas league — the biggest of the three NBA summer showcases — starting next weekend.

"I'm still seeing what kind of head coach I'm going to be," Hammon told reporters in San Antonio, with the video of the interview posted to the team's web site.

She'll have a better idea of that in a couple weeks.

The Spurs will first play in a summer league at Utah starting Monday, when they'll be led by video coordinator Will Hardy. When they shift to Las Vegas for the league's biggest of its three summer showcases, Hammon — given the assignment by Spurs coach Gregg Popovich, who made her the NBA's first paid full-time female assistant coach before last season — will be in charge.

"I'm just thankful that Pop trusted me enough to give me this opportunity, because it is a big opportunity," Hammon said.

The Spurs will play at least five games in Las Vegas, starting on July 11. An All-Star in the WNBA, she played eight seasons each with the New York Liberty and San Antonio Stars and she was at times the sort of player who didn't mind jawing with officials.

Will that carry over into her role as coach?

FLORIDA

AP source: Magic agree to new 4-year deal with Tobias Harris

ORLANDO — A person with knowledge of the details says Tobias Harris has agreed to sign a new contract to remain with the Orlando Magic.

The person says the deal for Harris — a restricted free agent — is for four years and $64 million. The person spoke to The Associated Press on the condition of anonymity because contract can't be officially signed until next week.

The 22-year-old forward completed his fourth NBA season and second full year in Orlando after coming over in a trade with Milwaukee in 2013. He averaged a career-high 17.1 points last season, while also shooting a career-best 36 percent from the 3-point line.

NEW ORLEANS

AP sources: Pelicans bring back Cunningham on 3-year deal

People familiar with the negotiations say the New Orleans Pelicans and forward Dante Cunningham have agreed on a three-year contract extension worth about $9 million.

The people spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity on Saturday because the free-agent contract, which cannot officially be signed until July 9, has not been announced.

The Pelicans first signed the 6-foot-8 Cunningham as a free agent last December. He played in 66 regular season games, starting 27, and averaged 5.2 points and 3.9 rebounds in 25 minutes.

ALDRIDGE

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appealing than others to Aldridge. But how the Spurs responded to his questions, most recently in their second meeting in Los Angeles on Friday — a lunchtime chat where they were spotted by fellow diners who snapped photos that quickly went viral — obviously won the battle.

"So happy he's going to be a Spur !!" Spurs guard Tony Parker tweeted.

It ushers in a new era for Portland. Damian Lillard got a new $120 million deal in recent days to stay with the Blazers, but Wesley Matthews (Dallas), Nic Batum (Charlotte), Arron Afflalo (New York) and Robin Lopez (New York) are heading elsewhere.

Now Aldridge, the second-leading scorer in Portland history behind only Clyde Drexler, is gone as well.

Blazers general manager Neil Olshey made several moves in preparation for Aldridge's departure, which seemed inevitable. He sent Batum to Charlotte for guard Gerald Henderson and second-year power forward Noah Vonleh, added big man Mason Plumlee in a draft-day trade with Brooklyn and signed versatile power forward Ed Davis to a three-year, $20 million deal.

"TP -DG- KL- LA- TD." That was part of a tweet that Leandro Ginobili, the brother of longtime Spurs' sixth man Manu Ginobili, wrote in Spanish.

No translation needed for that part.

■ Tony Parker, a four-time champion.

■ Danny Green, who is staying in San Antonio on a $45 million, four-year deal that looks like a discount.

■ Kawhi Leonard, the 2014 NBA Finals MVP who agreed to a new deal moments after free agency started Wednesday night.

■ LaMarcus Aldridge.

■ Tim Duncan, a 15-time All-NBA player and five-time champion.

Good luck, Western Conference.

Aldridge averaged a career-high 23.4 points and also grabbed 10.2 rebounds per game while playing with an injured thumb last season for the Blazers. And last year he added a new dimension to his game — the 3-pointer, making 37 of them after making a total of 24 in his first eight seasons combined.

Aldridge was known to take two meetings with the Lakers and the Spurs, who brought Duncan, Leonard, Popovich and general manager R.C. Buford to the first one on Wednesday.

And now, based on the tweet, he picked the team that has won five championships since 1999. Yahoo Sports first reported the agreement.

The Spurs offered him a chance to play in his home state, a chance to join the most successful franchise of the modern era and presumably the right to take the torch from Duncan, who will return for a 19th season.

After winning the championship in 2014, the Spurs were eliminated in seven games by the Los Angeles Clippers in the first round of the playoffs this year. With their famed trio of Duncan, Parker and Ginobili aging, Buford and Popovich have deftly set up the long-term health of the franchise with several moves this summer.

And the Aldridge coup is part of a whirlwind few days. They started by signing Leonard, the reigning defensive player of the year, to a five-year contract worth around $90 million, then locked up Green, one of the league's best shooting guards.

Then they traded big man Tiago Splitter to the Atlanta Hawks to help clear some of the necessary salary cap room to land Aldridge, and it all paid off on Saturday.

Ginobili probably comes back now as well. Either way, offseason that started with the annual Spurs questions — "Is Pop coming back? Is Duncan coming back? — has resounding answers.

Yes, they are.

And a Spurs team that went to the NBA Finals in 2013 and 2014 clearly has eyes on getting back there in 2016.

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England's Jill Scott (8) reacts to a call as Germany's Bianca Schmidt (2) gets up during second-half action of the FIFA Women's World Cup third-place match in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, on Saturday.

England beats Germany 1-0 in extra time to finish 3rd

By John Wawrow
Associated Press

England	1
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EDMONTON, Alberta — Fara Williams scored on a penalty kick in the 108th minute, helping England beat Germany 1-0 on Saturday for third place in the Women's World Cup.

It was England's first win in 21 meetings against Germany, and secured the team's best finish in its four World Cup appearances. The victory over the top-ranked Germans came after a gut-wrenching 2-1 semifinal loss to Japan that was decided on an own goal on Wednesday.

Williams' goal was set up by a pass into the penalty area intended for Lianne Sanderson. As Sanderson turned to go after the ball, she was pulled down by Tabea Kemme.

On the penalty kick, Williams punched the ball just inside the left post, while goalkeeper Nadine Angerer faded the other way.

England had previously never won an elimination game, and finished this tournament with a 4-1-1 record.

Germany had several opportunities to tie the game in the final 10 minutes.

Anja Mittag, off a free kick just outside the penalty area, found an opening and got a shot off that was scooped up by goalkeeper Karen Bardsley.

In the 116th minute, Bianca Schmidt got behind England's defense and headed a cross just wide of the right post.

The two-time champion Germans were coming off a 2-0 loss to the United States on Tuesday. Their semifinal loss turned when Celia Sasic missed a penalty kick in the 59th minute, and the Americans took the lead on a penalty kick of their own 10 minutes later.

Germany dropped to 18-1-2 against England.

It marked only the third time Germany has lost two games in seven tournament appearances, and first time since losing the 1995 championship game to Norway.

It also was a disappointing end to the World Cup careers of German coach Silvia Neid and Angerer. Neid is retiring after the 2016 Rio Games, while Angerer is retiring from the national team following this tournament.

England avoided a big scare in the opening minutes when captain Steph Houghton made a clutch play to prevent an own goal.

Germany's Sara Daebritz sent a pass into the penalty area, and teammate Bianca Schmidt headed it toward the net. Unaware that Bardsley was preparing to catch the ball, Jo Potter leaped and got her head on it. The ball caromed toward the goal, where Houghton was facing the net and kicked it back over her head inches before it crossed the line.

It was reminiscent of how England lost to Japan, when Laura Bassett directed the ball into her own goal with a minute left in stoppage time.

After both teams had played games with on-field temperatures approaching 100, the weather was comparatively mild on Saturday. The game-time temperature was a comfortable 70. There was a moderate breeze, and the sun was hidden by an overcast sky for much of the game.

The Germans had the majority of the better scoring chances through the first 65 minutes. In the 53rd minute, Sasic broke up the right side and sent a pass through the middle to an open Daebritz. She got a solid shot off that was stopped by Bardsley, who made a diving save to her right.

Houghton had the Lionesses' best scoring chance of the first half in the 12th minute. She was set up 8 yards out, and got a weak shot toward the net, which Angerer stopped.

England finally began applying consistent pressure during a three-minute span late in the second half, only to be foiled by German's well-positioned defenders.

In the 77th, Jill Scott was all alone to the left of the net. Faking a shot, Scott pulled Angerer out of position, and then took a shot at the open net that was blocked by Saskia Bartusiak. Karen Carney then fed a cross through the middle, and Scott just missed tapping it in at the left post.

US Women

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disaster."

LIGHTS-OUT D: Anchored by Hope Solo in goal, the United States' most consistent asset in the World Cup so far has been its defense.

Solo, who won the Golden Glove award for the 2011 World Cup, has put up five straight shutouts. She has been helped by a solid backline of Meghan Klingenberg, Becky Sauerbrunn, Julie Johnston and Ali Krieger.

The United States has gone 513 minutes without conceding a goal. Only Australia, in the first half of the group-stage opener, has managed to score against the Americans.

HONORING A TEAMMATE: That white teddy bear that has been a constant feature on Japan's bench throughout the tournament honors midfielder Kozue Ando, who broke her left ankle in the World Cup opener against Switzerland.

While Ando returned home to Japan, she remains close to the players — and not just symbolically with the teddy bear that wears her jersey. She was in her teammates' thoughts during the semifinal victory over England.

"Miss Ando was talking to the players in the locker room on the phone, and also she sent messages," Sasaki said. "And also was the fact that she could come to Vancouver to cheer for us. That was the source of our energy. So we were able to do that."

THE NUMBERS: It will be the U.S. team's fourth appearance in the final. The Americans won the World Cup the first year of the women's tournament in 1991, and then again in 1999.

The '99ers, as they are called, defeated China on penalty kicks in the final at the Rose Bowl.

The United States has a 24-1-6 all-time record against Japan, and a 2-1 advantage in World Cup meetings.

This is the third major women's soccer tournament where Japan has played the United States in the final. The countries also met in the gold-medal match at the 2012 Olympics, which the Americans won 2-1.

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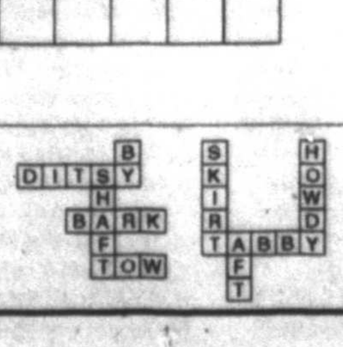
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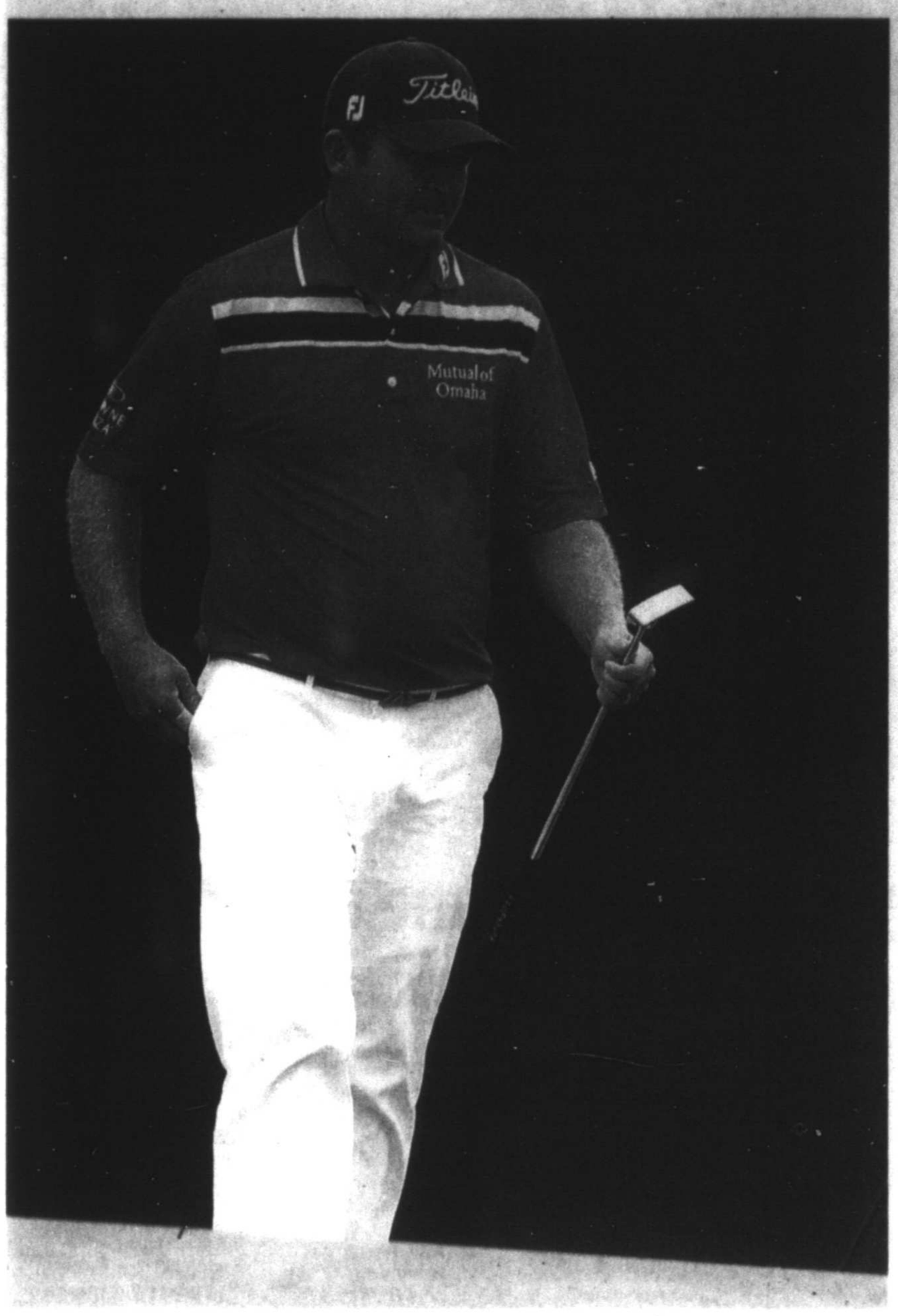
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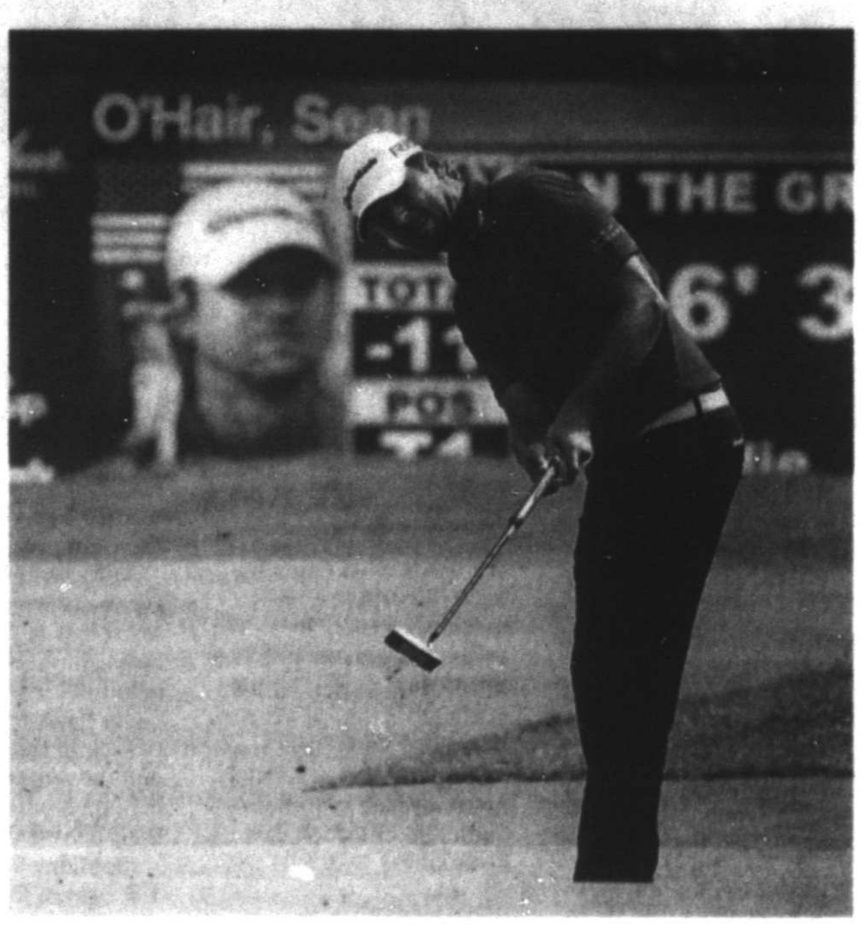
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CLOCKWISE FROM LEFT: Jason Bohn, watches his birdie putt go in the hole on the par-3 18th hole during the third round of The Greenbrier Classic at Greenbrier Resort in White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., Saturday. Bohn finished in a four-way tie for the lead at 11 under-par. S.J. Park watches his tee shot on the 18th green during the third round; Sean O'Hair putts the 17th green during the third round.

Jason Bohn shoots 9-under 61, tied for lead at Greenbrier

By John Raby
Associated Press

WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W.Va. — Jason Bohn's main goal after barely making the cut at The Greenbrier Classic was to get some extra rest before the final round.

Sweet dreams. And try not to think about being the co-leader heading into Sunday.

Bohn shot a 9-under 61 Saturday and was at 11-under 199, tied with Sean O'Hair, Sung Joon Park and Bryce Molder on the Old White TPC course. O'Hair and Park both shot 66. Molder had a 67.

Bohn started strong with six birdies on the first 10 holes. After a bogey at No. 11, he regrouped with four more birdies over the final five holes.

It's setting up to be another close finish at the tournament, which debuted in 2010. Two were decided in playoffs and the largest margin was two shots twice.

A crowded leaderboard has 27 players within four shots of the lead. Tiger Woods wasn't among them.

Woods struggled on the back nine, shot 71 and was seven strokes back.

Bohn's round was his best on the PGA Tour and included 14 one-putt greens. He shot 58 in a 2001 Canadian Tour event, the Bayer Championship.

A two-time winner on the PGA Tour, Bohn has two runner-up finishes this season. On Saturday, he was just hoping to play well enough to avoid an early tee time in the final round.

"I just wanted to sleep in to be honest, so now I don't have to get up early in the morning," Bohn said.

Bohn had birdied the final hole in the second round Friday to make the cut on the number at 2 under. He said he'll need a similar round on Sunday to have a chance at winning.

"You've just got to play very aggressive and play smart when you're out of position — and aggressive when you're in position," Bohn said.

O'Hair lost to Jordan Spieth in a playoff at the Valspar Championship in March, but had missed cuts in four of his last five events.

Seeking his fifth PGA Tour win and first since 2011, O'Hair had four back-nine birdies Saturday.

"I don't feel any pressure," O'Hair said. "I actually feel like a weight's been lifted off a little bit. I'm just happy to be in this situation again. This definitely beats struggling. I can promise you."

Molder reached 11 under with a birdie at No. 9 before stringing together nine straight pars.

"Somewhere midway through the back nine I just kind of lost rhythm," Molder said. "But my short game hung in there and kept me in it."

Molder's lone tour win came in a playoff at the 2011 Frys.com Open.

Park scattered four birdies in his bogey-free round. The South Korean has a runner-up finish at the Humana Challenge in his rookie season.

He doesn't expect to be nervous Sunday as he seeks his first tour victory.

"I've been in this situation before," Park said. "It's going to be the same — another round for me."

Justin Thomas (66), David Hearn (68), Danny Lee (68) and Chad Collins (68) were at 10 under.

Woods hasn't been the same since shooting 66 in the first round, his lowest score of the season and matching his best in relation to par.

Woods was within four shots of the lead at the start of Saturday's round and kept pace with two front-nine birdies.

Then all parts of his game came unraveled. He surpassed 30 putts for the second straight day.

Woods drove out-of-bounds on the par-4 11th and made double bogey. He three-putted the par-4 13th from 30 feet for bogey.

On the par-5 17th, where he had driven into water to the right in the first two rounds, his drive went 190 yards far to the left of the fairway and he made another bogey.

"I started pressing at the end trying to make some birdies and really got aggressive," Woods said. "I hit a lot of shots close. I just need to convert on those and get some kind of string going in a positive way."

Third round co-leaders Jhonattan Vegas (76) and Scott Langley (74) both shot 2 over on the front nine and were far back in the field.

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Chad Collins	65-67-68—200
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TOUR

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one-hit wonder. I want to hold it for at least one more day," said Dennis, who took silver in the team pursuit at the 2012 Olympics.

His performance in sweltering heat that hit 97 F was even more impressive given that he beat two time trial world champions.

"I think being Australian and growing up in this heat may have been a bit of an advantage for sure," he said. "My specific training between 2-5 p.m. gets you used to that. I have been training in 40 degrees to get adapted to those conditions and that was the plan of the team ... not to come in blind."

Three-time world champ Tony Martin trailed five seconds behind in second place, and four-time world champ Fabian Cancellara was six seconds back in third.

"I wanted to win. Any other result is a bad one," Martin said. "I feel that I couldn't handle the heat, especially in the second half where I felt weaker."

Nibali, who tried to counter the searing heat by warming up with ice cubes strapped to his back, finished 43 seconds behind Dennis in 22nd place.

"I felt good, and I'm satisfied I gained time on the other top favorites," Nibali said.

He was seven seconds ahead of 2013 Tour champ Chris Froome (39th), 15 seconds up on two-time Tour winner Alberto Contador (46th), and 18 seconds ahead of Nairo Quintana (57th).

"It was pretty tough out there for such a short course," Froome said. "The longer efforts are where my training is geared towards. That was hard but I'm happy to have it out of the way."

After his ride, Dennis climbed off his bike and watched with a nervous smile from the finish line as his rivals tried and failed to beat him.

They included Tom Dumoulin, who looked in great form but crossed the line eight seconds adrift in fourth.

"It was just a waiting game," a relieved Dennis said. "A stressful two hours, maybe too stressful."

The Netherlands' fourth largest city has 320,000 inhabitants, and most of them seemed to be lining the course route, squeezing next to each other behind railings, or leaning out of windows as they roared on each rider.

The only place where there were no fans was when riders went through a tunnel.

The noise level went from loud to deafening when Dumoulin — a Dutchman with a rather French sounding name — put his head down and pounded his pedals.

After Dumoulin tried and failed, it was Cancellara's turn.

Cancellara used his slick handling skills to attack the corners, but the heat also took its toll on the Swiss rider, who crossed the finish line gasping for air.

Meanwhile, Dutchman Lars Boom started the race despite questions raised over his testing results, and he finished in 23rd.

Pre-race tests on the Astana rider showed a low cortisol level, which can indicate cortisone doping but is not conclusive proof of doping.

"It is important to apply the rules accurately," UCI president Brian Cookson said. "No rules of the UCI or the World Anti-Doping Agency have been broken so he's allowed to ride the Tour de France."

The race stays in the Netherlands for Sunday's second stage, which starts out from Utrecht before ending 103 miles later at the heart of the Zeeland Delta.

Cycling along the Dutch coastline promises to be tricky for riders, with heavy gusts and sprays.

The Tour swings into nearby Belgium on Monday.

Earnhardt to start on pole after rain washes out qualifying

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

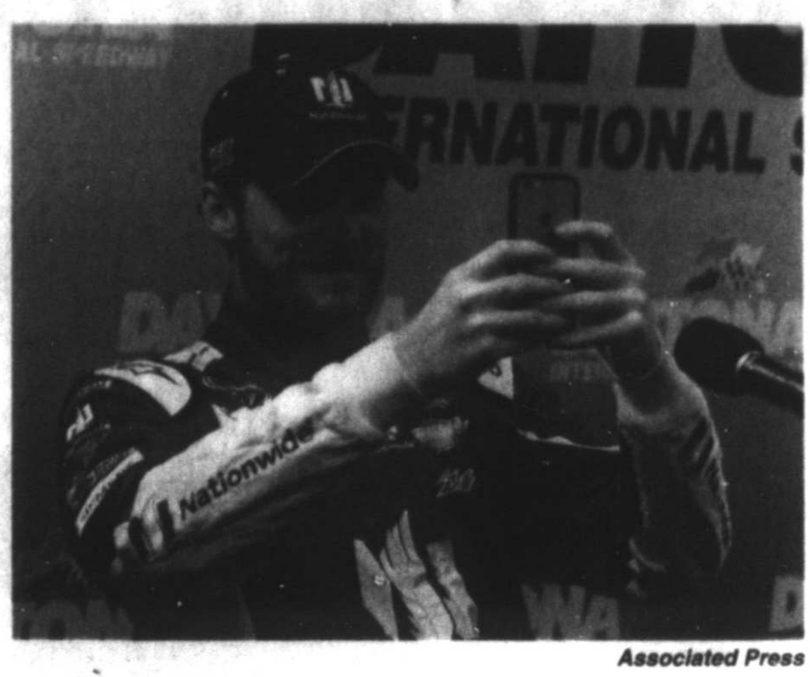
DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Dale Earnhardt Jr. earned the pole for Sunday's race at Daytona International Speedway because his crew chief correctly predicted the weather.

Greg Ives instructed Earnhardt to go flat-out at the start of Friday's first practice session because the rules state the field will be set by practice times if a qualifying session is canceled. When rain washed out the Saturday session, Ives proved to be a skilled weatherman.

"I asked Greg before we went out to practice what we were trying to accomplish in that first practice and that was the first thing he mentioned, was to go out that first run and try to put a lap down because the weather wasn't looking real good," Earnhardt said. "That was his decision. It ended up working out for us."

NASCAR's most popular driver is a two-time Daytona 500 winner and won this race in 2001. By earning the pole, he got first choice of pit selection, which he believes will be beneficial Sunday.

"That will be great to have that first stall because if we have a shot to win this race, we are going to need to be up on the front row toward those last couple of restarts," he said. "I think that leading the race at the end is the best place to be. That pit selection will give us an opportunity to be more competitive on pit road trying to get that sought after position coming off pit road that final stop."



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Dale Earnhardt Jr. takes photos of members of the media during a news conference after qualifying for the Sprint Cup Series was canceled at Daytona International Speedway, on Saturday in Daytona Beach, Fla. Earnhardt will start on the pole for the race.

Austin Dillon will start second and will be followed by Clint Bowyer, Paul Menard and Trevor Bayne.

David Gilliland will start sixth, and AJ Allmendinger, David Ragan, Jamie McMurray and Kasey Kahne round out the top 10.

Jeff Gordon will start 24th in his final race at Daytona. The four-time NASCAR champion, who is retiring at the end of the year, won the pole for the season-opening Daytona 500 and the May race at Talladega.

"I'm pretty bummed that it rained out — we were on a heck of a streak this year, with two poles on the superspeedways," Gordon said. "I wanted to keep that going and I felt like our car had some really good speed and that we had a shot at doing that."

Gordon is aware that this is his final event at Daytona but wasn't feeling sentimental. He'll be back to the track next year as a television analyst for Fox.

"It's hard for me to really put all those thoughts and feelings into perspective, knowing that I have half the season still to go," Gordon said. "I don't think it's really going to hit me until we get further down into the final part of the season, but this place has meant a lot. It's going to be tough not coming back here and being behind the wheel. But I'm also really excited about calling this race next February."

The qualifying washout meant Michael McDowell and Ryan Blaney failed to make the 43-car field.

It was a big blow for Blaney, who had an engine failure in his Daytona 500 debut but was the lone Ford capable of competing for the win at Talladega in May. He finished fourth and might have had a shot at the victory, but few drivers were confident enough in the rookie to work with him in the closing laps.

But that performance earned him enough respect that he might have been able to contend and get drafting help on Sunday.

"I was really looking forward to qualifying and getting into the race," he said. "Some stuff we can't control and this is one of them. This is the bad part about running part-time."

NASCAR NEWS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

FLORIDA

NASCAR meets with driver council for 2nd time about rules

DAYTONA BEACH — The newly formed driver council met with NASCAR for a second time Saturday and it may have led to a new rules package for upcoming races at Indianapolis and Michigan.

NASCAR has already said it will use a package with less downforce next weekend at Kentucky Speedway, and that same package could be used at Darlington Raceway next month.

Now it appears a package with a higher level of drag is in the works for Indy and Michigan.

"I think we are all in favor of trying a low downforce package, and we want to try the opposite of that. I think Indy and Michigan are good tracks to try that out," Jeff Gordon said.

A five-time winner of the Brickyard, Gordon called Indianapolis Motor Speedway one of the most difficult tracks for passing.

"If they can create a way to get more passing — we don't know if this package (will work). It is all in theory right now," he said. "It's all computer simulation and wind tunnel."

The council was chosen by vote and includes at least nine drivers. They first met with NASCAR officials last month at Dover.

Series officials are working with the entire industry on improving the on-track product.

"I felt great about all of it actually," Dale Earnhardt Jr. said. "The meetings that we have had with them have been really good, real productive. They talked about the direction they wanted to go a little bit.

"We talked a little bit about tires, a little bit about the changes they are going to make, what they want to do with this low-downforce package in the future, and what they want to do at some other racetracks as well. I will let them decide when they want to give everybody that information, but the meetings have been great."

Earnhardt also cautioned that next week's race at Kentucky won't be an immediate fix in part because Goodyear is unable to give the drivers a soft enough tire.

FLORIDA

NASCAR driver Kyle Busch wants grass removed from tracks

DAYTONA BEACH — Kyle Busch has become the unwitting poster boy for NASCAR safety improvements.

It's not a role he wanted. But now that it's been thrust upon him, he's not shying away from taking the lead on suggesting changes.

The Joe Gibbs Racing star said Saturday he would like to see tracks remove grass from areas adjacent to racing surfaces.

"I think that we all need to just take a step and really pour every effort into everywhere around the race tracks," Busch said at Daytona International Speedway. "In reality, there's no sense in grass. We have absolutely no reason to have grass at any of these facilities. I think that needs to be one of the next biggest pushes that we can all have."

Busch's Toyota slid through a grassy area near Turn 1 at Daytona in the Xfinity Series opener in February. The grass did little to slow down Busch's car, which slammed into a concrete retaining wall. Busch broke his right leg and left foot in the accident and missed the first 11 Sprint Cup races.

Daytona responded by putting down about 200,000 square feet of asphalt, most of that in the area of Busch's crash. Daytona also replaced more than 4,000 feet of concrete walls with energy-absorbing SAFER Barrier, commonly called "soft walls."

Busch lauded the upgrades.

WEST TEXAS SPORTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

To submit an item for West Texas Sports, please either fax, bring in, mail or email your information in hard-copy form to the Reporter-Telegram sports department.

Please make your submission as detailed as possible, including dates of events, deadlines, fees, age groups, etc.

To bring your item to the MRT, come to 201 E. Illinois Ave. in Midland. To mail your information, send it to Reporter-Telegram, c/o Sports Department, 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, TX 79701.

To fax your information, send to 570-7650.

Baseball

GCM Baseball Academy
What: Professional private baseball lessons & clinics covering pitching, fielding, catching and hitting provided by three former professional players.
For: Ages 5 & up.
Cost: Individual lessons $65 an hour or $40 for 30 minutes. Bulk purchases & group lesson rates available at discount.
For more info: Call (432) 425-6108

Private batting and pitching instruction
For more info: Call Danny Jordan at 230-0096 for instruction on mechanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting.

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment.

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 689-6080

WTX Baseball
What: Instruction for players 5 and up
For more info: wtxbaseball@aol.com; facebook.com/wtxbaseballmidland; 413-0329

Private lessons
For more info: Call Mike Mungia 432-230-6477 or email mmungia@midlandchristianschool.org

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox, 685-4143 or 553-3714

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551

Midland Hoops 32 Basketball Skills Training
Cost: $25 per session, one to two people; $15 for groups of three or more
For more info: Contact Eddie Venzant at 254-6884 or go to midlandhoops32.com; venzanted-die@yahoo.com

1st Hub Fire Cracker Blowout
For: 3rd through 8th grade boys and girls with $500 purse, but JV and varsity divisions with medals only
When: July 3-4
Where: Premier Sportsplex, Lubbock
Entry fee: $225
For more info: Contact Mo Ontiveros at 806-239-4097 or email at morefto7@gmail.com

Tall City Classic Basketball Tournament
For: Boys and girls 3rd through 8th grades, JV, varsity players. Also will have a men's open division
When: June 19-20
Where: Midland Christian's McGraw Events Center
Cost: $150 for men's division, $125 if registered by June 15. In youth division, $150 per team, $125 per team for groups bringing two teams, $100 per team for groups bringing three or more teams. Three-game guarantee.
For more info: Please contact Coach Davis at 432-349-6083 or Coach Sam at 432-934-3931

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Melton Pool 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays
Where: AMF Lanes
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-18
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling
Ages: Preschool and grade school
For more info: Call 684-7755

Midland College 2015 Girls Basketball Camps
Session I: Beginners Fundamental Camp for grades K-4th, 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., July 13-16
Session II: Fundamental and Competition Camp for grades 5th-10th, 1-5 p.m. July 13-16
Where: Midland College Physical Education Gymnasium
Cost: $60 for Session I, $100 for Session II, includes camp T-shirt
To reserve you spot or for more info: Call MC women's basketball coach Ron Jones at 432-685-4581 or email rjones@midland@edu

Midland College Boys Basketball Camps
Session I: Boys Basketball Camp for grades K-6th. Session II: Boys Basketball Offensive Skills Camp for grades K-6th
When: Session I, July 6-9. 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Session II, July 20-23, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Cost: $150 per session
For more info: Visit www.gochaps.com or call Jordan Dreiling at 432-685-4577

Midland College Girls Volleyball Camps
Session I: Girls Volleyball FUNdamental Camp for grades 7th-8th; Session II: Girls Volleyball Advanced Competition Camp for gradsu 9th-12th
When: Session I, July 27-29, 9 a.m.-noon; July 27-29, 1-4 p.m.
Cost: $60 per session
For more info: Visit www.gochaps.com or contact Tammie Jimenez at 432-685-4650 or Holli Reyna at 432-685-6747

UTPB Falcon Football Camps
Falcon Youth Camp for ages 7-12
When: June 22-24, 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m.; Check in: June 22, 8 a.m.-8:30 p.m.
Where: UTPB Gym/Football practice fields
Cost: $100 and registration includes insurance, souvenir t-shirt, Gatorade and camp photo
For more information and to register: Please visit abcsportscamps.com/utpb or call the UTPB football offices at 432-552-268

Falcon Skills Camp
When: June 22-24, 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m.; Check in: June 22, 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.
Where: UTPB Gym/Football practice fields
Cost: $100 and registration includes insurance, souvenir t-shirt, Gatorade and camp photo
For more information or to register: Please visit abcsportscamps.com/utpb or call the UTPB football offices at 432-552-268

West Texas Lacrosse Clinics
When: Every Saturday between June 20-August 22 with the exception of July 4. Boys aged 6-13: 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Boys 14 and up: 10:30 a.m.-noon.
Where: Hogan Park South
Cost: $10 per clinic.
For more information: Visit our website www.westtexaslacrosse.org, e-mail info@westtexaslacrosse.org or follow us on Twitter @WestTexLacrosse.

Athletes Edge Strength and Agility training
When/where: June 8-July 16 (Monday through Thursday), 8 a.m.-9:45 a.m. (for boys entering grades 9-12); 9:45 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (for girls entering 9-12), 9:45-11:30 a.m. (for junior high boys entering grades 6-8), MCS Field House
Cost: $150 per session
For more info: email Greg McClendon at mcmclendon@midlandchristianschool.org or go to www.midlandchristianschool.org/Athletics/Summer Camps

Tennis clinics and lessons
Contact Coach Jon lanier for clinics and lessons at jlanier@midlandchristianschool.org

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m., third Monday of every month
Where: Basin Park Ranch House, 5200 W. Wall Street, Midland
Dues: $25/$30 for a family
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbats.com.

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season)
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks, 3918 W. Wall
For more info: Call 520-8633

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call 682-2551

Football

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided
For more info: Call Darrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Omen at 631-2395

Golf

17th Annual Midland Christian School Golf Tournament
Four-person scramble
When/where: Tuesday, July 21. Ranchland Hills Golf Club
Cost: $800 per team
For more info: Contact Jeff Leary at jeffmail@icloud.com

52nd Annual Midland Women's City Golf Tournament
When/where: July 13 at Green Tree Country Club (qualifying), July 14 at Hogan Park Golf Course (first round), July 15 at Ranchland Hills Golf Club (semifinals), July 16 at Midland Country Club (finals)
Who's eligible: Midland County resident for at least 30 days
Entry fee: $30
Deadline: July 8
Entry forms available: At all Midland golf courses
Entry forms can be mailed to: Melissa Peterson, 5724 Hillcrest Place, Midland, Texas 79707
Please make check payable to MWCGT

Lacrosse

Summer 2015 Lacrosse - Learn-2-Play Clinics
When: Every Saturday from June 20-Aug. 22 (not July 4), 9 a.m.-10:30 a.m. (boys ages 6-13), 10:30 a.m.-noon (boys ages 14 and up)
Where: Hogan Park South (across from Sibley Nature Center, 1307 E. Wadley Ave.)
Cost: $10 per clinic
For more information: Go to Facebook page, Twitter @WestTexLacrosse, go to website at www.westtexaslacrosse.org or email info@west-texaslacrosse.org

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m.; Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido
For more info: Call John Riggs, 684-7008 or 770-3155

Private Martial Art/Self-Defense Lessons
Ages: Men-Women-Children
What: Learn Basic Skills to Advanced Techniques
Note: Private, Semi-Private and Group Lessons are available
For more info: Call Master Oscar Jimenez, 432-559-5009, ojimenez3@att.net

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. 2-3 p.m. Saturdays
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-9472

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu
For: Ages 3 and up
Where: 3205 Cuthbert,
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 466-7467 or 689-8444

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030

Motosports

West Texas BMX Race for Life & State Qualifier Event
When: July 17-19
Where: 2101 East Cuthbert
Entry fees: $10 (Race for Life-Leukemia Fund Raiser at 7:30 p.m. July 17), $70 (Earned Double Points at 7:30 p.m. July 18), $25 (State Race Double Points at noon July 19).
For more info: Contact Travis Bingham at 432-816-1727, email at trvsbingham@yahoo.com, or go on Facebook West Texas BMX.

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments.
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up.
When/where: 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woolters & Tweeters. 6:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at Redneck's Drafthouse
Players must be signed in by 6:15 p.m. each night
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $50 down, $35 a month
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001 or Sam 349-3055

Rugby

Mad Dog Rugby Football Club
Practices: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. at Reyes-Mashburn Park (north field)
For more info call: 432-697-6418

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership. $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988

Coolest 5K in Texas
What: There will be both a 5k and 1k fun run/walk and there will be $100 prizes for 1st overall male and female. T-shirts will be given to all entrants
When: 8:30 a.m., July 5. Jeff Davis County Park, Fort Davis
Entry fee: $15 for 5k and 1k
For more info or to register: Got to permianbasinevents.com, downloan entry at www.fortdavis.com, email seasterling6427@gmail.com, or call 325-207-6427.

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month, first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m., Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter); Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Claye
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422.

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bulls-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 stats and sporting clays.
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday.
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
Where: Hogan Park, located at corner of Old and Terrell
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6947 after 8:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-694-5425

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com.
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball
For more info: Call 634-6474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

Midland United Girls Softball Registration
What: Online registration is now open and registration will only be available online
Fees: T-ball ($75), 8U-18U ($100). late fee $25.
For ages: A girl must be 4 by Jan. 1, 2015 to play T-ball. The same date will used to place child in each division. A parent may have opportunity to bump their child up one division.
To register: go to Midlandfastpitch.com or registration will also be available at Midland Park Mall on March 7 and March 14 from 1-5 p.m.

Concho Valley Summer Blast
For: Divisions 12-under, 14-under, 18-under
When: July 11-12
Where: Central High School softball field, Rio Concho Complex, San Angelo
Entry fee: $250 per team (three pool games, top two teams per pool go to single elimination bracket)
Deadline: July 7
To enter: call Chris Cardenas at 325-374-2910

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
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For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
For more info: 684-7755

COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

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Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

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Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team.
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
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Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability
For more info: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up
For more information: Call Leaf Faller 682-2551

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area
For more info: Call 432-210-0611 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information

Bush Tennis Center Clinics
What: Balloon Tennis 34 (ages 3-4); Redball 58 (ages 5-8); Orange and Green Ball 910 (ages 9-10); Junior Development (9th-8th grade freshman-JV); Junior Select (varsity); RSP Adults (adult beginners); Intermediate Adults 4.0-5.0 Adults (advanced adults); Also Junior Team Tennis registration now open
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and or call 620-8180

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

Midland College Tennis
What: Clinics, lessons, leagues, tournaments
When: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Call 687-4046

Midland College Tennis Club
When: A community tennis club
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual Dues: Adults $65, youths $30, families $140
For more info: Call 563-1333 or email midlandtennisclub@aol.com

Midland Women's Tennis Association
For more info: 569-7208

MTC Tournaments
What: Singles, doubles, mixed
When: July 18, July 25, Sept. 12, Oct. 24, Oct. 31, Nov. 1
To enter: Call 687-4046 or email midlandtennisclub@yahoo.com

Cavern City Tennis Tournament
What: A Level II USTA Southwest Tournament
When: July 3-5, Carlsbad, N.M.
Age groups: Open to 80
Fees: $25 for singles, $30 for doubles/team. USTA membership required
Entry deadline: June 26 at 6 p.m.
For more info: Call Rio Pecos Tennis Shop at 575-887-1980

Track & Field

Midland Crusaders Track Club Summer Track & Field
For: Boys and girls age 7-18
When: 6:30-8 p.m. Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays May 21-Aug. 2
Where: Lee High Track, 3500 Neely Ave.
For more info: Call Tony Goyang 432-684-2424 or 349-1125

Ultimate Frisbee

Midland Drought Ultimate Frisbee Club
What: The Club plays weekly casual pick-up games on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and offer occasional opportunities for tourney travel
For ages: Males and females from this high school level to adult
For more info: Go to www.midlandultimatefrisbee.weebly.com or call Matt at 432-288-3139

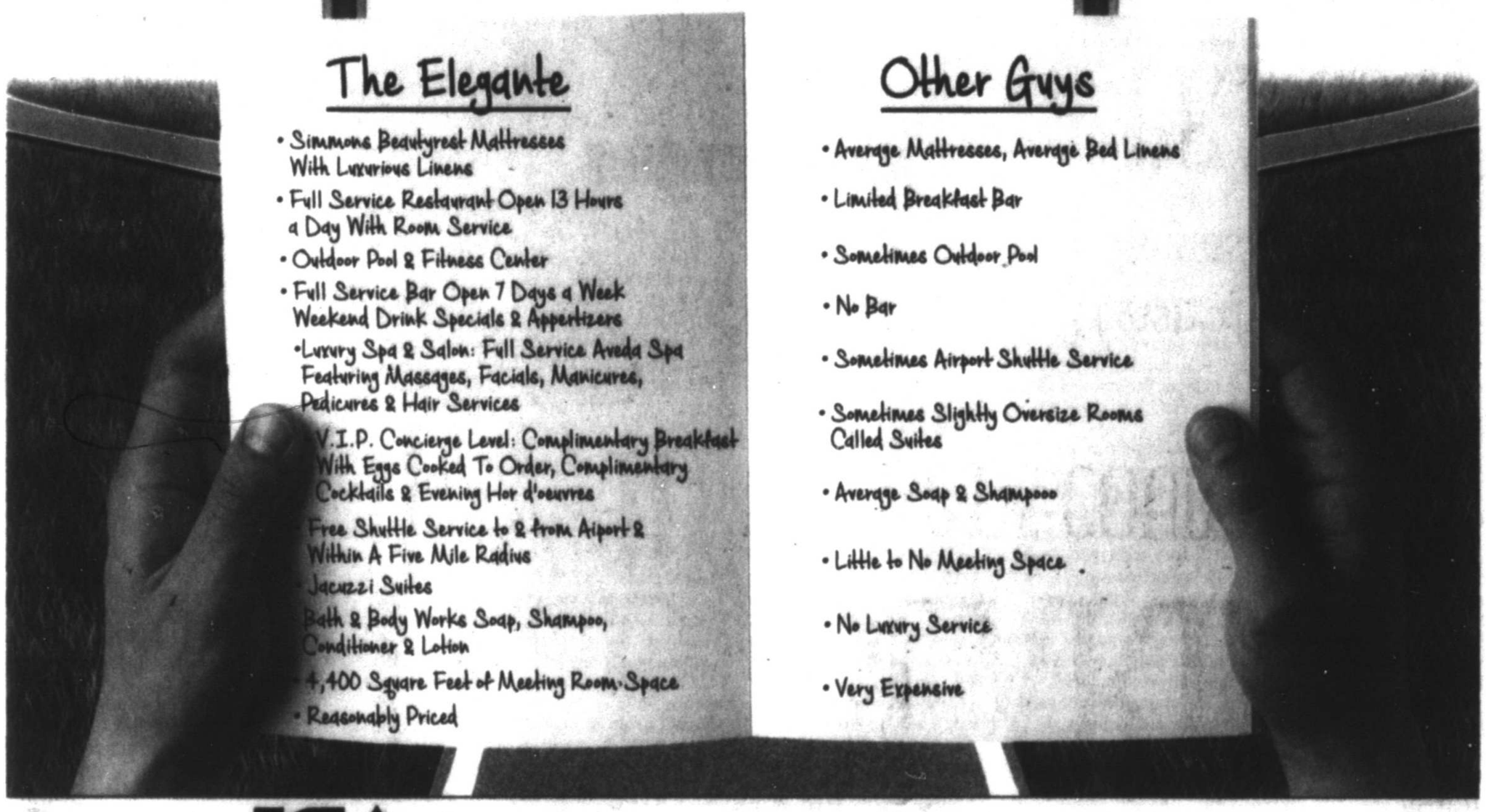
Walking

Midland Walkabout AVA Club Meetings
When: First Monday of the month at Murray's Deli on Wadley at 6 p.m.
Monthly 10K walks: Saturday July 18 at Midland Park Mall; Aug. 15 at Big Spring State Park; Sept. 12 UTPB walk; Oct. 10 Stanton, Nov. 21 Members choice, Dec. 20 Christmas walk
Who: All ages
For more info: Call Alex Rose 687-2586 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org

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Division Order Analyst III
Parsley Energy is seeking a Division Order Analyst III with experience working with analysis of leases, farm-out agreements, title opinions, operating agreements and legal documentation for record title ownership changes. The position is located in Midland, Texas. The Division Order Analyst III will have a minimum of five (5) years of oil and gas division order experience.

Responsibilities
- Create and maintain record title ownership of producing properties and calculate ownership divisions of interest.
- Analyze and interpret title documents effecting record title ownership of mineral and leasehold rights.
- Retain and supervise outside title attorneys for completions of division order title opinions and coordinate the curative of the applicable title requirements.
- Collaborate with landmen on working interests and title issues.
- Resolve working and royalty interest owner division of interest and/or payment problems.
- Special land administration projects as assigned.

Requirements
- Legally authorized to work in the U.S. without restrictions
- Excellent Microsoft Excel and Word skills.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills
- Experience with Horizon a plus
- Bachelors' degree in Law, Energy Management or Business related field recommended, or equivalent and a minimum of five (5) or more years of relevant experience with an active oil and gas exploration company

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

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Financial Accountant
Midland-based midstream energy company has an entry-level staff opening for a FINANCIAL ACCOUNTANT. Accounting degree is required. Salary DOE. Benefits include Health Insurance, 401K and Cafeteria Plan. Mail resume to Accountant, 211 North Colorado, Midland, TX. 79701 or email to employment@westtexasgas.com

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Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person
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GOVERNMENT & MILITARY

City Administrator
The City of Big Lake, Texas, is actively seeking qualified candidates for a long term career as City Administrator. The city operates as a Type A General Law City, responsible for operation and management of the city, under the direction of the Mayor and City Council.

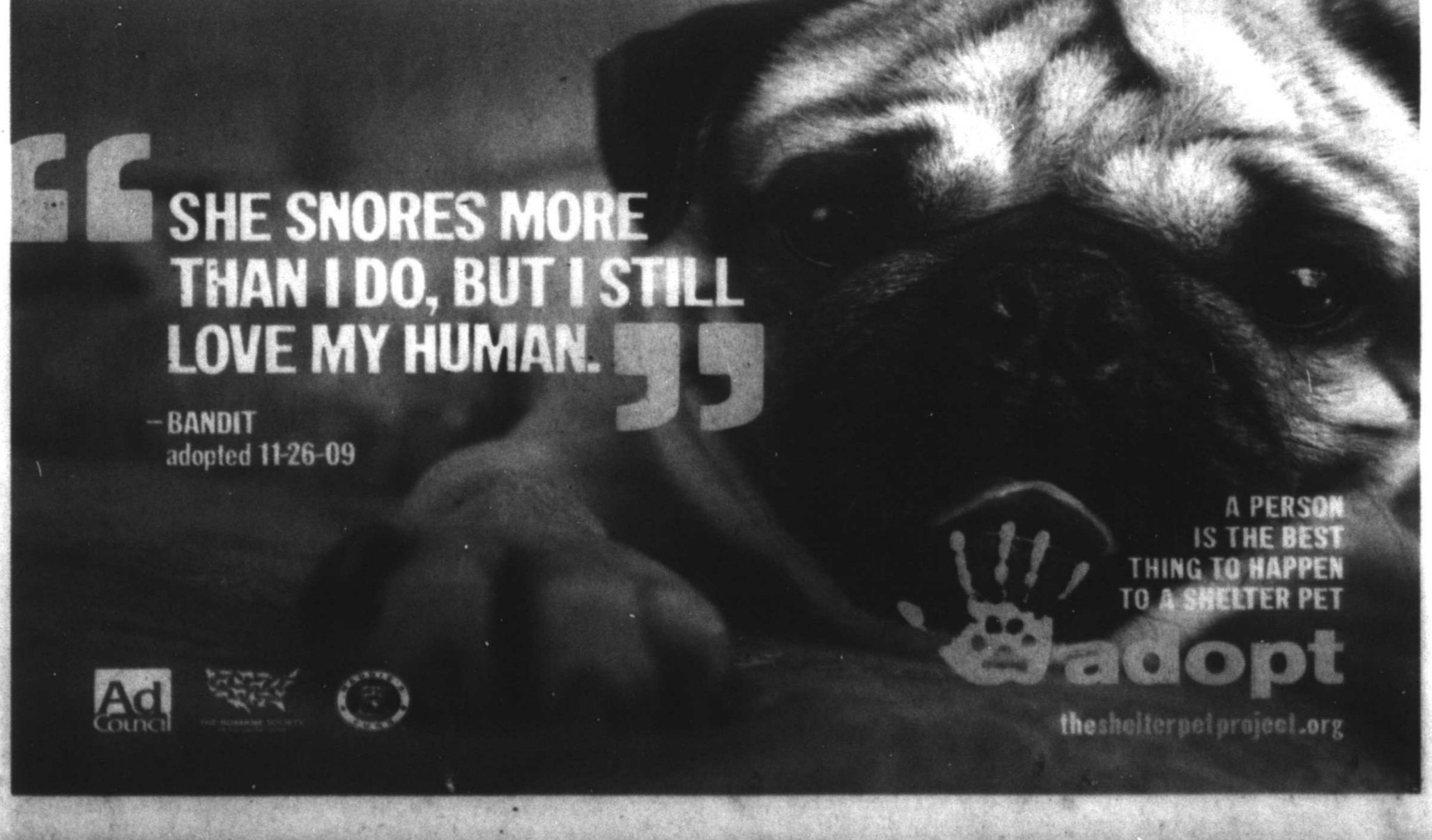
The City of Big Lake, Texas, is a growing, spirited community with an estimated population of 5,000, located in the epicenter of the Permian Basin. The city has experienced unprecedented growth due to increase in oil exploration/production, and recent annexation.

The City Administrator is responsible for leading overall operations and management of City affairs. The ideal candidate will have excellent leadership, communication, and decision making skills, and be a person of superior integrity and unquestionable ethics. The most competitive candidates will have broad experience in all areas of city management including public works, economic development, finance, budgeting, personnel, community relations, and the ability to work effectively in a team environment.

Bachelor's Degree in Public Administration, or related field, with minimum of 5 years of government management experience, or a minimum of 7 years of government management experience required.

Compensation is dependent upon experience and is negotiable. Benefits are Health/Dental and Vision Insurance for employee fully paid by the city, TMRS retirement 7% with a 2 to 1 match, and Life Insurance.

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A minimum of 5 years job-related pipeline experience is required.

EDUCATIONAL LEVEL:
A minimum of a High School Diploma and Vibration Analysis I Certification are required.

REQUIRED SKILLS:
Working knowledge of the pipeline industry or related industry. Strong background in rotating equipment, pumps, gear boxes, and compressors. An intermediate level of reading and writing ability and intermediate level ability to perform mathematical calculation is required. Must be able to effectively communicate with.

WORK CONDITIONS:
Office and field/refinery based with up to 25% travel by land and air required. Petroleum refinery, warehouse and plant environment, out-of-doors, and driver environments, including but not limited to chemicals, pressure vessels, tanks, rotating equipment, and exposure to the risk of electrical shock. Subject to all temperatures, weather and varying road conditions.

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Job conditions require standing, walking, sitting, talking or hearing, making visual inspections, making precise hand and finger movements, twisting, stooping, crouching, kneeling, reaching or grasping, lifting or carrying up to 50lbs, pushing and/or pulling up to 50lbs, climbing up to 5 ft, perceiving color differences, required to wear personal protective equipment as needed and a respirator in emergency situations (beards are not permitted), ability to operate and drive all assigned company vehicles at company standard insurance rates is essential, valid State driver's license and proof of insurance required, and strenuous physical activity.

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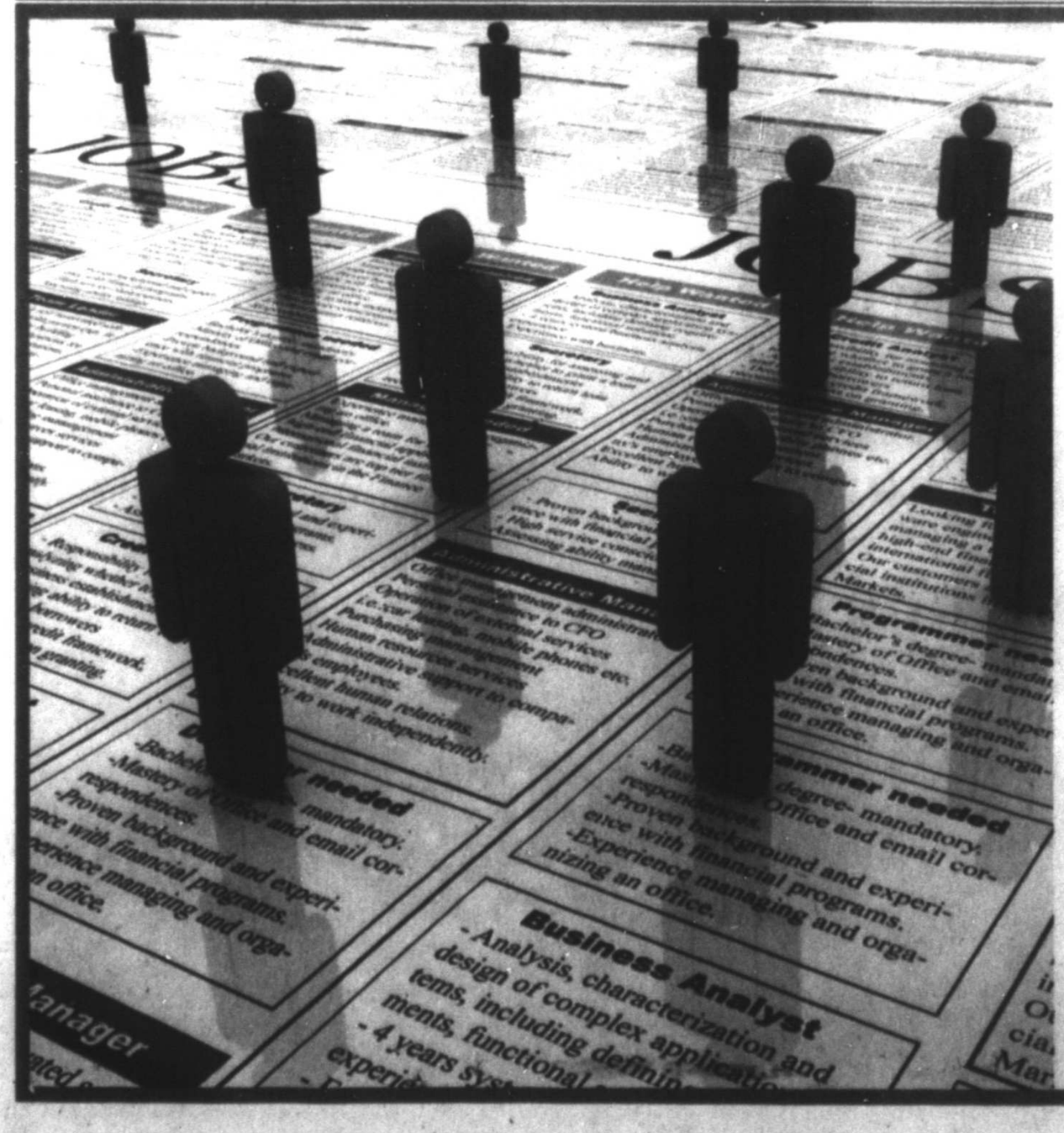
Deadline to apply is: Thursday, July 9, 2015

About Holly Energy Partners
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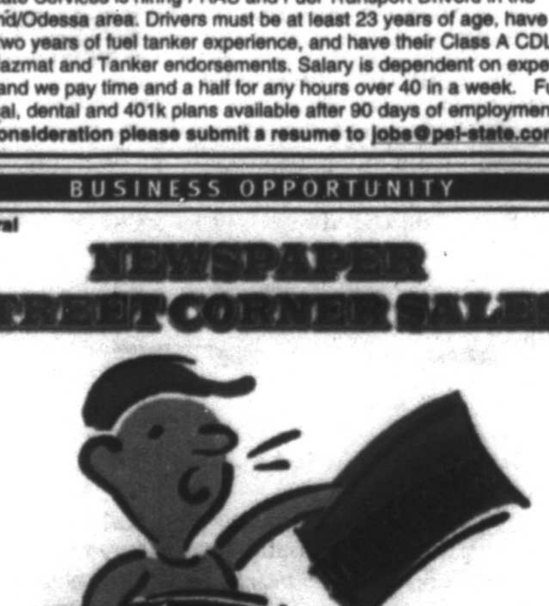
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Percent of CEOs who say their companies have lost money because their recruitment process is inefficient.

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MIND YOUR MANNER

By PATRICIA RIVERA
CTW Features

The summer months inspire a bit of informality, with a relaxed summer dress code and more time off.

But that's no excuse to forget common etiquette, says Bill Driscoll, district president of Accountemps, a Robert Half company based in Menlo Park, Calif.

Among the biggest offenses is being distracted during meetings. "Now it's not uncommon for everyone at a table to have a laptop or tablet and it can be distracting," he noted.

As summer stretches on, Driscoll says it's a good time to review office dos and don'ts.

THE VIEW FROM THE TOP

Supervisors are taking note of those who aren't polite and respectful. An Accountemps survey found that 27 percent of chief financial officers named meeting distractions as the top etiquette breach.

Driscoll notes that technological tools used in the workplace are making office faux pas more common. That's why it's important to remember that as useful as the tools may be, it's really the teamwork and collaboration that get the best results, he adds.

Other breaches cited by CFOs include:

- Failing to respond to emails or calls in a timely manner.
- Running late to or missing meetings.
- Failing to credit others when appropriate.
- Criticizing others publicly.

Everyone has a bad day on occasion. The best approach to dealing with an office breach that you committed is to acknowledge it and apologize, and then think about what might have caused it.

A previous Accountemps survey found that 85 percent of workers said that being courteous has an effect on a person's career path.

"Being thoughtful and courtesy isn't the only key to a successful career but it certainly makes a difference," Driscoll says.

COMPLAINTS FROM THE RANKS

About 28 percent of workers said gossiping about colleagues was the most prevalent office etiquette breach.

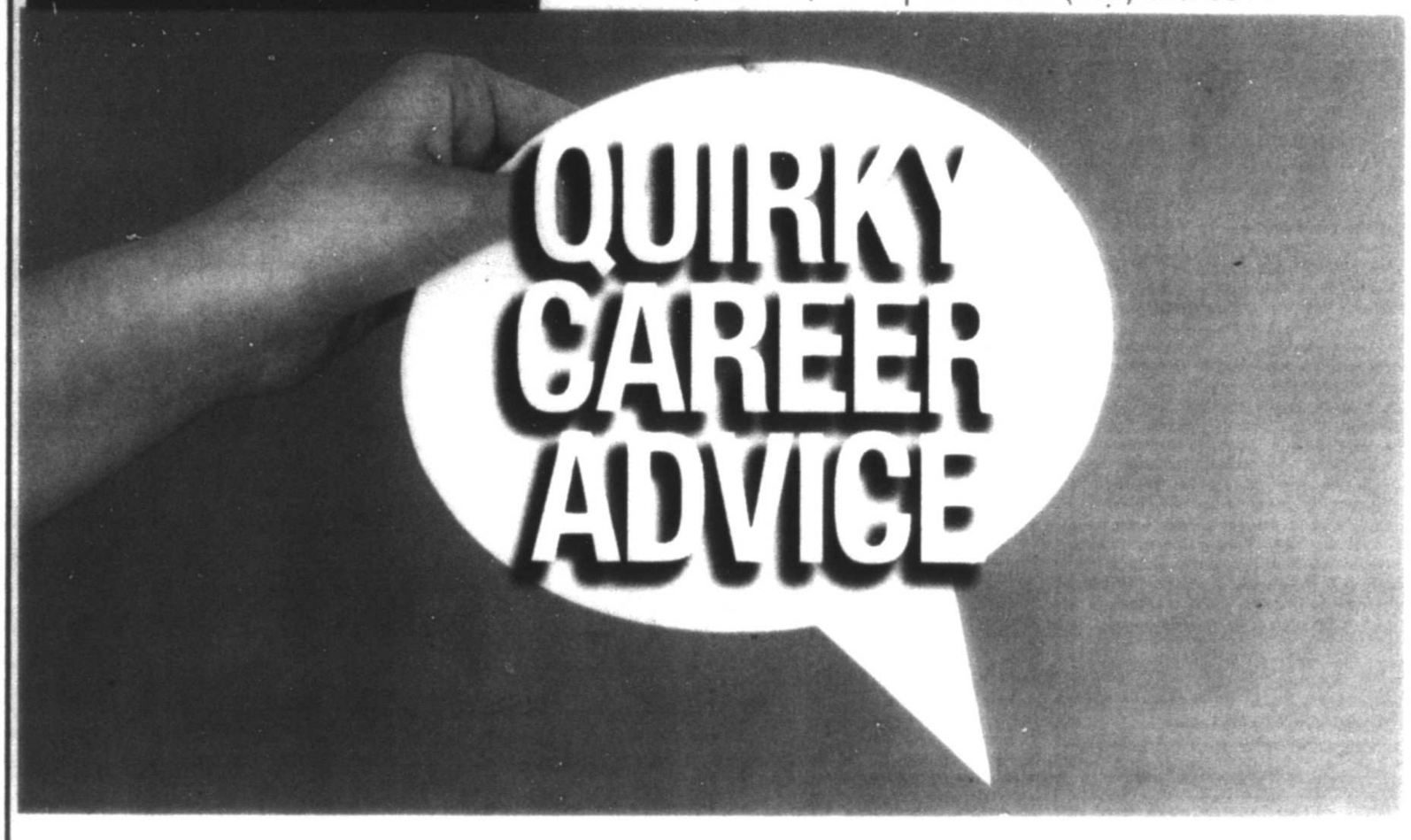
Driscoll says that gossiping can be very damaging to individual morale and team work. Employees understand that.

The best approach is to abstain from any gossip. Just walk away or change the subject. You can always lead the group to a more neutral topic or to recent news.

If the office gossip involves you, try to get to the root of the problem. Let him or her know that you're aware of what's been said and that you'd like to find a solution.

When the gossip starts to turn ugly and potentially damaging, it may be best to take it to a manager.

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WEIRD RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE INTERNET THAT ACTUALLY WORK WHEN PUT INTO PRACTICE

By DAWN KLINGENSMITH
CTW Features

There's no shortage of bad career advice on the Internet. However, there's also no dearth of advice that sounds dubious or downright unhelpful but is actually – oddly, unexpectedly – effective.

Here are some of the wackiest recommendations on the Internet that might actually help you ace that presentation, clinch that promotion or hatch the next big thing.

Never let 'em see your nostrils

The best presentation in the world can be ruined by a few nose hairs. Clippers aren't the answer, though. Instead, presenters need to level their chins, writes Huffington Post blogger Karthik Rajan.

"Stellar content gets lost in the small, important details that the human eye subconsciously processes" – for example, when presenters speak "with their chin up with the inside of their nostrils clearly visible to the audience," which reeks of self-importance, Rajan writes.

During presentations, if Rajan hears jargon or sees inner nostrils, he looks around to gauge the effect on the audience. "Most times, I can feel that a tipping point has occurred – the message is lost."

Live in a fairy-tale world

No, you can't wear a tiara no matter how high you ascend on the organizational chart. But it turns out that the Brothers Grimm have a lot to teach modern-day business leaders. After all, fairy tales were intended to help children "navigate reality and survive in a world full of ambiguities and dangers," writes leadership development professor Manfred Kets de Vries for the INSEAD Blog, published by the worldwide INSEAD graduate business school.

Even with their "seeming mastery of the world," accomplished adults aren't above learning through stories, he adds, including "universal insights into human behavior" and "the various ways leaders can derail."

Therefore, the stack of business books on your nightstand perhaps should include an anthology of fairy tales.

Use the F word often

Not that F word. We're talking about the word failure, which "remains something like the original F word: You don't want to talk about it in polite company" even though it's impossible to foster innovative thinking without speaking openly and often about failure, says author John Danner in a Q&A published by PwC Strategy& on the company's Strategy+Business blog.

Get over that disinclination. Failure can be as useful as it is inevitable. "It does no good to deny it, ignore it or try to wish it away," says Danner, co-author of "The Other 'F' Word: How Smart Leaders, Teams and Entrepreneurs Put Failure to Work" (Wiley, 2015). "Instead, organizations should not only acknowledge its existence, but treat it as a resource on a par with the financial, technological and human resources they manage."

Some keys to putting failure to work, according to Danner: Recognize failure early, react to it quickly, reflect upon it "thoroughly and opening to get at root causes," rebound from the aftereffects and "remember to embed the learning in the organization's cultural memory."

Lose control

In a post titled "Letting-Go Leadership," Scott Mabry not only recommends letting go of the things you'd expect, such as fear and comparison, but also some surprising things like control and knowing.

Control is no big loss, he writes on his Soul to Work blog, because "you don't really have it anyway. If you think you are in control, rest assured that circumstances will conspire to teach you otherwise."

In addition, "When you let go of knowing you create room for learning."

Speak and smile slowly

Don't worry about coming across as a simpleton. Research cited by TheWeek.com suggests that slow-onset smiles make a better first impression and that individuals who speak slowly and clearly "tend to sound more credible than those who speak quickly."

Stop reading advice on the Internet

We've shown that helpful advice exists, but don't put too much stock in what you read because even the most successful people "don't fully understand the secrets to their own success," writes Henry Olsen on his blog, Simply Unbound.

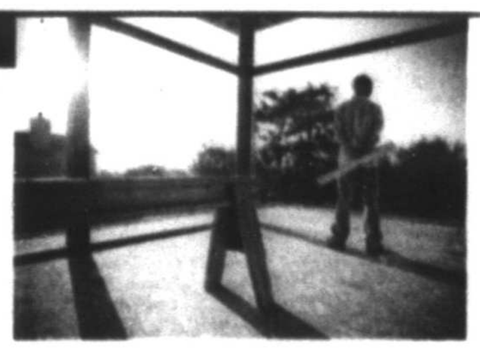
Joe Millionaire may think he knows but will overlook or discount factors contributing to his success when he tells you how to get rich quick. "Examples of those factors include connections he doesn't mention, personality traits that he takes for granted or just a confluence of random events that can't be easily repeated," Olsen writes, so "odds are he left all of that important information out of his 'how to' guide."

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In a June, 2015 survey, the National Association of Home Builders found that 62 percent of its member building and contracting firms say that they haven't seen workers who left the building trade professions during the housing bust return to help hammer in the recovery.

The recovery is now robust enough that both residential and non-residential trade groups report worker shortages. From its surveys, the Associated General Contractors of America finds that 83 percent of its members, which include firms that build everything except for single-family housing projects, report having a hard time finding enough qualified workers.

The construction labor shortage should persist in the next few years, believes Brian Turmail, AGC senior executive director.

For some, it may take more than re-fastening their tool kit to return to the construction site. There's likely a "mismatch," notes Turmail, between where skilled trades people are located and "where firms are looking to hire."

The NAHB found that 40 percent or more of its member firms say that there is a severe or moderate shortage of: rough carpenters, framing crews, finish carpenters, brick layers and masons, electricians, painters and plumbers.

Carpenters rank high on the help-wanted list because they "make up almost half [46 percent] of construction/extraction jobs, for a total of more than 171,000 jobs in the home building and remodeling sectors," writes Robert Dietz, NAHB economist in his blog on the association's website.

No matter what the business, worker shortages usually lead to hire wages. Not surprising, then, that 46 percent of building and contracting firms report in a survey by residential construction research firm Metrostudy that they are increasing pay and benefits to keep labor.

Carpenters made nearly $40,000 in 2012, according to census data, notes Suzanne Beall, NAHB federal legislation director. "Some general managers and supervisors could make upwards of six figures," she adds.

– Marilyn Kennedy Melia

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

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(432) 697-2282 ofc. (432) 694-9627 fax

Mid-Tex of Midland, Inc. is requesting subcontractor and supplier proposals for the REBID of the Construction of Teacher Housing for Pecos Barstow Toyah Independent School District in Pecos, Texas. We are requesting proposals for the following scopes of work: Sitework, fencing, landscape, irrigation, site utilities, concrete, masonry, structural steel, wood frame, wood trusses, residential casework, granite countertops, doors, frames, windows, EIFS, drywall, floor covering, paint, miscellaneous specialties, residential appliance, window coverings, mechanical, electrical and plumbing. Proposals will be received in our Midland office up to and no later than Thursday, July 9, 2015 at 2:00 PM. Bid documents are available for download by contacting Leslie Ramirez at **leslie@midtexofmidland.com.**

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

PUBLIC HUNTING ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AT O. H. IVIE RESERVOIR

Application for public hunting permits on the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Wildlife Management Areas will be accepted by mail only beginning July 15, 2015 and ending August 15, 2015, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office.

Hunting Permits will be limited, and requests for information and application packets should be made by calling the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) at 432-267-6341 or by writing to:

CRMWD
ATTN: Public Hunting
P.O. Box 869
Big Spring, Texas 79721
www.crmwd.org/naturalresources

A public drawing for the WMA Public Hunting Permits for the 2015 Hunting Season, will be held at 1:00 p.m. on August 21, 2015, at the O.H. Ivie Reservoir Field Office, located near the north end of the dam. All applicants are welcome to attend the drawing, if they desire.

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PUBLIC NOTICE FOR BID

Midland County Hospital District is accepting bids for **FINANCIAL BANKING SERVICES** for Midland Memorial Hospital.

Specifications may be secured at the Purchasing Office of Midland Memorial Hospital on or after **Wednesday, July 1, 2015.**

All proposals must be received in the Department of Materials Management of Midland Memorial Hospital by **12:00 (Noon) on Tuesday, July 21, 2015.**

All proposals must be sealed and labeled "**RFP # 1189 - 070115.**"

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
Director of Materials Management
Midland County Hospital District
Midland Memorial Hospital
400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Pkwy.
Midland, Texas 79701

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Bid 9694-15. The City of Midland, Texas is soliciting bids for the furnishing of materials and labor for Market Street Extension Paving and Drainage Improvements together with other miscellaneous and appurtenant work.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held in the basement conference room of City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas at 3:00 p.m. local time on July 15, 2015. Bids will be accepted only from those bidders who attend the meeting.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to condition of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

The contract may be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value to the municipality as referred to in Section 252.043(b) of the Texas Local Government Code.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications and plans are on file for viewing in the office of the Purchasing Manager, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas. The contract documents may be purchased at the office of the Purchasing Manager, second floor, 300 North Loraine Street, Midland, Texas for a non-refundable purchase price of $50.00 per set.

Bids will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas, until 11:00 AM local time on the 22nd day of July, 2015. Bids will be opened and read aloud at that time.

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HIGH SKY Partners LLC is hereby providing notice of intent to move-in equipment and spud the Isbell Hz Unit No. 109LS well, located 2,416' FNL and 1,843' FWL Section 1, Block X, H.P. Hilliard Survey, Midland County, Texas, within the city limits of Midland. This notice is given pursuant to a requirement of the City of Midland under Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 23, labeled Ordinance No. 8769, more particularly found under Section L (7), effective January 1, 2010.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS ON HEALTH SUPPLIES

The Midland Independent School District will receive sealed bids for **Health Supplies, Bid 5-0024.** Bids are to be addressed to Leon Hartter, Director of Procurement Services, 615 W. Missouri Avenue, Suite 707, Midland, TX 79701. **Bids will be received at the above address until 10:00 a.m. CDT, Tuesday, July 21, 2015,** at which time they will be opened and tabulated. Bid forms and specifications may be obtained by calling (432) 240-1960 or e-mailing one of the following: leon.hartter@midlandisd.net or danny.garcia@midlandisd.net.

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Public Notice
Request for Proposals
#2015-016

Midland College is accepting competitive sealed proposals for the installation of a transformer at the Chaparral Center. Proposals will be opened in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 North Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, July 14, 2015** at which time they will be opened and vendor names read into record. For proposal packet information, contact Dwayne Agnew, at (512)828-0753 or dagnew@agnewassociates.com. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

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MIDLAND INDEPENDENT School District will receive sealed bids for **Open Catalog Bids (New/Renew Contracted Vendor Bids) for the 2015-2016 School Year.** Categories are: **Floral Establishments, Specialty Items; Grocery Store; Water Store; Plaques, Engraving; Jackets, Letters, etc.; Eating Establishments; Science Supplies/Equip; Office Machine Repair/Equip; Musical Instrument Repair/Equip; Printing Services; Industrial Tech. Supplies/Equip; Maintenance; Transportation; Other.** Bids are to be addressed to Leon Hartter, Director of Procurement Services, 615 W. Missouri Avenue, Suite 705, Midland, Texas 79701. **Bids will be received at the above address until 5:00 p.m. CDT, Friday, July 31, 2015.** All forms and information may be obtained by calling (432) 240-1960 or going to **www.midlandisd.net/Financial Info/Procurement Services.**

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LEGAL NOTICE

SEALED Request for Proposals will be received until 4:00 PM local time, August 31, 2015, in the Purchasing Office, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following:

RFP 9429-15:
Request for Proposals for the development of City-owned property for private development projects for the City of Midland.

To receive a copy of the RFP, please contact the City of Midland Purchasing Office at 432-685-7234 or email us at purchasing@midlandtexas.gov. Proposals must be submitted no later than August 31, 2015 at 4:00 PM local time to the Purchasing Office, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

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STATE OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
RICHARD B. LODEWICK, deceased. D-504-PB-2015-00026

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed as Personal Representative of the above-named Estate. All persons having claims against this Estate are required to present their claims within two (2) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice or the claims will be forever barred. Claims must be presented either to the undersigned Personal Representative, John Lodewick, 3305 Wenthwood, Dallas TX 75225, or filed with the Chaves County District Court at PO Box 1776, Roswell, New Mexico 88202-1776.

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CAUSE NO. CC 17,392

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V.	§	AT LAW
	§	
STERLING GINA LYNDA	§	MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS
Defendant	§	

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TO: **STERLING GINA LYNDA a/n/a GINA STERLING LYNDA a/n/a GINA LYNDA STERLING a/n/a LYNDA GINA STERLING,** Defendant and to all whom it may concern:

"You have been sued." You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty (20) days after you were served with this petition and citation, a default judgment may be taken against you. The Second Amended Petition of MANUEL CARREON, Plaintiff was filed in the Court of Midland County, Texas, on the 10th day of June 2015 against STERLING GINA LYNDA a/n/a GINA STERLING LYNDA a/n/a GINA LYNDA STERLING a/n/a LYNDA GINA STERLING and PATRICIA WHITFIELD, Defendants, numbered CC 17,392, and entitled "Manuel Carreon v. Sterling Gina Lynda." This suit requests a judgment be judgment be entered for the Plaintiff against the Defendant STERLING GINA LYNDA a/n/a GINA STERLING LYNDA a/n/a GINA LYNDA STERLING a/n/a LYNDA GINA STERLING, for damages in an amount within the jurisdictional limits of the Court."

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PERMIAN BASIN COMMUNITY CENTERS (PBCC) is the Department of State Health Services designated Mental Health Authority established to plan, coordinate, develop policy, develop and allocate resources, supervise, and ensure the provision of community based mental health and developmental disability services for the residents of *Midland, Ector, Pecos, Brewster, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Hudspeth and Culberson* Counties, Texas.

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  - **Nutritional Counseling**

The time and place of the delivery of each service will be determined during the arrangement of each service appointment.

The contract shall be for an initial term of one year with the option to renew annually.

The open enrollment period shall close on July 31st, 2015 at 5:00 (CST) or upon receipt of enough applications to meet the service capacity described in the RFA whichever comes first.

Copies of the RFA may be obtained via written request, faxed request, or picked up at:

Permian Basin Community Centers
401 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701
Contact: Chris Barnhill or Cynthia Brown at purchasing@pbmhmr.com
Phone: 432-570-3333 Fax: 432-570-3426

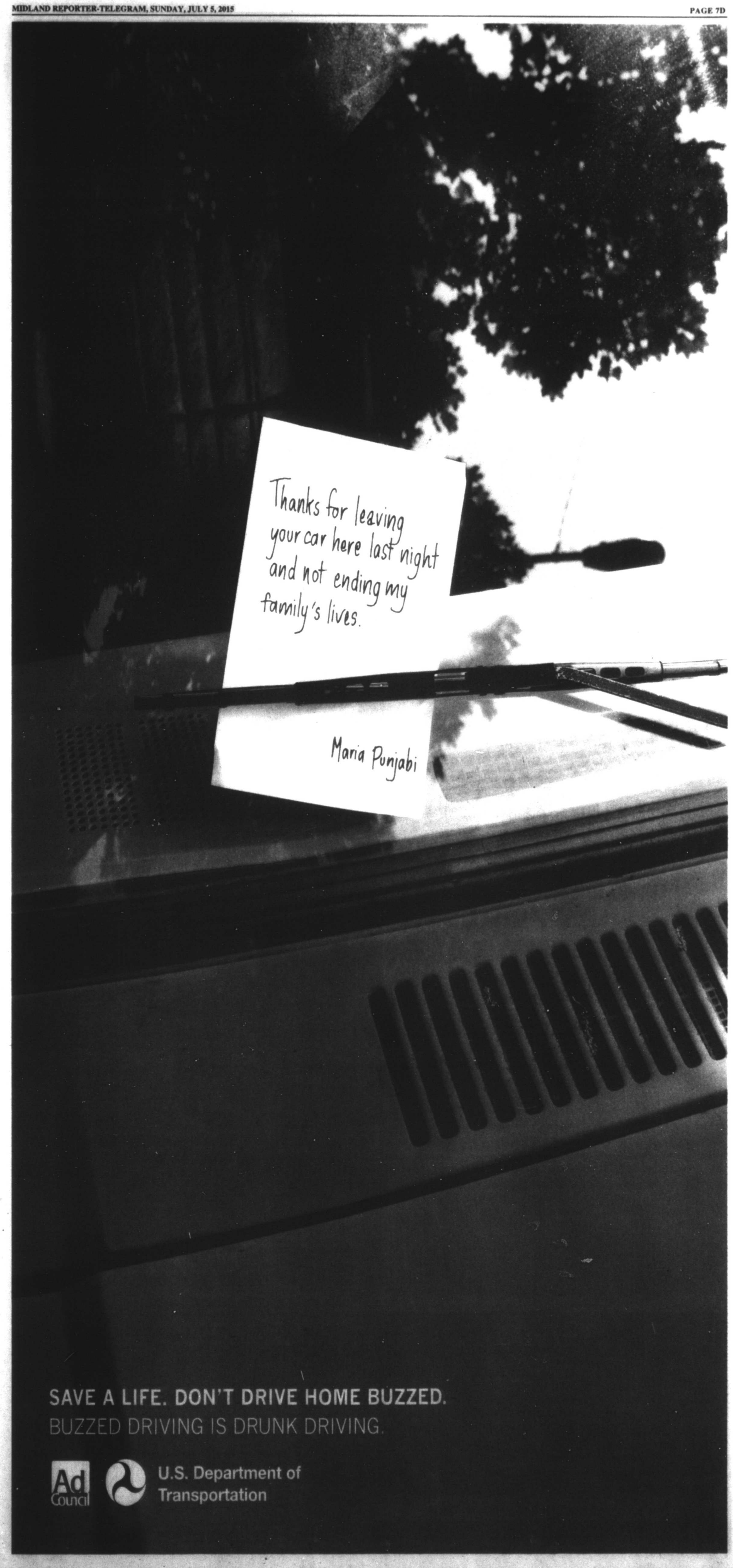
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Questions regarding the RFA should be directed to Chris Barnhill or Cindy Brown at (432) 570-3333 or by email to purchasing@pbmhmr.com.

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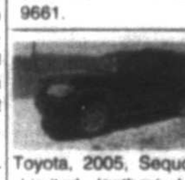
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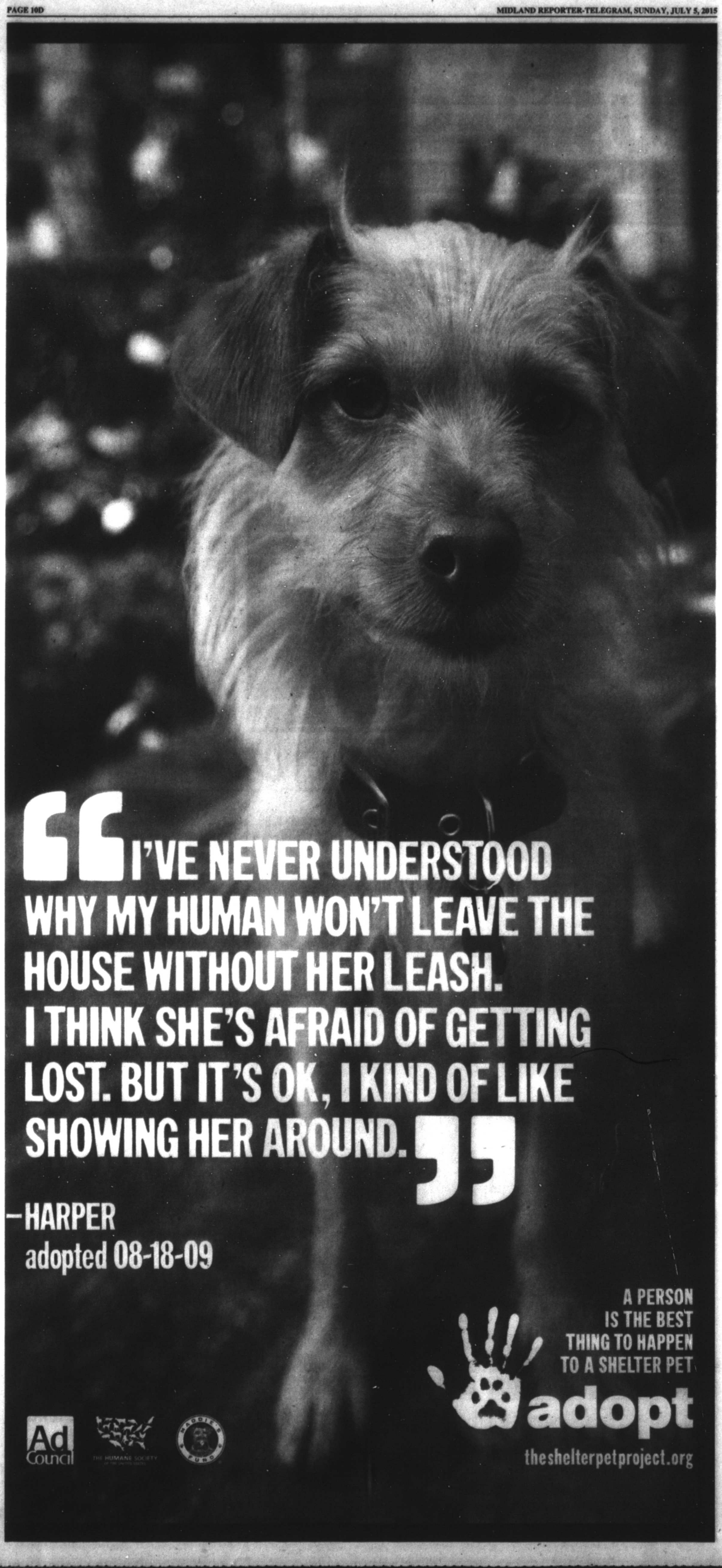
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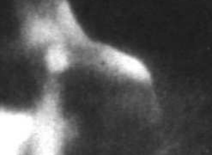
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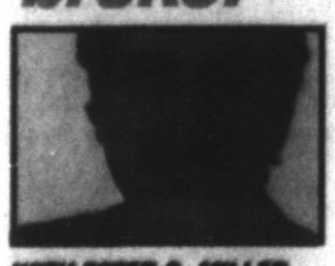


Number of household formations by 2020 that will be headed by someone of Hispanic descent, more than any other single racial or ethnic group.

Source: The Demand Institute "Hispanics and Home Ownership: Closing the Gap" report

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CAN WE MOVE THE MORTGAGE?

QUESTION:

We expect to move in the next few months, but while we can shift furniture and the dog we can't move our mortgage. Wouldn't it make sense to have portable mortgages?

ANSWER:

An Internet search suggests that a few brave lenders are making "portable" or "moveable" mortgages, so such financing is out there. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates that nearly 36 million people moved between 2012 and 2013. That's a lot of people – and a lot of moving – so the market for portable loans could be large.

According to Jeffrey Lubell, director of housing and community initiatives with Abt Associates, portable mortgages can provide substantial advantages for borrowers. Take for instance a borrower with a 30-year, fixed-rate mortgage for $300,000 at 4.5-percent interest. Lubell says: "If they have a portable mortgage and do not refinance, they will accumulate $300,000 in equity due to the repayment of their principal balance over a 30-year period, not counting any increase in home price due to appreciation. By contrast, a household that moves to a new home every 7.5 years during the same 30-year period would still owe $164,000 on that original $300,000 after 30 years, thus accumulating only $136,000 in equity through the repayment of principal – less than half the amount they would gain through a portable mortgage."

If the use of portable mortgage is to become more widespread, then a number of questions will have to be resolved. For instance:

• What are the portability limitations? For instance, a lender would not want a loan secured by a property with insufficient value. This means that a borrower would need to have a replacement property that qualifies for financing, and downsizing could be a problem.

• What happens if the financial ability of the borrower changes? With a 30-year mortgage the borrower never has to re-qualify for financing regardless of whether income goes up or down. Will there be any kind of a financial test if a loan is moved from one property to another? If the lender can decline the move based on buyer qualifications, then is the loan really portable?

• What standard of liability applies to the loan?

In some states there are situations where mortgages are "non-recourse" loans, meaning that the borrower's liability is limited to the value of the property. If a borrower has a $500,000 mortgage, is foreclosed, and the property only sells for $300,000, the lender cannot chase the borrower for the missing $200,000.

What happens if a borrower moves from a recourse state to a non-recourse jurisdiction? What rights would a lender lose in such a situation – and would lenders be willing to accept such a loss?

Search around for portable loans and see what lenders have to offer. Because a portable loan is a new and unusual form of financing at this point, get help from a real estate attorney to better understand how a particular movable loan works.

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DRONES: THE NEXT FRONTIER IN REAL ESTATE MARKETING

AERIAL PHOTOS AND VIDEOS MAY BE THE NEXT BIG THING IN SELLING – IF THE FAA GIVES THE GO-AHEAD

By TIMOTHY R. SCHULTE
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Every industry has its pioneers. The automotive industry had Henry Ford. Personal computers – and digital music and smartphones – had Steve Jobs. The real estate drone photography industry has Douglas Trudeau.

Trudeau, an associate broker with Tierra Antigua Realty in Tucson, Arizona, was the first Realtor to apply for an receive a Section 333 waiver from the Federal Aviation Administration to use an unmanned aerial system – or drone, as it is commonly called – to capture photography of real estate for use in property listings.

Despite the popularity of UAS for recreational use among photo/video and aviation hobbyists, the Federal Aviation Administration Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 outlaws using the single- or multi-rotor aircraft for commercial purposes, such as real estate marketing, unless granted an exemption by the FAA.

Though the law was passed a few years back, it was not till June 2014 that the FAA released an interpretation of the law that specifically addressed the real estate implications. After which, Trudeau got in touch with an FAA attorney to explore the steps to getting legal.

A Realtor for 15 years, Trudeau relies heavily on his business background when it comes to his real estate business. "When I was getting my MBA, I put a big emphasis on marketing, which is why I market the way I do," he says. When digital photography came to the forefront, he invested time and money into learning the trade so that he could shoot properties himself without contracting an outside photographer whose photos he just didn't feel comfortable using; he's even had fellow agents hire him to take photos for their listings. Photos, though, can only show so much.

"I just didn't like the virtual tour, just a slideshow of what you see on the Multiple Listing Service," Trudeau says. So he turned his attention to video.

"A home using video gets 400-percent more attention than a home without video," he adds. Trudeau says he started flying small, remote control helicopters about seven years ago and developed that from a hobby into an element of his business.

Aerial photos and videos allow agents to showcase certain attributes of a property that are difficult to showcase in traditional imagery, such as the expanse of a home's mountain views and the distance from neighboring homes.

"From an aerial perspective, you get a better perspective of a home," he says. After getting the scope of the exterior, Trudeau says it's easier to transition to the interior. "Now let's go inside. Let's look at this kitchen. People see the home as a living space," he says.

Trudeau went through the substantial exemption application process last July without the help of an attorney – "It's like making pie with just the ingredients," he says – and in January received notification that he'd been approved for his Section 333 waiver, just the 13th exemption overall. "I got Lucky No. 13," he says.

Trudeau's exemption was contingent upon making a few changes to his aircraft and finding a pilot, among other conditions. He has used his experience to help further the cause in the industry. He offers a how-to guide on his website for other agents interested in applying for the exemption, and he's become a sought-after speaker on the issue.

Since Trudeau received his exemption, the FAA has issued waivers to more than 200 companies with real estate-related purposes, according to the National Association of Realtors.

"A lot of people have told me I've pioneered the way for Realtors," says Trudeau, who recently spoke on a panel on drones at the NAR's Legislative and Trade Expo to share his experience and offer advice to other Realtors seeking a waiver.

"The FAA, in all reality, has made it easier today for you than it was for me a year ago," he told the audience at the NAR panel.

The Section 333 waiver is seen as a stopgap until the FAA releases its much-anticipated rules governing the commercial use of UAS. The FAA released its proposed rules in February and is hoping to finalize rules by mid-2016, according to FAA Deputy Administrator Michael Whitaker.

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OH, THE PLACES DRONES'LL GO

Unmanned aerial systems are not commercial-friendly just yet, but the FAA already is working on the framework to get them in the air

The camera swoops along the driveway, right behind the luxury Audi that just pulled in. Next, it banks right, approaching the open front doors. It flies through the foyer and across the grand room before exiting the rear of the house, giving view to the Jacuzzi and infinity pool and the desert valley below. Finally, it circles overhead, giving the viewer the full expanse of the property. And, of course, it makes sure to pass by agent John Oliver's sign.

"I think that that particular house – because it was a luxury listing – was something that lent itself very well to ... that kind of marketing tool," says Oliver, a Realtor with Century 21 Arizona Foothills in Phoenix, who commissioned the video from a professional aerial videographer prior to the Federal Aviation Administration's 2014 interpretation of the Modernization and Reform Act of 2012, which classified real estate purposes as commercial use of unmanned aerial systems, which is prohibited.

In February 2015, however, the FAA issued its proposed rules for using UAS for commercial purposes. The FAA's proposed framework for the rules focused on three areas: operational limitations, operator certification responsibilities, and aircraft requirements.

OPERATIONAL LIMITATIONS

• UAS not weigh more than 55 pounds.

• The UAS must remain within the visual line-of-sight of the operator, or visual observer, at all times.

• UAS may not operate over any persons not directly involved in the operation.

• May only operate the UAS from local official sunrise to sunset.

• Maximum altitude of 500 feet above ground level.

OPERATIONAL CERTIFICATION RESPONSIBILITIES

• Operator of the UAS must pass an initial aeronautical knowledge test and obtain an unmanned aircraft operator certificate.

AIRCRAFT REQUIREMENTS

• Requires aircraft registration and that the operator maintain the small UAS in condition for safe operation.

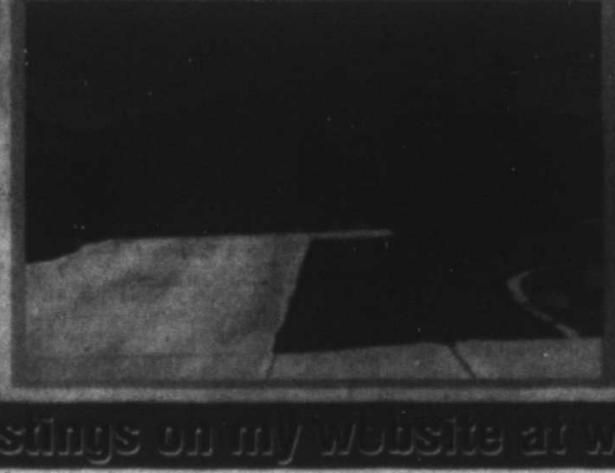
• Operator must conduct a preflight inspection of the UAS to ensure its condition is safe for operation.

FAA Deputy Administrator Michael Whitaker recently stated that the agency was pushing to rules to be finalized by mid-2016. Until then, the use of UAS for real estate marketing purposes is prohibited without a Section 333 waiver from the FAA.

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Knowing the Score Makes a Big Difference

A new survey finds that house hunters who know their credit scores feel significantly more prepared to buy a home. Yet, just half of recent buyers say they have checked their credit as soon as they considered purchasing a home, according to the survey, commissioned by Experian, of 250 recent and 250 future home buyers. "No one likes to go into a lender's office, whether buying or refinancing, and not know the state of their credit; it makes them feel helpless," says Becky Frost, senior manager of consumer education at Experian Consumer Services. "Our survey shows when people interact with their credit by tracking it and learning more about the factors that affect it, they feel more confident about their purchase power."

Still, more than two in five future home buyers are concerned that they will not qualify for the best home loan rate and have even delayed purchasing to improve their credit, the survey found. Fifty-eight percent of buyers surveyed say they are working to improve their credit to qualify for a better home loan rate, but 35 percent of future buyers say they are not sure what steps to take to qualify for a larger loan. For those who are working to improve their credit, the top actions respondents said they've taken are paying off their debt, paying bills on time, keeping balances low on credit cards, protecting credit card information from fraud or identity theft, and not applying for or opening new credit accounts.

Source: Experian Home Buying and Credit: Survey Report 2015

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5 Things to Ask Your Contractor

Home remodeling is a great option that allows you to get the house you desire, without picking up and moving or starting from scratch. However, there are many precautions to take when remodeling, from thorough planning and budgeting, to finding a remodeler that fits your needs. Below are 5 suggested questions to ask a builder before you decide to hire them.

How much experience do you have with this kind of project? Your home remodeler may tell you they have years of experience, but that doesn't mean they have years of experience on your job, specifically. You don't want to find out mid-way that this is the first bathroom they've built from scratch.

Who does your design? If your contractor doesn't have a specific go-to person for design, this means you may need to hire an architect in order for your project to be successful. Many builders, even talented ones, don't have an eye for design, which can end up being a hassle when the door to your brand new kitchen pantry bangs up against the stove when you open it.

Where are you located? A contractor who doesn't have to travel far to get to a job means they are likely to be more punctual and have a faster response time if any issues should arise.

How does my budget sound? Be sure to be upfront with a potential contractor about your budget, and how flexible it is. While many are uncomfortable talking about budgets, this will save a lot of stress and hassle for both parties involved.

How do you find your estimates? Every remodeler estimates differently; some offer very detailed estimates, while others ball-park. Understand a contractor's pricing process before signing any contracts.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Top do's and don'ts when you start real estate negotiations

Buying or selling a property is one of the biggest transactions you can make, and many people find themselves overwhelmed trying to get the best deal. Since everything is negotiable in a real estate transaction—from price to the closing date to who pays to refinish those wood floors—it's worth some extra effort to come to the negotiating table prepared.

Your REALTOR® has a lot of experience helping buyers and sellers take on negotiations, so start by asking for her advice. Then, consider these six do's and don'ts to help you seal the deal with confidence.

Don't take it too personally. Many people let emotions dictate their negotiations. Don't get angry when a buyer presents a low offer for your home. Didn't you try to get a good deal on your house, too? The buyer isn't trying to insult you and is simply starting negotiations. He may be trying to see how low you'll go. Or his negotiation tactics could have been formed in a country where negotiating is handled differently. If you see the offer as an insult and don't counter because of emotions, you may be cutting off the process that would have resulted in a sale.

When buying, don't get upset if a seller rejects your offer or counters with his original asking price. You may think you presented a fair price for the house, but the rejection isn't personal. You can try again or move on.

Don't be afraid to say "no". Keeping emotions out of a deal also means not feeling sorry for the other side. Everyone has burdens, so don't allow others to dump theirs on you. If the seller rejects your fair offer based on "needing to save more money for my retirement fund," ask for a reason why that's relevant to the property's sale.

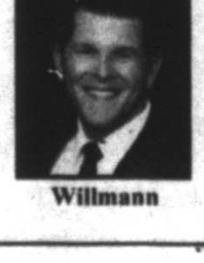
Don't exceed your own limits. What's the lowest price you'll accept for your home? What concessions, if any, will you make? Answer these questions before you put your home on the market. For buyers, what's your highest limit on what you can afford? How close are you willing to come to that number?

Do pay attention to the market. That means that you shouldn't low-ball sellers and ask for lots of concessions in a seller's market. Likewise, don't dismiss every less-than-perfect offer for your home in a buyer's market. How do you know what the market's doing? Ask your REALTOR®.

Don't split the difference. Meeting in the middle doesn't mean that both parties get a fair deal. If a buyer offered $70,000 for your $100,000 home, you countered with $90,000, and the buyer offered to split the difference at $80,000, would you feel like you both won? Whether you're buying or selling, don't allow an extreme offer to affect your counter.

Do think about the big picture. Are you willing to jeopardize the sale of your house because the buyer wants the refrigerator and microwave to convey? As a buyer, how will your monthly payments be affected if the seller won't drop the price another $5,000? Sometimes you have to take a step back to make sure you're not overemphasizing one detail that is standing between you and your objective.

Remember, your REALTOR® can help you analyze the current market and identify an appropriate buying or selling strategy for you. For more tips on buying or selling a home in the Permian Basin, visit www.pbbor.org.



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3200 Briarcliff-Immaculately maintained 3/2/2. All you have to do is move in ..... Under Contract
1809 W Hwy 80 in Lenora-3/2/2 with 1/4 acre, pool and a guest house $199,000
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Carrasco Homes



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1320 N. Fairgrounds Rd ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home $84,000
501 Scharbauer Dr ..... 1 Bdrm/1 Ba $84,000
607 S. Jackson ..... 2 Bdrm/1 Ba $97,000
100 N. Madison ..... 2 Bdrm/1 Ba $97,000
2607 W. Cuthbert Ave ..... 2 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Carport $109,000
709 Boyd Avenue ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba ..... SOLD
3809 Candy Lane ..... Odessa/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living Areas/2 Car Garage $212,000
6004 Rainbow Road ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... U/C
2505 Sand Hill Circle ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... U/C
5010 Brunswick Circle ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Living Areas/2 Car Garage ..... U/C
4405 Stillmeadow ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage $226,000
3109 Haynes Drive ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... U/C
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5717 Highland Blvd ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $332,000
5821 Los Patios ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $339,000
5911 Los Patios ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/4 Car Garage $349,900
5901 Llano Ct ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... U/C
4301 Mockingbird Ln ..... 4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage, Outbuildings & Acreage $465,000
5313 Half Moon Circle ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $510,000
6413 Mosswood Drive ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Living Areas/3 Car Garage/Spectacular Pool $599,900
6406 Los Conchos Ln ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage, in-ground pool $819,500
6401 Los Conchos lane ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/1 Half Ba/4 Car Garage ..... U/C

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917 N. Weatherford ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/ 2 Car Garage $195,000
3219 Baumann Ave ..... Rigin Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... U/C
3414B S. Co. Rd. 1080 ..... Building a New Tomorrow/ 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $375,000
5607 Camino Reale ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $378,000
4304 Saltillo Ct ..... Chalmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $389,000
4304 Coronado Ct ..... Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $388,500
4400 Casa Verde Ct ..... Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5309 Brown Heart Ln ..... Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $439,000
7407 E. Co. Rd. 90 ..... Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $441,900
4309 San Pedro ..... Texas Classic Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $446,900
5315 Brown Heart Ln ..... Diaz Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $469,000
5304 Brown Heart Ln ..... Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $469,900
5306 George Yard Ct ..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $482,500
5308 George Yard Ct ..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5319 Half Moon Circle ..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $489,900
5307 Dunraven Ct ..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $526,000
2512 Legacy Oaks ..... Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $759,500
5417 Secretariate St ..... Diamond Homes/5 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/4 Car Garage $1,300,000

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

7309 Co.Rd. 60 ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/ Mobile Home/1.1 acres $119,000
3400 S. Co. Rd. 3071 ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home/1.1 acres $137,000
2170 Denham St ..... Stanley/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home ..... U/C
4309 W. Co. Rd. 118 ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home $144,000
6010 Mockingbird Ln ..... 1.007 Acres $145,000
4810 N. Co. Rd. 1123 ..... Greenwood/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home/2.2 Acres $284,000
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10010 FM 307 ..... Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/14.18 ..... $750,000
6409 Los Conchos Ln ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $819,500
6401 Los Conchos lane ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/1 Half Ba/4 Car Garage ..... U/C
Highway 87 ..... Big Spring/RV Park ..... U/C
7609 E. Co. Rd. 110 ..... 5 Bdrm/4 Ba/5 Car Garage/5.18 Acres $1,750,000

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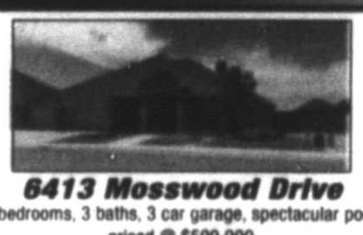
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458 Duck Puddle Road ..... Colorado City/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Guest House $159,000

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

3108 W. Co. Rd. 1200 ..... Office building/5 offices/meeting room/3 acres $375,000
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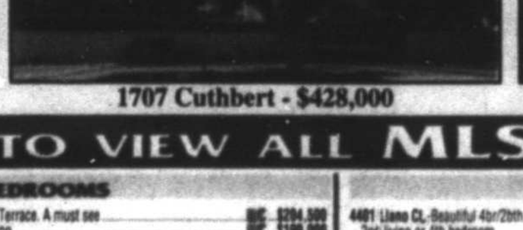


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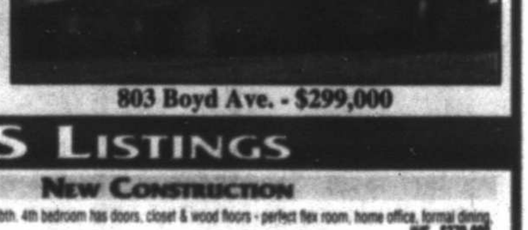
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2805 Exeter - $279,500



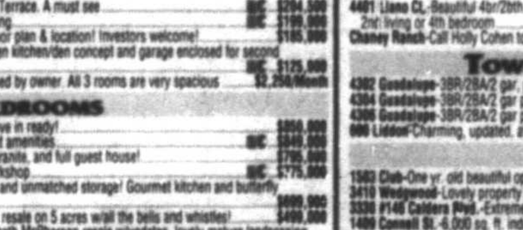
2200 N. H Street - $234,000



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4723 Spring Meadow Ln. #5 - $215,000



1707 Cuthbert - $428,000



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1309 W. Cuthbert-Updated in the heart of Old Midland, wonderful pool! $599,900
2907 Seaboard Ave.-Wonderful 3 bdr/3.5 bth home in the heart of Warwick! Master bedroom has his and her baths! $525,000
2105 Co. Rd. 1060-Beautiful custom 4bdr/3bth Tom Woodruff resale on 5 acres w/all the bells and whistles! $499,000
5713 Camino Reale-Beautiful high quality spacious 4 bedroom/2 bath Carrasco home with attention to details and amenities! $390,000
508 Meadowpark-Updated in Meadowpark! Open living and kitchen area! $389,000
2905 Exeter Ave.-Lovely patio home with updated kitchen! Centrally located to everything. This is a wonderful low maintenance 3 bedroom/2 & bath home $279,500
2302 Stanolind-Stainless appliances!! Fridge, washer & dryer stay with this 4/2/3 living in Fannin Sch*ool area $264,900
2903 Rainbow Ct-Very nice 4 bedrooms on quiet cul-de-sac in Arbor Park $229,900
2700 North H St-Spacious 2br, 2 bath, neutral decor, open kitchen/dining area, large utility room and pantry $234,000
1903 Club-One yr. old beautiful open floorplan townhome with 2 bdrms/2 baths $2,100/Month
3401 Wedgewood-Lovely property that is meticulously maintained by owner. All 3 rooms are very spacious $1,850/Month
3336 #14B Calders Blvd.-Extremely clean & cute updated condo with two spacious bdrms & two baths $1,000/Month

Two Bedrooms

4107 S. County Rd. 184-Keller built 2 bdrm/2 bth home on 10.5 acres with restrictions, and is a very nice neighborhood $245,000
2700 North H St.-Spacious 2br, 2 bath, neutral decor, open kitchen/dining area, large utility room and pantry $234,000
4723 #5 Spring Meadow Ln.-Spacious 2br 2 1/2 bath, gorgeous fireplace, walls of windows, great kitchen, formal dining, 2 garage $215,000
2 Oak Lawn Park-2 bdrms/2 bths Low Maintenance townhouse in Oakpark Park! $179,900
2900 Lisbon Chamberlain-Updated, affordable starter 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath condo $89,900
1903 Club-One yr. old beautiful open floorplan townhome with 2 bdrms/2 baths $2,100/Month
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Three Bedrooms

1309 W. Cuthbert-Updated in the heart of Old Midland, wonderful pool! $695,000
2907 Seaboard Ave.-Wonderful 3 bdr/3.5 bth home in the heart of Warwick! Master bedroom has his and her baths! Separate patio and backyard! $525,000
1600 E. Co. Rd. 1213-Great country property! New appliances, granite, wood shutters and more! $499,900
4410 Castlerock Ave.-Best acreage on this block! Wonderful 3 bdrm/2 bath home on 2.75 acres with room to roam! $447,000
4411 Castlerock Ave.-Immaculate 3 bdrm/2.5 bath home in Trees Tree $379,900
4016 Evergreen Ct.-Meadow Park jewel! Lots of new in this spacious 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home! Walk to Pool and Clubhouse! $379,900
Lamblief E. County Rd. 129-New construction 3 bedroom/2.5 bath home in The Meadows. Call Holly to make selections such as granite, brick, etc $379,900
5901 Wendell St.-Wonderful, two-3bth custom home on a quiet cul-de-sac in Greathouse. Beautiful finishes throughout ..... SOLD
3016 Sinclair Ave.-Beautiful "Old Midland" charmer. Lots of new. Great price! $349,900
4308 Meadowpark-Updated in Meadowpark! Open living and kitchen area! $339,000
3100 Imperial Place-Beautiful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home in Saddle Club South $319,900
3109 Haynes Lane-3br/2bth with many extras. Open floor plan, lovely kitchen w/granite & spacious rooms $319,000
3109 Haynes Ave.-Wonderful 2/2 3/2/2 Main Floor Master owner home. A must see! $319,000
904 Shirley Ct.-Immaculate townhome with wonderful updates. Beautiful floors, gorgeous patio, move right in! $309,000
5306 Big Spring Ave.-Beautiful, spacious, 3 bedroom/2 bath home with open floor plan and tons of light! Move in ready! $299,900
2905 S. County Rd. 1184-Spacious 3BR, great country property $299,000
4308 Dawnridge-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home $299,000
4306 Dawnridge-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home $299,000
4308 Exeter Ave.-Lovely 3 bdrm with updated kitchen. Centrally located to everything. This is a wonderful low maintenance 3 bedroom/2 bath home $279,500
2304 Stanolind Ave-3 bedroom/2 bath home. Great block in Old Midland $279,000
2304 Stanolind Ave-Spacious 3bdr/2 bath home with many updates. Spectacular back patio w/gorgeous inground pool, workshop, guest house and pool house $279,000
1708 Cuthbert Rd.-Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, formal dining, hardwoods, shutters, low maintenance yard $269,900
91 Ward Rd.-Fabulous Lake Howard getaway. This 3 bdrms/2bth home is located within HOA gated community in Oak Canyon Estates. Public dock for residents only $249,900
24 S. Barnard Circle, Odessa-Upgraded in a grand way, this 3 bdrm/2 bth home is a must see! $239,900
3103 Elms Dr.-Spacious 3 bdrm/2 bth home in lovely quiet neighborhood with mature trees and easy access to shopping $239,000
2903 Glenaire Dr.-Immaculate, well cared for home w/3Br/2 baths and many updates $235,000
4407 E. Golf Course Rd.-Spacious 3BR/2BA home w/formal paint throughout, some updates, abundant storage and room to roam $229,900
4412 Commander Dr.-Beautiful recently built 3Bdrm/2Bth home with all the bells and whistles! $225,000
3224 Fawn Ave.-Charming, from curbside to inside! Lots of updatings, move-in condition! Open & bright! $209,900

Three Bedrooms

2403 Camaria Ave.-Wonderful, updated 3/2/2 home in Fannin Terrace. A must see $264,500
701 W. Pine-Beautifully maintained 3/2/2 home. Lots of updating $195,000
3217 Lockhart Dr.-Charming 3 bdrm/2bth home with great floor plan & location! Investors welcome! $189,900
3018 Baumann Ave.-Can you say right place at right time? Open kitchen/den concept and garage enclosed for second living area $175,000
3410 Hedgewood-Lovely property that is meticulously maintained by owner. All 3 rooms are very spacious $1,350/Month

Four Bedrooms

2302 Stanolind-Coveted Warwick - 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, more in reality! $559,000
2900 Seaboard-Heart of Warwick! Gorgeous landscaping, great home and full guest house! $549,000
1600 E. Co. Rd. 1213-Great country property! New appliances, granite, wood shutters and more! $499,900
10 Saddle Club Dr.-4 bdr/3.5 ba, detached game room and workshop $479,500
1917 Glidewood-Magnificent 4 bdr/3 bth home w/12' ceilings and unmatched storage! Gourmet kitchen and butlerys pantry separate spa! $695,000
2105 Co. Rd. 1060-Beautiful custom 4bdr/3bth Tom Woodruff resale on 5 acres w/all the bells and whistles! $499,000
1913 Ridgecrest Ct.-Gently lived in one owner 4 bedroom/3.5 bath Mid*Persian resale w/spindles, lovely mature landscaping and pool and spa! $497,900
Lot1160 E. County Rd. 129-New construction 4 bedroom/3.5 bath home in The Meadows. Call Holly to make selections such as granite, brick, etc $449,900
2607 E. Co. Rd. 110-Beautiful 4 bdr/3bth Addington home offers quiet spacious country living w/all the bells & whistles! $447,900
2601 Tamewood Trees-Beautifully updated 4 Bedroom/3.5 bath home in Green Tree! $429,900
1707 Cuthbert Ave.-Great 4 bedroom/3 bath home for entertaining and family living, grand pool and patio! Designed by Joe Pat Payne with many extras! $428,000
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2900 Seaboard-Heart of Warwick! Gorgeous landscaping, great home and full guest house! $549,000
3 Oak Lawn Park-Updated in Meadowpark! Open living and kitchen area! $389,000
2105 Co. Rd. 1060-Beautiful custom 4bdr/3bth Tom Woodruff resale on 5 acres w/all the bells and whistles! $499,000
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New Construction

4401 Llano Ct.-Beautiful 4br/2bth, 4th bedroom has doors, closet & wood floors - perfect flex room, home office, formal dining, 2nd living or 4th bedroom ..... SOLD / $279,000
Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build your dream home. Greenwood subdivision w/acreage ..... $80-$90

Town Houses and Patio Homes

4302 Dawnridge-3BR/2BA/2 gar, patio home $299,000
4304 Dawnridge-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home $299,000
4306 Dawnridge-3BR/2BA/2 gar patio home $299,000
606 Lisbon-Charming, updated, affordable classy 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath townhome under $120,000 ..... $119,900

For Lease

1903 Club-One yr. old beautiful open floorplan townhome with 2 bdrms/2 baths $2,100/Month
2410 Wedgewood-Lovely property that is meticulously maintained by owner. All 3 rooms are very spacious $1,350/Month
2300 #14B Calders Park-Extremely clean & cute updated condo with two spacious bdrms & two baths $1,000/Month
1400 Connell St.-4,000 sq. ft. industrial/whse w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or prep yard. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111 ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
10001-A W. Wenger, Odessa-For sublease, 7,750 shop & 1,500 sq. ft. of office, on I-20 Service Rd. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111

Lots, Land and Acreage

Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build you dream home ..... $80-$90
E. Co. Rd. 1129-Could be a great location for cattle and livestock, truck yard, pipe yard, etc. on 160 acres in Greenwood $2,000,000
Lot, West Woodley & Lots Still to West Odessa-111x35 acres, terrific frontage. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111 ..... $1,250,000
S. Co. Rd. 1150-Commercial acreage for warehouse, storage, etc. 325.5 acres in Greenwood $1,000,000
1160 E. Co. Rd. 150-36.29 acres with a 4,500 sf mainshop, mobile home can stay for $50,000. Perfect for oil field equipment or prep yard. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111 ..... $491,129
6800 Block W. Co. Rd. 120-Commercial lots for sale. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111 ..... $250,000
2905 S. County Rd. 1184-Spacious 3BR, great country property $299,000
5702 Swan Ridge Dr.-Acres - Perfect for one home w/lots of land or nice location to develop a small community $299,000
W. County Rd. 129-Ready to develop! $299,000
84 Lovell Rd.-Sun Angels lot & half house, Lake Nasworthy $249,000
4405 Green Tree Blvd.-Lot in Green Tree North 0.18 acres $179,900
1160 W. County Rd. 84 1/2 W - 5 acre, in a great residential neighborhood $175,000
2905 Wagoner Oaks Ct.-0.224 acre lot in Mockingbird Oaks $27,500
E. Co. Rd. 129-Four 1 acre lots in new subdivision in Greenwood - The Meadows $40,000

Commercial Buildings/Business Property

1400 Connell St.-4,000 sq. ft. industrial/whse w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
S. County Rd. 1184-Spacious 3BR, great country property $299,000
1400 Connell St.-4,000 sq. ft. of Class A office space - entire floor/Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
3410 Carleton-For Lease, beautiful custom office building, approx. 2,100 sq. ft. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
501 Andrews Hwy.-Approx. 9,301 sq. ft. office building, great location - near hospital ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
Continental Tower-Downtown Midland, approx. 3,726 sq. ft., Class A Bldg. with covered parking ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
4000 W. Big Spring-Subleases in Class A Bldg., approx. 10,567 sq. ft. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
501 Andrews Hwy.-For lease, approx. 9,301 sq. ft. of very attractive site, convenient location-wise ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
3000 S. Co. Rd. 1276-2,330 acres with a 10,292 sf industrial warehouse/distribution facility. Fenced, gated and secured. Excellent International Airport, Grade level access and dock high loading ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111 ..... $800,000
911 S. Garfield St.-Ideal for money making commercial building $650,000
2311 Dorset A, Midland-For lease, 1,000 sq. ft. office/retail, great for office complex. Call Bill Scott $575/month
1400 Connell St.-Downtown 2,478 sq. ft. of custom office space in the Caldera Plaza Complex. Convenient access to Loop 250 ..... $2,500/Month
3410 Carleton-For Lease, Industrial Park ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nail 682-1111
12523 West I-20-For Lease, Approx. 4,000 sq. ft., light or medium duty manufacturing or as warehouse space. Call Bill or Brandee @ 682-1111 ..... $4,000/Month

Out of Town Properties

91 Ward Rd.-Fabulous Lake Howard getaway. This 3 bdrms/2bth home is located within HOA gated community in Oak Canyon Estates. Public dock for residents only $249,900



"MAN CAVE" New storage on 1788. 1500-4500 square ft starting at $950 RV's/cars/industrial ask for Don 352-2067.

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MOTORHOME FOR Rent. 35D/2BA. $1300/mo plus $1500 deposit. Call 432-210-4955, 432-634-4702 until 5pm, after 5pm text message only for more details.

RVs and RV Spaces- All bills included. Call 432-770-7054 or 432-634-0976.

Mobile Homes for Sale

BEAUTIFUL 3YR manufactured home for sale $79,000. 3-2 Solitaire, 1566sft with extras like 10x12 shed, water filter, water softener and reverse osmosis filter. Located in Airline Mobile Home Park, must have park approval before purchase. 870-200-1289

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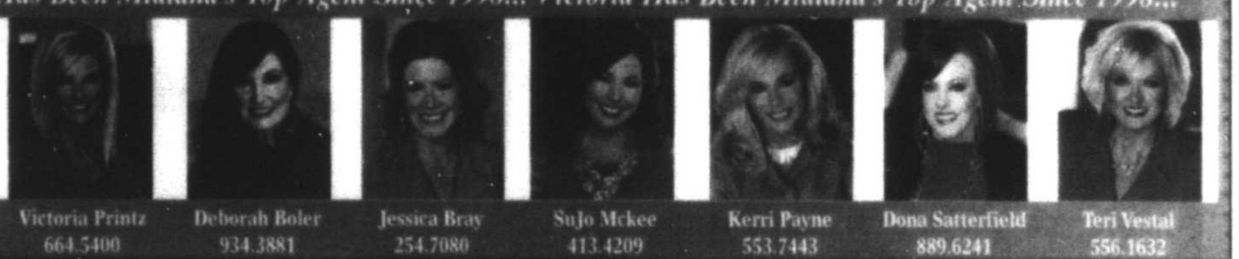


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4+ BEDROOMS

2109 Deanna Ln. - Spectacular & totally updated 5 bed/5 full bath/1 half bath/4 living (studio, theatre, formals, great room, game room), gym/2 complete kitchens! $1,100,000

3201 Elkins - Want something unique & wonderful? Unbelievable showplace on almost 20 acres with guest house! $995,000

4916 Tallahoma Corner - Absolutely spectacular santa fe style dream home on 3.43 Acres complete w/barn (4-horse stalls & tack room)/ workshop (70x32 w/5 additional garages)/5 carport/bath room & dazzling pool! $990,000

3802 Trinity - Trinity area w/mature fruit trees, 1/2 acre lot (.501) w/pool, sport court, gazebo & large yard areas! $10K decorating allowance! $895,000

4402 Tuxbrook - Fantastic 4 bed/4 bath/3 car. Custom on 2 irrigated acres with Workshop and Barn! $695,000

2102 Deanna Ln - This fabulous home is coming to the market soon! Seller is moving out & home will have fresh interior paint & new carpet in bedrooms! $649,900

4809 Bent Tree Trail - Spectacular cosrner views! 4 Bed/3 bath/2 dining/2 living/3 car garage home in green tree north! $539,900

8101 Castlefield - Spacious & open floor plan! 4 Bed/2.5 Bath/2 car garage! Wonderful outdoor living area! $469,900

5432 Rosewood Circle - Absolutely spectacular & totally updated 4 bed/3 bath/3 car gar home w/bourne view! $439,000

5501 Drexel - Spacious & elegant 4 bed/2.5 Bath/3 garage w/detached game room used as additional bedroom w/wet bar & half bath! $399,900

5501 Highland - Fantastic 4 bed/3.5 Bath/2 living/2 dining/4 car gar home w/45 ft+ rv parking pad w/hook up on cul-de-sac! $389,900

2508 Shell Avenue - Absolutely lovely & totally updated (since 2012) 5 bed/3 bath/2 living/2 dining/2 car gar w/all hard-surface flooring $369,900

1804 Castlefield - Must see this large 4 bed/3 bath/2 bed/3 dine home in prestigious polo park close to swimming pool, club house & courts $349,900

3206 Rae - Fabulous & super spacious 4 bed/3 bath/4 living area (greatroom, formal, game room & study)-located in 5 bedroom(s) updated home w/dazzling pool! $299,900

2006 S CR 1120 - Great investment property - live in the 4 bedroom brick family home and collect $1,400 per month from 2 separate spaces for mobile homes! $279,000

1520 Kingford St. - Fabulous 4 bedroom 3 bath 2 living home in wonderful old midland area! Total remodel in process! $256,000

5902 Comanche - Fantastic 4 bed/2.5 Bath/2 garage with curb appeal! Gated front courtyard! $239,000

8216 Blue Heron Drive - Spectacular mark payne resale 4 bedrooms/2 bath home w/ 2 car garage located on a large corner lot! $200,000

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

409 Pinewood Court- One of midland's most fabulous homes with surprise & delight! 3 (Huge) bed/3.5 Bath/2 living/3 car garage! $375,000

5709 Wyoming - Beautiful & spacious home w/4 car garage. New gorgeous wood-like tile (carpet in bedrooms)! $360,500

5210 Quicksand Drive - Fabulous & gorgeous 3 bedroom/ 2.5 Bath/ 2 dining/ gourmet kitchen home on a corner lot in Greathouse! $317,000

2502 W Dengar - Sparkling pool with cabana, 3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 3 living areas make this outstanding home very versatile! $312,000

6000 S E FM 1788 - Beautiful like new home on acreage with 2 large bedrooms, 2 baths and large shop (40x40)/2 car garage! $275,000

9106 Rio Grande - Fantastic floor design! Open concept kitchen, dining and living room combine to make a great room! $258,000

4420 Gloucester - Fantastic 3 bed, 2 bath, 2 living, 2 dining home in fairmont park! $230,900

2304 Regal - Darling home on quiet cul-de-sac in great location has 3 bedrooms/2 baths/2 car garage $199,900

2605 Gillespie Lane - Fabulous 2010 2 bed/2bath/2 garage-low maintenance home with granite in kitchen & bathrooms! $184,900

405 S Colleen St. - Absolutely spectacular new construction from g. O. Homes! Very large backyard with cedar block fence and oversized covered patio! $165,000

701 S. Lincoln - Absolutely spectacular new construction from g. O. Homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite, tons of cabinets! $165,900

942 E Whidbe. Garrett - Best yard in town, 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living area home with huge backyard! $159,900

3912 W Michigan - Cute 3 bedroom/2 bath/2 car garage home w/fresh exterior & interior paint! $139,900

4000 Avondale - Beautiful cottage with wrap around porch & large yard! Decorator touches throughout this well taken care of home! $117,000

1315 East 30th - Charming brick/siding house w/whirlpool gas range & frigerator! Spacious den open to dining area & kitchen! In Odessa $89,900

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

4107 E County Rd. 1247 - RV PARK with clubhouse and 2 cabins! 26 RV spots rent for $575 / month + 2 cabins rent for $1,200 / month! $1,600,000

2006 S CR 1120 - Great investment property - live in the 4 bedroom brick family home and collect $1,400 per month from 2 separate spaces for mobile homes! $279,000

2010 E FM 1212 - Fabulous country property on 17.388 Acres, all fenced with 6 wells w/solar pumping, storage building, over 12 tanks! $225,000

4921 North County Road 1147 - Looking for a place to build with acreage & privacy? Fantastic location! Ten acres, home site & 1,440 sq. ft. $148,000

7013 CR 52 - Ideal 4.51 acre investment property for building a spectacular home with a grand southern view of downtown Midland! $135,000

4109 County Rd. 61 - 2 acre building site in established north east Midland residential subdivision! $89,000

2221 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivision! Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! $75,000

1975 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivision! Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! $62,400

Cutter Estates - Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision! Cutter Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $35,000 per lot! $36,000

UNDER CONTRACTS & SOLDS!

4433 Verde Glen Court	UNDER CONTRACT!	5209 Green Tree
1008 La Caverna Van Horn	UNDER CONTRACT!	5800 Crista Lane
3708 Sentinel	UNDER CONTRACT!	5701 Hillcrest Place
4011-A SCR 1177	UNDER CONTRACT!	2113 Marcie Lane
2914 Purple Sage	UNDER CONTRACT!	4011 S Cal Rd 1177
2925 Maxwell Drive	UNDER CONTRACT!	4605 Woodhollow
2500 W McCormick Odessa	UNDER CONTRACT!	6007 W County Rd 64
4101 SCR 1184	UNDER CONTRACT!	2100 Hughes
5711 Heartland	UNDER CONTRACT!	4016 Roosevelt Drive
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		1204 Sparks
		5216 Brazos
		5002 Sterling Place
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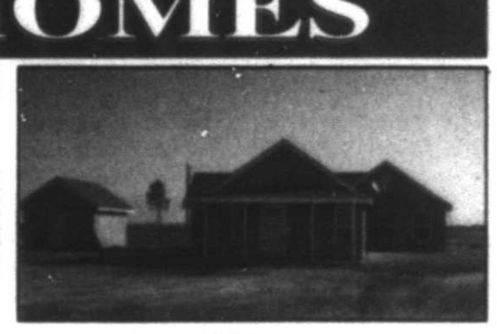
3804 NEELY AVE.
$199,000
Nice 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with many updates. Two living areas - one with wood burning fireplace. Kitchen has lovely dark finsih cabinets and new tile flooring. Large inside utility/storage is off of the kitchen. Nice size bedrooms and two full baths. Large landscaped back yard with storage building. The attic has blown in insulation for more efficient cooking and heating. Carpet allowance.
Call Sharon Horton, 853-7875



424 ELM AVE.
$175,000
Immaculate home with brand new tile flooring throughout and OPEN CONCEPT. Just about everything in the house is like new from the paint to the garage. Schedule an appointment ASAP as you will not be disappointed. Owners took amazing care of this home and it will not last long.
Call Alden Chiu, 230-9613



717 W. PINE
$205,000
Charming home with tons of space and new renovations like hardwood floors, tile, paint and fixtures. This home has a huge 2nd living room that can be used as a den, gameroom or theater room. LOCATION is amazing. The park is adjacent to the back yard and is located close to shopping and restaurants. Storage shed in the back is a bonus as well as the quarter acre lot.
Call Alden Chiu, 230-9613



1210 N. COUNTY RD. 1081
$169,900
A GREAT place for serene country living in Greenwood ISD!! Home has 2 VERY LARGE bedrooms. Huge walk-in closets. Very nice bathroom with pretty tile. Beautiful floors! Has zoned A/C! Great workshop with electricity too. Lots of storage room! With 2.8 acres, there's PLENTY OF SPACE to add on in the future! Call your Realtor to schedule a visit.
Call Estella Aleman, 352-2586

4+ BEDROOM			3 BEDROOM			3 BEDROOM		
2101 PARTON WAY	FACT ID #1035	$465,000	504 S. CO. RD. 1085	FACT ID #1085	$314,900	424 ELM AVE	FACT ID #1090	$175,000
5305 HILLTOP DR	FACT ID #1077	U/C	5205 TEAKWOOD	FACT ID #1340	U/C	511 BROWNWOOD	FACT ID #1038	U/C
5409 DAK CREEK DR		$395,500	1215 W MISSOURI	FACT ID #1082	$269,500	4603 ANETTA	FACT ID #1037	SOLD
301 SKYWOOD CIRCLE	FACT ID #1721	$369,900	6508 FRIO	FACT ID #1077	SOLD	712 PINE AVE	FACT ID #1069	U/C
4307 VALLEY DR	FACT ID #1035	$339,000	2307 HERMITAGE CT	FACT ID #1057	$284,000	2702 MICHIGAN AVE	FACT ID #1078	U/C
1908 APPLE CREEK ROAD		$341,000	4823 SPRING MEADOW	FACT ID #1025	$278,000	1320 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD		$69,900
3208 BLOSSOM	FACT ID #1080	U/C	2 LINDA COURT	FACT ID #1318	$250,000	7100 AIRLINE	FACT ID #1088	$43,000
9100 RIO GRANDE AVE	FACT ID #1033	$524,500	3508 IMPERIAL AVE		U/C	2 BEDROOM		
525 NOLAN RYAN	FACT ID #1283	$310,000	4003 COUNTY RD. 1247		$235,000	701 W. SINCLAIR AVE	FACT ID #1661	SOLD
3908 RIO GRANDE	FACT ID #1075	U/C	715 NOLAN RYAN DR	FACT ID #1067	U/C	1210 N. CO. RD. 1081	FACT ID #1029	$169,900
4 BUBBLING CT	FACT ID #1081	U/C	2603 NORTHROP	FACT ID #1080	$225,000	1501 E. 17TH		$135,000
4100 COUNTRY CLUB DR	FACT ID #1086	SOLD	717 W. PINE	FACT ID #1206	$205,000	3307 HILL AVE	FACT ID #0851	SOLD
5501 CEDARWOOD	FACT ID #1054	SOLD	3809 FANNIN AVE	FACT ID #1036	$200,000	COMMERCIAL		
2307 HERMITAGE CT		$284,000	3804 NEELY	FACT ID #1045	$199,000	6293 E. CO. RD. 67	FACT ID #1029	$300,000
3 BEDROOM			4106 GLENEAGLES	FACT ID #1221	U/C	LAND		
1201 E. CO. RD. 1075	FACT ID #1249	SOLD	2508 COUNTRY CLUB DR	FACT ID #1356	U/C	13416 W COUNTY RD. 150		$200,000
3008 NOTAE PLACE	FACT ID #1219	$385,900	1305 PACIFIC AVE	FACT ID #1094	SOLD	ODESSA		
9340 E VALLEY MEADOW	FACT ID #1062	$378,900	107 N BENTWOOD	FACT ID #1089	SOLD	7448 W. 15TH ST	FACT ID #1081 RESIDENTIAL LOT/ 0.19 ACRES	PRICE REDUCTION $27,000
9113 RIO GRANDE	FACT ID #1073	SOLD	211 WALKER CT	FACT ID #1067	$185,000	3708 E 33RD ST. ODESSA	FACT ID #1080	$230,000
16 LAFAYETTE	FACT ID #1038	SOLD	211 WALKER COURT		$185,000			

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NEW & ACTIVE LISTINGS

4005 Cardinal-Amazing property w/3.997 acres, 4 bd, 4 1/2 ba home w/guest house, RV storage, pool, huge outdoor kitchen **$2,500,000**
30 Ac. Mockingbird Lane-11 platted lots, 2+ acres each **$1,900,000**
4200 ECR 63-New construction in Bonito Estates, 4bd, 3 ba, 3 car gar, 2 AC **$737,900**
5150 E. Hwy 158-home & business combo, see details/pix at 5150ehwy158.epropertysites.com **$695,000**
Dove Acres FM 1213-115 acres see details/pix at fm1213.ePropertySites.com **$599,000**
4116 Baybrook-5bd, 3 1/2ba, Mockingbird Heights, pool, cabana **$599,000**
4209 Wood-Gorgeous like new 4bd, 3.5ba, 2la, 3 car in Mockingbird Hts **$519,000**
South CR 1140 - 24 Acres more or less **$496,000**
6702 Mosswood-New construction 4br, 3ba, 4 car garage, Robert Graham **$486,458**
6704 Mosswood-4br, 3 ba, new construction **$486,458**
6409 Sequoia-4bd, 31/2 ba w/Pool -Green Tree low maint. Updated throughout **$450,000**
4122 Fox Hollow-Immaculate 4 bed, 3 bath, 2 liv, 3 car garage in Trinity West **$415,000**
3102 Stanolind-MaMar Terrace 4 bd, 3½ ba, 2 liv, 2 din, huge addition sunroom w/walls of windows **$399,000**
FM 715 - 28 AC MORE OR LESS LAND! **$395,000**
2912 Shanks-3bd, 2½ ba on 1 3 acres, 2 water wells. Nicely updated **$335,000**
4801 Knights Pl.-Polo Park Estates! Updated 3 bed, 2.5 bath, 2 living, 2 garage **$315,000**
2804 Caldera Blvd - 4bd, 3ba, in law plan **$299,900**
4209 Irvin Dr.-3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 living, 2 dining, pipe fence for horses **$279,900**
3206 Haynes-3 br, 2.5 ba, indoor pool **$265,000**
1802 E. Pecan St.-New construction, 3 or 4bd, 2ba, 2car, 2 story **$259,000**
1303 McDonald-Attractive & spacious 3bd, 2 ba, 2LA, 2 car gar **$242,900**
3336 Providence-Nicely updated 3br, 2ba, 2 car garage **$219,000**
4702 Bedford St.-Pretty home, updated! 3 bed, 2 ba, 2LA's, 2 car carport. Move-in Ready! **$199,900**
Commerical Lots - 10 Lots on Front St **$199,000**
709 Mogford-Adorable 3bd, 2ba, 2 living, 2 garage w/water well, wood floors, high ceiling **$189,900**
12700 ECR 81- 3 bedroom 2 bath 2013 Mobile Home w/ 8.53 acres 2 convex storage buildings & 2 water wells **$169,000**
4310 Parkdale-Dollhouse 2 bd, 2 ba, fantastic grounds, total remodel **$159,900**
503 Brooks Dr.-3 bed, 1 ba, 2 LA, recent windows **$135,000**
111 Blue Dr., Odessa-4 bed, 2 ba **$129,900**
4209 ECR 61-2 34 AC, Bonito Estates **$104,130**
4001 ECR 61-2 34 AC, Bonito Estates **$104,130**
1410 Lamesa-2bd, 1ba, .641 acres, commercial **$99,000**
4201 ECR 61-2 AC, Bonito Estates **$89,000**
2605 W. Washington-Cute 2/1, hardwood floors, neutral paints, large utility room **$84,900**
407 N. Fort Worth-2 bed, 1 ba **$85,000**
Bonito Estates - MISD New Home Lots ..... **$89,000-$104,000**
Champion's Run - GISD - New home lots, gated community, 1.5-2 AC ..... **$61,750-$95,000**

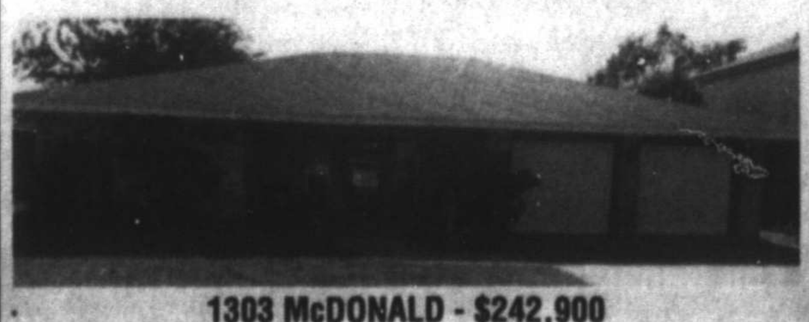
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4005 CARDINAL - $2,500,000
Amazing property w/3.997 Acres, 4 bd, 4 1/2 ba house w/guest house. RV storage, pool, huge outdoor kitchen!



4310 PARKDALE - $159,900
Dollhouse 2 bd, 2 ba, fantastic grounds, total remodel!



1303 McDONALD - $242,900
Attractive & spacious 3 bd, 2 ba, 2 LA, 2 car gar.

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2705 Haynes - $219,900
3bd, 2ba, 2 car gar, 1,600 sq ft, no carpet, hardwood floors, tile throughout, vaulted ceilings, updated kitchen and bathrooms, fenced backyard


2705 N. Comanche - $179,900
3bd, 2ba, 1,200 sq ft, new flooring, fresh paint throughout, updated kitchen and bathrooms, fenced backyard on a large lot.


4505 Wellington Lane - $300,000
4 bed, 2.5 bath, living, Low Maintenance Landscape on corner lot, 2 living areas, vaulted ceilings


5612 Casa Grande - $417,000
4 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage, 2,000 sq ft, Stainless steel appliances


5514 Casa Grande - $427,000
4 bed, 3 bath, Stunning new ASA home, Energy efficient w/3% High end finishes

NEW LISTING


411 Helen Rose - $260,000
3 bed, 2 bath Detached home in coveted Legends Park, Open floor plan with HUGE Kitchen/living area.

NEW PRICE


$260 Foreclosure - $255,000
Incredible price for this spacious 4 bed/2 bath and 2 car garage home with 1,800 sq ft, on a 1/2 acre!

NEW LISTING


4717 Ridgewood Place- $529,000
Stunning 4 bedroom, quadplex pool, lots of living w/ walls of windows, high ceilings, huge bedrooms.

4+ BEDROOMS

5 La Promesa, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 4.5 Bath, Super Floor Plan w/Double Master Bedrooms, Full Outdoor Kitchen & Fireplace!	New Construction! $1,109,000
5408 Rockingham - 5 Bedroom, 5 Bath, 2 Story Home w/ Low Concierge! Brand New Plan by Summit Homes!	New Construction! $1,000,000
2504 Tested - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, Outdoor Kitchen, Pool/Hot Tub, Almost 5,000 sqft Barn! Call for more details!	SOLD! $1,075,000
4300 Dominion- 5 bed 4 bath, incredible price on this luxurious estate, perfect for entertaining	New Price! $625,000
5017 Mira Vista - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, Designer's Choice Here! Outdoor Kitchen, Guest House, Pool, & More!	New Price! $599,000
201 Ridge Line, Alpine - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Large enough to be corporate retreat! 77+ Acres in the Mountains!, Guest House, Barn!	New Price! $600,000
2501 Homeward - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath In Coveted Greenwood West! This Ones LOADED! Still Time to Make Selections! Est. Completion July 201	SALE PENDING! $617,000
4701 C De Ha 45 - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath Country Living w/MISD Schools! Stone Floors, Cedar Beams!	New Listing! $594,200
2012 Fitzgerald - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, Beauty w/Gourmet Kitchen, Media Room & Walls of Windows!	SOLD! $568,000
4601 Rockwell - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, New Floor Plan Almost Construction! Easy Patio Style Home! $3,500 Buyer's Incentive!	SALE PENDING! $450,000
4109 Radcliff- Beautiful brick home on quiet cul/desac	SALE PENDING! New Price! $404,900
2013 Edgebrook - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, 3 Living, Open Plan, HUGE Home w/Fabulous Party Pool Room!!! Gorgeous Pool w/3 Water Falls & Hot Tub!	SOLD! $440,000
23 Durham, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Gorgeous NEW Rosas Home! Custom Accents, Faux Texture Treatments!	SALE PENDING! $427,500
5514 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Stunning New ASA Home! Energy Efficient, High End Finishes!	New Price! $427,000
10 Marseilla, Odessa 72 - Huge rooms, custom cabinets, granite throughout, pick your colors!	$404,900
5612 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, ASA Home Est. Completion 8/15, Huge Pantry, Stainless Appliance Package	New Price! $417,000
5407 Hillcrest - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, Designer's Choice in Standard Estates! 3/4s Rich Saggy Earth Tone Accents, Retro Lighting! Don't Miss This Jewel!!! Seller will pay up to $1,000 of buyer's closing costs	New Price! $399,000
3225 Fairfield- Builder's personal home w/lots of high end upgrades	New Listing! $395,000
5504 Ridgewood - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath Grassland Estates Beauty w/Sequestered Master, Dream Bath & Custom Granite Kitchen	SALE PENDING! $395,000
5208 Dallas - 4 bed, 3 bath, Fabulous home with soaring ceilings, ceramic tile, sequestered Master...A Must See	SALE PENDING! $385,000
4413 Guadalupe - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Brand NEW Construction in Los Patios! Still Time to Make Selections. Est. Completion May 2015	New Construction! $376,000
5314 Dallas - 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Beautifully landscaped Bronson Home on quiet cul/desac, amazing detail and oversized rooms	SALE PENDING! $354,900
5409 Ridgewood Ct.-4 bed, 3 bath, sequestered master, updated kitchen, brazilian hardwood floors	SALE PENDING! $339,900
12701 E Co Rd. 89-Tons of upgrades, 2 living areas, sequestered master, spa room w/hot tub. On 5 Acres!	New Price! $317,000
4508 Rustic Trail - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath plus Bonus Room! Open Floor Plan! In Green Tree North	SOLD! $299,000
1415 Tejas - 4 Bed, 2 Bath on over a half acre, wrap around porch, open living area, country kitchen, re-done Master Bath w/Japanese soaking tub,huge bonus room upstairs	New Listing $298,000
3116 Chelsea Place-loaded with options, Plantation shutters, open living area with oversized kitchen	$290,000
4012 Norwood St.-4 bed, 3 bath in desirable area, oversized lot and tons of space	SALE PENDING! $254,900
3302 E Co Rd 144 - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Story Home on 5 Acres! Main House 3BR, 2BA, Guest House 1BR, 1BA, Great Investment Home!	New Price $242,000
1700 N. Garfield-Great Starter home with circular drive on large lot	New Price! $180,000

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

1500 Shirley - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Fantastic Low Maintenance Town Home! ALL REDONE! Very Tasteful Trendy & Fun!	New Price! $309,900
1207 Estelle - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Beautiful New ASA Home, Huge Open Plan w/High Ceilings! Located on a Quiet Cul-de-sac in Los Patios	New Price! $299,900
2405 W. Gulf Course Rd - 3 Bed, 2.5 Bath. Built in the 40's, wood moldings, enormous windows, updated kitchen & baths, unfinished guest quarters, on a HUGE lot	New Listing! $295,000
3116 Chelsea Place - The cutest home on the market, in this price range!	New Price! $290,000
4010 Rustic Trail - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2,200+sq. ft. Spectacular! Updates!!! Green Tree North!	SOLD! $274,000
2911 Cedar - Townhome w/Solarium, Fabulous Plan, Party Patio & Hot Tub!	SALE PENDING! $235,000
1936 Haynes - 3 Bed, 2.5 Bath. Great location right by the park, low maintenance front courtyard, oversized rooms and front entry garage	New Listing! $219,900
4004 Leisure Dr. - Updated top to bottom. Nothing left to do!	SALE PENDING! $214,900
5306 Conner Ct. - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Low Maintenance Northgate Townhouse!	SOLD! $200,500
1703 Rio Grande - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Light & Bright w/Wonderful! Skylights and Great Back Patio!	SOLD! $199,000
2101 N "F" St. - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Totally Redone in the Heart of Midland! Custom Granite Kitchen. Awesome Baths!	SOLD! $195,000
3501 Cornell - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath w/ Huge Patio! Lots of Updates!!! 18" Tile!	New Price! $189,900
608 W Wilshire - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath. Spacious 2 Living, 2 Dining, over 2,300 sq.ft ! Close to Downtown! AS IS SALE. Renovation Ready!	New Price! $189,000
1400 W. Kentucky - 3 Bed, 2 Bath. Completely remodeled	New Listing $179,900
1000 Cuthbert - Great home in Old Midland at unbelievable price!	SALE PENDING! $169,000
5411 FM 715 - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Clean Country Property w/Horse Stalls!	New Listing! $150,000
4709 Boulder #307 - 1 Bedroom, 1 Bath Fairmont Condominium, Ground Level w/Enclosed Patio!	New Price! $62,500

LOTS & ACREAGE

3501 Eastridge, Odessa - 1.83 Acre, Seller will finance, appraised at $500,000!	$300,000
Hwy 190, Ozona - 300 Acres in Deer Canyon Ranch	$300,000
100 Solomon - Build Your Dream Home! 2.02 Acres	$300,000
1391 N Co Rd. 1001, Greenwood - 3.8 Acres to Build a Dream Home!	$75,000
1201-1207 Scarbrauer Dr - 4 Commercial Lots	$85,000
1103 E Gulf Course - Commercial Lot. Zoned LR-2	$80,000
2000 N Lamesa - Residential Lot. Build to Suite!	$40,000
405 & 407 Wadley - Prime Spot to Build! Residential Lots!	New Price! $35,000/each
E Co Rd. 90 - Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed.	Call Rex! 349-0140

COMMERCIAL

305 Sunset-Day care building for sale!	* $950,000
903 W Industrial - 4 Buildings on 1.5 Acres. Negotiable!	$594,000
1211 N Lamesa - Commercial Building. Zoned LR-2	$89,900

HOT NEW PRICES

4300 Dominion	$625,000
5017 Mira Vista	$599,000
201 Ridge Line, Alpine	$600,000
4529 Bald Top	$549,900
4109 Radcliff Ct.	$404,900
5514 Casa Grande	$427,000
5612 Casa Grande	$417,000
5407 Hillcrest	$399,900
Hwy 190, Ozona-300 Acres in Deer Canyon Ranch	$300,000
1500 Shirley	$309,900
4307 Dublin	$299,900
12701 CR 89	$317,000
2303 ECR 144	$299,900
1936 Shirley	$269,900
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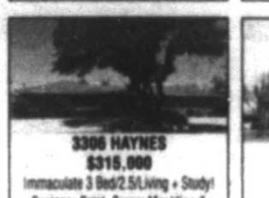


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FEATURED LISTINGS


5101 TEAKWOOD TRACE
$439,000
Gorgeous 4 Bed/3.5 Ba/2 Car In Green Tree! Gourmet Kitchen W/Granite, 3 Patios Perfect For Entertaining!


6207 DUNEARTON OAKS BLVD.
$995,000
Spectacular New construction by Troy Hunt Homes 5 bed, 5 bath, 4 car garage w/s Gameroom in Mockingbird Oaks!


5524 RIO GRANDE AVE.
$279,900
Super cute 3/2/2 Mark Payne Resale in Holiday Hill!


5205 HILLTOP
$625,000
Spacious 4000 sq. ft. home w/giant gourmet kitchen.

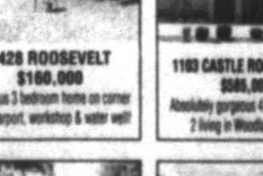

4514 PARKDALE
$189,900
4 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, natural light. Covered patio

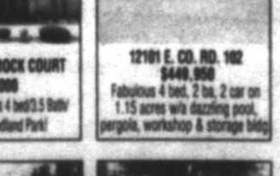

6009 QUEENS CT.
$299,900
Lovely 4 bed/3 bath on cul-de-sac. Updated kitchen w/granite!


3306 HAYNES
$315,000
Immaculate 3 Bed/2.5/Living + Study! Designer Paint, Crown Moulding & Granite Throughout! Beautiful Courtyard!


2024 MOSSWOOD
$725,000
Fabulous Robert Graham resale. 5 bed/4.5 bath/4 gar

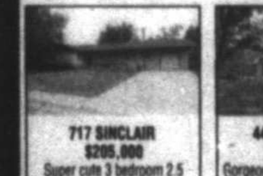

5107 ANETTA
$219,900
Well maintained 3 bed/2 bath home w/easy access to Bear Park & Loop 250!


4426 ROOSEVELT
$160,000
Spacious 3 bedroom home on corner lot w/carport, workshop & water well!


1103 CASTLE ROCK COURT
$685,000
Absolutely gorgeous 4 bed/3.5 Baths/ 2 living in Woodland Park!


12101 E. CO. RD. 102
$449,000
Fabulous 4 bed, 2 ba, 2 car on 1.15 acres w/s dazzling pool, pergola, workshop & storage bldg.


4909 WOODHOLLOW
$310,000
Fabulous move in ready 3 bed/ 2 bath/2 car house in Greenwood!


717 SINCLAIR
$205,000
Super cute 3 bedroom/ 2.5 Bath with updates plus large game room!


4411 CARDINAL
$1,800,000
Gorgeous oasis on 2 acres w/ guest house & pool in town!


770 NE 1500
ANDREWS TX, $1,300,000
beautiful country estate on 1 acre w/pool, hot tub & full outdoor kitchen!


UNDER CONTRACT
2400 W. SHANDON
$290,000
2051 sq.ft.
5 Bedrooms, 3 Baths!


UNDER CONTRACT
402 NEELY
$205,000
Adorable three bedroom/2 bath/2 garage built in 2007!


UNDER CONTRACT
4509 LA SALLE CIRCLE
$200,000
Spacious 3 Bed/2 Bath/2 garage on quite cul-de-sac!


UNDER CONTRACT
5609 LLANO CT
$299,900
Nice & Clean! Low Maintenance 4 bed/2 bath Mark Payne Resale in Holiday Hill!


UNDER CONTRACT
2904 CO. RD. 1060
$299,900
Nice 4bed/2bath/2car mitchell davis resale on 1 acre in Greenwood.


UNDER CONTRACT
3104 BOARDWALK
$215,000
1934 sq.ft.
3 Bedrooms, 2 Baths!


UNDER CONTRACT
2310 ASHLEY PL.
$245,000
Nice 4 bed/2 bath/2 car on a quite cul-de-sac


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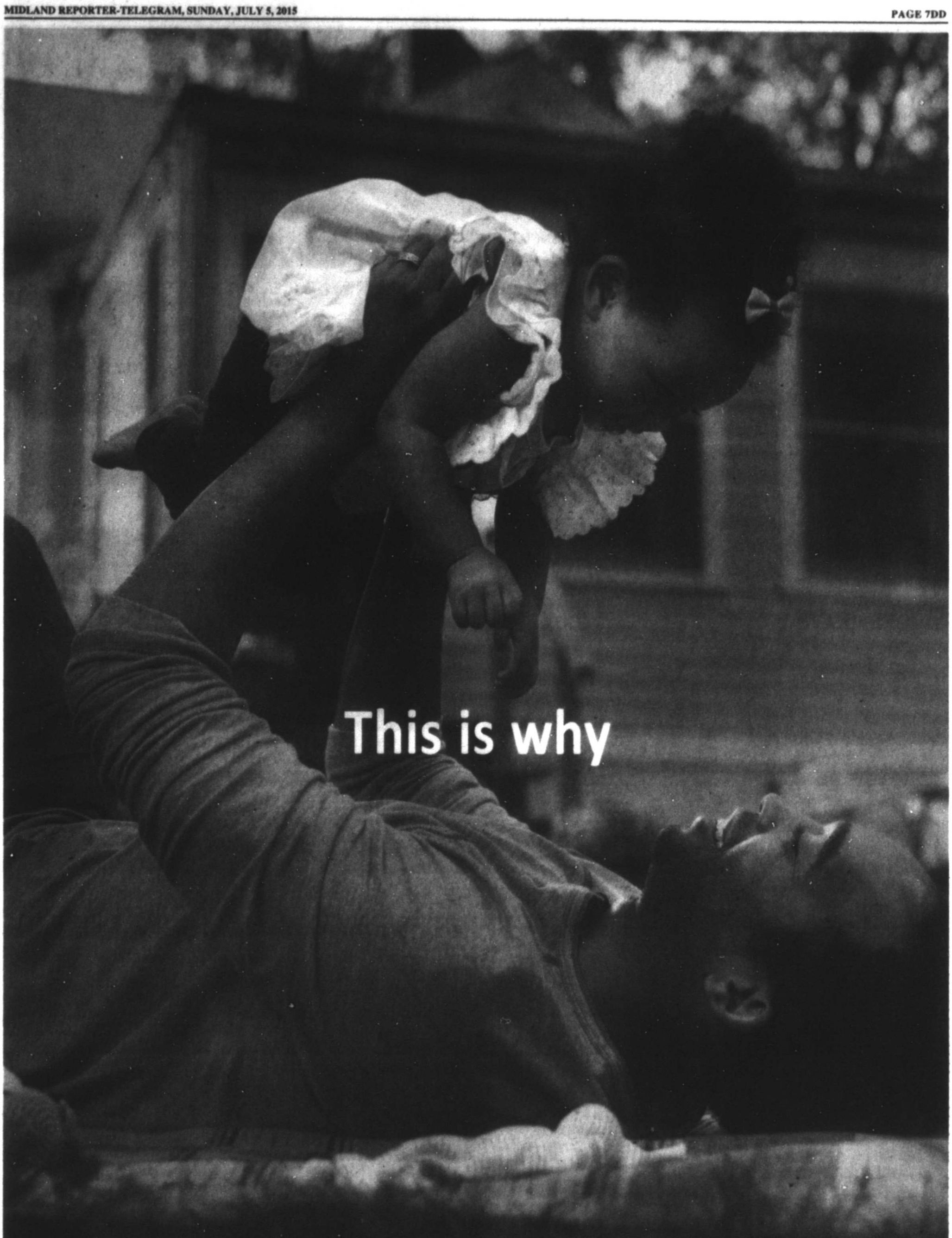
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4013 BAYBROOK CT. - $610,000...*Shown by Kate Christian*

OPEN 3:30-4:30



5312 CHESLEY CT. - $600,000...*Shown by Kate Christian*

ACTIVE LISTINGS



349 BARTLETT RD., CRANE
$747,000



5624 HATHAWAY CT.
$695,000



6506 MOCKINGBIRD LN.
$675,000



11509 W. CO. RD. 58
$600,000



58 LAFAYETTE PLACE
$520,000



2104 N. I ST.
$445,000



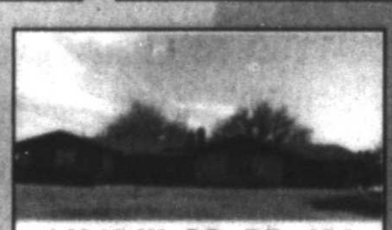
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$425,000



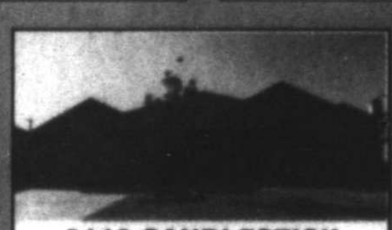
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4901 LANCASHIRE
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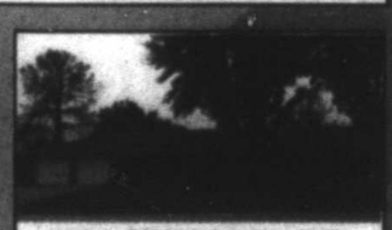
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6118 CANDLESTICK
$350,000



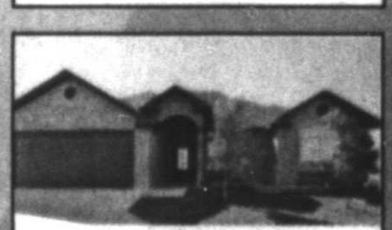
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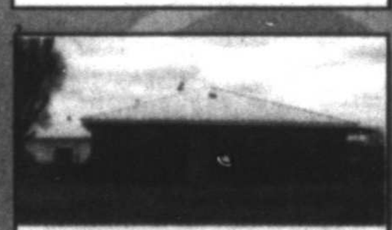
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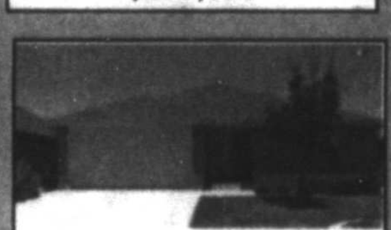
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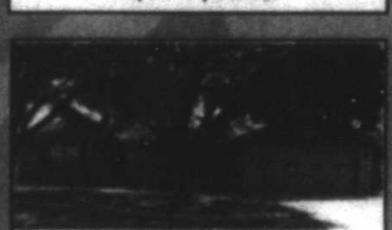
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Sunday Featured Homes!



3809 Todd Dr. - $425,000

Beautifully updated! Hardwood flooring! Recent paint thru-out (& popcorn ceilings removed!)Charming home is move in ready! Formal living! Large dining area! Nice kitchen w/breakfast bar, great pantry, solid wood cabinetry! Den w/fireplace & wet bar! High ceilings! Loaded w/storage! Roomy bedrooms! Master bath offers separate shower & jetted tub + great closet space! Covered patio! Fenced backyard! Workshop! Acreage!

800 Gulf Ave. - $190,000

Spacious home on large corner lot!Front living room is perfect for formal dining/office/playroom! Large den w/fireplace is open to dining area & kitchen! Roomy bedrooms! Great closet space! Master offers private updated bathroom! Recent windows eliminate road noise! Basement doubles as storm protection & additional living space! Nice yard w/water well! Extended patio w/hot tub! Storage shed!1 Car garage!





6506 Mockingbird Lane - $675,000

Gorgeous 4br/3.5Ba home features 2liv/2dining, stained concrete, plantation shutters, unique sliding barndoor, mudroom, large utility room + bonus room! Kitchen has granite counters, viking gas range, pot filler, dbl.Oven&built in coffee maker! Spacious master suite offers sitting area, access to patio/backyard, dual sinks, jacuzzi tub & large walk-in closet! Great covered patio & huge backyard all on almost an acre!

4013 Baybrook Dr. - $610,000

Gorgeously updated! 4/3.5! Hardwood floors! Formal living w/walls of windows! Formal dining! Den w/fp is open to breakfast dining, bar & kitchen! Plantation shutters! 3 Fireplaces! Wonderful gourmet kitchen features granite countertops, stainless appliances & lots of counter space & updated cabinetry! Spacious seq master offers a large bath w/separate closets, dual sinks & jetted tub! In-law plan! 2 Patios! 3Cg!





2104 N. J Street - $445,000

Unbelievable space in this classic home! Formal dining! Formal living w/views of pool! Cozy den w/fireplace is open to the kitchen/breakfast bar!Glass sunroom! 2 Roomy bedrooms w/hall bath downstairs! Master bedroom w/private bath & great closet on mid-level! 2 Great bedrooms & hall bath on upper level! Soooooooo much storage in this one! Pool w/ diving board & slide! Hot tub room outside! Fabulous location!

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Gardening Without Grief

With lawn and garden maintenance in full-swing, take care to avoid injury, aches and pains

By Kelly Lee-Creel | CTW Features



At first glance, planting a few flowers in the yard may seem like a low-risk activity. However, every year, gardeners are caught off guard by a slew of injuries from nagging back pain to sore wrists.

Sarah Thomas of Thomas Orthopedic & Sports Physical Therapy, Daytona Beach, Florida, says, "Many times you will see a gardener bent over at the waist with their rear end up in the air and their hands down at the ground where all the stress of bending is coming through the spine instead of the legs."

Thomas attributes most gardening injuries to "poor body mechanics." Other gardeners start out with good posture, but grow tired. "They fatigue and end up getting sloppy and hurting themselves."

Bruce Baker, owner of Radius Garden, Ann Arbor, Michigan, is familiar with this problem. Baker says, "I've been a gardener and landscaper all my life, but as I got older, I noticed that I – and other people that I knew – had problems with their hands and wrists."

On a flight to China, a woman that I was traveling with had blisters and torn-up skin on her hands," Baker says. "All she had been doing was planting a regular flower bed with a standard garden trowel. That's what inspired me to design a better garden tool."

Baker, a former software executive, designs the majority of Radius Garden's product line himself.

When selecting tools, he recommends gardeners look for tools that keep hands, forearms, and wrists in a natural position. "You want to hold your hand in a comfortable fist with your wrist in a neutral position. There are a variety of different tools out there, but ours follow a very simple curvature that allows you to use the tools in an ergonomic way."

Baker's favorite product is always the one he's working on now. In 2016, he is releasing a new line of cutting tools, sprinklers and nozzles.

Baker is particularly proud of the weeder he designed. "A lot of weeders that are out there snap the root or pinch the root. Our tools are like giant reinforced knives, and you can dig out an incredibly deep root with them."

Dan Cunningham, senior design engineer at Fiskars, is also busy making better tools. "Ergonomics is important for everything that humans interact with, especially for activities that are done in a repetitive manner," he says.

Pruning is a task that often leads to strain. "For a pruner, consumers should make sure that they don't have to stretch their hand in order to open the tool wide enough to cut branches," Cunningham says. "Stretching can lead to fatigue and is a sign that the pruner is too big."

Cunningham has a few tips for selecting tools. "For raking, digging or weeding, it is important to use a tool that is the right length to help keep the body in a more natural position. Pay attention to the weight and size of the tool, as well as how it fits in your hands. The keys to avoiding back pain and over-use injuries are to try to stay within a comfortable range of motions."

Thomas tells her patients to "start off with short periods of gardening and give their bodies 24 to 48 hours to respond in case it becomes painful." Thomas encourages gardeners to "train for this activity just like they would a sport" and to take frequent breaks. © CTW Features

Space Makers

How to create space without knocking down a wall

By Maria R. Miller | CTW Features

Structural issues sometimes make it impossible, or too costly, to expand a room by knocking down a wall.

There are a variety of decorating tricks, cosmetic enhancements and cabinetry styles that can help create space or at least make a kitchen or bathroom look larger.

Designers agree adding larger windows or more windows, or even a skylight, are ways to improve lighting and make a room look bigger.

"Have the window large enough or placed low enough that the bottom of the windowsill runs into the countertop," says Jonathan Legate, an interior design consultant from Halifax, Nova Scotia. "It makes it look a lot larger and creates space."

Another design tip from Legate to make the most of space in the kitchen is installing deeper cabinets or a wider countertop. He recommends a galley-style kitchen for small spaces.

"Those are ways to get bigger functions out of the same size space," he says. "If it's not big enough for an island countertop, on one side, make the countertop extra deep. The base cabinets can remain a standard 24 inches, but that extra bit of counter space makes the kitchen look bigger. You can use the back extra foot for storage and have two feet for prep work."

There are many ways to customize cabinets to maximize storage, including taking upper cabinets to the ceiling, making upper cupboards 18-inches deep instead of the standard 12 inches and integrating appliances in with the cabinetry so, for example, the refrigerator looks like a cabinet.

"The more of one surface you have, it makes the space seem visually larger," Legate says. "Using reflective surfaces can make a space feel brighter and lighter. And don't forget the idea of using pantry cupboards, they give you a lot more storage."

Innovations in cabinetry serve both an aesthetic and utility function. Today's designs feature decorative door inserts, holders for electronic devices and open shelves with backlit panels. They can be customized with built-in microwave cabinets, and a variety of drawers and pullouts. Larger cabinets offer more storage. Open shelves open up the space.

"You can do more open cabinets and choose larger sizes rather than a bunch of small cabinets," says Stephanie Pierce, senior design studio manager at MasterBrand Cabinets. "Larger drawers, wider doors offer added functionality inside those skews. You'll fit more in them and the larger doors tend to give a larger feel architecturally."

Designers agree changing the color palette, even a coat of lighter paint, can work wonders in a small kitchen or bath.

"Just bringing light into a space tends to make it feel bigger," Pierce says. "Lighter and brighter does do a lot to make a space feel bigger."



MasterBrand Cabinets

Designer Vanessa Deleon recently had a client who wanted to expand a shower in a condo, but structural issues left them with limited options. She used Carrara marble on the three walls with an updated door and it changed the entire look.

"They had an antiquated door that had a lot of trim work, so I gave them a shower door that was completely seamless," she says. "It's nice and bright and the shower area looks much larger now and it's the same size shower."

Keeping counters clutter free is another practical tip to make a room look larger.

"I go into a lot homes and they have the microwave oven and appliances on top of the kitchen countertop," says Deleon of Vanessa Deleon Associates in New York. "House all of your extra appliances in a cabinet and you can still utilize them by opening the drawer, so now you have all this space on your countertop and it doesn't look cluttered."

Many people try to cut costs on lighting, but it's also important to have three sources of light for safety reasons. It's worth investing in an overhead or chandelier light, extra recessed light and pendant lighting over a bar or island and under cabinets in the kitchen.

Lighting is even more important in the bathroom, Deleon says. The bathroom should include wall sconces by the mirror or medicine cabinet, a main overhead light and recessed lighting in a shower or over a tub. The lights should be on separate dimmer switches, especially if you want to create a spa atmosphere.

Another trend in bathrooms is to remove the large platform around a jetted tub or get rid of the whirlpool tub entirely. Freestanding or pedestal tubs with a separate shower have become more popular to save space. Partitions are another way to separate the toilet and vanity.

"You can use tile, floor to ceiling, to cut costs and create a really beautiful accent wall and the rest of the walls can be painted," she says. "There are a lot things you can do cosmetically that are going to work to your advantage."

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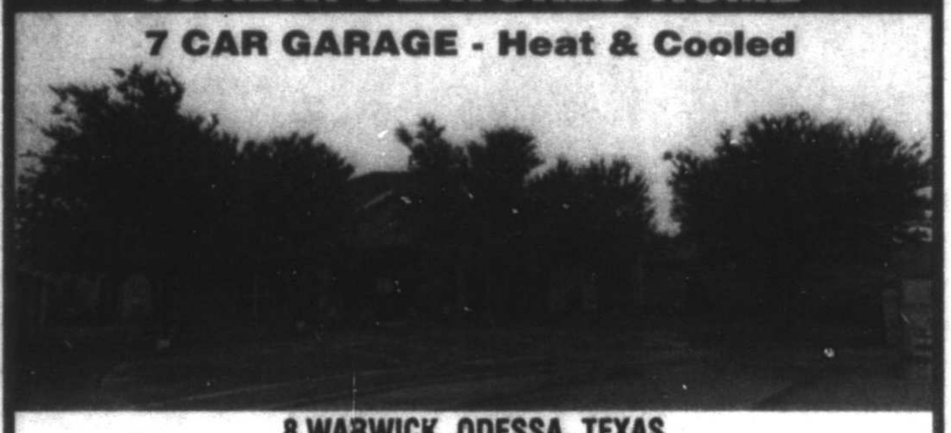


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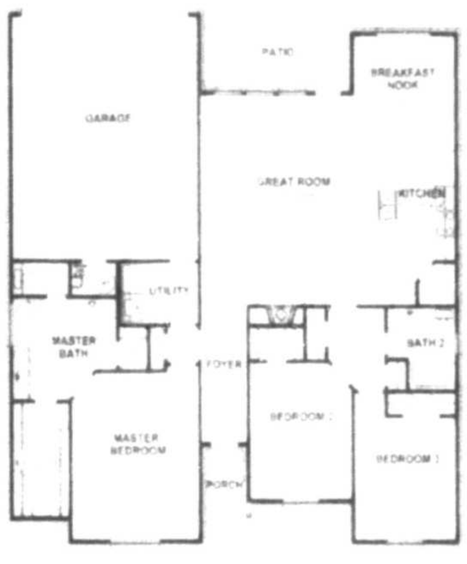
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2801 S. WOODRUFF RD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104100 ..... SALE PENDING
2908 HAYNES DR...Lisa Janssa 618-3389 ..... MLS #104718 ..... SALE PENDING
2402 CAMARIE...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $232,000
2302 CAMARIE...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #104805 ..... $225,000
2402 CAMARIE...Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... MLS #104749 ..... $224,000
709 AUSTIN...Denise Brasher 889-5027 ..... MLS #103099 ..... $219,900
1418 HAYES...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #103539 ..... $209,000
3501 MERRILL...Betty Hicks 553-8194 ..... MLS #104749 ..... $206,000
709 AUSTIN...Denise Brasher 889-5027 ..... MLS #103099 ..... $219,900
1418 HAYES...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #103539 ..... $209,000
3501 MERRILL...Betty Hicks 553-8194 ..... MLS #104749 ..... $206,000
3301 CORD...Elida Flatt 557-7159 ..... MLS #104916 ..... $187,000
4730 COUNTRY CLUB...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #104278 ..... $185,000
4911 RUSTIC WAY...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #102414 ..... $180,000
3210 KESSLER...Denise Brasher 889-5027 ..... MLS #104353 ..... SALE PENDING
4009 W. ILLINOIS AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104488 ..... $175,000
4412 PARKDALE DR...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #103551 ..... $165,000
295 S. CRESTVIEW DR...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #104743 ..... $94,900

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

5815 ECR 190...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #104230 ..... $1,500,000
2800 STANDLIND...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #103494 ..... SALE PENDING
4975 RUSTIC TRAIL...Lisa Janssa 618-3389 ..... MLS #103213 ..... SALE PENDING
6800 CACTUS TRAIL...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #104870 ..... $445,000
3809 TODD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #105012 ..... $425,000
1102 CASTLEFORD RD...Lisa Janssa 618-3389 ..... MLS #103413 ..... $395,000
5311 WIMBERLY SPRINGS...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #103737 ..... $390,000
4809 GREEN TREE BLVD...Michelle Leslkar 230-363 ..... MLS #104388 ..... $390,000
5800 LLANO CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103845 ..... $380,000
4812 TRINITY COURT...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ..... MLS #104840 ..... SALE PENDING
3402 FELDSPAR LANE...Janice Murrell 349-7245 ..... MLS #101330 ..... $349,900
2520 QUAIL POINT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #103709 ..... $348,000
5804 LOS PATIOS DR...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ..... MLS #103376 ..... $333,000
3206 SOUTHRIDGE CT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #104787 ..... $314,000
5701 LLANO CT...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #103998 ..... $314,000
3403 LIMESTONE LN...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103695 ..... SALE PENDING
5400 RIO GRANDE...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ..... MLS #103545 ..... $299,900
2101 BAYBRIDGE CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104727 ..... SALE PENDING
3213 HIGHSKY DR...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #105045 ..... $299,900
4897 VALLEY DR...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ..... MLS #104295 ..... $299,000
1809 SHIRLEY LANE...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #104440 ..... $294,900
5410 LA JOLLA...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... MLS #103572 ..... $290,900
4805 SPRING MEADOW LN #4...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #104189 ..... $290,000
4805 CRESTWOOD...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #103325 ..... $290,000
2804 CIMMARON AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103708 ..... $285,000
3403 LIMESTONE LN...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103695 ..... SALE PENDING
5400 RIO GRANDE...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ..... MLS #103545 ..... $299,900
2101 BAYBRIDGE CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104727 ..... SALE PENDING
3213 HIGHSKY DR...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #105045 ..... $299,900
4897 VALLEY DR...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ..... MLS #104295 ..... $299,000
1809 SHIRLEY LANE...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #104440 ..... $294,900
5410 LA JOLLA...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... MLS #103572 ..... $290,900
4805 SPRING MEADOW LN #4...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #104189 ..... $290,000
4805 CRESTWOOD...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #103325 ..... $290,000
2804 CIMMARON AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103708 ..... $285,000
2904 ADONIA ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #101146 ..... $279,500
901 CHEYENNE ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #101251 ..... $270,500
2810 DURANT...Danny Norwood 413-5012 ..... MLS #99124 ..... $270,000
5707 CHAMPIONS DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103614 ..... SALE PENDING
2609 LEARMONT DR...Donna Omar 349-1458 ..... MLS #104004 ..... $275,000
2510 HUMBLE AVE...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757 ..... MLS #104099 ..... $275,000
3529 STANDLIND AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... $270,000
4723 SPRING MEADOW LANE, #2...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #102669 ..... SALE PENDING
3201 BLUEBIRD...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... MLS #102624 ..... SALE PENDING
1808 MISSOURI...Danny Norwood 413-3764 ..... MLS #103530 ..... $269,900
3610 RYDE PARK...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... $269,900
3800 MISSION CT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #102577 ..... $269,000
1007 W. MICHIGAN...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #104515 ..... $268,000
3303 MARBLE LANE...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ..... MLS #105040 ..... $264,900
1501 EDWARDS...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #103556 ..... $260,000
1401 GODDARD...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... MLS #103880 ..... $260,000
4309 RUSSELL CT...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ..... MLS #105064 ..... $259,900
3803 DOUGLAS Ave...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #105059 ..... $257,000
1911 W. INDIANA...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #103450 ..... $255,000
3023 FREDNA...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ..... MLS #103618 ..... $255,000
1907 W. DENGAR AVE...Jo Keller 269-8319 ..... MLS #103814 ..... $254,900
2418 NORTHTOWN CT...Madison Shaw 528-4640 ..... MLS #102782 ..... SALE PENDING
4103 DYER...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #102538 ..... $250,000
3623 W. ILLINOIS...Lisa Janssa 661-3365 ..... MLS #104714 ..... $249,900
307 CHEYENNE ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... $249,000
1211 W. TEXAS AVE...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #105105 ..... SALE PENDING
2904 MISSION BLVD...Lavonne Johnson 770-3083 ..... MLS #103808 ..... SALE PENDING
1907 W. DENGAR AVE...Jo Keller 269-8319 ..... MLS #103814 ..... $254,900
2418 NORTHTOWN CT...Madison Shaw 528-4640 ..... MLS #102782 ..... SALE PENDING
4103 DYER...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #102538 ..... $250,000
3623 W. ILLINOIS...Lisa Janssa 661-3365 ..... MLS #104714 ..... $249,900
307 CHEYENNE ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... $249,000
1211 W. TEXAS AVE...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #105105 ..... SALE PENDING
2904 MISSION BLVD...Lavonne Johnson 770-3083 ..... MLS #103808 ..... SALE PENDING
1409 HOGAN...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ..... MLS #103703 ..... $234,900
1909 CLEMENT CT...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #104827 ..... $234,900
2005 SUNBURST DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #104829 ..... $232,900
3220 APPERSON...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #104466 ..... SALE PENDING
1909 BOYD...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... $219,900
3705 MARK LANE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #1045190 ..... $229,900
3623 W. ILLINOIS...Lisa Janssa 661-3365 ..... MLS #103933 ..... $229,900
2302 SINCLAIR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #101836 ..... SALE PENDING
2908 CULVER...Karen Foster 559-4086 ..... MLS #104291 ..... SALE PENDING
909 WOLAN RYAN DRIVE...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ..... MLS #103588 ..... SALE PENDING
1008 CLEMENTS COURT...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... $219,900
3709 NEELY...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103402 ..... $210,000
2821 MITCHELL...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #103049 ..... $209,900
3217 W. SHANDON AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #103232 ..... $209,900
2109 MARCIE CT...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ..... MLS #103852 ..... $209,000
4921 WAGNER...Reannah Wyatt 664-3011 ..... MLS #103716 ..... $209,000
1003 MCDONALD...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #104878 ..... $208,900
3105 LAVACA AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #104781 ..... $205,000
2609 SPARTAN DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #105173 ..... $205,000

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

1407 W TEXAS AVE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #101991 ..... $239,900
3540 SHELL...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #103714 ..... SALE PENDING
3526 SHELL AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #105022 ..... $164,900
1107 LAWAN ST...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ..... MLS #103599 ..... $163,000
4021 LIVINGSTON ST...Dirla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #103302 ..... $154,900
5200 INF DR...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #105068 ..... $141,000
5208 INF DR...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #105069 ..... $141,000
3705 MILLICENT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #103615 ..... $140,000
3701 MILLICENT ALLEY...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #103660 ..... SALE PENDING
3705 MILLICENT...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ..... MLS #103655 ..... $140,000
311 S. BENTON...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ..... MLS #103609 ..... $110,000

TOWNHOMES-PATIO HOMES

3529 BOYD AVE...Lydia Scudder ..... MLS #103042 ..... $240,000
2506 WADLEY...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ..... MLS #103146 ..... $229,900
715 MELTON ALLEY...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ..... MLS #104056 ..... SALE PENDING

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

1306 S. CO. RD. 1130...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS# 102406 ..... 72 Acres/$2,000,000
5815 E. CO. RD. 190...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #104230 ..... $1,500,000
4303 N. CO. RD. 1284...Lisa Janssa 618-3389 ..... MLS #104991 ..... $625,000
11599 W. CO. RD. 58...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104295 ..... $600,000
6011 E. CO. RD. 130...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #104808 ..... $595,000
5799 E. CO. RD. 91...Elida Flatt 557-7159 ..... MLS #104555 ..... $525,000
5104 S. CO. RD. 1150...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102429 ..... $499,000
7308 E. CO. RD. 108, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #104682 ..... $475,000
5104 S. CO. RD. 1150...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102429 ..... $475,000
2112 S. CO. RD. 1126...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ..... MLS #104877 ..... $410,000
7100 FM 307, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS #104695 ..... 5 Acres/$385,000
14045 W CO. RD. 124...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103799 ..... $375,000
7210 E. CO. RD. 91...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #102435 ..... $369,000
10907 E. CO. RD. 109...Angie McKay 599-0972 ..... MLS #103619 ..... $360,000
606 E. CO. RD. 140...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #104750 ..... SALE PENDING
1811 CO. RD. 1086...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ..... MLS #104043 ..... $350,000
4201 S. CO. RD. 1185...Reannah Wyatt 210-275-9015 ..... MLS #104444 ..... $325,000
3901 S. CO. RD. 1080...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #103274 ..... $314,000
5899 S. CO. RD. 1080...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ..... SALE PENDING
10903 E. CO. RD. 109...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #1040570 ..... $299,000
10200 CO. RD. 85, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS #104688 ..... 10 Acres/$290,000
3911 SCO. PI. 1186...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104675 ..... $289,000
1408 W. CO. RD. 1119...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103113 ..... $275,000
10502 FM 307, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... $249,000
5007 E. CO. RD. 130...Reannah Wyatt 275-9015 ..... MLS #103511 ..... $249,000
325 PECAN, GARDEN CITY...Lisa Janssa 618-3389 ..... 6.4 Acres/$230,000
151 CONLEY PL., ODESSA...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #103711 ..... $200,000
1402 S. DORA ST...ODESSA...Mark Phillibar 222-5071 ..... MLS #102499 ..... $194,000
212 WASHINGTON AVE, BIG SPRING...Reannah Wyatt 275-9015 ..... $199,000
1416 SPUR, ODESSA...Sue Lytle 432-661-5339 ..... SALE PENDING
13815 KIOWA, GARDENDALE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #104033 ..... $197,500
4010 CANDY LANE, ODESSA...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #102799 ..... SALE PENDING
5327 LONGSHORE RD., BIG SPRING...Mark Phillibar 222-5071 ..... MLS #101735 ..... 380/$169,000
1907 E. CO. RD. 194...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #103794 ..... $229,900
5899 S. CO. RD. 1080...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ..... SALE PENDING
10703 E. CO. RD. 194, GREENWOOD...Elida Flatt 557-7159 ..... $200,000
3410 S. CO. RD. 1081...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104706 ..... SALE PENDING
5709 E. CO. RD. 91...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... $194,500
7209 E. CO. RD. 90...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS# 102274 ..... SALE PENDING
7210 E. CO. RD. 91...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #103832 ..... SALE PENDING
104 E. CO. RD. 129...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS#102185A ..... SALE PENDING
4716 E. CO. RD. 1081...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS# 101074 ..... $180,000
3804 E. CO. RD. 141...Samantha Smith 978-3588 ..... MLS #105043 ..... 1/2 Acre/$50,000
1617 A NAVAJO...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #103997 ..... SALE PENDING
2911 W. CO. RD. 110...Mark Phillibar ..... MLS #93898 ..... $90,000
6307 S. CO. RD. 1208...Jo Keller 269-8319 ..... MLS #104643 ..... $239,900
3800 S. CO. RD. 1185...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #103811 ..... SALE PENDING
1907 E. CO. RD. 194...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #103794 ..... $229,900
5899 S. CO. RD. 1080...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ..... SALE PENDING
10703 E. CO. RD. 194, GREENWOOD...Elida Flatt 557-7159 ..... $200,000
3410 S. CO. RD. 1081...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104706 ..... SALE PENDING
5709 E. CO. RD. 91...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... $194,500
7209 E. CO. RD. 90...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS# 102274 ..... SALE PENDING
7210 E. CO. RD. 91...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #103832 ..... SALE PENDING
104 E. CO. RD. 129...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS#102185A ..... SALE PENDING
4716 E. CO. RD. 1081...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS# 101074 ..... $180,000
3804 E. CO. RD. 141...Samantha Smith 978-3588 ..... MLS #105043 ..... 1/2 Acre/$50,000
1617 A NAVAJO...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #103997 ..... SALE PENDING
2911 W. CO. RD. 110...Mark Phillibar ..... MLS #93898 ..... $90,000

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

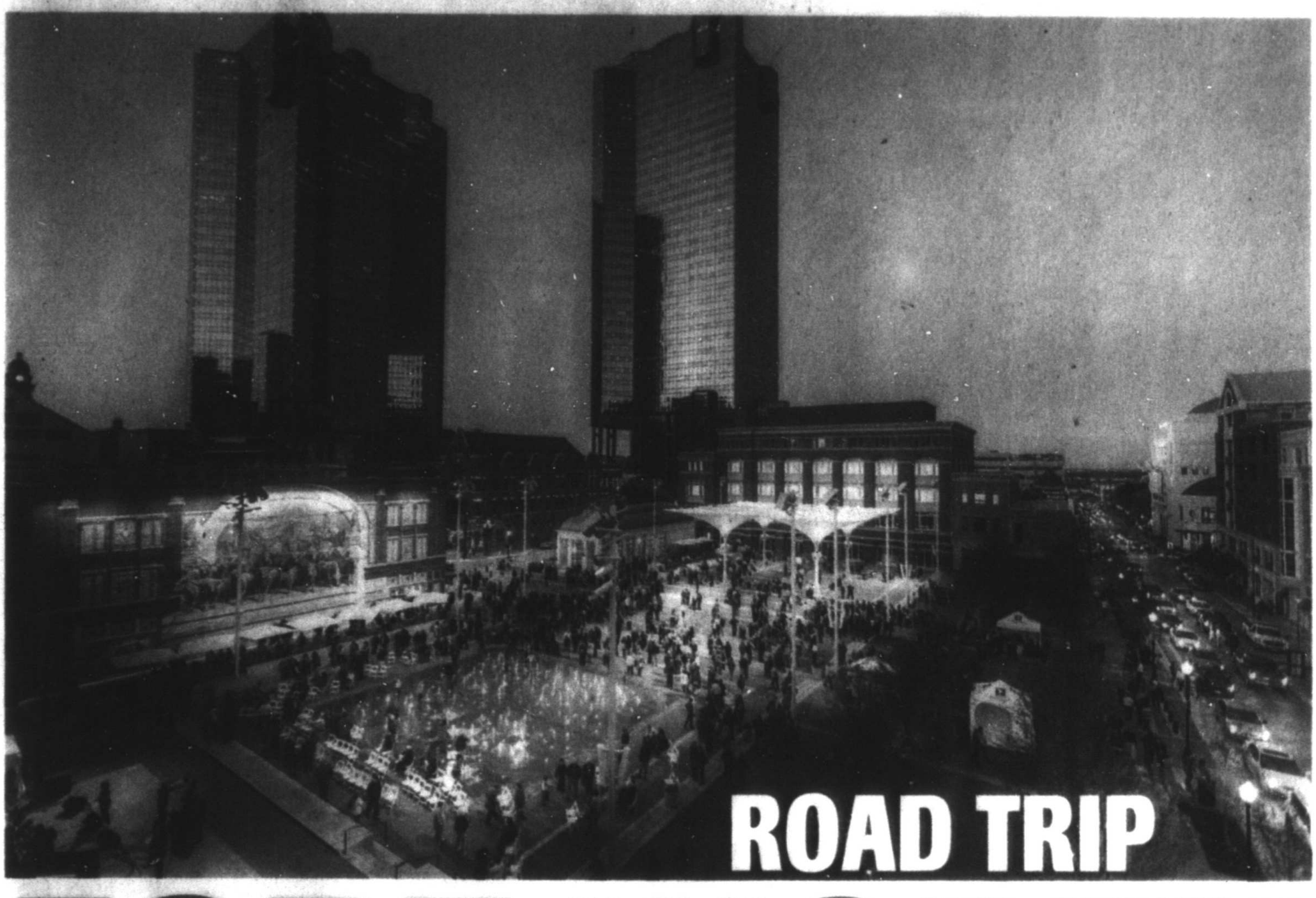
349 BARLETT RD, CRANE, TX...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #104091 ..... $747,000
8 WARWICK, ODESSA...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #104602 ..... $575,000
1600 NE 19th, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker ..... MLS# 100455 ..... $525,000
14699 N. DOGWOOD AVE., GARDENDALE...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #104548 ..... 5 Acres/$435,000
7601 KEYHAVEN, ODESSA...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ..... MLS #95295 ..... SALE PENDING
11402 W. CO. RD. 40, GARDENDALE...Bailey Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ..... 5 Acres/ $265,000
10987 N. ASTER DR., GARDENDALE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #104602 ..... $249,900

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

10204 FM 307...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102036 10.11 Ac/$2,100,000
2114 SUNBURST...Wendy Waldrop 638-9955 ..... MLS #102731 ..... $1,000,000
5308 WALL ST...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ..... MLS #99121 ..... $799,000
331 TANNY DR., ODESSA...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #102144 ..... $599,000
1002 MARIENFELD...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #101869 ..... $580,000
610 W. KENTUCKY...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ..... MLS #104257 ..... $450,000
3207 W. FRONT ST...Pam Messer 349-3075 ..... MLS #104051 ..... $450,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 4, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102474 ..... 7.917 Ac/$237,500
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 3, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102474 ..... 11.252 Ac/$337,500
5 E. CO. RD. 149-LOT 11...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... 5 Acres/$330,000
S. LAMESA RD...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #103878 ..... 10 Acre Tract/$300,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 2...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102540 ..... 8.7 Acres/$201,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 1, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102472 ..... 8.479 Ac/$204,379
1811 ORCHARD DR...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ..... MLS #104252 ..... $250,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 2, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102473 ..... 9.206 Ac/$208,150
CO. RD. 140-LOT 8...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102244 ..... 8.7 Acres/$171,900
CO. RD. 140-LOT 7...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102245 ..... 8.7 Acres/$171,900
CO. RD. 140-LOT 6...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102246 ..... 8.7 Acres/$171,900
CO. RD. 140-LOT 4...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102243 ..... 8.6 Acres/$168,000
769 S. BIG SPRING...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #101687 ..... $102,500
E. CO. RD. 149-LOT 13...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102251 ..... $100,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 12...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102250 ..... 8.3 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 16...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102249 ..... 8.3 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 15...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102253 ..... 8.1 Acres/$153,000
3901 CO. RD. 1149...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #102674 ..... $150,000
S. LAMESA RD...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #103877 ..... 5 Acre Tract/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 9...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102257 ..... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 10...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102256 ..... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 11...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102255 ..... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 14...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102254 ..... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 13...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #102252 ..... 5 Acres/$150,000
1876 S. CO. RD. 1089, BIG SPRING...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #103542 ..... 2 Lots/$70,000
401 MIDLAND DR...Lydia Scudder 853-2506 ..... MLS #103887 ..... $80,000

LAND AND LOTS

CO. RD. 55...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ..... MLS #102675 ..... 5 Acres/
W. CO. RD. 115...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... 12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
LAKE ALAN HENRY...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... North Ridge Dev., RV Park,
Storage Complex $20,000,000
CO. RD. 1085...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #97403
CLEAN Land; Will Split, 585+ Acres/$2,340,000
CO. RD. 160...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #97408
IDEAL Land, 582.26 Acres/$2,000,000
3202 S. CO. RD. 1050...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #101019 ..... 99.01 Acres/$1,543,955
5815 E Co. Rd 190...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #104230
155.7 Acres/$1,500,000
2700 FM 1213...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ..... MLS #101072 ..... 91.362.975
N. CO. RD. 1119...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #96853 ..... SALE PENDING
W Co. Rd. 1150...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS # 104231
Quiet area; will split $1,290,000
S. CO. RD. 1090, GREENWOOD...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... 96.85 Acres/$969,000
CO. RD. 3100, STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ..... MLS #94070 ..... 185 Acres/$925,000
FM 1212, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ..... MLS #102647 ..... 338.86 Acres/$545,000
2410 DILWORTH DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #102445 ..... $540,000
1200 STOKES...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ..... MLS #100781 ..... 10+ Acres/$475,000
FM 715...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #96868 ..... 22 Acres/$444,000
E. CO. RD. 120...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... 40 Acres/$400,000
N. CO. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD...Caleb Mattott 349-3330 ..... MLS #95384 ..... 29 Acres/$290,000
CO. RD. 1130...Clemmie Sorge 618-0972 ..... MLS #99518 ..... 28.1 Acres/$270,000
4921 E. CR 1147...Caleb Mattott 432-349-3330 ..... MLS #99648 ..... 5+ Acres/$175,000
5297 ALYSHEBA LANE...Danny Norwood 413-27641.1 acre lot in coveted Soleman Estates! /$150,000
3907 SE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #101936 ..... $150,000
CR 110 GREENWOOD...Caleb Mattott 349-3330...New Subdivision/ 5 available ..... 5 Acres/$150,000
6213 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #102876 ..... $146,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ..... 3+ Acre Lots/$135,000
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ROAD TRIP

FORT WORTH

One part cow town, two parts culture and cool

By Alyson Ward
Houston Chronicle

Fort Worth may be next to Dallas, but it has its own vibe and personality — and its own attractions, from food to fine art. In recent years, folks have started calling Fort Worth the new Austin: laid-back, cool and cultured, but not yet overrun with hipsters and traffic. Get there while it's still a state secret.

What to do

Magnolia Avenue: Eat, drink and enjoy Magnolia Avenue on the city's Near Southside, just south of downtown. Several long blocks offer an appealing variety of restaurants — from sushi (Temaki Sushi, 1504 W. Magnolia) to authentic Italian (Nonna Tata, 1400 W. Magnolia), Southern (the Paris Coffee Shop, 704 W. Magnolia, which opened in 1926) to vegan (the Spiral Diner, 1314 W. Magnolia). Shop for vintage home goods and clothing at 44Bootlegger (1411 W. Magnolia) and gifts and art prints at Hutson Studio (1208 W. Magnolia). The street makes for excellent people-watching on weekends; sit down with a latte at Avoca Coffee (1311 W. Magnolia), have a beer at Chimera Brewing Company (1001 W. Magnolia), or enjoy a proper cocktail at The Usual (1408 W. Magnolia), a sleek bar that specializes in Prohibition-era drinks. Most of the action is between the 700 and 1500 blocks of Magnolia Avenue, bound by Eighth Avenue on the west and Hemphill Street on the east.

Vitals: fortworthsouth.org.

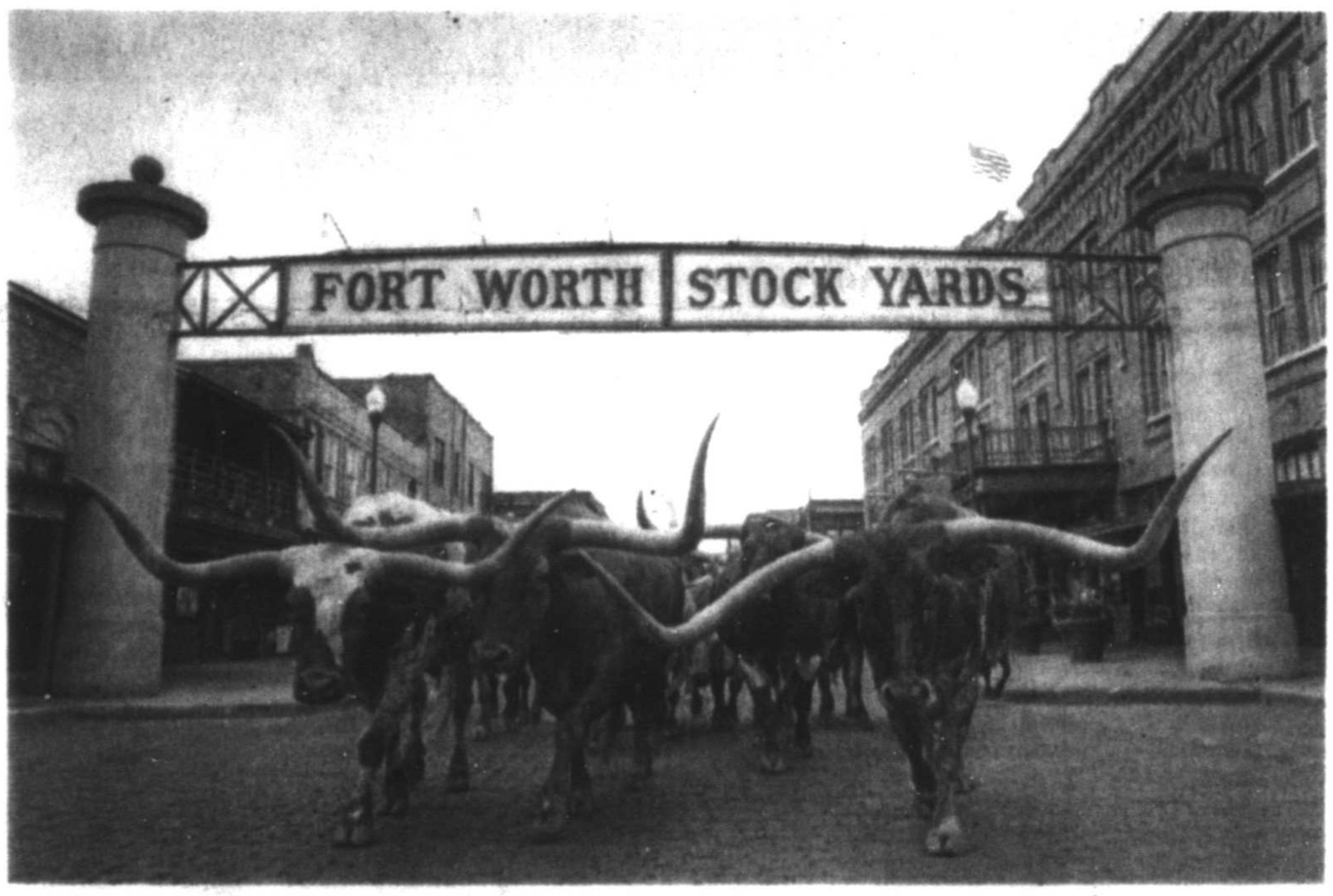
Where to eat

Clay Pigeon: This buzzy spot in west Fort Worth serves American cuisine made with local and organic ingredients. In addition to steaks, seafood and house-made pasta, the small but frequently changing menu features imaginative flatbreads, simple salads and roasted bone marrow (served with a chewy toasted sourdough). Entrees are in the $25-$35 range.

Vitals: 2731 White Settlement, 817-882-8065; claypigeonfd.com.

Woodshed Smokehouse: Everything's cooked with fire or smoke at Woodshed, which sits on the banks of the Trinity River. The restaurant's three smokers, two rotisseries and two wood grills create an excellent assortment of beef, pork,

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The plaza, in top photo, in Fort Worth's Sundance Square features live music and other performances, making it a gathering spot in the evenings. The Fort Worth Herd of longhorns ambles through the brick streets of the Stockyards twice a day, a tribute to the city's cattle-trail past. The patio at Brewed, a coffee house and gastropub on Magnolia Avenue, is a space to relax and enjoy Fort Worth's Near Southside. The plaza in Fort Worth's Sundance Square features a fountain with 216 jets shooting water into the air.

5 QUESTIONS

Ben Rosen | Pickwick Player

As a Pickwick Player, Ben Rosen is often seen on the Midland Community Theatre stage. He will have a featured role in the '50s music revue "All Shook Up" that opened Friday. But this will also be his last show as a Pickwick. The 18-year-old just graduated from Midland High School and will attend Molloy College in New York this fall. "All Shook Up" runs through July 19 at MCT.

MRT: What's been your proudest achievement as an actor?

Rosen: For the show "Anything Goes" three summers ago, we learned to tap dance in four weeks. And that was an accomplishment for all of us. Tap dancing is hard!

MRT: What is your best quality?

Rosen: I guess I'm a nice person. I don't have a problem to just go up and talk to someone. You never know who you're going to meet. You could become best friends.

MRT: Name a real life and fictional hero and why.

Rosen: Beyonce, because she is the greatest — #flawless. For my fictional, I'd have to go with Aibileen Clark from "The Help." I love her and her courage. She's so strong and empowering. You have to read it. That book is so good.

MRT: Describe an ideal meal.

Rosen: I love cheesy bread, so a couple loaves of cheesy bread and some fries. I'm a vegetarian so I'd have to get some vegetables in there and probably throw in some tofu. And then I'd top it off with a big ice cream sundae.

MRT: What's in your music player right now?

Rosen: Right now? Well on my way over, I was jamming to "... Baby One More Time" by Britney Spears. You know, just some classic pop.

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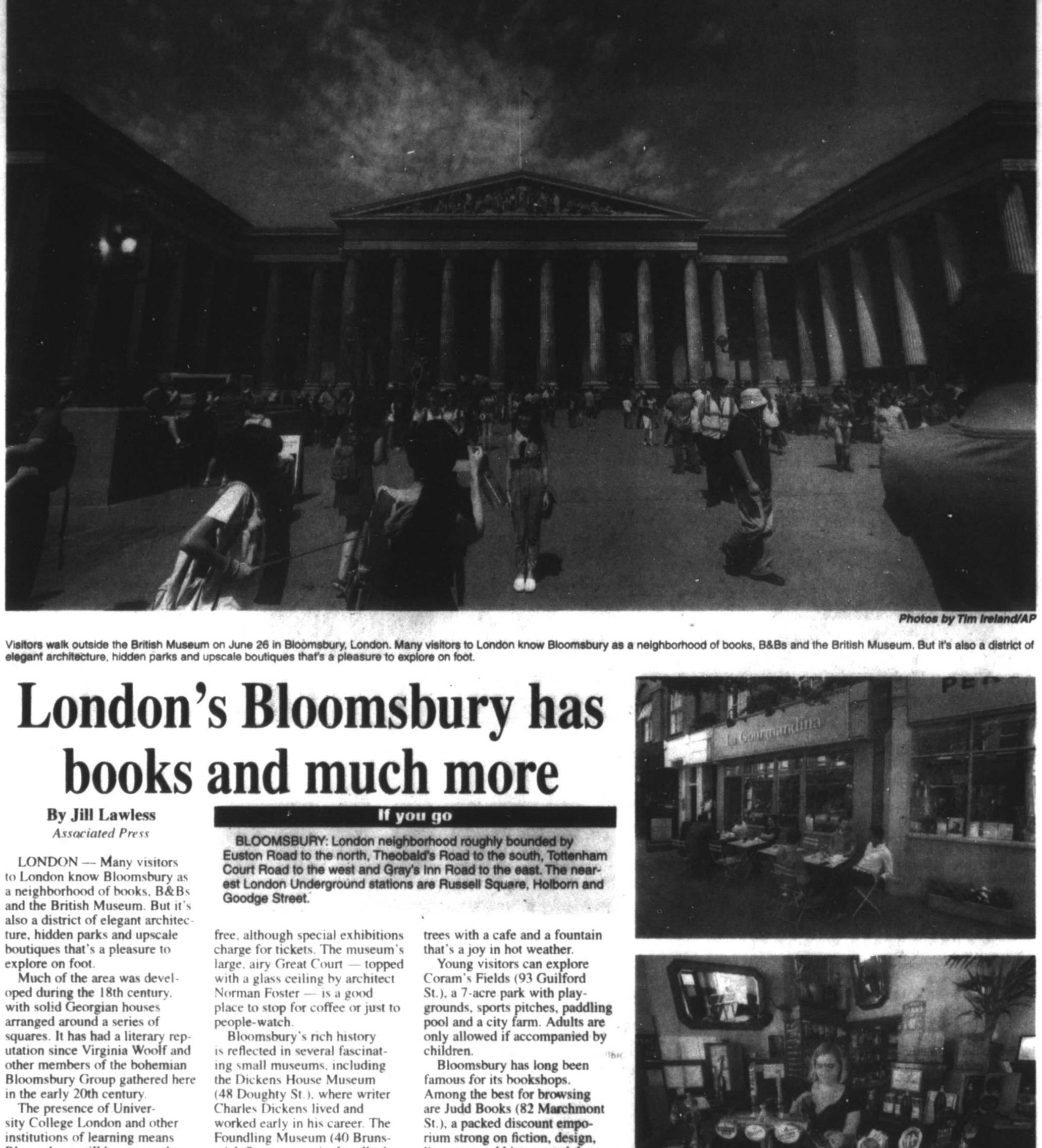
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Visitors walk outside the British Museum on June 26 in Bloomsbury, London. Many visitors to London know Bloomsbury as a neighborhood of books, B&Bs and the British Museum. But it's also a district of elegant architecture, hidden parks and upscale boutiques that's a pleasure to explore on foot.

London's Bloomsbury has books and much more

By Jill Lawless
Associated Press

LONDON — Many visitors to London know Bloomsbury as a neighborhood of books, B&Bs and the British Museum. But it's also a district of elegant architecture, hidden parks and upscale boutiques that's a pleasure to explore on foot.

Much of the area was developed during the 18th century, with solid Georgian houses arranged around a series of squares. It has had a literary reputation since Virginia Woolf and other members of the bohemian Bloomsbury Group gathered here in the early 20th century.

The presence of University College London and other institutions of learning means Bloomsbury still has an academic air, with good bookshops and multiple museums.

Foremost among these is the British Museum (Great Russell Street), deservedly one of Britain's most popular destinations. Founded in 1753, it contains a vast collection of artifacts spanning millennia of human civilization. The extensive collection of Egyptian mummies is among the most popular draws. Among the most controversial are the Parthenon friezes, taken from Athens by a British nobleman 200 years ago. Greece has long fought for their return, so far unsuccessfully. Admission to the museum is free, although special exhibitions charge for tickets. The museum's large, airy Great Court — topped with a glass ceiling by architect Norman Foster — is a good place to stop for coffee or just to people-watch.

Bloomsbury's rich history is reflected in several fascinating small museums, including the Dickens House Museum (48 Doughty St.), where writer Charles Dickens lived and worked early in his career. The Foundling Museum (40 Brunswick Square) movingly tells the story of the Foundling Hospital for abandoned babies, which was established here in 1739 and became the world's first children's charity. Its early patrons included artist William Hogarth and composer George Frideric Handel.

St. George's Gardens, just around the corner from the Foundling Museum, feels like a secret hideaway. It's a former burial ground that is now an atmospheric little park, dotted with crumbling tombs and gravestones. Anything but secret is nearby Russell Square, Bloomsbury's biggest and most famous square, an expanse of grass and trees with a cafe and a fountain that's a joy in hot weather.

Young visitors can explore Coram's Fields (93 Guilford St.), a 7-acre park with playgrounds, sports pitches, paddling pool and a city farm. Adults are only allowed if accompanied by children.

Bloomsbury has long been famous for its bookshops. Among the best for browsing are Judd Books (82 Marchmont St.), a packed discount emporium strong on fiction, design, literature and history, and the London Review Bookshop (14 Bury Place), an eclectically stocked bibliophiles' paradise. The attached London Review Cake Shop serves good coffee, a vast range of teas and delicious cakes.

Persephone Books (59 Lamb's Conduit St.) specializes in republishing neglected female authors in attractive paperback editions.

Lamb's Conduit Street also offers less cerebral shopping. The partially pedestrianized strip is home to a slew of smart menswear boutiques including Oliver Spencer (No. 62), Folk (No. 49) and Simon Carter (No. 36A).

No day in London would be complete without a visit to the pub. The Lamb (94 Lamb's Conduit St.) and the Museum Tavern (49 Great Russell St.) both have beautifully preserved wood-and-glass Victorian interiors and manage to be busy without feeling too touristy.

Both pubs offer inexpensive meals. Other good-value dining options include neighborhood Italian Ciao Bella (86-90 Lamb's Conduit St.) and Hare & Tortoise (11-13 Brunswick Square), a cheap-and-cheerful spot for sushi and noodles beloved of local students and professors.

If you go

BLOOMSBURY: London neighborhood roughly bounded by Euston Road to the north, Theobald's Road to the south, Tottenham Court Road to the west and Gray's Inn Road to the east. The nearest London Underground stations are Russell Square, Holborn and Goodge Street.





People enjoy food and coffee June 26 on Lamb's Conduit Street in Bloomsbury, London. An employee poses for a picture June 26 in the Duke of York pub in Bloomsbury.

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wild game, fish and more. The dining room is a casual indoor-outdoor space, and there's some sort of live music most nights. Snacks and simple plates are $5-$10; tacos and sandwiches are $9-$11; and traditional barbecue is sold by the pound.

Vitals: 3201 Riverfront, 817-877-4545; woodshedsmokehouse.com.

Don't go home without

Having a drink at the new **Thompson's** cocktail bar downtown. The 1910 building is used to house Thompson's Book Store, and the bar is decorated with bookshelves and the cocktails have names inspired by famous novels. On weekends, a basement speakeasy can be entered only if you know the password (which — heads up — is posted on the bar's Facebook page).

Vitals: 900 Houston, 817-882-8003.

Also: Fort Worth is known as Cowtown, and you can't leave the city without taking in a little of its cattle-herding, meat-packing history. In the **Stockyards**, you can catch a cattle drive at 11:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. every day. The Fort Worth Herd, 15 Texas longhorns, ambles down Exchange Avenue, offering an ideal Cowtown photo op.

Vitals: fortworthstockyards.org and fortworth.com/the-herd.

More info

Fort Worth Convention and Visitors Bureau: fortworth.com

New Mexico reports 'all-time high' tourism numbers

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Pointing to New Mexico's slick television and online promotional commercials, Gov. Susana Martinez announced Monday that close to 33 million people visited the state last year, making it a record-breaking year for tourism.

Martinez said that's half a million more people who visited New Mexico than in 2013. She credited the state's New Mexico True campaign for attracting more visitors. That campaign features the state's famous outdoor locations and several New Mexico celebrities such as mixed-martial arts fighter Carlos Condit.

"By simply showing a true picture of our state, we've been able to attract more and more visitors, and they're spending money in diners, art galleries, gift shops, restaurants, golf courses, ski basins and various other small businesses in communities across New Mexico," Martinez said at the Sandia Peak Aerial Tramway in Albuquerque, where she made the latest numbers public.

Three years ago, the New Mexico Tourism Department unveiled the New Mexico True campaign, which promised tourists they would encounter "adventures steeped in culture."



A boy leaps into the water June 6 at Blue Hole State Park in Santa Rosa, N.M.

Susan Montoya Bryan/AP

Officials said the campaign was aimed at painting New Mexico as a place for outdoor fun and cultural exploration.

One such online video from the campaign has the Republican governor taking a kayak ride in the rapids of the Rio Grande. On the video, she screams and paddles in the rapids to a soundtrack of the New Mexico True campaign.

Another video features young, fit hipsters in trunks and bikinis diving and dancing in slow motion into Santa Rosa's 80-foot-deep Blue Hole — one of the world's deepest artesian springs. The Miami night club-like atmosphere is reinforced with the song "Alive," a popular tune by the Australian electronic music duo Empire of the Sun.

Other videos highlight the state's many American Indian and Hispanic sites.

In 2014, officials say the New Mexico True campaign helped lead to an all-time high in marketable overnight trips, or vacations, with a 40.6 percent increase since 2010.

Tourism Department Cabinet Secretary Rebecca Latham said an increase in the advertising budget allowed the state to aggressively pursue those types of trips.

"Through the New Mexico True campaign, we've seen incredible growth in awareness, interest and visitation to the state," Latham said. "The campaign highlights an incredible variety of outdoor adventures, cultural opportunities and culinary experiences that pique consumer interest, along with providing a unified brand message for the tourism industry."

The increase comes as Albuquerque has seen a jump in tourism in recent years thanks to the AMC-TV hit shows "Breaking Bad" and "Better Call Saul."

BOOKREVIEW

'Being Nixon': Author strains to show complexity of former president

By Janet Maslin
N.Y. Times News

There's nothing simple about the idea of trying to 'be' Richard M. Nixon. And beyond explaining the concept of 'being Nixon,' Thomas winds up mimicking his subject in unintentional ways.

Evan Thomas' introduction to his glossy, armchair-ready biography, "Being Nixon," explains this undertaking as "an effort to understand what it was like to actually be Nixon." This explanation sounds clear, even in a world already filled with efforts to nail, defend, rehabilitate, shrink and compartmentalize parts or all of that disgraced president and his life.

But there's nothing simple about the idea of trying to "be" Richard M. Nixon. And beyond explaining the concept of "being Nixon," Thomas winds up mimicking his subject in unintentional ways. He captures the air of a conflicted spirit when he balances staunch optimism with a darker view, grapples with seemingly irreconcilable character traits in the same person and works the "on the one hand/on the other hand" formulation so hard it bleeds.

"The fears and insecurities that led him into sinfulness also gave him the drive to push past self-doubt, to pretend to be cheerful, to dare to be brave, to see, often though sadly not always, the light in the dark," he writes of his subject. That describes a strangely ethereal Nixon, although, to be fair, it comes from Thomas' inevitably strained effort to summarize his entire opinion of his subject. No biographer has an easy time with that, and the attempt usually sticks out as an aberration from the rest of the book. Not here: Thomas often takes that tone in order to more fully "be" Nixon.

He fares vastly better when the hot air escapes and he can stick to specifics. Consider the ease and spot-on accuracy of this: "Nixon bemoaned the rise of the 'Me Generation,' the baby boomers preoccupied with self-realization and self-affirmation. It is ironic that Nixon, by discrediting faith in government through the Watergate scandal, contributed mightily to that inward push, away from selflessness and service." Why isn't more of the book as sharp as that?

In an author's note, Thomas explains how he first met Nixon. After a talk in 1988 at Newsweek, where Thomas worked, the former president approached him and said, "Your grandfather was a great man." Thomas' grandfather was Norman Thomas, the longtime leader of the Socialist Party in America, not to mention a six-time presidential candidate. Finding his grandson among a few dozen Newsweek editors and writers was an unusual and gracious effort for Nixon to make.

It seems inevitable that Thomas eventually came to Nixon as a subject. His most recent book was "Ike's Bluff: President Eisenhower's Secret Battle to Save the World," a 2012 biography — not even one full degree of separation from Nixon. Some of his source material from that book overlaps with this one, and so do some of his attitudes. Thomas' opening stance is that of someone who respects the decent Quaker side of Nixon, the size of his ambitions and the breadth of his canny intelligence. Unfortunately, that sets him up as an automatic apologist for a man who made so many indefensible trespasses. It's a corner in which no biographer ought to be trapped.

One thing being Nixon requires is an understanding of why the chip on the former president's shoulder could never be dislodged. That means revisiting Nixon's California boyhood and the snobbery issues that made him feel like a social outcast long before he could be snubbed by the Georgetown set.

The research behind "Being Nixon" is extremely impressive. That will be best appreciated by readers looking for a one-volume, reasonably comprehensive survey of Nixon's life, since no in-depth biographer has yet been able to shrink the sprawl and controversy of Nixon's long, embattled story into such tight form. That means there are a lot of quick transitions here ("A month after Julie's birth, Nixon met Alger Hiss"), some of them fast to the point of absurdity. One paragraph, which cites a Gallup poll before the 1972 presidential election, ends with a quotation from a California state senator: "Every time they burn another building, Republican registration goes up." And the next begins this way: "Nixon liked to bolster morale and create bonds with small, jokey, sweet ceremonies."

None of this jibes at all with the book's truly serious conjectures about Nixon's morality, about his decisions as a war president, about his conscience, about his hidden soul. These should be the book's most substantial elements, but a roller-coaster ride is not conducive to contemplation.

Despite its jumpiness "Being Nixon" makes its way through the inevitable stops on this long, oft-described and still fascinating journey: from the "Checkers" speech to the retirement speech; from years as a recovering politician to a victorious presidential campaign in 1968; from Cambodia to Kent State to the Watergate burglars to the Saturday Night Massacre; to exile from the presidency and after. Along that journey, it winds up raising more questions than it answers.

BOOKBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW YORK

David Hackett Fischer wins $100K award for military writing

Historian David Hackett Fischer has won a $100,000 award for military writing.

Prize officials announced Tuesday that Fischer is this year's recipient of the Pritzker Military Museum & Library Literature Award for Lifetime Achievement.

The 79-year-old is known for his books about the American Revolution. He will be presented with the award at a ceremony Nov. 7 in Chicago.

His books include the Pulitzer-winning "Washington's Crossing," "Paul Revere's Ride" and "Champlain's Dream."

Previous winners of the Pritzker award include James McPherson, Rick Atkinson and Tim O'Brien.

NEW YORK

Sci-fi classic 'Left Hand of Darkness' to be an e-book

Ursula K. Le Guin's classic science fiction novel "The Left Hand of Darkness" will soon be available as an e-book.

Penguin Random House announced Wednesday the digital edition of the 1969 novel will be on sale July 15.

Le Guin, 85, has written more than 20 books and last fall received an honorary National Book Award.

"The Left Hand of Darkness," a gender-defying tale set in the distant future on the planet Winter, has been widely praised for its insights about feminism and sociology.

BESTSELLERS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Hardcover fiction

1. "Finders Keepers" by Stephen King (Scribner)
2. "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins (Riverhead)
3. "Country" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
4. "Tom Clancy: Under Fire" by Grant Blackwood (Putnam)
5. "The President's Shadow" by Brad Meltzer (Grand Central Publishing)
6. "Radiant Angel" by Nelson Demille (Grand Central Publishing)
7. "In the Unlikely Event" by Judy Blume (Knopf)
8. "Memory Men" by David Balducci (Grand Central Publishing)
9. "The Rumor" by Lin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown)
10. "14th Deadly Sin" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)
11. "Piranha" by Clive Cussler and Boyd Morrison (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
12. "All the Single Ladies" by Dorothea Benton Frank (William Morrow)
13. "The Santangelos" by Jackie Collins (St. Martin's Press)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "The Wright Brothers" by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster)
2. "Bill O'Reilly's Legends and Lies: The Real West" by Bill O'Reilly and David Fisher (Henry Holt and Co.)
3. "The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying up" by Marie Kondo (Ten Speed)
4. "Modern Romance' by Aziz Ansari (Penguin Press)
5. "Triggers" by Marshall Goldsmith and Mark Reiter (Crown Business)
6. "It's a Long Story" by Willie Nelson (Little, Brown)
7. "Dead Wake" by Erik Larson (Crown Publishing)
8. "Killing Patton" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (Holt)
9. "Adios, America" by Ann Coulter (Regenry Publishing)
10. "The Road to Character" by David Brooks (Random House)
11. "Sick in the Head" by Judd Apatow (Random)
12. "And the Good News Is..." by Dana Perino (Hachette/Twelve)
13. "A Lucky Life Interrupted" by Tom Brokaw (Random)

Mass market paperbacks

1. "Top Secret Twenty-One" by Janet Evanovich (Bantam)
2. "Zoo" by James Patterson and Michael Ledwidge (Little, Brown)
3. "The 6th Extinction" by James Rollins (William Morrow)
4. "Act of War" by Brad Thor (S&S/Pocket
5. "Paris Match" by Stuart Woods (Signet)
6. "Four Friends" by Robyn Carr (Mira)
7. "Only a Promise" by Mary Balogh (Signet)
8. "Whiskey Beach" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
9. "Personal" by Lee Child (Dell)
10. "Ghost Ship" by Clive Cussler and Graham Brown (Berkley)
11. "The Marriage Season" by Linda Lael Miller (Harlequin HQN)
12. "The Perfect Witness" by Iris Johansen (St. Martin's Press)
13. "O'Hurley's Return" by Nora Roberts (Harlequin/Silhouette)

Trade paperbacks

1. "Grey" by E.L. James (Vintage)
2. "The Martian" by Andy Weir (Crown Publishing)
3. "American Sniper" (movie tie-in) by Chris Kyle (William Morrow)
4. "I Am Malala" by Malala Yousafzai (LB/Back Bay)
5. "Hope to Die" by James Patterson (Grand Central Publishing)
6. "Color Me Calm" by Lacy Mucklow and Angela Porter (Quarto/Race Point)
7. "Leaving Time" by Jodi Picoult (Ballantine)
8. "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt (Little, Brown)
9. "The Vacationers" by Emma Straub (Riverhead)
10. "Station Eleven" by Emily St. John Mandel (Vintage)
11. "The Invention of Wings" by Sue Monk Kidd (Penguin Press)
12. "A Work in Progress: A Memoir" by Connor Franta (Atria/Keywords Press)
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NEIL SPERRY

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Large shrubs not best choice for area around walkway

Dear Neil: While I was on vacation, my well-meaning neighbor trimmed my shrubs back from my walkway. Will they ever be attractive again?

Answer: I'm not sure where to begin. That's a standard pittosporum. Their mature height and spread can exceed 10 feet in all directions, so what your neighbor did in your absence was actually commendable. If you're willing to sacrifice use of your walk that's only inches out from your wall, the plants will probably grow back over time, but you really need to take this opportunity to plant something else — something much more compact. Let a nursery-man help you. (For what it's worth, one of my first regular horticultural jobs was to prune pittosporums away from the eaves of a neighbor's house in College Station. I was probably 12 or 13, and I had to use a ladder.)

Dear Neil: I have St. Augustine beneath some large oaks. Most of it is doing well, but one patch is very thin. I suspect it's from the spring rains. Should I just wait for it to cover again, or should I put compost on the soil?

Answer: This is another variation on a familiar question, that being St. Augustine dying out beneath trees. I guess it might have been because of the waterlogged soils, but it could even more likely have been because of a greater amount of shade cast by trees that were fully leafed out because of the abundant moisture this spring. If you can see absolutely no correlation to the amount of shade and thinning out of the grass, I would suggest you dig sod from elsewhere in your own yard and checkerboard it into the voids. If it offers to spread well, wet soils were your answer. If it dies out like the old grass, then shade is the issue and planting new grass repeatedly isn't going to help. That's when we have to switch over to a shade-tolerant groundcover.

Dear Neil: You have mentioned a favorite type of mulch. What is it again, and where can I find it?

Answer: Anything that covers the earth, slows erosion, retards weed growth, reduces splashing and moderates fluctuations in soil temperatures is a mulch, and we all have our own personal preferences. Mine happens to be finely ground pine bark mulch. It's affordable, readily available at independent retail garden centers, natural looking (I'm not a fan of dyed mulches.) and organic, meaning that it will improve the soil as it decays.

Dear Neil: My rose bushes are having problems. A friend says they have a disease. My plants' buds are brown and they don't open. What can it be?

Answer: Without a photo it's very difficult to determine what might have happened to your roses. Certainly thrips (tiny, sliver-shaped insects) could have damaged the buds and prevented their opening. Systemic insecticides will help with thrips, but they need several weeks to become effective.

In many parts of Texas, rose rosette disease has become epidemic as well. It causes extremely distorted growth in new shoots, almost as if a broadleafed weedkiller had been sprayed on portions of the plant. The buds and stalks appear to be very clubby, and they are often very thorny. If those are the symptoms you're seeing, compare your plants to photos online. If you think rosette is involved, you'll need to dig the plants out, roots and all, and tie them into large plastic trash bags to send to the landfill. Microscopic mites that spread the virus are all over the plants, and there is no spray to control them.

Dear Neil: Our coral honeysuckle plants were beautiful in bloom this spring. Now they have fruit all over them, and the leaves are starting to turn yellow with brown spots. What can we do to get them to bloom all summer? The hummingbirds have been loving the nectar.

Answer: Unfortunately, that's the bloom cycle of coral honeysuckle (and all honeysuckles). Spring accounts for 95 percent of their blooms. The brown spots could be leftover damage of powdery mildew from the spring rains. It should abate with the hot weather ahead.

RE-LEAF BY DEBBIE FROST

When the temperature soars, gardeners typically work outdoors early or late in the day when it's a little cooler. This reduces the chance of various forms of physical injury and emotional defeat. The same consideration should be given to plants. Certain practices need to be performed when the environmental conditions are right to reduce plant damage.

Pest management is a big one. If you plan to treat a plant for pests, check the label for the recommended temperature ranges for spraying. Spraying a plant at 2 p.m., in 90-plus temperatures can bring a plant to its knees. Also, make sure the pest is truly harmful and at a population high enough to cause significant damage. Choose a pesticide that is easy on the environment and will give good control. Reading the label and following directions can help prevent damage to the plant and environment.

Foliar fertilizing is another activity to avoid in the middle of a hot, sunny day. If the plant is stressed from pests, heat or drought, give it time to recover before fertilizing. Fertilizer isn't a cure-all for stressed plants. It can actually cause more stress. If using a dry granular fertilizer, make sure the soil is moist before applying and follow with a good irrigation.

Trenching, digging and other repair or construction activities around the root system of plants should be avoided during the heat of summer. Fall, winter and spring are much better times to disturb the root system if that has to happen. Roots grow laterally in the soil, not straight down. So even if you are digging away from the trunk or stem of a plant, if it is inside or near the dripline it can be damaging the roots. If it's just a few roots it shouldn't cause significant harm, but if the digging involves a good deal of the roots, it's better to wait for better conditions.

Sprinkler irrigation is another activity that should be avoided in the middle of the day, especially if the irrigation water is high in salts. This harmful practice can lead to yellowing, leaf browning and defoliation depending on the plant, irrigation water quality, temperature and humidity. In addition to causing leaf damage, day-time sprinkler irrigation is more prone to drift and evaporate. Give your plants a break by irrigating during the early morning, late evening or nighttime hours.

Find re-leaf for your plants by timing your cultural practices to coincide with good growing conditions.

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Patterson - Freidline

Jeanie Patterson of Midland, and Darold and Patty Patterson of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Emily Jean Patterson, to Gregory Martin Freidline, the son of Alice and Roger Freidline of Midland.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Shirley and Charles Leroy Long of Skiatook, Oklahoma and the late Mary and Harvey Patterson of Wichita, Kansas.

The prospective groom is the grandson of John and the late Margaret Young of Midland and the late Wilma and Everett Freidline of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Emily graduated from Wentzville Holt High School in Lake St. Louis, Missouri and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in General Studies from Sul Ross University in Alpine, Texas. This fall, she plans to attend graduate school at Sul Ross to obtain a Master of Arts degree in History.

Greg graduated from Midland High School and received a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science and a Masters of Business Administration degree from Sul Ross University in Alpine, Texas. He is currently the Director of Technology Services for Sul Ross.

The couple will marry on August 8, 2015 at the Golden Hotel in Golden, Colorado.



Martinez Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Jose Jesus and Lucia Martinez celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on June 26, 2015. They were married at St. Pascual Catholic Church in Sterling City Texas on June 26, 1965. A mass was celebrated in their honor on May 17, 2015 at Sacred Heart Cathedral in San Angelo Texas, followed by a luncheon at Zentner's Daughter Steak House in San Angelo.

Jose served in the U.S. Army and retired from the U.S.P.S after 34 years. Lucia retired from the Midland County Sheriff's office in 2002. They have four children, Rosanne and husband Sam Martinez of Midland, John Martinez and Joseph Martinez, both of Dallas, and James and wife Kay of Pearland. They also have one grandchild, Sebastian Martinez of Midland.



Harry and Marilyn Harrison Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Longtime Midland residents, Harry and Marilyn Harrison, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends at Midland Community Theatre. The couple met at the theatre when Marilyn moved here in 1963 to work for The Midland Reporter-Telegram.

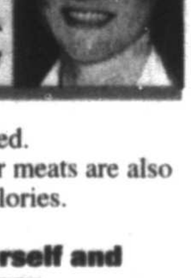
They were married on July 1, 1965, at First United Methodist Church in Midland, with Dr. Timothy Guthrie officiating, and have made their home here since.

Harry, a native Midlander, is owner of Texa-Chem Specialties, an oilfield supply firm, and Marilyn, who was born and raised in El Dorado, Kansas, writes the "Have You Heard" social column for the newspaper. In addition to long associations with MCT, Summer Mummers, and Maverick Players, they have been active in local church and civic circles.

The celebration was hosted by their sons and wives, Mack and Monica Harrison of Pflugerville and Tim and Heather Harrison of Montgomery. Also joining in the festivities were the couple's granddaughters, Emery and Trinity Harrison.

To submit wedding, engagement or anniversary announcements, email weddings@mrt.com or call 682-6222.

Extension program offers tips to eat well, get fit



JACQUELYN WARNOCK

Texas A&M Agrilife Extension agent

Texas A&M Agrilife Extension's Better Living for Texans program is excited to offer nutrition education to Texans. Fitness is a popular, year-round topic. Many people have pledged to get fit and started fitness activities such as walking, bicycling, climbing stairs and other activities. If you or someone you know made that pledge, are they sticking to it? If you're like most people, you did one of two things: You never found the time to start your new regimen, or you started your new routine only to find after a couple of weeks you'd lost interest.

Better Living for Texans has a solution. The program offers a few easy-to-do tips on how you and your family can get yourselves on the track to better health. These were first published in April in the Better Living for Texans newsletter.

Be mindful of the portion sizes of your meals

■ It's not always what you eat that gets you into trouble, but how much you eat.

■ By keeping portion sizes reasonable (meat portions should be about the size of a deck of cards) we can enjoy our favorites while still practicing healthy eating habits.

Choose leaner cuts of meat.

■ Extra-lean ground beef is more expensive than regular ground beef, but it will yield more meat when cooked.

■ Leaner meats are also lower in calories.

Do it yourself and save money.

■ Buy a whole chicken and cut it into parts rather than buying pre-cut chicken.

■ Buy bulk cheese instead of pre-sliced, individually wrapped cheese.

■ Buy whole lettuce instead of the pre-cut, pre-washed packages.

Take every opportunity to walk.

■ Walking is a great, low-impact way to get your daily exercise.

■ Don't always look for the parking space nearest the door. Park farther out an walk.

FARMER'S MARKET SALSA

Cost per recipe: $2.71
Servings: 8

1/2 cup fresh cooked or frozen corn
1 can (15 ounce) drained and rinsed black beans
1 cup fresh diced tomatoes
1/2 cup diced onion
1/2 cup diced green pepper
2 Tablespoons lime juice
2 finely chopped garlic cloves
1/2 cup picante sauce

Combine all ingredients in a large bowl. Chill until serving time. Drain before serving and serve with low fat baked tortilla chips or fresh vegetables.

Landscape accessories can add personality to the garden

By Dean Fosdick
Associated Press

Flowers are the face of a garden, providing color and texture. But a few well-placed landscape accessories can give it character and a dash of personality.

Accessories can range from water fixtures, like ponds and streams, to outdoor furniture and appliances, fountains to statuary, miniature fairy gardens to antiques. Give it some thought, however.

"There's some wonderful stuff out there (to collect) and it's awfully tempting, but you have to be really careful not to overdo it," said Linda Engstrom, a landscape designer from Portland, Oregon.

She advises putting no more than two or three items in one area. "It gets too cluttered and the eye doesn't know where to go," she said. "You need some negative space."

Many of those items also can be high-maintenance.

And landscape accessories should fit the architectural style of the home, Engstrom said.

"I had a client once who had a Tudor house but who wanted a Japanese garden. That wasn't such a great idea, but I was able to give her a Japanese-style garden semi-enclosed in the backyard, and it wasn't jarring," she said.

Engstrom doesn't like the trend toward elaborate outdoor living rooms with weather-proof furniture. "I can't picture leaving that stuff out there in wet or snowy winters," she said. "It's quite a chore to keep it looking nice when placed outside."

Accessories can be used to screen unsightly utility sheds or add some visual flavor to hobby greenhouses, she said. "Put up a pergola and string it with vines and flowers. Add a fountain or garden seat."

Homemade landscaping objects are becoming fashionable again, said Leonard Perry, an extension professor with the University of Vermont.



Culp - Martin

Miss Diana Bartlett Culp and Mr. Cody Blaine Martin were united in marriage on April 18, 2015 in Austin, Texas at the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center. The ceremony was officiated by Pastor Steve Adams of the Faith Assembly of God Church in Alvin, Texas. Diana is the daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Culp of Norman, Oklahoma. Cody is the son of Bill and Patti Martin of Alvin, Texas.

The Maid of Honor was Caroline Culp, sister of the bride, of Norman, Oklahoma. Bridesmaids included Tabi Randall Duvall of Norman, Oklahoma; Alexandra Block of Miami, Florida; Jacquelyn Youngerman of Chicago, Illinois; and Leah Wilson of Midland, Texas.

The Best Man was Garrett Eagleton of Alvin, Texas. Groomsmen included Ben Biles and David Herzberg, both of Alvin, Texas. Ushers included Stephen Grzybowski of Norman, Oklahoma; Ryan Connelly of Alvin, Texas; and Salvador Badillo of Tampa, Florida.

After honeymooning in Belize, the couple now resides in Midland, Texas where Cody is a Field Service Coordinator for Baker Hughes and Diana is a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner at Midland Pediatric Associates.



Callier - Cash Exchange Vows

Michelle Renee Callier and Wilson Allen Cash are proud to announce their marriage on Saturday, June 6, 2015, at the Horseshoe Bay Resort in Horseshoe Bay, Texas. Dr. Reverend Jerry Koch officiated the ceremony.

The couple met at Texas Tech University in 2008 and began dating in 2010. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Callier of Midland, Texas. Michelle is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Callier of Robinson, Illinois. Michelle earned a Bachelor of Arts and Science degree at Texas Tech University and a Master's degree in Occupational Therapy from Texas Woman's University. She currently works at a pediatric outpatient clinic in Katy, Texas.

Wilson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Cash of Post, Texas. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Thad Sansing of Coleman, Texas. Wilson graduated from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance and Energy Commerce dual degree. He currently is a Landman for SM Energy Company in Houston, Texas.

The beautiful ceremony and reception were held at the Horseshoe Bay Resort and Yacht Club. The couple was accompanied by Erick Callier, Michelle's younger brother, and Madison Cash, Wilson's younger sister, along with the remaining eight bridesmaids and groomsmen.

The night prior to the wedding, a lovely rehearsal dinner was hosted by Rex and Terri Cash in the ballroom at the Horseshoe Bay Resort Yacht Club. Bob and Delma Callier hosted the beautiful ceremony and reception held at the Yacht Club.

The couple honeymooned in Grenada and resides in Houston.



Shelton - Littrell

Susan (Susie) Louise Shelton and Christopher Stephen Littrell were united in marriage at half past six o'clock in the evening on August 14, 2010, at the Broadway Baptist Church in Fort Worth, Texas. Pastor Brad Jurkovich from Victory Life Baptist Church in Lubbock officiated the double-ring ceremony. Soloist was Crystal Hill and Andrew Crump played the bagpipes.

Following the ceremony, a reception was hosted by the bride's parents at The Fort Worth Club. Guests enjoyed the evening with dinner and dancing to the music performed by Brent Boyd and the Bulletproof Brass Band. On the eve of the wedding, the parents of the groom hosted a rehearsal dinner also at The Fort Worth Club.

The bride is the daughter of Helen and Robert (Bob) G. Shelton, Jr. of Midland, Texas. Susie is the granddaughter of Mrs. Shirley Cariker of Amarillo, Texas and the late Mr. Fred Cariker, Jr. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Shelton, formerly of Lubbock, Texas.

The groom is the son of Mona and George Littrell of Denison, Texas. Stephen is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Orland Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. George Littrell, Mrs. Pat Sloan and the late Mr. Olhe Sloan.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, Bob Shelton, the bride wore the Cariker family wedding gown first designed and worn by her maternal grandmother, Shirley Cariker in 1951 and her mother, Helen Shelton in 1979. The bride also wore her paternal grandmother's wedding hairpiece and carried the same Bible her grandmother Gaga and Aunt Susu carried in their wedding.

Elizabeth Carter, cousin of the bride, served as maid of honor. Megan Hale, Taylor Rowland, Chelsi Thiessen, Lauren Thompson, Elizabeth Hietzman, Laura Pittenger also attended the bride. Genevieve Daniels, friend of the bride, served as a junior bridesmaid.

Emily Littrell and Abby Littrell, nieces of the groom, served as flower girls. Cal Heidelberg, friend of the bride, served as ring bearer. Members of the house party were Michelle Littrell, sister of the groom; Christi Littrell, sister-in-law of the groom; Crystal Hill; Rori Fincher; and Zoe Georgopoulos. Coleman Carter, cousin of the bride and Kendra Durham, friend of the groom, gave Scripture readings.

Josh Littrell, brother of the groom, served as best man. Robert F. Shelton, brother of the bride; Badgett Munson; John Munson; Kurt Wells; Matt Durham; and Jason Wommack also attended the groom.

The groom is a 2002 graduate of Denison High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Management of Information Systems from Texas Tech University in Lubbock in 2008 and is a member of Sigma Chi fraternity. The groom is employed by eBank Systems in Lubbock.

The bride is a 2006 graduate of Midland High School. She graduated with honors from Texas Tech University with a Bachelor of Science in Speech Pathology in 2009 and is pursuing her masters in Speech Pathology. She is a member of Pi Beta Phi sorority and is employed with Lubbock ISD.

Following a honeymoon in Playa Mujeres, the couple will reside in Lubbock, Texas and later move to Dallas, Texas.

Spiral cutter helps put healthy twist on french fries

By Melissa D'Arabian
Associated Press

I've been watching the "zoodle" craze from the sidelines. Admittedly, I've been tempted to jump in. Noodles made from healthy zucchini using a super-cool spiral cutter? Yes, please!

But truthfully, I've harbored fears that the fad (and my interest) would quickly fade, leaving me with one more gadget to add to the donation pile.

If you haven't seen a spiral cutter, it is a small piece of kitchen equipment (several companies offer different models and styles) that cuts vegetables into (very!) long, curly noodle shapes. You push the vegetable into the blade area, turning it, hence the "spiral."

I suppose my husband got tired of seeing me eye the contraption every time we shopped the kitchen supply store because I got a spiral cutter for Mother's Day this year! And now I can't stop using it.

One of my favorite dishes is the zoodles, which can be eaten raw (toss with lemon juice, black pepper and Parmesan cheese) or can be softened by sauteeing for 2 to 3 minutes in a bit of olive oil before tossing with your favorite pasta sauce for a low-carb dish. But I'm also spiral cutting sweet potatoes, cucumbers, radishes, turnips, carrots and even apples.

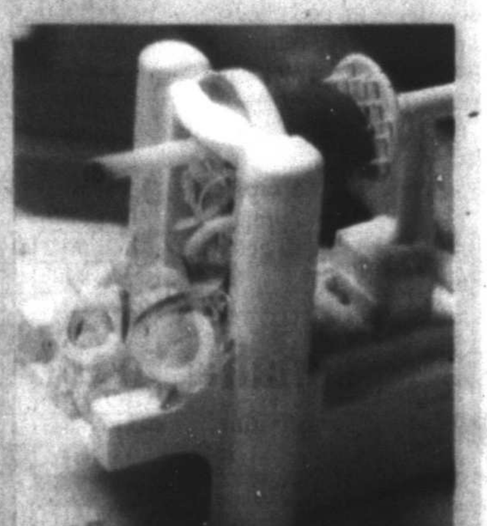
The spiral hit of the summer, though, has to be these baked curly fries. Oven fries are a great healthy alternative to the usual deep-fried french fries. But oven fries have always left us feeling a bit deprived, unsure whether the french fry itch has been adequately scratched. Until now. We truly love these oven fries! And with only 1 teaspoon of oil per recipe, these oven fries alone are worth the price of the spiral cutter.

Baked Garlic-Thyme Curly Fries

Start to finish: 45 minutes
Servings: 4

2 large russet potatoes
1 teaspoon olive oil
1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh thyme
1 teaspoon kosher salt, divided
1 teaspoon garlic powder, divided
1 tablespoon finely chopped fresh parsley

Heat the oven to 425 F. Line 2 baking sheets with kitchen parchment.



Using a spiral cutter, cut the potatoes into curly slices using the coarsest/widest blade setting. Depending on the model of spiral cutter you use, you may need to cut the potatoes to fit into it.

Transfer the sliced potatoes to a large bowl and toss with the olive oil, thyme, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder. Divide the potatoes between the 2 baking sheets, spreading them evenly.

Bake for 15 to 20 minutes, or until they are visibly browning and crunchy in places. Flip, and bake for another 15 to 20 minutes. Total cook time should be 30 to 40 minutes. Transfer the potatoes to a serving dish and sprinkle with the remaining salt, garlic powder and parsley. Serve immediately.

Nutrition information per serving: 150 calories; 10 calories from fat (7 percent of total calories); 1.5 g fat (0 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 500 mg sodium; 32 g carbohydrate; 3 g fiber; 2 g sugar; 4 g protein.

Hints from Heloise

King Features Syndicate



Spray not necessary on nonstick cookware

Dear Heloise: My husband insists on spraying nonstick spray in the nonstick skillet when he cooks eggs. They get soggy and fall apart. I say the nonstick skillet does not need any nonstick spray. What's the scoop? — Tina D., Lubbock, Texas

I hate to get in the middle of this! But here goes. Nonstick pans are supposed to be just that — nonstick. However, there are many brands, some better and some worse. They are not all alike.

A lot depends on when you use the spray. Spray a cold pan, then turn on the heat — that's OK. You should not spray a nonstick pan while it's hot. If you do, the lecithin (which is in many aerosol-type sprays) pretty much melts and sticks to the pan. It's near impossible to get off. If the pan is not cleaned well each time the spray is used, it builds up, and then food sticks to the pan. Tell your husband to do a Heloise test: Use one nonstick pan without the spray, the other with the spray, and see how the eggs turn out. — Heloise

P.S.: Read the instructions — one light spray can be from 1/3 of a second to a minute. Not very long!

Dehydrate bread

Dear Heloise: I recently started reading your column daily in the Waterbury (Conn.) Republican-American. This past Easter, I had turkey for dinner, because my hubby doesn't like ham. I forgot to break up the breads for the stuffing and leave them out to dry early enough. I took my dehydrator and put all the bread in there. Twenty minutes later, I had perfectly dried bread cubes. — Lisa H., Watertown, Conneticut

Lisa, thanks for writing. I visited your beautiful city a while back, and it's just charming. — Heloise

Bacon grease

Dear Heloise: Here's a question I've never seen anyone ask you: I save bacon grease after cooking bacon to flavor a lot of different dishes. I'm never sure how long it will keep safely, and would it be OK to freeze it? — Janet S., Hockley, Texas

In the South, we do love our bacon grease! Years ago, every kitchen probably had a container of grease sitting on the stovetop without any problems of it going bad. Mostly because they used a lot of it, so the supply was fresh.

If you use only a small amount, it's better to keep the grease in the refrigerator, and it should last for months. If you are stockpiling, do freeze it. Let it cool — some folks strain out the bits of meat — and put in a freezer-safe container. Mark it clearly! — Heloise

Thumbprint cookies

Dear Heloise: I make thumbprint cookies and use a rubber wine cork. Makes nice, uniform circles! Clean hands are just an added bonus! — K.E.D., via email

Banana bread

Dear Heloise: When I make banana nut bread, I use a fluted cake pan. It looks nice and is easier to slice. — M. Walter, via email

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Vinegars help to finish the dish right

By J.M. Hirsch
AP Food Editor

Sometimes a salad or meat sizzling off the grill — and frequently a cocktail — needs just that special something to tie it all together.

When searching for that something, American home cooks frequently overlook one of the best and most ubiquitous choices: vinegars. The sharp acidity and natural sweetness of vinegars — not to mention their affinity for salty, savory flavors and ability to cut through fat — make them perfect for uniting the many ingredients and flavors of a dish.

Balsamic vinegar, for example, loves beef and tomatoes. Toss some of both on the grill, then heap them on a plate and scatter them with coarse salt and pepper, and finish with a hefty splash of balsamic. The vinegar not only heightens the natural sugars of the tomatoes and complements the savory flavors of the meat, it also cuts through the meaty, fatty flavors in the most pleasing way.

And where would starchy, mayo-rich potato salad be without a splash of cider vinegar to unite everything? Likewise, sushi rice without rice vinegar just wouldn't have that same tang that complements the fatty fish.

All of which is to say you need vinegars more than you know, and you need to start using them to finish dishes. Need a primer? Check out the line of finishing vinegars by Wozz Kitchen Creations, a tiny company that makes bracingly sharp, yet still sweet and refreshing finishing vinegars intended to be used straight up on salads, meats, and roasted or grilled vegetables, as well as in the occasional cocktail.

The company, which is based in Bethlehem, New Hampshire, produces a variety of fruit-infused vinegars, including spiced pear and ginger; cranberry saffron; Australian-style spiced beet; balsamic blueberry and maple; and my favorite, spiced strawberry rhubarb (which just so happens to go lovely in a tall glass of gin with ice and a splash of seltzer).

Try the spiced pear and ginger on grilled pork chops. The cranberry saffron vinegar is great on roasted winter squash. Spiced beet vinegar goes with toasted pumpkin seeds on fresh greens for a simple, but bold salad. And the balsamic blueberry and maple is wonderful drizzled over fresh berries in a yogurt parfait.



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Children hear even when it seems they aren't listening

Many of the clients I see are adolescents and teenagers. One of the most common things I hear is clients feel they are not heard or understood, which leads them to believe they are not loved in some cases. Isn't that interesting? The parent and child both feel they are not being heard.

One of the most important things for a parent to remember is your child is listening. He or she is not just listening to your words but also to your actions. For instance, if your child observed you affirming another child — maybe a sibling — but he or she receives only criticism, what message is your child receiving? Another example is when you are telling your child not to react a certain way, but your own reactions reflect that particular behavior, what message is your child receiving? As parents we are working ourselves out of a job, as we hope for our children to grow and be successful once they transition to adulthood. Their success or failure depends largely on your lessons throughout their life, as you prepare them for the world.

Our world has been rocked by the increase in teenage suicide. There are a reported 5,000 deaths among teenagers in America a year. Sixteen percent of teenagers admit they have considered suicide, according to the website nobullying.com. One of the leading triggers for suicide is low self-esteem. As parents it is our duty to ensure that our children know their personal value. In "Self-Esteem: A Proven Program of Cognitive Technique was for Assessing, Improving, and Maintaining your Self-Esteem," authors Matthew McKay and Patrick Fanning write that "self-esteem is the armor that protects kids form the dragons of life: drugs, alcohol, unhealthy relationships, and delinquency." What are you teaching your children about their worth? Are you telling them the things you are proud of, or is your communication filled with negative feedback?

Finally, as adults we often believe we must receive respect to give it. Are you giving your child the respect he or she deserves? The question then becomes more about what your children are hearing and observing rather than whether they are listening. If you show interest in your children, remain consistent with rules and discipline, and explain the reason behind the rules, you are helping them make choices for the rest of their lives.

Book takes on culture of kids bullying parents

By Leanne Italie
Associated Press

NEW YORK — There's a difference in parenting between a little backtalk and kids actually bullying their grown-ups.

Yes, you heard that right. Parent and family therapist Sean Grover writes in a new book, "When Kids Call the Shots," that a generation or two ago, it would have been unthinkable for children to bully their parents without consequences, yet today everyone knows a parent who is bullied.

Turning that around, he said in a recent interview, means coming up with new strategies but also unpacking your own baggage in the esteem, resentment, shame, fear and anxiety compartments of your past. It ain't pretty but letting go of old tactics — surrendering, punishing, negotiating — is a positive step.

Grover, in Manhattan, offers readable bites of advice, case studies from his 20 years working with families and personal stories of his own trials as the father of two girls, now 12 and 15.

The book, from AMACOM, the publishing arm of the American Management Association, was released in early June. A conversation with Sean Grover:

AP: How does this kind of bullying begin?

Grover: It's been around a long time in child development, really, but it just didn't have that name. The prime reason for it is a backlash against the authoritative parenting of the past. People make these vows that they're never going to be that punishing or that way with their kids. Today, parents go too far in the other direction. They want to be their kids' friends, they're afraid of their children, of losing their child's affection.

It's not unusual for a guidance counselor or a school psychologist to take me aside when I'm doing a workshop and say, 'This is a huge problem we don't know how to address.' Children are bullying their parents and they bring that culture into the classroom with their peers or their teacher.

AP: Are these behaviors out of control?

Grover: What has changed are the parenting models, how people are responding to their children. A lot of parents come to me burned out, or their relationships are really on the rocks. They begin to relive their own childhood in some way, so it's a mess of internal space that's hard to navigate.

The difference is not that child development has changed but the evolution of parenting.

AP: So there's more guilt-prone, anxiety-fueled, fix-everything parenting today? Are we failing by allowing ourselves to be bullied?

Grover: Absolutely there's more. I think we may be stumbling. I'm not sure about failing.

You get into a strange situation where the less parents provide things like structure and boundaries, like in the past, the more kids begin to act up. They're unconsciously waving flags: 'Will you do something over here, please?'.

AP: How do we reclaim our parent power?

Grover: So often we treat parenting as one size fits all. Strategies usually begin by going backward. Rather than trying to snuff out the problem, what's causing the problem? Rather than trying to control a conflict or control a situation, look at the whole child and find what's missing.

Marriage to slovenly wife brings man close to tears

DEAR ABBY

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DEAR ABBY: I have been married 40 years, and it's just the two of us. I work full time and make a good living. We have a large house in a great neighborhood.

My problem is my wife. She hasn't worked throughout almost all of our marriage and has to be the laziest person I know. We haven't slept in the same bed for 20 years. She weighs 300 pounds and is always going to diet, but never really does.

She sleeps in her own bedroom with a huge walk-in closet piled up to the top shelf with nice items she refuses to put away. She also has a separate bathroom and living room.

Her section of the house is a pigsty. It stinks to high heaven because she never gets around to cleaning it. The kitchen is worse. She never cooks a meal. Either I do it after cleaning up, or I live off of TV dinners.

When it comes to our finances, we're up to our eyeballs in debt. She spends money like it grows on trees. If I ask a simple question, her replies are mean and sarcastic. I would have gotten a divorce a long time ago if I could afford one.

I'm a reasonably good-looking guy. I could have had an affair ages ago, but I wasn't brought up that way. Don't bother saying she should get counseling. According to her, she has no problems.

I am so tired of living the way I do, I could just cry if I thought it would do any good. What do you think? — BUMMED OUT IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR BUMMED OUT: If your wife is happy living this way, she may be right. She isn't the person with the problem — you are.

Although she may not be open to counseling, you should have some to help you understand why you have tolerated this one-sided arrangement for 20 years. You say you may not be able to afford a divorce, but if what's driving you to the poorhouse is your free-spending spouse, it would also be in your interest to consult an attorney to find out if it's possible to break that cycle.

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have a happy, well-adjusted only child who shares and gets along well with others. But a few family members continually comment that they are "surprised" he has these characteristics because he's an only child. They make negative remarks about only children in general and act as though he suffers because he doesn't have siblings.

When they visit, they seem surprised that entertaining multiple people in our home with their children doesn't upset us and isn't unusual. I point out that I have friends who are only children who are happy, well-adjusted, successful adults, yet these relatives continue to make hurtful comments.

At Christmas my sister remarked that she doesn't feel we are a "real" family because we have only one child. I found it hurtful that this intelligent woman would say such a thing. What is the best way to respond to these remarks? I feel like I need to educate, as well as inform them that they need to stop hurting me. — HAPPY WITH ONE

DEAR HAPPY WITH ONE: A quick start on your road to recovery would be to recognize that the relatives may make those snarky comments because they are jealous. The next time you receive what you interpret to be a criticism because of the size of your small family, tell these people you heard them the first time they made their tasteless remark, and not to repeat it again.

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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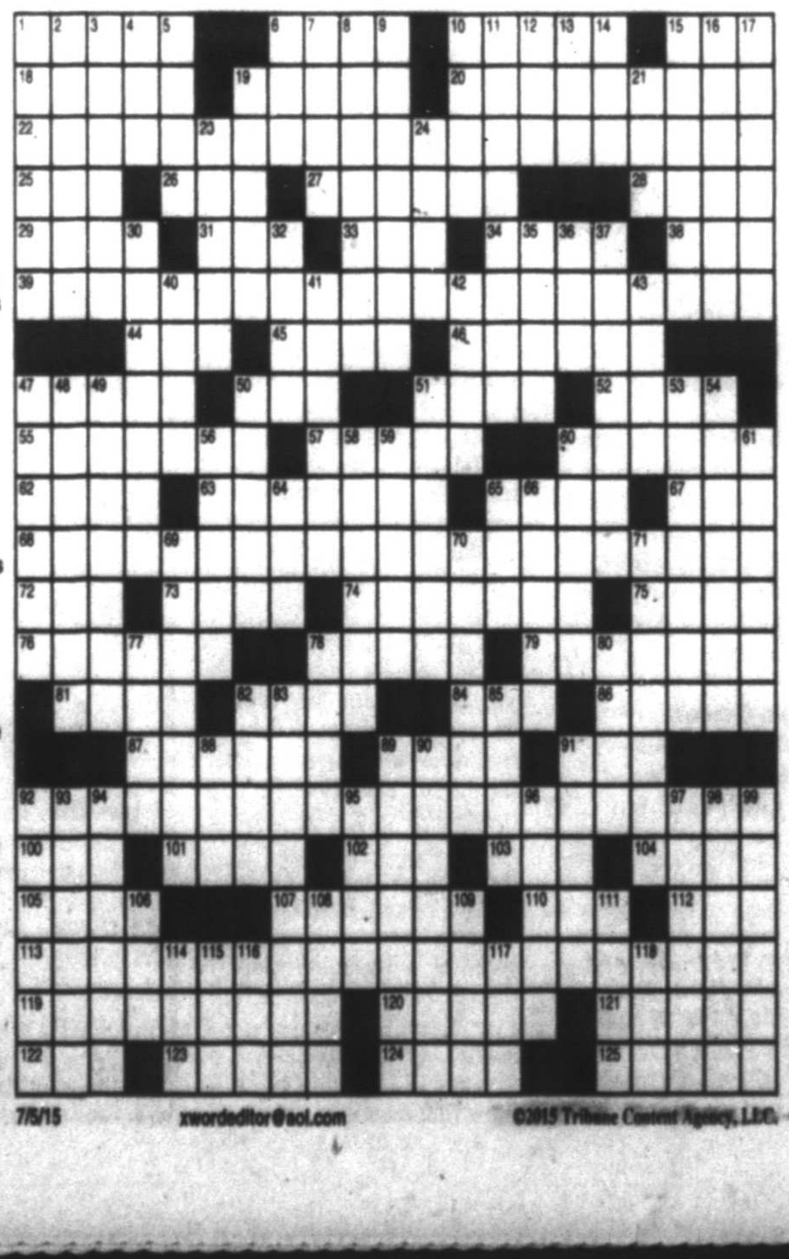
ALL TOGETHER NOW" By MARK BICKHAM

ACROSS

1 National animal of Malaysia
6 Place for a speaker
10 Paper pieces
15 Hand-off recipients Abbr.
18 Tone sequence
19 Marry an Indian
20 It doesn't happen often enough
22 Gene pool?
25 1989 World Champion figure skater
26 Plant
27 Unimpressive bunch
28 Beatles song with the line "And she promises the earth to me"
29 1898 chemical discovery
31 Eye or sun
33 Chairman __
34 Emilia's husband
38 Wedding column word
39 Bills piling up?
44 Jazz guitarist Montgomery
45 Hammock happenings
46 Animal groups
47 Rock band with the hit "Edison's Medicine"
50 Square with roots
51 Name names
52 Shoulder muscle, for short
55 Come into
57 Map of Alaska, often
60 "Think this looks good on me?"
62 Frozen Four org.
63 Bar entertainment
65 Pool color
67 Rain-__: bubble gum brand
68 Art gallery?
72 Seer's supposed skill
73 Work with feet?
74 Part of it is now a desert
75 Staging __
76 Go back and forth
78 __ Islands: Taiwan Strait archipelago
79 Flash drive slot
81 Mouth build-up
82 Utah city on I-15
84 Shipping rope
86 Conditioner bottle directive
87 (Having) come up
89 Hatchet relative
91 It may be made or laid
92 Robins' nest?
100 Member of the fam
101 Morales of "Caprica"
102 Deadly snake
103 Toledo title Abbr.
104 Lose it
105 Busy
107 Sugarcane-scraping machine
110 Pack animal
112 Warning from a small house
113 Buddy list?
119 Showed, in a way
120 Picked
121 Ninja Turtles human pal April __
122 Type of 73-Across
123 More than ready to go
124 Company with collectible trucks
125 Very small

DOWN

1 It may be accompanied by finger-wagging
2 Arnold Palmer ingredient
3 Stumblebum
4 Legal side?
5 Husband-and-wife creators of Curious George
6 Impersonated
7 Afterthoughts
8 Brainstorming tool
9 Components of a very long month?
10 Milk go-with
11 Biased
12 Goof
13 "N __ Say" Nelly song
14 RR stop
15 Eye part
16 Dance studio aids
17 Dos
19 Tester's greeting
21 Persian, e.g.
23 Shares a place (with)
24 Allied group
30 Symbol of a fresh start
32 Moravian city
35 Put __ in one's ear
36 MD for women
37 One of the Minor Prophets
40 Barely burn
41 Goodyear offering
42 Out confused
43 Onion cousin
47 Nuances
48 Fully surrounds
49 Chinese dog breed
50 Claim, with "out"
51 Taken for
53 Early upscale Chrysler
54 Farm machines
56 "__, right?" "You said it!"
58 Polite refusal
59 Hybrid tennis garment
60 Vader creator
61 As of now
64 "Everybody Hurts" band
65 Six-pack makeup
66 Netflix list
69 In hot water
70 Hardly dexterous
71 Forest rangers?
77 Pole, for one
78 Source of many an order
80 Belgian balladeer Jacques
82 Mount between Pelion and Olympus
83 Ones out of work
85 Conifers yielding elastic wood
88 Org. with complex schedules
89 Susan of "Five Easy Pieces"
90 __ Mode: English band
91 Great time
92 Book size
93 Trip-inducing, as shoelaces
94 Eaves dropper?
95 "Candy is dandy" poet
96 Fuming
97 "Eat Drink Man Woman" director
98 Miami athlete
99 With pep in one's step
106 Widely read article?
108 Hardy of old films
109 Bygone theaters
111 No longer usable
114 Green of "Penny Dreadful"
115 Bargain __
116 JFK sight, once
117 It has two of itself in it
118 Unified



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BOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Good technique

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ J 10 9
♡ K 7 6 5 2
♢ K J 7 3 2
♣ Void

WEST
♠ 7 6 4 3 2
♡ Q 10 8
♢ 10
♣ 10 9 5 4

EAST
♠ Void
♡ J 4 3
♢ A Q
♣ A Q J 8 7 6 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A K Q 8 5
♡ A 9
♢ 9 8 6 5 4
♣ K

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♠	Pass	1NT*	2♣
2♢	Pass	3♣	4♣
4♠	All pass		

*Forcing

Opening lead: 10 of ♣

Today's deal is from an important women's championship held recently in England. The vulnerability kept most Easts from bidding five clubs — a contract that might have succeeded depending upon which ace South chose to lead. Most of the field played in four spades, but only one declarer was successful — Maggie Pierce of Wales.

Other declarers ruffed the opening club lead, started on trumps, and never recovered. Pierce ruffed the club lead in dummy and followed the normally sound technique of setting up her side suit before drawing trumps. She could afford to lose three tricks, so she led the jack of diamonds from dummy at trick two. On another day, this might have found a singleton ace in the East hand. Not today, but it didn't matter.

East won with her queen and shifted to hearts — a club continuation would have been no better. South won this in dummy with the king, cashed the jack of spades, and then led the king of diamonds. East won her ace, but there was nothing she could do. A club and Pierce would ruff in dummy, cross to her hand in hearts, and draw the outstanding trumps. The actual heart lead by East was won with the ace for the same result. Nicely played!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, July 5, 2015:
This year you often prefer to relate on a one-on-one level. You will learn to become less triggered. You will learn to detach.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ Remain upbeat. Your affection for a child or loved one will color your plans. A partner could be touchy or difficult.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You have been ready to rush in to help anyone celebrate this past weekend. A loved one might let you know that he or she has had enough of you being so available.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ You have a lot of friends, but they often fall to the wayside. Don't forget to call a loved one at a distance. In fact, you are likely to visit this person.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You will want to take off early for the beach or visit friends at a favorite spot. You might be very direct at this moment and not even be aware of it.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Make plans for a quieter day with a family member or loved one. Take a break from the here and now and have a picnic at a favorite spot.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might want to switch gears and do something else. A close friend will pull you right out of that thought, as this person wants you to take a break.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ Reach out to someone you care a lot about. In fact, use the earlier part of the day to catch up with friends on the phone and see what they have been doing.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You might want to relax some, but a child or new friend will make it clear that he or she wants your time.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You have the ability to work through a problem. Someone might throw a fit because he or she wants more of your time.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Honor a request from a close relative or neighbor. You might not understand this person, but avoid questions for now.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Use the moment to get past a problem that has been nagging at you. You will discover that you might need to deal with it sooner than you expected to.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ Get as much R and R as possible. You might be more tired after today than you had expected to be. The pace of the past few days seems to change.
BORN TODAY
Former Prime Minister of France Georges Pompidou (1911), musician Huey Lewis (1950)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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52 FACES OF COMMUNITY

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SUNDAY MORNING — JULY 5, 2015

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Paid	This Week		Church	Paid	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Hunt	Paid	M. Lyon	CBS Sunday Morning			Face the Nation			First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Abbott	Abbott	BackKotter	BackKotter	Gilligan	Gilligan	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	BradyB.	BradyB.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Consumr	W.Minist	Insight	Consumr	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	FaithAve	Rain	Consumr	Consumr	Consumr
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	(5:00) Light of south		Walking	Stringer	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	R/Manusc	HaYesod	Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	TBA	Secrets	Havas	Havas	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		First Baptist Church		Paid	Paid
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	C.George	W.World	D.Tiger	Sesame	DinoTrain	DinoTrain	Peg + Cat	Caf? Hat	Odd Squ	Wild K.	Arthur
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa pagado		Programa pagado		Al punto		Tras la Verdad		Durmiendo mi jefe	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Spaces	Homecwn	Green	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Bucket	Trobador	Paid	Paid
FLIX	340	65		165		(5:15) ★★★★ Quiz Show		★★ The Honeymooners				★★ Last Holiday Queen Latifah.				★ Dead Poets Soc...	
HBO	300	68	14	14		★★★★ Rio 2 Jesse Eisenberg.		(:245) ★★ Bulletproof Monk						★★ Three to Tango		(:115) ★ In and Out	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:40) ★★ PCU		★ Jersey Boys (14, Bio) John Lloyd Young.				(:15) RobertDeNiroSr.		★★ You, Me and Dupree		Movie	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		Movie		★★★ In the Land of Women		(:15) Real Sports		(:15) ★ Into the Storm		(:50) Last Week		Movie	
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:40)	★★ The Rainmaker ('97, Dra) Matt Damon.				★ Grilled Kevin James.		(:20) ★★ She's All That			
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:30) ★ It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World				★★★ Thelma and Louise				(:10) ★ The Secret Life of Walter Mitty			
PLEX			96			(5:50) ★ The Last Patrol		★★ The Bachelor				(:15) ★★ Tea With Mussolini Cher.		(:20) ★ At First Sight			
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	OneDir.	★★★ Meet Joe Black ('98, Dra) Sir Anthony Hopkins, Brad Pitt.						★★★ The Hurricane ('99, Dra) Denzel Washington.				
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	Genesis: Sum of the Parts			★★★ Mr. Holland's Opus ('95, Dra) Richard Dreyfuss.				★★★ The Butler			
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Dog B.H.	Dog B.H.	Dog B.H.	Dog B.H.	Donnie	Donnie	Donnie	Donnie	Wahlberg	Wahlberg	Wahlburgers	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(5:00) ★ Caddyshack		Halt "Infiltrator"		Recity		HUMANS		★★★ Field of Dreams Kevin Costner.			
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) BET Inspiration				Bobby Jones Gospel		LIR Voice	BETX	BETX	BETX	Genius Talks	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Secrets and Wives		Secrets and Wives		Real Housewives		Wives "Sonja Island"		Real Housewives		Real Housewives	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Pre-race	F1 Racing British Grand Prix (L)				F1 Post-race (L)		Paid	Paid	Paid	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		New Day	Politics	State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Ultimate Air Jaws		Sharktacular		Return of Jaws		Impossible Shot	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Stuffins	Sofia 1st	M.Mouse	Miles	★★ Surf's Up Shia LaBeouf.			Girl	★ Teen Beach Movie 2 Ross Lynch.			
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		OLines	Report (N)	SportsCenter					
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(4:30) ESPN 30Shorts		30 for 30		SportsCenter		OLines	Report	Nine IX "The '99ers"		Baseball	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Melissa	Melissa	Melissa		★★★★★ The Princess Bride Cary Elwes.				★★★ Burlesque ('10, Dra) Christina Aguilera, Cher.			
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		Media Buzz		News HQ	Housecall
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Rachel Ray's Week in		Barefoot	Giada	Pioneer	Southern	Dinner	Giada	Brunch	Daphne	Heart (N)	Rules
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Outdoors	Paid	18 Holes	Swing	Paid	Paid	LHSAA Ch "Softball"		Golf (N)	H. Fame	Game365	Polaris
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Ellen	M&M	M&M	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother		★★ Total Recall ('12, Act) Colin Farrell.			
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls		G. Girls		★ A Very Merry Mix-Up Alicia Witt.	
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	America: The Story of the U.S. "Rebels"				America: The Story of the U.S. "Westward"				America: The Story of the U.S. "Civil War"			
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	UnREAL "Truth"		★ A Little Bit of Heaven Kate Hudson.			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Lockup	Business	MSNBC Live								Weekends-Alex Witt	
NBCSN	38	39				Cycling Tour de France Stage 2 Ulztrecht - Zelande (L)										F1 Auto Racing	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Parents	Parents	Dino	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Ninja	Sponge	Parents	Parents
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		Twilight	★★★ Star Trek: insurrection					★★ Solaris ('02, Sci-Fi) George Clooney.		Movie	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Married	Married	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends			★★★ Zoolander ('01, Com) Ben Stiller.		★★★ Yes Man	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	Movie	(:45)	★★★★ Strike Up the Band Judy Garland.						★★ Bandwagon Kevin Corrigan.		★★★ The Best Years ...	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Noodle	De chica	LazyTown	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Videos	Enfoque	Angel
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Four Weddings	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order "Hitman"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Asterisk"		Law&O. "The Wheel"		Law & Order		LawOrder "Chosen"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	(:35) G. Girls	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G.Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		Reba	(:35) Reba
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		Royal Pains		Complications		Chrisley	Chrisley	SVU "Influence"	
WGN	19	18				Lord		Paid	Key David	Paid		Heat Night "Missing"		In Heat of Night		★ In the Heat of the Night: Give Me You...	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — JULY 5, 2015

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Wimbledon Highlights						News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Marlin Challenge		Off-Road Racing		PGA Golf The Greenbrier Classic Site: The Old White TPC (L)						FaceNat.	News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	The Love Boat		Remington Steele		Streets Francisco		The Mod Squad		Hawaii Five-O	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Heroes at Home				American Anthem		World's Funniest		Consumr	Consumr	World Cup Today (L)	
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	S. Baras	Mani Erfan	Biblical	Sal.	Light of the Southwest		Best of Week		J. McGee	Dollars	House	Dr. R.B.
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Paid	Paid	Cycling Tour de France				NASCAR Special		Rallycross		Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Cyberch.	Maya&M.	Sit Fit	W.L.Yoga	Knitting	Beads	Sewing	Africa	Family	Global	News. (N)	Ireland
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Gloria Trevi: En Concierto			Incluido	Republica deportiva		Rosa Guadalupe		Como dice el dicho		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Paid	Paid	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	Entertainers		Flipside	Insider	Access Hollywood	
FLIX	340	65		165		(11:00) ★ Dead Poets...	(:10)	★★★ Sea of Love Al Pacino.						★★ Metro ('97, Act) Eddie Murphy.		★★★ Last Holiday	
HBO	300	68	14	14		Movie	(:245) Larry Kramer in Love			(:15) ★★★ Ender's Game Asa Butterfield.				(:15) ★ The Book of Life Diego Luna.			
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(11:50) ★★ The Lake House		★ The Fault in Our Stars Shailene Woodley.				(:45) ★★★★ X-Men: Days of Future Past					
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(11:25) ★ Muhamma...	(:05) Ballers	(:35) ★ Baggage Claim				(:15) True Detective		(:15) ★★ Disconnect Jason Bateman.			
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(:05) ★ 10 Things I Hate About...		(:45) ★★★ The Hammer				(:15) ★ Wish I Was Here Zach Braff.				(:05) ★ We're the...	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(11:10) ★★ Turistas		(:50) ★ Blended ('14, Com) Adam Sandler.				(:50) ★ Veronica Mars Kristen Bell.				Movie	
PLEX			96			(11:20) ★★ At First Sight		★★★ Awakenings Robin Williams.				(:35) ★★ The Bachelor				(:20) ★ King Ralph	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Dreadful "Fresh Hell"		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	(:45) ★★ Mindhunters Elon Bailey.			(:35) ★ A Glimpse Inside the ...				(:05) ★ Ain't Them Bodies So...		Movie	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	★★★★ Four Brothers Mark Wahlberg.				★★★★ Tombstone ('93, West) Val Kilmer, Kurt Russell.				Duck D.	Duck D.	Duck D.	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Movie	★★ Sahara ('05, Act) Penélope Cruz, Matthew McConaughey.							★★★ I Am Legend Will Smith.		Movie	
BET	58	26		40		★★ House Party 2: The Pajama Jam Christopher Reid.				★ House Party 3 ('93, Com) Christopher Reid.						BETX Top 10	
BRAVO	65	63		41		The Real Housewives	Odd Mom	Mother Funders			Mother Funders		Married to Medicine		Married to Medicine	Medic	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Great White Gauntlet	Voodoo Sharks			I Escaped Jaws		I Escaped Jaws II		Air Jaws: Fin of Fury		Jaws Comes Home	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Girl	Girl	LivMad	LivMad	Jessie	Jessie	KC Under	KC Under	Austin	Austin	LivMad	LivMad
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NHRA Drag Racing Nationals Site: Summit Motorsports Park						Poker		Poker		SportsC.	Tonight
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(11:00) Baseball		30 for 30		ESPN Films "Catching Hell"				MLS Soccer San Jose vs Portland (L)			
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★★ Pretty Woman ('90, Rom) Richard Gere.						★★★ Steel Magnolias ('89, Com/Dra) Sally Field.				★ Forrest Gump	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal E.	Housecall	America's News HQ		Media Buzz		Fox News Sunday	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Diners...	Crazy	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Diners...	Food Network Star	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Lunch Rangers (N)		H.S. Softball UIL Tournament				Sports Unlimited (N)		WPT Poker		Insider	Pre-game
FX	31	31	59	64	69	★★★ Battle Los Angeles ('11, Sci-Fi) Aaron Eckhart.						★★ Battleship ('12, Sci-Fi) Alexander Skarsgard, Taylor Kitsch.				Movie	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	★ A Cookie Cutter Christmas Erin Krakow.				★ A Bride for Christmas Andrew W. Walker.				★ Northpole ('14, Dra) Tiffani Thiessen.			
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	America: The Story of the U.S. "Metropolis"				America: Story of US "Rise of a Superpower"				America: Story of US "Millennium"			
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	★★ While You Were Sleeping						★★ The First Wives Club Goldie Hawn.				★★ What Happens in Vegas	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	(11:00) Weekends With Alex Witt				Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	39				(11:00) F1 Racing British Grand Prix		F1 Auto Racing		OceanRce		AMA Motocross		NASCAR America (L)			
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	★ Splitting Adam (2015, Children)				100 Things to Do		★ One Crazy Cruise Sydney Park.		SpongeBob		Sponge	
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(11:30) ★★★ Deja Vu Denzel Washington.				★★ Starship Troopers ('97, Sci-Fi) Denise Richards.						★ Jurassic Park	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(11:00) ★ Yes Man		★★★ The Change-Up Jason Bateman.				★★ Mr. Deeds ('02, Com) Adam Sandler.				★ Happy Gilmore	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:00) ★★ The Best Years of Our Lives				★ Misfits						(:15) ★★★★ West Side Story	
TELE	20	8	10	20		★★ Operacion Peligrosa				★ La Batalla de Riddick Vin Diesel.				Noticiero	Conducta	Conducta	Antesala
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Four Weddings		Four Weddings		Amer. Gypsy Wedd		Amer. Gypsy Wedd		Amer. Gypsy Wedd		Amer. Gypsy Wedd	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Falling Skies		★★ Bad Boys II ('03, Act) Will Smith, Jordi Mollà, Martin Lawrence.						★★ Fast & Furious ('09, Act) Vin Diesel.			
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:10) Reba	(:50) Reba	(:25) Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law&O: SVU "Savior"		SVU "Bedtime"		SVU "Behave"		SVU "Rescue"		SVU "Totem"		SVU "Reparations"	
WGN	19	18				Heat Night "Prisoners"		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		Heat Night "Legacy"		Heat Night "Odessa"		Blue Bloods "Pilot"	

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — JULY 5, 2015

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Celebrity Family Feud (N)		BattleBots (N)		Castle "Bad Santa"		KMID News	(:35) Millionaires'	(:35) Monopoly Club	(:35) W.Collar
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Big Brother		Zoo "First Blood"		Extant "Change Scenario"		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Good Wife	
KWWT CW	5	14			5	14	Blck Sheep Squadron "Up For Grabs"		Columbo "By Dawn's Early Light" The head of school kills.			Man Frm U.N.C.L.E. "The Yukon Affair"		Mission: Impossible "The Cardinal"		Get Smart	Get Smart
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	FIFA Soccer World Cup Site: B.C. Place Stadium - Vancouver, B.C. (L)				World Cup (L)	The Simpsons	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Modern Family	Modern Family	Jack Van Impe	Consum-er Corner
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Shepherd's Heart		Walking	All About Us	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	NASCAR Auto Racing Daytona Beach, Fla. (L)		Coke Zero 400 Sprint Cup Series Site: Daytona International Speedway						NewsWe-st 9 at 10	Country Reporter	Havas	Whacked Out
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Globu Trekker "The Netherlands"		Last Tango in Halifax (N)		Masterpiece Classic "Poldark" (N)		The Crimson Field (N)		Film School	On Story	Front and Center "Joe Satriani"	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aquí y Ahora		Me Pongo de Pie (SF)				Sal y pimienta		Familia P. Luche	Noticiero Univision	Republica deportiva	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Ent. Tonight		Castle		Scandal		The Closer		Anger M.	M&M	Office	NameGme
FLIX	340	65		165		(5:00) ★ Last Holiday		★★ Be Cool ('05, Com) John Travolta.				★★ The Honeymooners				★ Don't Be a Menace to Sou...	
HBO	300	68	14	14		(:05) ★★ Transcendence Johnny Depp.		True Detective		Ballers	TheBrink	LastWeek	True Detective			The Brink	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	The Brink Last Week		True Detective		★ Gone Girl ('14, Mys) Rosamund Pike, Ben Affleck.				★★ Godzilla Elizabeth Olsen.			
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(:15) ★★★★ This is Where I Leave You				★ Into the Storm				★★ Alex and Emma		(:20) ★ Disconnect	
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:00) ★ We're the...		★★★ The Thomas Crown Affair				★ Rush ('13, Act) Daniel Brühl.				Femme	Femme
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(5:40) ★★ The Talented Mr. Ripley				★★ Dreamgirls ('06, Mus) Jamie Foxx.				(:15) Guide	(:40) ★★	Blades of Glory	
PLEX			96			(5:20) ★ King Ralph		★★ At First Sight ('99, Dra) Val Kilmer.				(:15) ★★ The Jane Austen Book Club			(:05) ★ The Love Le...		
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful		Penny Dreadful	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:45) ★★★ The Butler Forest Whitaker.				★★★ Babel ('06, Dra) Cate Blanchett, Brad Pitt.				★ The to Do List Aubrey Plaza.			
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Duck D.	Duck Dyn.	Duck D.	"Lake Boss"	Duck Dynasty		Duck D.	Duck Dynasty		Duck D.	Duck D.	"Lake Boss"
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(5:30) ★★ The Day the Earth Stood Still		HUMANS (N)				Halt' Catch Fire (N)		HUMANS		Halt' "108ROAD36"	
BET	58	26		40		BET Awards								Game	Game	BET Inspiration	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Medic.	Bravo (N)	Married Medicine (N)		Mother Funders (N)		Bravo (N)	Married to Medicine	Mother Funders		H.Wives	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Greed	Money	American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	The Hunt John Walsh		The Hunt		The Hunt		The Hunt		The Hunt		The Hunt	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Jaws Strikes Back (N)		Shark Trek (N)		Isle/ Mega Shark (N)		Monster Mako (N)		Shark (N)	Isle/ Mega Shark		Mon.Mako
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Jessie	Jessie	KC Under	KC Under	KC Under	KC Under	Jessie	Dog Blog	Austin	Jessie	Dog Blog	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	Tonight	MLB Select	MLB Baseball San Francisco Giants at Washington Nationals (L)						SportsCenter		SportsC.	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	30 for 30 "Broke"		30 for 30		The Price of Gold		Nine IX "The '99ers"		ESPN FC		30 for 30	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★★★ Forrest Gump Tom Hanks.				★★★ Cast Away ('00, Dra) Helen Hunt, Nick Searcy, Tom Hanks.						J.Osteen	Jeremiah
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report Sunday		Legends & Lies		Legends & Lies		Stossel		Legends & Lies		Legends & Lies	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game (N)		Food Star (N)		Cutthroat (N)		Cake "The Simpsons"		Food Network Star	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	MLB Baseball Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim at Texas Rangers (L)				Rangers	Bull Riding				School (N)	WPT Poker	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(5:30) ★★★ Men in Black 3 Will Smith.				★★ Jack Reacher ('12, Act) Rosamund Pike, Tom Cruise.						UFC Bad	Movie
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	★★★ Home Alone Macaulay Culkin.				★★★ A Boyfriend for Christmas				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Bargain	Beach Flip (N)		Island (N)	Island (N)	H.Hunt	House (N)	Beach Flip	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn Star	Pawn Stars		Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	(:05) Pawn	Pawn S.	Pawn Stars	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	★★★ The Bucket List Jack Nicholson.				★★★ The Proposal Sandra Bullock.				★★★ The Bucket List Jack Nicholson.			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Caught on Camera		Sex Sleves-America		Sex Sleves		Sex Sleves-Suburbs		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	39				Triathlon		UCI Cycling Tour de France Stage 2 Utrecht - Zelande – France						Victory Lap (L)		UCI Cycling	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	★★ Legally Blonde Reese Witherspoon.				F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Catch a Contractor		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) ★★★ Jurassic Park Sam Neill.				★★ Jurassic Park III Sam Neill.				★★★ The 13th Warrior			
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(5:00) ★ Happy Gil...		★★★ The Hangover ('09, Com) Ed Helms, ★				★★ The Hangover Part II Bradley Cooper.				★★ Due Date	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:15) ★ West Side S...		★★★★ Duck Soup ('33, Com) Groucho Marx.				★★★★ The Great Dictator Charlie Chaplin.				Thanhouser Studio	
TELE	20	8	10	20		FIFA Fútbol Copa Mundial (L)				★ Mi villano favorito (2010, Animated)				Titulares	Conducta	Videos asombrosos	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Amer. Gypsy Wedd	Amer. Gypsy Wedd	Return to Amish (N)		Gypsy Sisters (N)		Gypsy Sisters (N)		R.Amish "A Secret"		Gypsy Sisters	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	★★ The Fast and the Furious Vin Diesel.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Last Ship "Solace" (N)		Falling Skies (N)		Last Ship "Solace"		Falling Skies	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Reba	(:35) Reba	(:10) Reba	(:50) Ray	(:25) Loves Ray		Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	SVU "Delinquent"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		SVU "Criminal Stories"		Modern	Modern	Modern	Modern
WGN	19	18				Blue Bloods "The Job"		★★ Men of Honor ('00, Dra) Robert De Niro.				Manhattan			Bones		Bones

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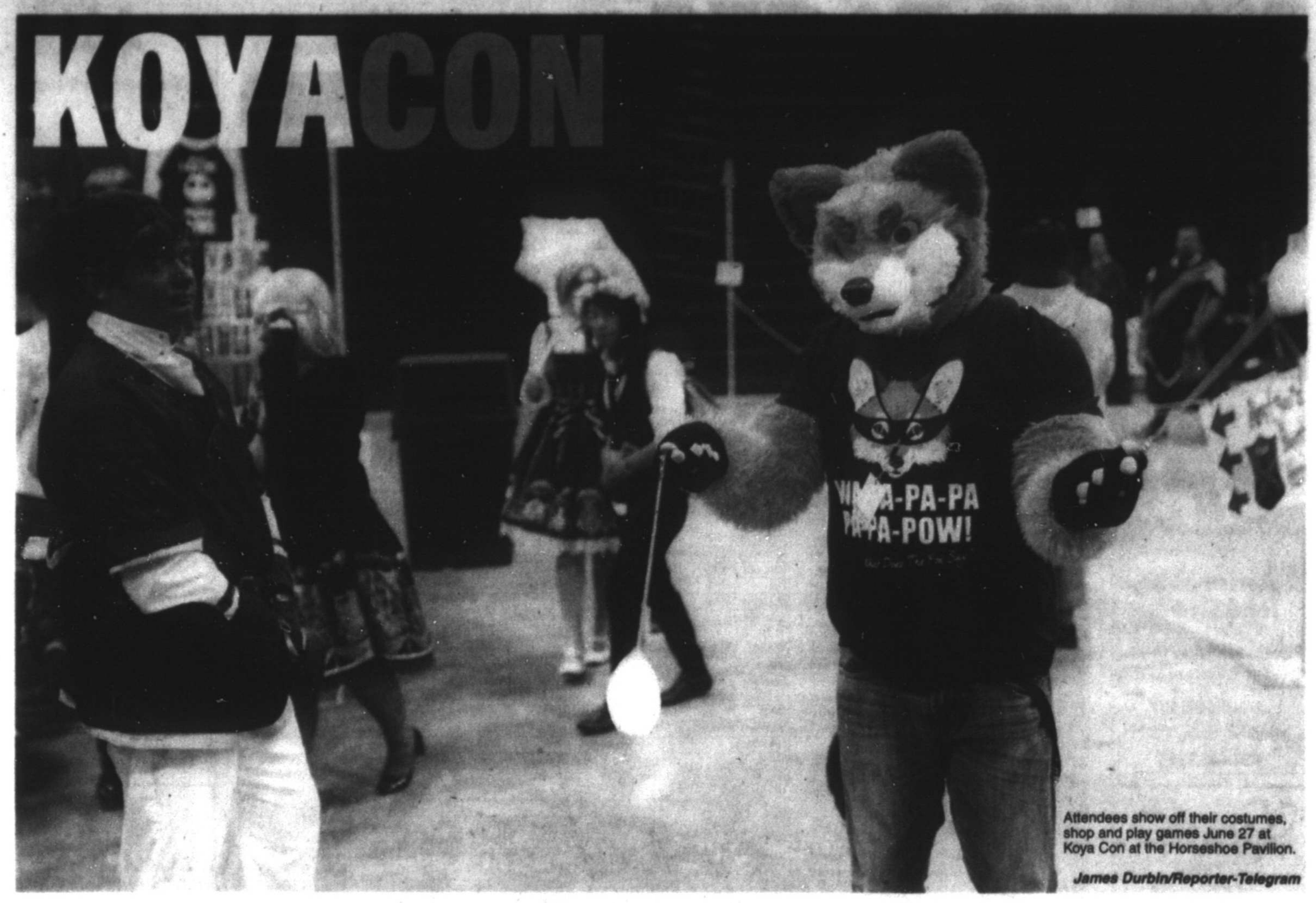
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Attendees show off their costumes, shop and play games June 27 at Koya Con at the Horseshoe Pavilion.

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CALENDAR

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MONDAY

Camp Tiki. Diggin' for Dinos, through Thursday at Tiki Island Water Park. tikiislandwaterpark.com.

Midland-Odessa Symphony & Chorale Summer Music Camp, 9 a.m.-noon through July 16. symphony@mosc.org.

TUESDAY

Dinosaur Dig, 2:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting from 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. New members always welcome. 432-260-7136.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country-western band, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. 520-4343.

THURSDAY

Lowdown, 6:30 p.m. at The Wine Rack. winerackmidland.com.

Graham Wilkinson, 7:30-10 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgerhouse.com.

Improv at the Yucca, 8 p.m. at Yucca Theatre. mctmidland.org.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

Family Fridays: Tell Me a Story, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

"Bubble Boy" screening for Flash Back Fridays, 5 p.m.-midnight at RTD Skatepark. 235-7001.

Murder-mystery dinner "Murder at the Juice Joint," 6:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

West Texas Triangle 2015 Features Artist Ben Woitena opening reception, 7 p.m. at Ellen Noel Art Museum. noelartmuseum.org.

Kimberly Dunn, 7:30-10 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgerhouse.com.

Hot Summer Nights: Jumping Giants, sundown at Noel Plaza in Odessa. facebook.com/odessaarts

West Texas Salseros Latin Night, 9 p.m. at DoubleTree by Hilton Midland Plaza. wtxsalseros.com.

"Rear Window" screening, 7:30 Friday and Saturday at Ector Theatre. ectortheatre.com.

Tall City Blues Fest, Friday through Sunday at downtown Midland. tallcitybluesfest.com.

Pickwick Players' "All Shook Up," through July 18 at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

"Annie Get Your Gun," through July 19 at Theatre of the Big Bend in Alpine. sulross.edu/tobb

Summer Mummers "Masked Mummers in Midtropolis ... or No News is Good News" Fridays and Saturdays through Sept. 5 at the Yucca Theatre. summermummers.com.

SATURDAY

158 Breakdown, 6:30 p.m. at The Wine Rack. winerackmidland.com.

Summers on the Green movie series: "American Graffiti," 7 p.m. at Hotel Settles lawn. 263-8235.

Unsweet Ts, 7:30-10 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgerhouse.com.

ON DISPLAY

"A Look Through Time" by Diane K. Browne through Aug. 28. ArtQuest Studios. Reserved Studio Time is $35 per month. 700 Andrews Highway. heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net. 553-0420. www.artquesttx.com.

Blakemore Planetarium's permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows throughout the week.1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum. "Mediterranea: American Art from the Graham D. Williford Collection" through Aug. 23. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. noelartmuseum.org. 550-9696.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum. "Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs" through July 26. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

George Bush Childhood Home's tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112

Haley Library and History Center. Hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free. 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785

Kamiposi Gallery. Dan Lam and Stewart Parker through July. 510 S. Big Spring St. 230-0256. Facebook.com/kamiposi.

McCormick Gallery at Midland College. Texas Photographic Society International Competition exhibit through Aug. 13. 3600 N. Garfield St. midland.edu.

Midland County Historical Museum's permanent exhibits include artifacts from the Scharbauer Hotel, Midland school memorabilia, the door from the Piska Blacksmith shop containing many historic brands and First National and Midland National bank items. Archives include photographs, documents, newspapers and extensive obituary files. 301 W. Missouri Ave. 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free. 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447.

Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. "Permian Monsters: Life Before the Dinosaurs" through July 26. co.midland.tx.us

Museum of the Southwest. Turner Memorial Art Gallery closed for renovations through 2015. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 adults, $3 children. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. museumsw.org.

Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB. Free and open to the public. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Free. 335-6640.

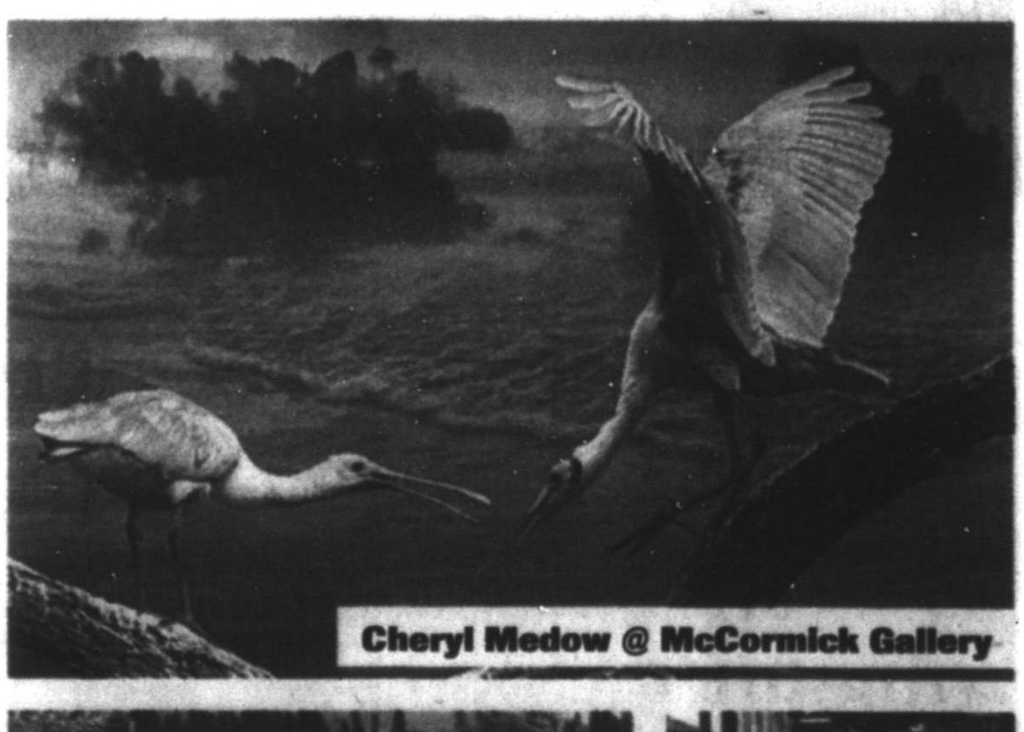
Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

RTD Skatepark hosts art exhibits from internationally known pro-skaters and is open to submissions of local artists to sell and display their work. Rock the Desert grounds. rtdskatepark.com.

Scarborough-Linebery House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7368.

Sibley Nature Center, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. 1307 E. Wadley Ave. 684-6827. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.



Cheryl Medow @ McCormick Gallery



Permian Monsters @ Museum of the Southwest and Centennial library

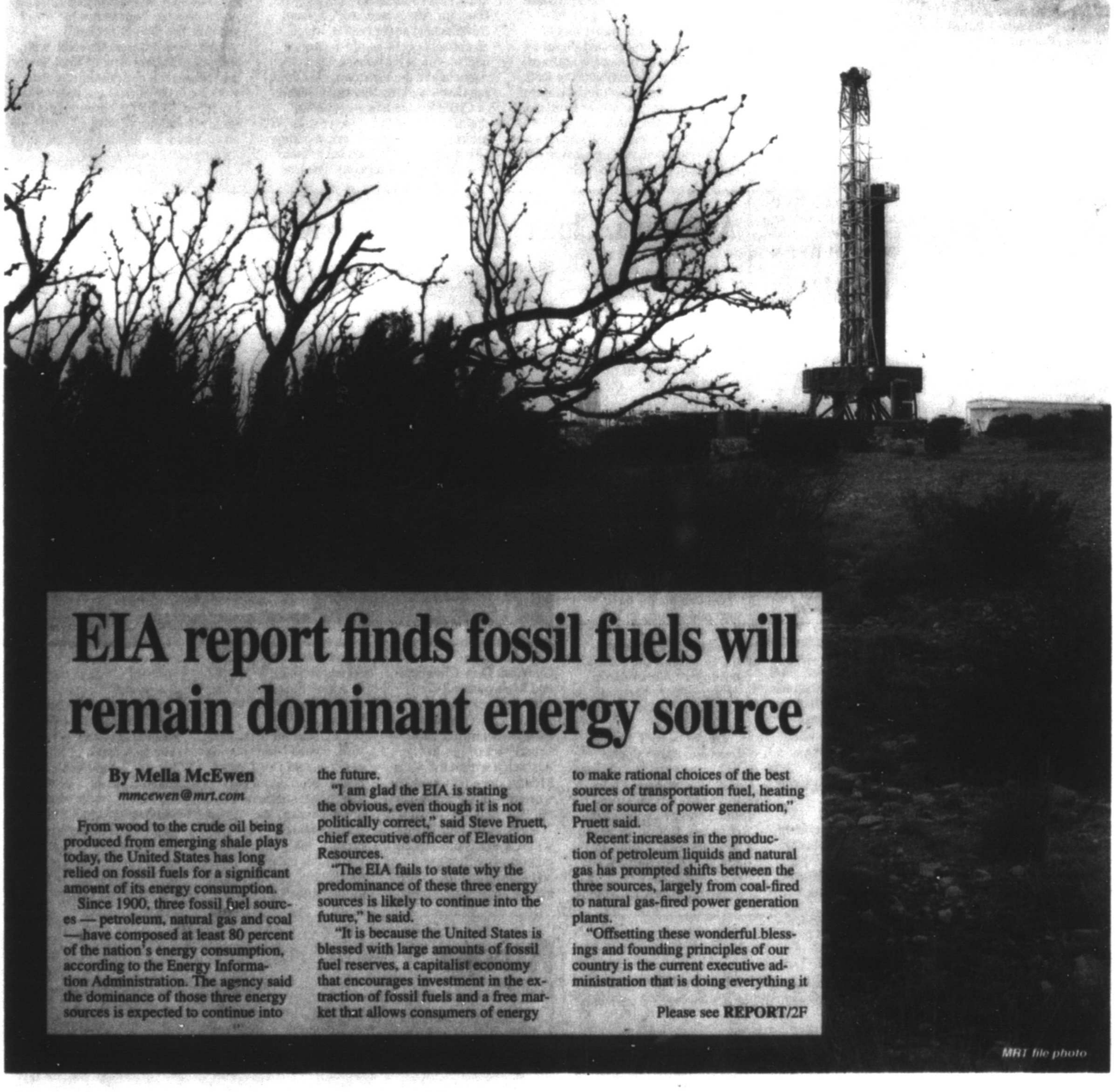
Arts Council to host subgrant meeting

From staff reports

The Arts Council of Midland will be hosting a subgrant information meeting noon July 15 at 1506 W. Illinois Ave."

At this meeting, the ACM grants program application process and guidelines will be discussed. The program is a 26-year collaboration with the city of Midland Hotel/Motel Tax Authority. Any local organization may apply for arts programming funding from ACM. All programs granted must take place in Midland, have an arts component and be open to the public. Application deadline is Aug.17. For more information call 687-1149 or email info@acmidland.org.

THE FUTURE THE UNITED STATES



EIA report finds fossil fuels will remain dominant energy source

By Mella McEwen
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From wood to the crude oil being produced from emerging shale plays today, the United States has long relied on fossil fuels for a significant amount of its energy consumption.

Since 1900, three fossil fuel sources — petroleum, natural gas and coal — have composed at least 80 percent of the nation's energy consumption, according to the Energy Information Administration. The agency said the dominance of those three energy sources is expected to continue into the future.

"I am glad the EIA is stating the obvious, even though it is not politically correct," said Steve Pruett, chief executive officer of Elevation Resources.

"The EIA fails to state why the predominance of these three energy sources is likely to continue into the future," he said.

"It is because the United States is blessed with large amounts of fossil fuel reserves, a capitalist economy that encourages investment in the extraction of fossil fuels and a free market that allows consumers of energy to make rational choices of the best sources of transportation fuel, heating fuel or source of power generation," Pruett said.

Recent increases in the production of petroleum liquids and natural gas has prompted shifts between the three sources, largely from coal-fired to natural gas-fired power generation plants.

"Offsetting these wonderful blessings and founding principles of our country is the current executive administration that is doing everything it

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Odessa Pumps, NOW Inc. announce acquisition

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In the 35 years since Toby Eoff's father, Kenneth, founded Odessa Pumps and Equipment, the younger Eoff has received about 100 offers for the company.

He said he never considered any of them until the offer received from Houston-based NOW Inc., which was spun off from National Oilwell Varco last year.

"I felt we could partner with them and they could take us further than we could go on our own," said Eoff, who serves as president of Odessa Pumps.

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Investment banker recommends mergers to offset downturn effects

■ As 'financial noose' tightens later this year, companies need to consider all options

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Oilfield service companies have been hit hard by the decline in crude prices. They have cut jobs and scaled back as demand for their services has decreased and operators demanded steep rate reductions.

Even so, "some did well in the first quarter," said David Mahmood, chairman and founder of Allegiance Capital Corp., a private investment bank.

He said that the second quarter "got tighter" and, as the oil price squeeze continues, "we could see service companies highly focused on the bottom line and have real problems come the fourth quarter or first quarter of 2016."

Mahmood expects the price to range between $60 and $65 through 2016, which he said could pose trouble for companies that took on significant debt loads during the boom to buy equipment and expand.

"Suddenly, your yard is full of equipment, there's no rental income coming in and your loan payment's due," he said.

An example would be a water hauling company that purchased new trucks at $65,000 each. Suddenly, half the trucks are not working, and the remainder aren't getting as much work, but the bank payments don't stop, he said.

Mahmood often advises clients to consider mergers.

"We suggest merging with competitors. I had a franchise making $4 million merge with six other companies. It's now making $70 million today and the owner is part of something bigger and better that's 100 percent instead of something heading south," he said.

He said he's seen oil prices at $4 a barrel and $140 a barrel.

"I've seen this many times. A company goes through a period of trouble, its resources are depleted, it's lost key personnel. It has neither the organization, the money nor the confidence to take advantage when the market recovers," Mahmood said. "Especially in the Permian Basin, what goes up comes down, but what goes down goes back up."

Unless a company has the financial strength to make it through a downturn, officials should explore options "before those options are taken away," he said.

Entrepreneurs who are unwilling to sell their company should put additional capital in place or consider taking on an equity partner, he said.

He recommends giving up 20 or 25 percent "as insurance you can make it through the downturn."

If a company sees business getting tougher, "make a plan now, put it in place to drive the business forward and drive through the downturn," he said.

Mahmood expressed concern that companies are getting complacent because the first quarter results "weren't that bad."

"An awful lot of people, in the boom years, went out on their own, started building their own business and have never been through a downturn. They're being confronted with a downturn for the first time, and they're not being as proactive as they should be," he said.

His company is trying to get the message out that "the proverbial financial noose is going to get tighter. If you think it's tight now, wait until the fourth quarter or the first quarter of 2016," Mahmood said.

"While you're still in control, look at your options. Doing nothing is not a good option. Hope is not a good option," he said.



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Supreme Court rules EPA did not compute cost of industry regulation

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled on June 29 that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) failed to adequately determine the cost of their regulation of stationary power plants when it adopted air emission standards.

In question is the meaning of "appropriate and necessary" in determining the cost of compliance with the standards set in the changes to the Clean Air Act last made in 1990.

Justice Scalia, who delivered the majority opinion of the court, said "EPA strayed well beyond the bounds of reasonable interpretation in concluding that cost is not a factor relevant to the appropriateness of regulating power plants."

The Supreme Court remanded the case back to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and it is not clear what the appeals court will require of EPA and how that will impact the source of energy used by power plants in the future.

In the discussion about the meaning of "appropriate and necessary," Scalia noted that the phrase plainly encompasses cost. "It is not rational, never mind 'appropriate,' to impose billions of dollars in economic costs in return for a few dollars in health or environmental benefits."

"EPA must consider cost — including cost of compliance — before deciding whether regulation is appropriate and necessary," Scalia wrote.

The Clean Air Act targets more than 180 specified hazardous air pollutants. It divides these pollutants into major sources, those that emit more than 10 tons of a single pollutant or 25 tons of a combination of pollutants within a year, and any other source if it presents a threat of adverse effects to human health or the environment.

Congress directed EPA to perform a study of the hazards to public health reasonably anticipated to occur as a result of emissions from power plants. EPA completed the study in 1998. In 2000, EPA concluded that regulation of coal- and oil-fired power plants was "appropriate and necessary." In 2012, the Obama Administration found implementation of the regulation became necessary because controls had become available to reduce risk.

"EPA concluded that costs should not be considered when deciding whether power plants should be regulated," Scalia said. He said EPA concedes that the regulatory impact analysis "played no role" in its appropriate-and-necessary finding.

While producers of fossil fuels, especially coal, praised the court's ruling, the reality is that most of the coal-fired electric generation plants that were the primary target of EPA's regulation have already been converted to be in compliance, switched fuels, or closed before the compliance date in April. About one-third of the plants have applied for extensions.

The regulation was issued more than three years ago and a majority of the plants met those requirements in 2012.

The U.S. House of Representative passed legislation recently that allows states to opt out of the regulations until the courts issue their final ruling. Even if the Senate approves this legislation, President Obama has vowed to veto the bill.

Meanwhile, energy producers and utility companies try to make sense of it all.

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Will 2015 be the year of Renewable Fuel Standard Reform?



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The fact the Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee is attacking the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) management — er, mismanagement — of the federal renewable fuel standard (RFS) is indicative of the growing frustration over both the agency and the RFS itself.

At the June 18 hearing, EPA's acting assistant administrator, Janet McCabe was grilled by senators from both sides of the aisle. Sen. James Lankford (R-OK), who chaired the Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, opened the hearing by calling the RFS "unworkable in its current form." In her comments, Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND) claimed that the EPA's management of the RFS ignored "congressional intent," while creating "uncertainty" and costing "investment."

The RFS has been under fire from all sides. It is the product of a different energy era — one in which presumed scarcity was the norm and reducing greenhouse gases was the concern. As a solution to both problems, Congress passed the Energy Policy Act in 2005, which established the first renewable-fuel volume mandate. Two years later, through the Energy Independence and Security Act, the RFS program was expanded, requiring 36 billion gallons of renewable fuel be blended into gasoline and diesel by 2022 (annual targets were outlined). The EPA website explains the RFS: "Achieving significant reductions of greenhouse gas emissions from the use of renewable fuels, for reducing imported petroleum, and encouraging the development and expansion of our nation's renewable fuels sector."

The EPA administers the RFS and is required to finalize the next year's proposed fuel volumes by Nov. 30 of each year — something it has failed to do, as Lankford pointed out: "On June 1, the amounts for the proposed mandates 2014, 2015, and 2016 volumes were all released together… some say better late than never, but we need to take a serious look at why these delays are unavoidable every year now, under current law." The EPA has failed to meet the deadline every year since 2009.

When the 2014, 2015 and 2016 proposed volumes were released — in the middle of 2015 — almost no one was happy. It reduced the amount of corn-based ethanol blended into gasoline, while slightly increasing the share of biofuels.

One day before the Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management hearing on "Re-examining EPA's Management of the RFS Program," the American Petroleum Institute held a press call in which an unlikely coalition of RFS opponents — the American Motorcyclist Association, the Environmental Working Group and the National Council of Chain Restaurants — sounded optimistic that 2015 is the year for RFS reform. The Environmental Working Group says the RFS has led to more greenhouse gas emissions. The leading chain restaurant trade group, the National Council of Chain Restaurants, is opposed to the RFS because of its alleged effect on food commodity prices.

Corn growers aren't happy with the EPA's new proposed corn ethanol volumes — covering 2014-2016-that are well below the benchmarks established by Congress. NPR's Ari Shapiro, in a June 10 Morning Edition broadcast, stated: "Farmers in the Midwest have made good money growing corn for ethanol. To do that, they've plowed up lots of grassland. And that cancels out much of the hope for carbon savings. While the EPA still supports ethanol, it wants to take some of the focus off corn, and put it back on greener ways of making ethanol."

The National Journal states: "The EPA cited market forces, specifically lower-than-expected growth of non-ethanol renewables and lower gasoline use than projected, in lowering the ethanol mandates."

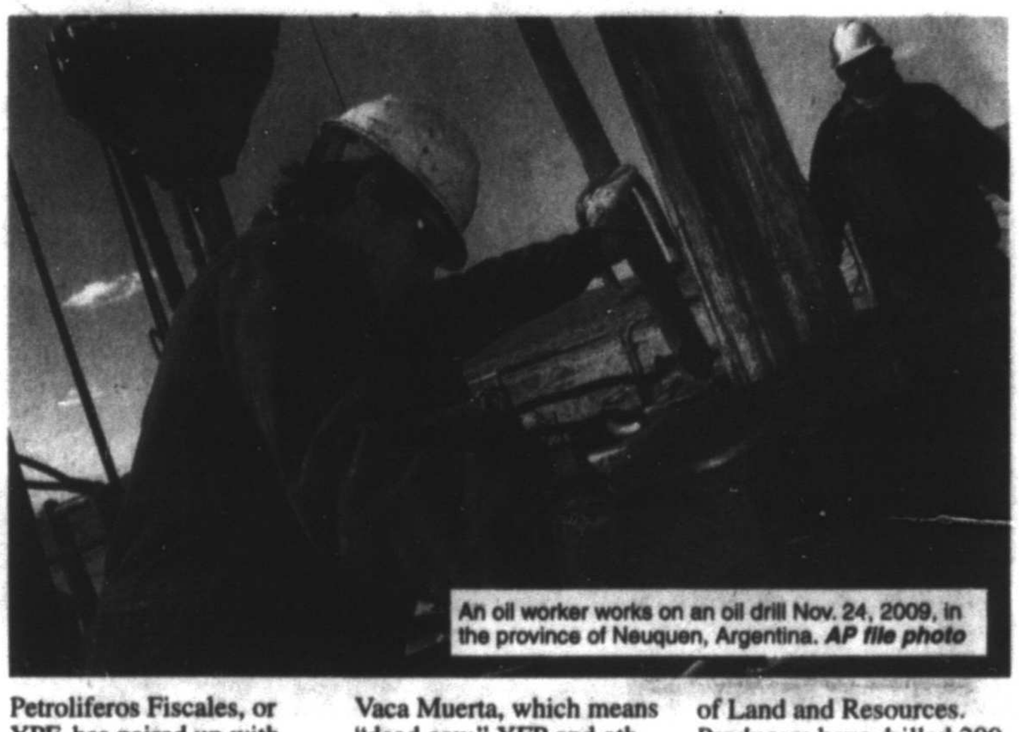
One of the problems with the 2007 targets is that they are based on an assumption of increased fuel usage and require ever increasing "volumes," or gallons, of ethanol be produced rather than a percentage of ethanol being blended into gasoline. The combination of more fuel-efficient vehicles, the economic downturn, and an aging population has contributed to "lower gasoline use than projected."

Last week, I was on the radio with Baron Lukas, president of Vital Strategies Management Consulting, a firm working in the oil-and-gas sector. He explained: "With the advent of the U.S. shale revolution, we have a lot more oil and gas than we thought possible just a

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Argentina, China ripe for more shale development, EIA says

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle



An oil worker works on an oil drill Nov. 24, 2009, in the province of Neuquen, Argentina. *AP file photo*

Argentina and China are at the head of a worldwide hunt for shale gas, drilling nearly 500 wells in the past two years, seeking the fuel that kicked off the U.S. energy boom.

Outside of North America, they're the only two nations that are producing commercial quantities of natural gas trapped in deep-seated shale formations, and they both have the capacity to grow their output substantially, the U.S. Energy Information Administration said.

Oil companies have also bored holes in into deep-seated shale rock in Poland, Algeria, Australia, Columbia and Russia, but so far none of those countries have been able to reach commercial production levels.

Disparate rock formations and tight mineral rights laws are two reasons U.S. oil companies say there hasn't been more shale energy exploration overseas. But producers in Argentina and China have found vast regions packed with shale gas.

Argentina's Yacimientos Petroliferos Fiscales, or YPF, has paired up with Chevron, Dow Chemical and Malaysian oil company Petronas to pump a daily 22,900 barrels of oil and 67 million cubic square feet of gas in various fields within the Vaca Muerta shale region on the western side of the country, the EIA said.

YFP is also partnering with China's state-owned oil company Sinopec and Russia's Gazprom to extract shale gas in the Vaca Muerta, which means "dead cow." YFP and others have drilled 275 wells in search of shale gas and tight oil in the last two years.

In China, Sinopec and state-owned China National Petroleum Corp. have drilled deep into a shale play in the southern region of the country, the Sichuan Basin, and are on track to produce 600 million cubic feet of gas a day by the end of the year, the EIA said, citing China's Ministry of Land and Resources. Producers have drilled 200 wells in China in the last two years.

Steady progress has been made in shale development elsewhere, as well. The EIA noted in Mexico, Petroleos Mexicanos, or Pemex, has said 10 of 13 wells it bored into the Mexican portion of the Eagle Ford Shale proved commercially viable, flowing from 2 million to 11 million cubic feet of gas a day in initial output.

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He said his company has done business with National Oilwell Varco and they "have a close alignment with them."

Eoff said he doesn't expect the acquisition, which is still pending approval, to impact employees of either company.

"It's a benefit for both companies. It's not a consolidation; it's really an expansion" for both companies, he said.

Odessa Pumps is NOW's eighth announced acquisition since the spin-off. "NOW is a very aggressive company. It speaks very well (of us) that they had a definitive strategy of entering the pump business and chose us," Eoff said.

The combination is illustrative of when companies seek mergers or partnerships to help survive the downturn, he said. He predicted the downturn will lead to more mergers and acquisitions.

"We've always weathered the downturns; we've always grown. We've always been profitable."

Toby Eoff, president of Odessa Pumps

A larger company with a larger asset base will be able to operate more efficiently and offer the lower price points operators are seeking, he said.

Companies that came to the energy boom late will most likely be the most negatively effected, he said.

He said there could be two dominant company profiles in the emerging merger and acquisition market: companies that find themselves in financial trouble and seek a sale, and companies that are doing well, are being opportunistic and making mergers or acquisitions that are beneficial to growth.

"Those companies are posturing themselves for continued growth in the future," he said.

NOW has strong investors backing it, and Odessa Pumps, with more than 300 employees, has always been profitable, even during the bust of the 1980s, Eoff said.

"We've always weathered the downturns; we've always grown. We've always been profitable," he said.

In addition to its corporate office in Odessa, Odessa Pumps has 13 sales and operations in other locations in Texas, as well as New Mexico and Oklahoma.

NOW operates primarily under the Distribution-NOW and Wilson Export brands. It has a network of more than 300 locations and about 5,600 employees worldwide. NOW serves upstream, midstream and downstream energy and industrial sectors.

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can to build impediments to the extraction and use of fossil fuels in the United States, while developing nations do not have similar constraints," he said. "This places a burden on the consumer, exporter and taxpayer alike. The president's comment that 'climate change is the greatest threat to our nation's national security' is naive and dangerous to the health of our country and our important role as a global leader.

"There is no doubt we need to take better care of mother Earth, but the roots of her problems rest in the explosion of the world's population, which neither our president nor the U.N. controls," Pruett said.

The EIA points out that renewable energy has long been a part of American energy as wood was the primary source for early American families.

By the late 1800s, coal had supplanted wood as the nation's dominant source. This continued until the mid-1900s, when petroleum products replaced coal and when the use of natural gas increased.

The agency said since the 1950s, demand for coal has risen, primarily for use in electric power generation, at about the same time nuclear-powered electric generation began to emerge.

Soaring prices in the 1970s, prompted by the Arab oil embargo and concerns about how much crude and natural gas the nation had left, contributed to reduced use of those two fossil fuels. Use of crude declined in recent years with improved efficiency, but natural gas use has grown to provide a greater share of energy use.

Americans began to use renewable energy sources — other than wood and hydroelectric energy — in the late 1980s, climbing to nearly 10 percent in 2014, the highest since the 1930s when wood had a larger share of consumption.

Today, renewable energy is a small but growing part of the energy mix, with solar and wind power seeing the greatest growth.

"Wind and solar energy may be fast growing, but that is from a very small base of approximately 2 percent of the nation's energy consumption," Pruett said. "Renewables such as wood, hydroelectric, and waste have been very flat at about 5 to 6 percent of energy consumption, but hydro will be way off with the drought on the West Coast. Geothermal and biomass are growing, representing 2 percent of U.S. energy consumption."

He went on to point out that renewables could face the same controversies as crude oil and natural gas.

"Realize that geothermal energy production has been linked to earthquakes on the West Coast, and biofuels have greenhouse gas emissions worse than natural gas," he said.

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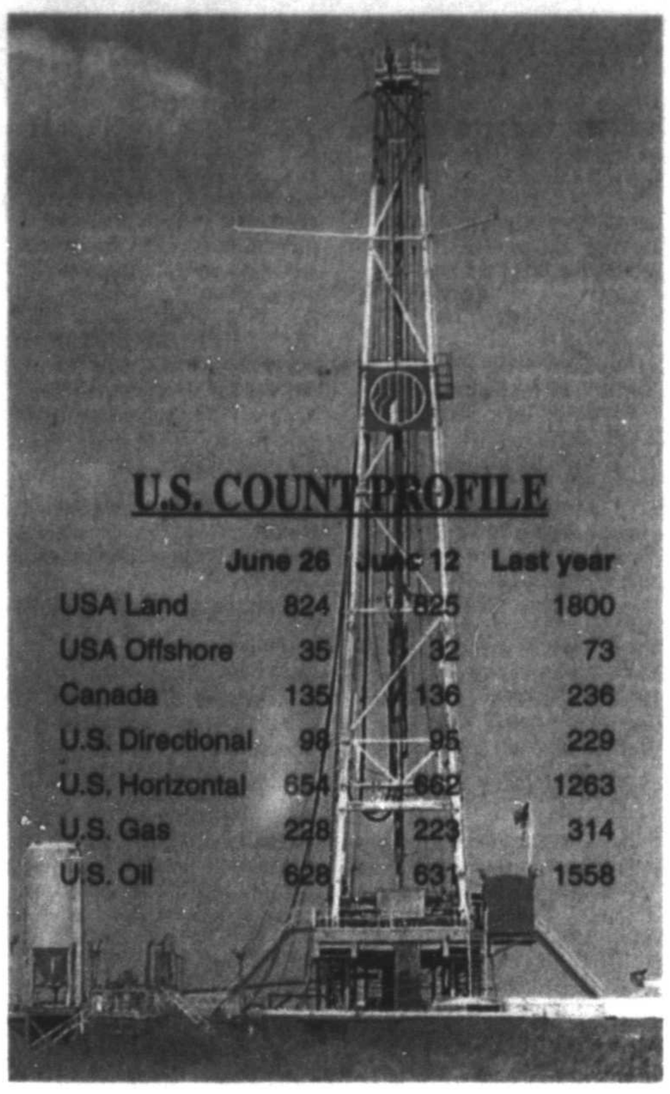
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	June 26	June 12	Last year
USA Land	824	825	1800
USA Offshore	35	32	73
Canada	135	136	236
U.S. Directional	98	95	229
U.S. Horizontal	654	662	1263
U.S. Gas	228	223	314
U.S. Oil	623	631	1558



PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

Texas

DISTRICT 7B		Sutton	0	Presidio	0
Coleman	0	Terrell	0	Reeves	22
Fisher	0	Tom Green	0	Sterling	2
Jones	0	Upton	12	Ward	4
Nolan	1	**DISTRICT 8**		Winkler	4
Taylor	0	Andrews	9	**DISTRICT 8A**	
DISTRICT 7C		Brewster	0	Bailey	0
Coke	0	Crane	5	Borden	0
Concho	0	Culberson	6	Cochran	0
Crockett	3	Ector	2	Cottle	1
Irion	2	Glasscock	5	Crosby	0
Kimble	0	Howard	10	Dawson	3
McCulloch	0	Hudspeth	0	Dickens	0
Menard	0	Jeff Davis	0	Floyd	0
Reagan	15	Loving	21	Gaines	1
Runnels	0	Martin	22	Garza	0
Schleicher	0	Midland	26	Hale	0
		Mitchell	1	Hockley	0
		Pecos	5	Kent	0

King	0
Lamb	0
Lubbock	1
Lynn	0
Motley	0
Scurry	5
Terry	0
Yoakum	1
TEXAS TOTAL	**189**

New Mexico

Chaves	0
Eddy	18
Lea	24
Roosevelt	0
NEW MEXICO TOTAL	**42**



MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

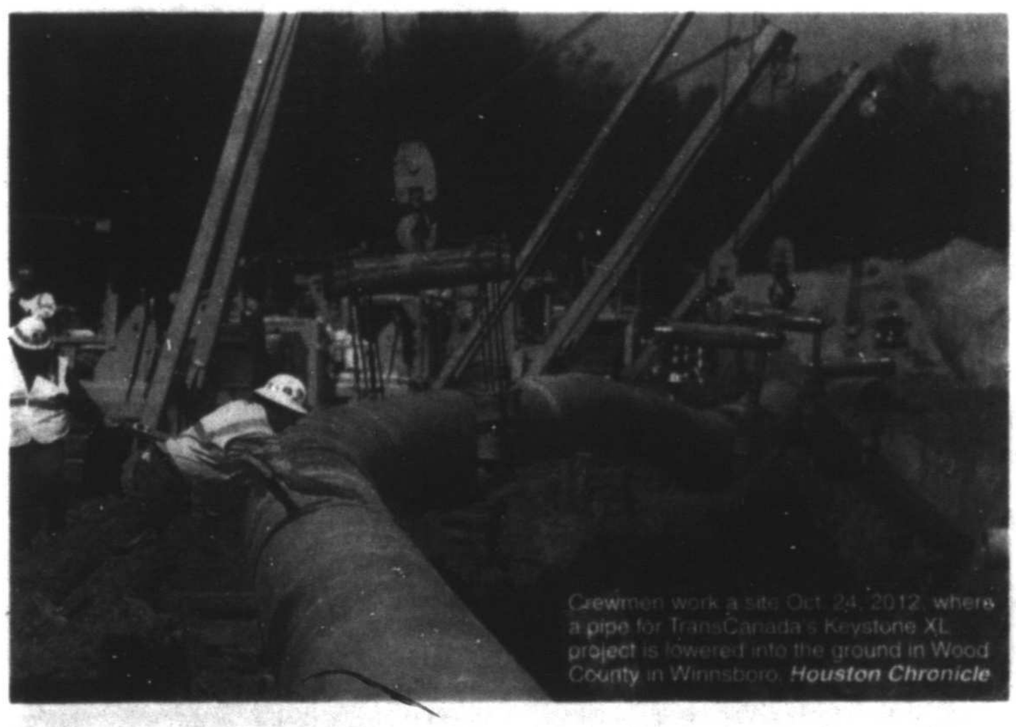
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Flint Hills Resources*	**$53.50**
Phillips 66	**$53.58**
Plains*	**$53.50**
Shell Trading	**$53.60**
Sun*	**$53.50**
Nymex futures	**$58.82***

Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of July 1

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price July 1	Same period one year ago
Nymex future price	**$2.815**	**$2.783**	**$4.455**
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	**$2.650**	**$2.745**	**$4.345**
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	**$2.570**	**$2.658**	**$4.341**
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	**$2.607**	**$2.760**	**$4.363**
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	**$2.590**	**$2.770**	**$4.430**
CompositeField Prices For Midcontinent	**$2.585**	**$2.655**	**$4.289**
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	**$2.758**	**$2.722**	**$4.355**



Crewmen work a site Oct. 24, 2012, where a pipe for TransCanada's Keystone XL project is lowered into the ground in Wood County in Winnsboro. *Houston Chronicle*

TransCanada touts carbon reduction programs in latest Keystone push

By Robert Grattan
Houston Chronicle

Pipeline company TransCanada sent a letter Monday to U.S. Department of State officials arguing that Canada's recently announced plans to slash carbon emissions should be considered when weighing the Keystone XL pipeline.

The controversial Keystone XL pipeline, which would directly link the oil sands of Alberta to a midwestern U.S. oil hub, has been awaiting the presidential authorization it needs to cross the border for seven years.

Environmental groups have opposed the pipeline, citing objections ranging from the project's general role in increasing dependance on fossil fuels to its specific tie in to oil-sands crude. TransCanada and industry supporters have fired back by detailing benefits such as U.S. energy security and arguing that blocking the line won't cause a cutback in oil sands mining.

In a 12-page letter sent Monday, Calgary, Alberta-based TransCanada added to those arguments by pointing to several steps Canadian officials have taken to address climate change.

"We are asking the U.S. State Department to consider these recent developments that add to the abundance of evidence already collected through seven years and 17,000 pages of review that Keystone XL will not 'significantly exacerbate' greenhouse gas emissions," said Alex Pourbaix, a TransCanada development executive, in a written statement.

The developments listed include Canada's May 15 announcement that it intends to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 30 percent below 2005 levels by 2005 and Alberta's decision to double the carbon tax it charges from $15 per ton to $30 per ton by 2017.

TransCanada also pointed to steps taken by oil and gas companies themselves, such as an energy-efficient oil sands processing technique pioneered by Exxon Mobil and an industry alliance to reduce the impacts of oil sands production.

Environmentalists are unlikely to be swayed.

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couple of years ago. This is a true paradigm shift in how we view our domestic energy situation. The impact is compounded by aging demographics for Japan, China, Russia, Europe, and for the short-term, the United States, which will reduce or at least dampen domestic and global fuel requirements — older people simply drive less and represent lower industrial needs. Lastly, continuing technological advances are increasing fuel efficiency for a broad spectrum of applications, further placing downward pressure on hydrocarbon fuel demands. The bottom-line is a new reality of impending U.S. energy independence, continuing lower crude oil and natural gas prices, and far less dependence on OPEC for us and potentially for our allies."

While EPA's newly released renewable-fuel volumes don't meet the law's target of 22.25 billion gallons for 2016, they do increase year after year — with the 2016 target being an increase over current use. Addressing EPA's new numbers, USNews reports: "The update calls for a 27 percent increase in what the EPA calls 'advanced biofuels' from 2014 through 2016, a catch-all category that includes cellulosic ethanol made from corn stalks, husks and other leftovers from a harvest, plus fuel converted from sugar cane, soybean oil, and waste oils and greases, such as from fast-food restaurants. Combined with conventional corn ethanol, the proposed volumes overall rise 9 percent."

Associated Press reporting adds: "The EPA said the standards set by the law cannot be achieved, due partly to limitations on the amount of renewable fuels other than ethanol that can be produced. Next-generation biofuels, made from agricultural waste such as wood chips and corncobs, have not taken off as quickly as Congress required and the administration expected. Also, there has been less gasoline use than predicted."

Increasing targets may encourage the renewable fuels industry. They are, however, unrealistic and, as the June 18 hearing revealed, are expected to be "reset."

In pressing McCabe on the RFS and the consistently missed deadlines, Lankford asked: "How does RFS get back on schedule? Or, has Congress put a requirement on EPA that it can't fulfill?" McCabe promised they were working on it and offered some vague explanations. He then asked: "I assume you would agree there's no chance we will hit the target for 2017 based on the statute required for 2017, so we'll have to reset it…unless there is a tremendous amount of cellulosic ethanol that comes on board." Lankford continued, discussing the way the law was written to decrease corn ethanol use and increase cellulosic fuel, which he pointed out isn't "possible based on production." McCabe agreed that the cellulosic number would need to be decreased by at least 50 percent.

Later in the hearing, Lankford called cellulosic fuels "great in theory," but acknowledged that "No one has been able to make it in a quantity that is affordable yet." He alluded to the fact that the cellulosic industry has struggled — with the largest manufacturer of cellulosic product going bankrupt. He said: "No one can seem to crack the code to be able to make this in a way that's actually affordable."

Others support Lankford's view. On the June 10 NPR broadcast, Rob Mitchell, a researcher for the U.S. Department of Agriculture who studies how to make switchgrass grow for cellulosic ethanol, acknowledged: "We're not producing any ethanol from switchgrass at this point on a large scale."

Tim Snyder, agriculture economist with Agri-Energy Solutions, Inc., a Lubbock, Texas-based agriculture- and energy-consulting group, explains: "Because cellulosic ethanol is made from the 'non-food' portions of plants, this type of ethanol has gained widespread grassroots interest. Lignocellulosic fibers are found in plant materials like stalks, leaves and stems. These cellulosic fibers contain long chain sugars that are tied together by lignin. Only the sugars are needed to produce ethanol. Lignin is necessary to keep these chains of sugar bonded together. However, lignin renders the sugars unusable, and so it has to be extracted. Once the lignin is stripped away, yeast is added to convert the remaining cellulosic fibers or unbound sugars into ethanol. This description is extremely simplified, but should help to understand that adding steps to the production process that corn-based ethanol does not employ, adds to its overall production cost. Stripping lignin adds significant costs to the production process; even more than corn-based ethanol."

Additionally, Snyder continues: "From the standpoint of land use, it takes significantly more land to produce ethanol from cellulosic materials than it does from corn. Additionally, it will take totally new transportation, initial processing and storage infrastructures that currently do not exist on a commercial scale."

Clearly, to reference Lankford, the RFS is a program, required by Congress in 2005/2007, that can't be fulfilled. No wonder it has so many who see the EPA's failures as proof that 2015 is the year for RFS reform. Senator Jim Inhofe (R-OK), chairman of the Environment and Public Works Committee says: "The mandate is in need of significant reform and oversight."

Maybe, just, maybe, 2015 will be the year it happens.

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Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2070 fnl, 1096 fel, Sec 125, Blk 1, Abst. 529, T&P RR, 7 ne Big Lake; TD 7331 TVD, 15835 MD; Comp 5/31/2015; producing from 8090-15570, fracture stimulated; flow 504 BO, 1087 MCF, 1270 BW on open choke, FTP 100 psi, 39.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38985

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Divide Draw #12556H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2069 fnl, 1056 fel, Sec 125, Blk 1, Abst. 529, T&P RR, 7 ne Big Lake; TD 7319 TVD, 15721 MD; Comp 6/3/2015; producing from 7987-15670, fracture stimulated; flow 468 BO, 1001 MCF, 1328 BW on open choke, FTP 110 psi, 39.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38986

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Mustang Draw #9992JE
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1098 fnl, 7851 fwl, Sec 2, Blk A, Abst. 237, S.R. Johnson, 21.2 ne Big Lake; TD 9020; Comp 6/13/2015; producing from 5272-8475, fracture stimulated; flow 34 BO, 51 MCF, 32 BW on open choke, FTP 332 psi, 37.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38773

Discovery Natural Resources LLC
Mustang Draw #3MR
Spraberry (Trend Area); 519 fnl, 3026 fel, Sec 3, Blk A, Abst. 354, FM. Mathews, 21.5 ne Big Lake; TD 8980; Comp 6/11/2015; producing from 5282-8414, fracture stimulated; flow 92 BO, 141 MCF, 173 BW on open choke, FTP 320 psi, 39.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38656

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Andrews County

ConocoPhillips Company
University Andrews #277
Embar (Permian); 4691 fnl, 3522 fel, Sec 19, Blk 10, Abst. 303U, ULS, 16 sw Andrews; TD 7780; Comp 6/3/2015; producing from 6825-7172, fracture stimulated; pump 104 BO, 369 MCF, 463 BW, 42.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46644

ConocoPhillips Company
University Andrews #284
Embar (Permian); 4551 fnl, 5162 fel, Sec 19, Blk 10, Abst. 303U, ULS, 16 sw Andrews; TD 7764; Comp 6/7/2015; producing from 7745-7760, treated with acid; pump 51 BO, 99 MCF, 2 BW, 42.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46637

Crane County

Burnett Oil Co. Inc.
McKnight Sand Hills Unit #1921
Sand Hills (McKnight); 1005 fsl, 612 fel, Sec 7, Blk 826, Abst. 1123, PSL, 20 nw Crane; TD 3797; Comp 6/18/2015; producing from 3466-3548, fracture stimulated; pump 13.5 BO, 2 MCF, 359 BW, 31 Oil Gravity, API #42-103-36480

Midland County

Bold Operating LLC
Bold Mid-States Unit "40" #1HM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 777 fsl, 1270 fwl, Sec 40, Abst. 1125, H.M. Horton, 7.5 se Midland; PBTD 8368 TVD, 16430 MD; Comp 6/3/2015; producing from 9721-16787, fracture stimulated; flow 1132 BO, 1003 MCF, 1965 BW, FTP 480 psi, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-39715

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Gaines County

XTO Energy Inc.
Russell Clearfork Unit #563
Russell (Clearfork Consolidated); 2896 fnl, 2498 fwl, Sec 492, Blk G, Abst. 927, CCSD&RGNG, 8.8 sw Denver City; TD 7900; Comp 6/7/2015; producing from 7428-7680, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 40 BO, 500 BW, 33.6 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-38168

Garza County

Cholla Petroleum inc.
Giles #7
Arlene (Glorieta); 660 fel, 660 fnl, Sec 96, Blk 5, Abst. 948, GH&H RR, 8.5 e Post; PBTD 3301; Comp 6/9/2015; producing from 3134-3233, treated with acid; pump 1 BO, 20 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-169-34197

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy Inc.
Tonto "26" #1
Sweetshop (Lower Strawn); 568 fwl, 829 fsl, Sec 26, Blk 1, Abst. 3027, J.P. Smith, 8.5 n Snyder; Comp 6/6/2015; producing from 7555-7560, treated with acid; pump 4 BO, 4 BW, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-415-34465

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Passion 1 Federal Com PDK #5
East Empire; Sec1 T17S R29E; 1910/S & 180/E. BHL: 2270/S & 371/W; EL 3684 GL, TD 10-3-14, Comp 11-25-14, EL 3682 GL, TD 9108 MD, 4423 TVD, PBTD 9040 MD; Spud 10-3-14, Comp 11-25-14; production is through treated perfs: 4674-9021. Treat: Acdz w/53,851 gals 15% acid, Frac w/1,884,510 gals gel, 153,408 gals trt wtr, 14,992 gals wtr frac, 4,180,628# 20/40 white sd, 673,119# 20/40 CRC. IP: 12-5-14 Pump 24 hrs 341 BO, 2114 BW, 263 MCF, GOR 771, Gty 36.8. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 352 w/1000 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1108 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 9104 w/2100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4068; API #30-015-42410

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #905
Burch Keely; Sec 13 T17S R29E; 330/S & 330/W; EL 3611 GL, TD 4790, PBTD 1-26-15, EL 3611 GL, TD 4790, PBTD 4723; Spud 1-4-15, Comp 1-26-15; production is through treated perfs: 4130-4430. Treat: Acdz w/1065 gals 15% acid, Frac w/204,417 gals gel, 223,506# 16/30 brady sd, 28,735# 16/30 SLC. IP: 1-30-15 Pump 24 hrs 32 BO, 181 BW, 91 MCF, GOR 2844, Gty 40.4. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 294 w/1000 sx, 8 5/8 @ 1005 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4779 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4529; API #30-015-40540

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #637
Dodd; Sec 14 T17S R29E; 260/S & 990/E. BHL: 354/S & 988/E; EL 3608 GL, TD 4600 MD, 4599 TVD, PBTD 4539; Spud 12-22-14, Comp 1-16-15; production is through treated perfs: 4105-4413. Treat: Acdz w/1195 gals 15% acid, Frac w/207,075 gals gel, 233,074# 16/30 brady, 26,185# 16/30 SLC. IP: 1-31-15 Pump 24 hrs 76 BO, 133 BW, 341 MCF, GOR 3171, Gty 39.8. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 295 w/500 sx, 8 5/8 @ 1006 w/930 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4588 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4492; API #30-015-41586

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #684
Dodd; Sec 14 T17S R29E; 1605/S & 990/W; EL 3594 GL, TD 4553, PBTD 4483; Spud 12-1-14, Comp 12-23-14; production is through treated perfs: 4050-4350. Treat: Acdz w/967 gals 15% acid, Frac w/40,680 gals gel, 54,393# 16/30 brady, 18,114 16/30 SLC. IP: 1-4-15 Pump 24 hrs 33 BO, 247 BW, 54 MCF, GOR 1636, Gty 39.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 313 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 964 w/855 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4553 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4447; API #30-015-40476

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #609
Dodd; Sec 15 T17S R29E; 1650/N & 1020/E; EL 3613 GL, TD 4565, PBTD 4503; Spud 12-10-14 Comp 12-30-14; production is through perfs: 4073-4326. IP: 1-11-15 Pump 24 hrs 99 BO, 128 BW, 185 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 269 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 964 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4552 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4392; API #30-015-40892

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #670
Dodd; Sec 15 T17S R27E; 2460/S & 1000/W; EL 3611 GL, TD 4570, PBTD 4503; Spud 12-17-14, Comp 1-7-15; production is through treated perfs: 4068-4358. Treat: Acdz w/1031 gals 15% acid, Frac w/51,104 gals gel, 46,545# 16/30 brady, 15,209# 16/30 SLC. IP: 1-19-15 Pump 24 hrs 88 BO, 122 BW, 178 MCF, GOR 2022, Gty 40.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 272 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 987 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4570 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4425; API #30-015-41302

COG Operating LLC
Dodd Federal Unit #651
Dodd; Sec 22 T17S R29E; 2520/N & 130/E. BHL: 2267/N & 367/E; EL 3591 GL, TD 4555, PBTD 4498; Spud 12-15-14, Comp 1-7-15; production is through treated perfs: 4092-4392. Treat: Acdz w/1134 gals 15% acid, Frac w/201,843 gals gel, 218,936# 16/30 brady sd, 25,453# 16/30 SLC. IP: 1-16-15 Pump 24 hrs 18 BO, 49 BW, 14 MCF, GOR 778, Gty 40.2. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 274 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 954 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4545 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4457; API #30-015-41027

COG Operating LLC
Hobgoblin 7 Federal Com UBB #2
Loco Hills; Sec 7 T17S R30E; 1005/N & 15/E. BHL 998/N & 368/W; EL 3671 GL, TD 9661 MD, 5020 TVD, PBTD 9678 MD; Spud 10-28-14, Comp 1-29-15; production is through treated perfs: 5309-9569. Treat: Acdz w/102,924 gals acid, Frac w/3,406,311 gals gel, 386,055 gals wtr frac, 540,634 trt wtr, 5,784,899# 20/40 white sd, 1,135,590# 20/50 CRC. IP: 2-16-15 Pump 24 hrs 94 BO, 1994 BW, 46 MCF, GOR 489, Gty 35.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 352 w/1050 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1237 w/450 sx, 7 @ 4450 w/1800 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4450-9658, 2 7/8 @ 4589; API #30-015-41813

Burnett Oil Co. Inc.
Gissler A #48
Loco Hills; Sec 14 T17S R30E; 1800/S & 1650/W. BHL: 1650/S & 1650/W; EL 3697 GL, TD 6070 MD, 6061 TVD, PBTD 6057; Spud 9-19-14, Comp 12-17-14; production is through treated perfs: 5016-5966. Treat: Acdz w/2,250 gals 15% HCL. IP: 12-31-14 Pump 24 hrs 79 BO, 769 BW, 120 MCF, Gty 36.3. Csg: 10 1/2 @ 392 w/400 sx, 7 @ 6070 w/1925 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4939; API #30-015-42225

Apache Corp.
Lee Federal #66
Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 925/N & 410/W; EL 3565 GL, TD 6418, PBTD 6375; Spud 10-30-14, Comp 1-31-15; production is through treated perfs: 4520-4972, 5035-5530, 5605-6290. Treat: 74,298 gals 15# pad, 469,854 gals 15# gel, 675,526# sd. 13,528 gals acid. IP: 2-11-15 Pump 24 hrs 133 BO, 234 BW, 144 MCF, GOR 1082, Gty 37. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 288 w/370 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3508 w/1485 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6418 w/940 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6337; API #30-015-41110

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Quick Draw 10 Y1BO Fee #2
North Seven Rivers; Sec 10 T20S R25E; 260/S & 1815/E. BHL: 331/N & 1851/E; EL 3411 GL, TD 7065, PBTD 7050; Spud 11-10-14, Comp 2-17-15; production is through perfs: 2756-7050. IP: 2-21-15 Pump 24 hrs 241 BO, 316 BW, 162 MCF. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 820 w/580 sx, 7 @ 2735 w/550 sx, 4 1/2 @ 2489-7050, 2 7/8 @ 2122; API #30-015-42436

XTO Energy Inc.
Nash Unit #45
Nash Draw; Sec 18 T23S R30E; 550/N & 1250/W. BHL: 190/N & 2372/W; EL 3012 GL, TD 17,635, PBTD 17,542; Spud 7-8-14, Comp 12-2-14; production is through perfs: 7427-17,116. IP: 12-13-14 Flow 24 hrs 700 BO, 850 BW, 580 MCF, 12/64" Ch, TP 60. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 197 w/210 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3198 w/1270 sx, 7 @ 7362 w/920 sx, 4 1/2 @ 6688-17,635 w/775 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6101; API #30-015-42048

Lea County

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Bilbrey 33 Fed Com #3
Bilbrey Basin; Sec 33 T21S R32E; 2600/S & 1350/E. BHL: 331/N & 1926/E; EL 3728.6 GL, TD 18031 MD, 10635 TVD, PBTD 17966; Spud 7-26-14, Comp 11-28-14; production is through treated perfs: 10900-17949. Treat: 79,686 gals 15% HCL acid, 2,015,636# 100 mesh, 6,933,723# 30/50 white, 1,525,407# 20/40 SLC. IP: 12-16-14 Flow 24 hrs 686 BO, 2242 BW, 953 MCF, TP 1190, CP 690, GOR 1391. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 904 w/860 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4717 w/1610 sx, 5 1/2 @ 18020 w/3665 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10045; API #30-025-41806

Oxy USA WTP LP
Anderson 35 #2
Bilbrey; Sec 35 T21S R32E; 660/S & 150/W. BHL: 731/S & 331/E; EL 3688 GL, TD 13075 MD, 8602 TVD, PBTD 12885 MD, 8602 TVD; Spud 1-23-14, Comp 11-18-14; production is through treated perfs: 8508-12860. Treat: 29856 gals 15% acid + 122,548 gals trt wtr + 622086 gals BXL w/20805740# sd. IP: 2-6-15 Pump 24 hrs 199 BO, 1424 BW, 375 MCF, TP 317, Cp 147, GOR 1884. Csg: 11 1/2 @ 965 w/850 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4826 w/1550 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13075 w/1200 sx, 4 1/2 @ 0-7713, 4 @ 7714-12937 w/200 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7478; API #30-025-41498

COG Operating LLC
Corazon State Unit #12
Wildcat; Sec 4 T21S R33E; 480/N & 2590/E. BHL 339/S & 1987/E; EL 3753 GL, TD 18503, PBTD 18390; Spud 7-24-14, Comp 2-10-15; production is through treated perfs: 11640-18314, 18360-18370, 18415-18425. Treat: Acdz w/213099 gals 7.5%, Frac w/10,926,602# sd & 10,942,923 gals fluid. IP: 2-28-15 Flow 24 hrs 476 BO, 2068 BW, 585 MCF, 25/64" Ch, TP 1430. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1800 w/1325 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5495 w/3050 sx, 5 1/2 @ 18482 w/3500 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10678; API #30-025-40954

Oxy USA WTP LP
Red Tank 28 Federal #5
West Red Tank; Sec 28 T22S R32E; 295/N & 880/E. BHL: 186/S & 857/E; EL 3624 GL, TD 13270 MD, 8405 TVD, PBTD 13132 MD, 8405 TVD; Spud 9-25-14, Comp 12-14-14; production is through treated perfs: 8602-13122. Treat: 62500 gals 15% HCL acid, 422776 gals 15# BXL, 784321 gals 20# BXL, 202474 gals trt wtr w/30746734 sd. IP: 12-23-14 Pump 24 hrs 190 BO, 6110 BW, 1157 MCF. Csg: 11 1/2 @ 927 w/690 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4650 w/1120 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13270 w/1590 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7783; API #30-025-41189

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Thistle Unit #53
Triple X; Sec 28 T23S R33E; 200/N & 2030/E. BHL: 351/S & 1945/E; EL 3694.3 GL, TD 15893 MD, 11211 TVD, PBTD 15846; Spud 9-10-14, Comp 12-12-14; production is through treated perfs: 11337-15737. Treat: 57032 gals 15% NEFE acid, 1346616# 100 mesh, 4,584,449# prem white 30/50, 936,640# CRC 20/40. IP: 12-24-14 Flow 24 hrs 731 BO, 1704 BW, 850 MCF, GOR 1163, TP 2100. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1450 w/1620 sx, 8 5/8 @ 5233 w/4610 sx, 7 @ 15893 w/1695 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10507; API #30-025-41794

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Thistle Unit #59
Triple X; Sec 28 T23S R33E; 200/N & 1980/E. BHL: 440/N & 1949/E; EL 3694.6 GL, TD 16157 MD, 11164 TVD, PBTD 16044 MD; Spud 6-13-14, Comp 11-28-14; production is through treated perfs: 11600-16001. Treat: 438,844 gals 15% NEFE acid, 16325340 100 mesh, 5952020# prem white 30/50, 11832508 20/40 CRC. IP: 12-21-14 Flow 24 hrs 783 BO, 1515 BW, 851 MCF, TP 1490, CP 25, GOR 1087. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1423 w/1257 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5218 w/1680 sx, 7 @ 16092 w/1700 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10521; API #30-025-41796

COG Operating LLC
Gettysburg State Com #4
West Antelope Ridge; Sec 16 T23S R34E; 190/N & 330/E. BHL: 2299/N & 412/E; EI 3407 GR, TD 17512, PBTD 17300; Spud 9-13-14, Comp 12-8-14; production is through treated perfs: 10478-17275. Treat: Acdz w/105252 gals 7 1/2%, Frac w/54208044# sd & 4896444 gal fluid. IP: 12-22-14 Flow 24 hrs 583 BO, 1019 BW, 789 MCF, 20/64" Ch, TP 950. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1257 w/875 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5045 w/1735 sx, 5 1/2 @ 17468 w/3685 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9797; API #30-025-41929

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw 32 State Federal Com #3
North Paduca; Sec 32 T24S R32E; 2310/S & 1980/W. BHL: 318/S & 1853/W; EL 3473 GL, TD 15135 MD, 8302 TVD, PBTD 15090; Spud 7-22-14, Comp 12-10-14; production is through treated perfs: 8479-15020. Treat: 48,851 gals 15% HCL acid, 2273825# 100 mesh, 57601738 40/70 white, 1665477# 40/70 SLC. IP: 12-24-14 Pump 24 hrs 347 BO, 1454 BW, 347 MCF, GOR 1095. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 810 w/870 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4533 w/1610 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15135 w/2955 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7688; API #30-025-41171

Murchison Oil & Gas Inc.
Mogi 9 State Com #11
West Triple X; Sec 9 T24S R33E; 200/S & 350/E. BHL: 330/N & 379/E; EL 3622 GL, TD 15,670; Spud 1026-14, Comp 1-17-15; production is through treated perfs: 11200-15487. Treat: 3,845,040# sd, 81,432 bbls trt wtr & 973 bbls acid. IP: 1-25-15 Flow 24 hrs 836 BO, 1604 BW, 750 MCF, CP 350, GOR 1181, Gty 45.1. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1303 w/558 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5191 w/1634 sx, 7 @ 10192 w/2113 sx, 4 1/2 @ 15643, 2 7/8 @ 11,117; API #30-025-41787

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hallertau 4 Federal #2
Jennings; Sec 4 T26S R32E; 330/N & 1650/W. BHL: 330/S & 1078/W; EL 3314 GL, TD 13794 MD, 9408 TVD, PBTD 13761; Spud 6-13-14, Comp 11-16-14; production is through treated perfs: 9730-13765. Treat: 6,669,794 gasl total fluid & 6,569,017# sd. IP: 11-26-14 Flow 24 hrs 359 BO, 1207 BW, 1415 MCF, GOR 3933, Gty 45.5. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1215 w/1015 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4507 w/1320 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13794 w/2150 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8663; API #30-025-41119

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By Paul Wiseman
FYI Expert

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Crockett County

EOG RESOURCES, INC., LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 9402H SHANNON ESTATE NE, 137 FNL 586 FWL, SEC 4 BLK 9, D&SE SUR., A-5187 7500', 23 NW OZONA API# 42-105-42214

Irion County

DISCOVERY NATURAL RES. LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 3035I PECAN B, 2074 FSL 854 FEL, SEC 3035 BLK 24, H&TC SUR., A-210 10000', 19 N BARNHART API# 42-235-36040

DISCOVERY NATURAL RES. LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 3035O PECAN B, 673 FSL 2030 FEL, SEC 3035 BLK 24, H&TC SUR., A-210 10000', 19 N BARNHART API# 42-235-36041

Menard County

INLAND OCEAN, INC., JOHN P (ELLENBURGER) (O) DRILL Well# 1 BEVANS, 510 FEL 1680 FSL, SEC 6, JH GIBSON/JD SHEEN SUR., A-1021 3500', 14 SW MENARD API# 42-327-31235

PAINT ROCK OPER., LLC, LITTLE DOG (CAMAR) (O) DRILL Well# 13 RUSSELL C, 1338 FSL 242 FWL, SEC 1564, J HALM SUR., A-335 4000', 13 W MENARD API# 42-327-31236

Reagan County

AMERICAN ENERGY-PERM BASIN LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 813HS UNIVERSITY 49, 243 FNL 720 FEL, BLK 49, UNIVERSITY LANDS SUR., A-U345 9000', 6 SE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39324

AMERICAN ENERGY-PERM BASIN LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (HORZ) Well# 33HS UNIVERSITY SR 23-26, 349 FNL 1269 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 9, UNIV LANDS SUR. 9000', 9 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39320

AMERICAN ENERGY-PERM BASIN LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 902H UNIVERSITY 09, 200 FNL 2269 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 9, UL SUR., A-U179 9000', 11 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-37940

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2C SAU 18-2, 1300 FSL 1320 FWL, SEC 18 BLK E, HE&WT/ JST BAKER SUR., A-6 8125', 31 SW GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-38542

DISCOVERY NATURAL RES. LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 25AS MUSTANG DRAW, 3260 FNL 2645 FWL, SEC 2 BLK A, SR JOHNSON SUR., A-237 7900', 21 NE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39332

DISCOVERY NATURAL RES. LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 24SH MUSTANG DRAW, 3260 FNL 2605 FWL, SEC 2 BLK A, SR JOHNSON SUR., A-237 7900', 21 NE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39333

DISCOVERY NATURAL RES. LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 24AS MUSTANG DRAW, 3260 FNL 2565 FWL, SEC 2 BLK A, SR JOHNSON SUR., A-237 7900', 21 NE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39328

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1217BH UNIVERSITY BLOCK 12, 2190 FSL 688 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 12, UL SUR., A-U295 8999', 8 SW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39329

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1217CH UNIVERSITY BLOCK 12, 2189 FSL 668 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 12, UL SUR., A-U295 8999', 8 SW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39331

EP ENERGY E&P CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G)-DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1217DH UNIVERSITY BLOCK 12, 2187 FSL 648 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 12, UL SUR., A-U295 8999', 8 SW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39330

HENRY RESOURCES LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6024NB UNIVERSITY NG, 2160 FEL 730 FSL, SEC 2 BLK 6, UL SUR., A-U90 10605', 14 SE RANKIN API# 42-383-39326

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., JAILHOUSE (FSLMN) (O) DRILL Well# 14L TAYLOR A, 2955 FSL 669 FWL, SEC 14 BLK O, TC/JW BROWNLEE SUR., A-736 12000', 29 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39318

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., E RED HOUSE (ELLEN) (O) DRILL Well# 104E SUGG D, 2327 FNL 796 FWL, SEC 104 BLK 2, T&P/TD LUCAS SUR., A-263 12500', 26 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39317

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 7NU FUCHS D 46-39 (ALLOC-G), 220 FSL 992 FEL, SEC 46 BLK 34 T5S, T&P/BL BOGARD SUR., A-43 12000', 15 S GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-39334

OXY USA WTP LP, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2507CU EAST MERCHANT 25, 200 FSL 1017 FEL, SEC 25 BLK A, L&SV SUR., A-272 12500', 20 S GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-39322

OXY USA WTP LP, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2506CU EAST MERCHANT 25, 200 FSL 1662 FEL, SEC 25 BLK A, L&SV SUR., A-272 12500', 20 S GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-39321

OXY USA WTP LP, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2508CU EAST MERCHANT 25, 200 FSL 372 FEL, SEC 25 BLK A, L&SV SUR., A-272 12500', 20 S GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-39323

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 TUCKER 166, 954 FSL 1938 FWL, SEC 166 BLK 1, T&P/ WC CASTLEBERRY SUR., A-911 9325', 12 NE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39319

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4413H HEADLINERS 6, 375 FNL 1090 FEL, SEC 7 BLK M, TC SUR., A-465 8702', 19 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39327

WTG EXPLORATION, PINK DRAW (ELLEN) (RECOMP) (INJ) Well# 4 FANDANGO, 5 FNL 2529 FEL, SEC 66 BLK 1, T&P/WC CASTLEBERRY SUR., A-57 10500', 14 NE BIG LAKE API# 42-383-36626

Runnels County

ENRICH OIL CORP., W WINTERS (GRD-NR SD) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 1 CAROLINE, 502 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 55 BLK 63, HT&B SUR., A-298 4664', 5 SW WINTERS API# 42-399-35419

JERRY HESS OPER. CO., ANDERGRAM (CADDO LM) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 1R MILLIFF, 338 FNEL 3570 FWL, JA RICH SUR., A-414 4502', 5 N BALLINGER API# 42-399-34371

WILLOWBEND INVESTMENTS, INC., CREE-SYKES (GARNER U) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 3 DAVIS, 2409 FSL 1298 FEL, SEC 19, SP SUR., A-446 5000', 12 E WINTERS API# 42-399-35422

Tom Green County

BANNER OPERATING, LLC, JUNE ANN (ELLEN) (O) DRILL Well# 2302 SULLENGER, 2967 FNL 760 FWL, SEC 23 BLK 5, H&TC SUR., A-897 9000', 20 NW SAN ANGELO API# 42-451-32833

BANNER OPERATING, LLC, FUNK (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL Well# 1 DEVON 21, 990 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 21 BLK 5, H&TC SUR., A-896 2000', 20 NW SAN ANGELO API# 42-451-32832

Upton County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4504 NEAL 45, 2330 FSL 1036 FEL, SEC 45 BLK 40 T5S, T&P SUR., A-474 11500', 21 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-40027

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4503 NEAL 45, 1088 FSL 2173 FEL, SEC 45 BLK 40 T5S, T&P SUR., A-474 11450', 21 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-40026

COG OPERATING, LLC, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1752BH PEGASUS FIELD UNIT 3, 2640 FNL 1320 FWL, SEC 36 BLK 41 T4S, T&P/ RD HEATLY SUR., A-1420 12000', 32 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-40028

COG OPERATING, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 8 BARBARA, 1980 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 146 BLK E, CCSD&RGNG/ JT MCELROY SUR., A-1437 12000', 13 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-40036

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4110H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 6404 FWL 3246 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40032

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4076H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 6014 FWL 3246 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40015

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4112H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 8546 FWL 494 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40034

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4075H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 5969 FWL 3246 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40014

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4111H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 8501 FWL 494 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40033

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4113H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 8591 FWL 494 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40035

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4109H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 6359 FEL 3246 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40031

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4078H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 5340 FEL 494 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40017

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4077H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 5385 FEL 494 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40016

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4108H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 6314 FWL 3246 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40029

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4074H XBC GIDDINGS ESTATE, 5924 FWL 3246 FSL, SEC 4, THROCKMORTON CSL SUR., A-545 11000', 16 N RANKIN API# 42-461-40013

SM ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1841H DORCUS JANEY (SA), 653 FWL 1942 FSL, SEC 19 BLK 41 T4S, T&P SUR., A-777 10200', 24 W MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40025

SM ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3043H DORCUS, 1672 FWL 600 FNL, SEC 31 BLK 41 T4S, T&P SUR., A-477 10200', 24 W MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40022

SM ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3042 DORCUS, 1632 FWL 600 FNL, SEC 31 BLK 41 T4S, T&P SUR., A-477 10200', 24 W MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40021

SM ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1840H DORCUS JANEY (SA), 623 FWL 1968 FSL, SEC 19 BLK 41 T4S, T&P SUR., A-777 10200', 24 W MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40024

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 1 CAROLYN, 2530 FWL 62 FSL, SEC 85 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-53 9400', 11 SE RANKIN API# 42-461-34017

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 806 PAULA, 2173 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 108 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG/ HW AUSTIN SUR., A-1557 10900', 16 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-38773

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 215 ELLA A, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 2 BLK 3 1/2, MK&TE/ JW O'BRYAN SUR., A-855 11200', 13 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-40023

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Andrews County

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC., MAGUTEX (ATOKA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 SAMSON UNIVERSITY 23, 2173 FEL 760 FNL, SEC 23 BLK 4, UL SUR., A-U85 11700', 11 NE ANDREWS API# 42-003-42083

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, FULLERTON (O) (FDTFR) Well# 9 UNIVERSITY AU, 1320 FNL 986 FEL, SEC 41 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U433 7300', 13 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-43300

Crane County

APACHE CORPORATION, DUNE (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H UNIVERSITY LANDS 30, 532 FSL 1452 FWL, SEC 19 BLK 30, UL SUR., A-U19 3800', 7 NW CRANE API# 42-103-36508

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 13 RAFE, 645 FSL 1249 FEL, SEC 20 BLK 42 T4S, T&P/ EG DURHAM SUR., A-862 11000', 15 NE CRANE API# 42-103-36511

Culberson County

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H HSS STATE 45-17X8, 2216 FSL 989 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 45, PSL/ WH BROWNING JR SUR., A-6329 14000', 13 SW ORLA API# 42-109-32826

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H STATE SRO 45-18X19, 2265 FNL 870 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 45, PSL/ WH BROWNING JR SUR., A-6330 12500', 13 SW ORLA API# 42-109-32822

CAPITAN ENERGY, INC., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H PLUMMER-SIS STATE, 467 FEL 1715 FSL, SEC 10 BLK 42, PSL/CM CALDWELL SUR., A-6453 10200', 37 N KENT API# 42-109-32823

CIMAREX ENERGY CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H CAVALCADE 25 UNIT, 2262 FEL 210 FSL, SEC 25 BLK 59 T2S, T&P SUR., A-2722 9849', 12 W ORLA API# 42-109-32827

COG OPERATING, LLC, SANDBAR (BONE SPRING) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 202H DR STATE CENTRAL, 1740 FEL 10 FSL, SEC 2 BLK 61 T1S, T&P/AA SUGG SUR., A-6753 8000', 63 NW PECOS API# 42-109-32824

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4702H BLUE MARLIN STATE WC, 1891 FNL 2417 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 58 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2660 11000', 9 NW ORLA API# 42-109-32812

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4702H YELLOWFIN TUNA WC, 1858 FNL 2417 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 58 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2660 11000', 9 NW ORLA API# 42-109-32811

LIMESTONE EXPL. II LLC, W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H COVINGTON STATE 26, 200 FNL 990 FEL, SEC 26 BLK 115, PSL/TH GARNER SUR., A-956 8300', 55 NE VAN HORN API# 42-109-32825

Ector County

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., ANDECTOR (WICH ALB) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1801H FRANK A, 171 FSL 1237 FWL, SEC 7 BLK 44 T1N, T&P SUR., A-257 7200', 21 SE ANDREWS API# 42-135-43317

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD, N COWDEN (O) (RECLASS) Well# 1225 NORTH COWDEN UNIT, 15 FNL 2144 FWL, SEC 35 BLK 43 T1N, T&P SUR., A-176 5000', 17 NW ODESSA API# 42-135-35468

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3110LS RATLIFF D, 200 FSL 330 FEL, SEC 30 BLK 41 T1S, T&P/EW ROGERS SUR., A-641 13000', 4 SE GARDENDALE API# 42-135-43316

RUST OIL CORPORATION, COWDEN (CISCO) (G) DRILL Well# 1 COWDEN RANCH 16, 1800 FNL 1080 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 43 T2S, T&P/ WH MCCOLLUM SUR., A-616 10000', 3 W ODESSA API# 42-135-43310

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 12H STEAKLEY 44, 37 FSL 943 FWL, SEC 44 BLK 44 T1S, T&P/NG WILLIAMS SUR., A-832 9500', 8 NW PENWELL API# 42-135-43315

Glasscock County

COG OPERATING, LLC, S GARDEN CITY(WLFCMP) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3008 CURRIE E NORTH, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 30, BLK 32 T4S, T&P/J CURRIE SUR., A-964 9450', 8 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-37129

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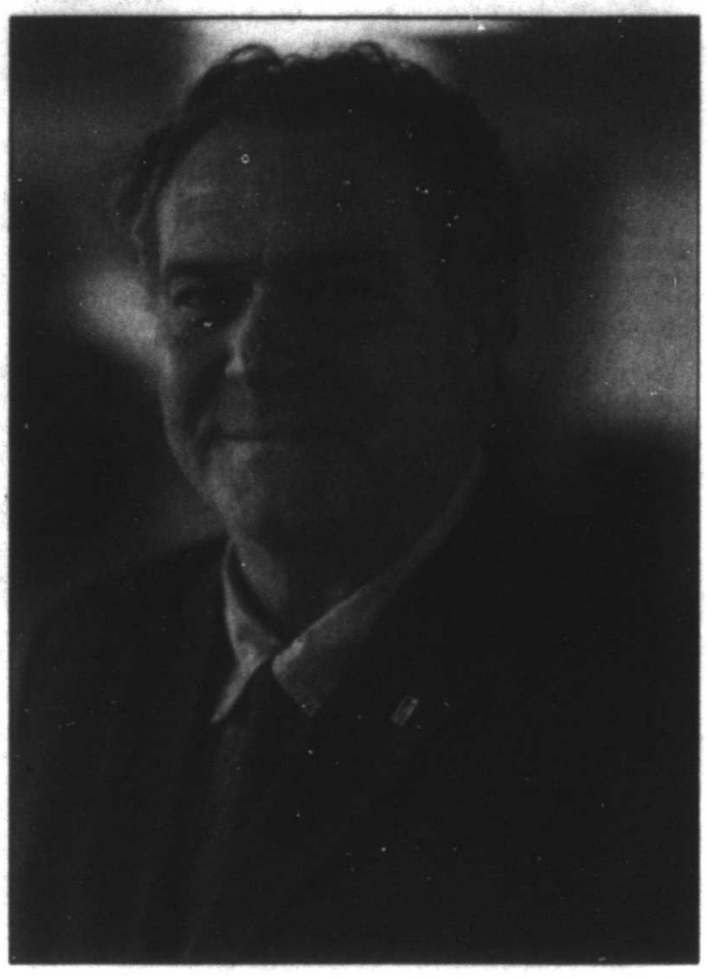
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UTPB welcomes new Dean of College of Arts and Sciences



Michael S. Zavada has accepted the position of dean for the College of Arts and Sciences at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin effective June 30, 2015.

Zavada was selected following a nationwide search. The search committee considered numerous candidates and interviewed three finalists. Faculty and staff were invited to meet each candidate and provide input. He succeeds Mylan Redfern who has held the position since July 1, 2010.

"Dr. Zavada brings to our College of Arts and Sciences tremendous administrative experience at major universities as well as a celebrated research record," said Dan Heimmermann, vice-president and provost of UTPB. "Working with our talented and dedicated faculty and staff, Dr. Zavada will lead UTPB's continued rise in academic quality and stature."

Zavada received his B.S. and M.S. from Arizona State University in Tempe Arizona in Botany and Palynology. He received a B.A in Slavic Languages & Literature and a Ph.D in Ecology-Evolutionary Biology from The University of Connecticut in Storrs in Conneticut.

Among his research interests are the fields of Palynology, Paleoecology, Paleobotany, Plant Systematics, Ethnobotany, Origin and Evolution of Angiosperms and Ecology.

"The University of Texas of the Permian Basin is a young and growing institution and resides in one of the most important energy producing regions of the world. The Permian Basin sustains close to a half million jobs, $114 billion in economic output and contributes $60 billion to the Texas economy. In addition, West Texas is rated as one of the areas of highest potential for production of green energy (wind and solar)," said Dr. Zavada.

"We are thrilled that Dr. Zavada has accepted the position of Dean of Arts & Sciences at UTPB. He is an experienced dean, a successful grant writer, and a prolific scholar," said Frank Hernandez, dean of the School of Education and chair of the search committe for the position of dean of Arts and Sciences. "He is a strong leader who will contribute greatly to arts and sciences and to UTPB."

"There is no doubt that UTPB can be a major educational institution contributing to Texas' need for innovation in engineering, geosciences, environmental science and business. Employers agree that businesses need and want not only specific skills, but students to be good communicators, critical thinkers, have transferable skills, and have a good understanding of diverse cultures in our global economy," added Zavada. "The Humanities and the Arts are important to the development of these skills. In addition, these disciplines significantly contribute to the quality of life in the community. I look forward to joining President Watts' and Provost Heimmermann's administrative team as the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, and working with an enthusiastic and talented faculty and staff during a key time in the history of UTPB."

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DISCOVERY NATURAL RES. LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 485AS BARBEE, 395 FSL 1437 FEL, SEC 48 BLK 33 T5S, T&P/ AJ WILLIAMSON SUR., A-1070 8500', 16 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-37130

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 107H ANGELINA SN 33-28 07, 1050 FEL 2340 FSL, SEC 33 BLK 33 T5S, T&P SUR., A-165 9500', 14 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-37133

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL Well# 301 WOODY, 467 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 3 BLK 36 T3S, T&P SUR., A-395 12000', 16 S STANTON API# 42-173-37136

Howard County

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H PATTERSON 40-33 (SL), 2310 FNL 2301 FEL, SEC 40 BLK 33 T2N, T&P/ RC COFFEE SUR., A-996 12000', 4 SE KNOTT API# 42-227-38482

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H PATTERSON 40-33, 2310 FNL 2321 FEL, SEC 40 BLK 33 T2N, T&P/ RC COFFEE SUR., A-996 12000', 4 SE KNOTT API# 42-227-38481

ELEMENT PETRO. OPER. II, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3AH WRIGHT UNIT 44-41, 438 FSL 2211 FWL, SEC 44 BLK 33 T3N, T&P/ET AKIN SUR., A-1224 11000', 16 NW BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38475

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 347 DORA ROBERTS BDE, 2510 FNL 453 FWL, SEC 136 BLK 29, W&NW/ EH NUNN SUR., A-1318 3400', 14 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38477

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 56R DORA ROBERTS, 2379 FSL 824 FEL, SEC 136 BLK 29, W&NW/EH NUNN SUR., A-1318 3600', 14 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38478

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 60 DORA ROBERTS, 2492 FSL 1615 FEL, SEC 136 BLK 29, W&NW/EH NUNN SUR., A-1318 3600', 14 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38479

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 61 DORA ROBERTS, 1932 FSL 2233 FEL, SEC 136 BLK 29, W&NW/EH NUNN SUR., A-1318 3600', 14 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38480

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 48 WARDER, 2449 FSL 185 FWL, SEC 137 BLK 29, W&NW SUR., A-477 3600', 14 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38476

Loving County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1D APC 29-29, 581 FEL 2826 FSL, SEC 29 BLK 29, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR. 7500', 9 E MENTONE API# 42-301-32506

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H TITAN, 200 FNL 2655 FWL, SEC 33 BLK 54, T&P SUR., A-60 13500', 16 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32517

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H TITAN, 200 FNL 2625 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 54, T&P SUR., A-60 13500', 16 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32512

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 8H EXCELSIOR, 200 FSL 968 FWL, SEC 1 BLK 54, T&P SUR., A-44 13500', 19 N MENTONE API# 42-301-32513

HEADINGTON ENERGY PRTNRS, LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 251H JONES STATE 48, 150 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 53, T&P SUR., A-372 12000', 6 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32515

HEADINGTON ENERGY PRTNRS, LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 252H JONES STATE 48, 150 FSL 1774 FWL, SEC 48 BLK 53, T&P SUR., A-372 12000', 6 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32516

HEADINGTON ENERGY PRTNRS, LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 251H ARRINGTON 3, 150 FNL 661 FWL, SEC 3 BLK C27, PSL SUR., A-694 12000', 6 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32514

MATADOR PROD. CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 203H JOHNSON 44-02S-B53 WF, 80 FNL 112 FSEL, SEC 6 BLK 2, W&NW/WD JOHNSON SUR., A-1108 12000', 5 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32510

OXY USA, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 18H MOORE HOOPER, 500 FNEL 830 FSEL, SEC 80 BLK 1, W&NW/JC MCDONALD SUR., A-415 19500', 2 SE PECOS API# 42-301-32509

OXY USA, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 11H MOORE HOOPER A UNIT, 500 FNEL 567 FNWL, SEC 80 BLK 1, W&NW/ JC MCDONALD SUR., A-415 19200', 1 SE PECOS API# 42-301-32508

SHELL WESTERN E&P, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BONNETHEAD 53-2-13 LOV UNIT, 262 FNL 885 FEL, SEC 13 BLK 53 T2, T&P SUR., A-26 12200', 12 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32507

SHELL WESTERN E&P, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H GALAPAGOS 53-2-27 LOV, 430 FSL 1400 FEL, SEC 27 BLK 53 T2, T&P SUR., A-33 12100', 8 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32518

Martin County

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1506H JE MABEE NCT-2, 1002 FWL 450 FSL, SEC 14 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-382 11500', 25 SE STANTON API# 42-317-40126

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1507H JE MABEE NCT-2, 1027 FWL 450 FSL, SEC 14 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-382 11500', 25 SE STANTON API# 42-317-40127

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, MON BAK (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 5 NAIL 6, 467 FSEL 2286 FNEL, SEC 6 BLK 37 T1S, T&P/ DE GOSNEY SUR., A-752 12000', 10 W STANTON API# 42-317-40106

LINN OPERATING, INC., LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 3 NAIL B, 660 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 27 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-282 12000', 12 NW STANTON API# 42-317-37318

LINN OPERATING, INC., LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 4 NAIL B, 467 FSL 2173 FWL, SEC 27 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-282 12000', 12 NW STANTON API# 42-317-37609

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2370SH SOUTH CURTIS RANCH, 2003 FSL 1073 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 39, T&P SUR., A-308 12500', 10 N MIDLAND API# 42-317-40136

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2369MH SOUTH CURTIS RANCH, 2003 FSL 1113 FEL, SEC 26 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/ WH TERRELL SUR., A-832 12500', 10 N MIDLAND API# 42-317-40135

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 REYNOLDS 2, 967 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 2 BLK 38 T1N, T&P/H TIEMANN SUR., A-1011 12250', 10 N STANTON API# 42-317-40137

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H SALE RANCH 21C, 873 FWL 551 FSL, SEC 21 BLK 37 T1N, T&P SUR., A-222 10600', 11 NW STANTON API# 42-317-40124

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H SALE RANCH 17D, 1325 FEL 300 FSL, SEC 17 BLK 37, T&P SUR. 10600', 12 NW STANTON API# 42-317-40138

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H SALE RANCH 17F, 1235 FEL 300 FSL, SEC 17 BLK 37, T&P SUR. 10600', 12 NW STANTON API# 42-317-40140

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H SALE RANCH 17E, 1280 FEL 300 FSL, SEC 17 BLK 37, T&P SUR. 10600', 12 NW STANTON API# 42-317-40139

Midland County

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1HB MIDLAND AX FEE, 330 FNL 625 FWL, SEC 1 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-218 11000', 17 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-40096

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., PARKS (CONS) (O) DRILL Well# 2705M SCHARBAUER C, 1980 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 27 BLK 40 T2S, T&P SUR., A-265 12000', 8 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40095

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4HB MIDLAND AX FEE, 330 FNL 700 FWL, SEC 1 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-218 11000', 17 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-40099

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2HD MIDLAND AX FEE, 330 FNL 650 FWL, SEC 1 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-218 11000', 17 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-40097

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., PARKS (CONS) (O) DRILL Well# 2709M SCHARBAUER C, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 27 BLK 40 T2S, T&P SUR., A-265 12000', 8 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40094

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3HA MIDLAND AX FEE, 330 FNL 675 FWL, SEC 1 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-218 11000', 17 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-40098

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 MACKEY, 811 FEL 2103 FSL, SEC 29 BLK 40 T2S, T&P SUR., A-266 12000', 10 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-40041

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 1 TXL 41, 660 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 41 BLK 39 T3S, T&P SUR., A-215 10300', 18 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-33329

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 603H DICKENSON SN 20-17 03, 1750 FNL 469 FWL, SEC 20 BLK 37 T1S, T&P/ RL SLAUGHTER SUR., A-1441 9500', 10 NE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40102

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 503H DICKENSON SN 20-17 03, 1750 FNL 519 FWL, SEC 20 BLK 37 T1S, T&P/ RL SLAUGHTER SUR., A-1153 9500', 10 NE STANTON API# 42-329-40101

HIGH SKY PARTNERS LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 108MS ISBELL HORIZONTAL UNIT, 2416 FNL 1793 FWL, SEC 1 BLK X, HP HILLIARD SUR., A-11 12000', 4 N MIDLAND API# 42-329-40089

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O) (FDTFR) Well# 1 ET O'DANIEL A UNIT, 1054 FSL 445 FWL, SEC 4, S WRIGHT SUR., A-1012 10980', 16 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-31794

RSP PERMIAN, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4717WB SPANISH TRAIL, 945 FNL 220 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 40, T&P SUR. 12000', 5 NE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40070

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3312AH LHS RANCH 27-33 ALLOCATION 3312, 1015 FWL 2201 FNL, SEC 28 BLK 38 T4S, T&P/ JM WEST SUR., A-1005 9600', 22 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40025

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 13 MIDKIFF 48, 912 FWL 1895 FSL, SEC 48 BLK 39 T4S, T&P/ JM FLETCHER SUR., A-1305 12200', 25 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40100

Pecos County

APACHE CORPORATION, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BOBCAT STATE UNIT 4703, 595 FSL 327 FEL, SEC 47 BLK 50 T9S, T&P/OE HANUM SUR., A-5805 10500', 22 E SARAGOSA API# 42-371-39305

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, YATES (O/G) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 275B02 YATES FIELD UNIT, 1373 FWNL 507 FWEL, SEC 32 BLK 194, GC&SF/ TE HICKOX SUR., A-8657 1999', 4 SW IRAAN API# 42-371-06063

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, YATES (O/G) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 275E29 YATES FIELD UNIT, 225 FSL 3233 FSEL, SEC 32 BLK 194, GC&SF/ TE HICKOX SUR., A-6657 1999', 3 SW IRAAN API# 42-371-32825

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, YATES (O/G) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 82F16 YATES FIELD UNIT, 285 FWSL 2377 FWL, SEC 31 BLK 194, GC&SF SUR., A-4562 1999', 4 SW IRAAN API# 42-371-32761

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, YATES (O/G) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 82F24 YATES FIELD UNIT, 620 FNSL 1771 FNWL, SEC 31 BLK 194, GC&SF SUR., A-4562 1999', 4 SW IRAAN API# 42-371-34953

MLC OPER., LP, LITTLE MESA (WLFCMP) (O) DRILL Well# 52D COATES A, 632 FNL 1328 FWL, SEC 52 BLK 2, CCSD&RGNG/ J WAKEFIELD SUR., A-6198 11500', 27 SW IRAAN API# 42-371-39303

MLC OPER., LP, LITTLE MESA (WLFCMP) (O) DRILL Well# 65C HARRAL DHI, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 65 BLK R3, GC&SF SUR., A-2951 11500', 28 SW IRAAN API# 42-371-39304

SAMSON EXPLORATION, LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H JOANNE, 219 FEL 260 FNL, SEC 13 BLK 49 T9S, T&P SUR., A-976 11800', 20 NW FORT STOCKTON API# 42-371-39302

Reeves County

APACHE CORPORATION, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 106H ROBIN 8, 5733 FSWL 1179 FSEL, SEC 8 BLK 2, H&GN/CH STRAIN SUR., A-5633 9350', 17 SE ORLA API# 42-389-34774

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H STATE TUNSTILL 56-T2-10, 331 FWL 237 FNL, SEC 10 BLK 56 T2, T&P/RC LAMBIE SUR., A-5065 12500', 4 NE ORLA API# 42-389-34767

COG OPERATING, LLC, HOEFS T-K (WLFCMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3602H CIMARRON, 94 FWL 39 FSL, SEC 36 BLK 51 T8S, T&P/GH MANSFIELD SUR., A-2299 12000', 24 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34766

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1506H STATE HARRISON RANCH 57, 498 FSL 2353 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 57, PSL SUR. A-2471 13000', 17 SE ORLA API# 42-389-34769

EOG RESOURCES, INC., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1505H STATE HARRISON RANCH 57, 498 FSL 2383 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 57, PSL SUR. A-2471 13000', 17 SE ORLA API# 42-389-34768

JAGGED PEAK ENERGY LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H WHISKEY RIVER 0927-7, 428 FNL 960 FEL, SEC 9 BLK 7, H&GN SUR., A-30 12000', 12 S PYOTE API# 42-389-34772

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 15H ANNA KATHERINE 23, 203 FNL 2074 FEL, SEC 23 BLK C6, PSL/C RITZ SUR., A-4895 15700', 12 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34771

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 14H ANNA KATHERINE 23, 203 FNL 2114 FEL, SEC 23 BLK C6, PSL/C RITZ SUR., A-4895 15700', 12 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34770

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 11H ANNA KATHERINE 23, 310 FNL 555 FWL, SEC 23 BLK C, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR 15700', 12 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34778

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 17H ANNA KATHERINE 23, 310 FNL 1306 FEL, SEC 23 BLK C6, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR 15700', 12 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34777

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 16H ANNA KATHERINE 23, 310 FNL 1345 FEL, SEC 23 BLK C6, PSL/C RITZ SUR., A-4895 15700', 12 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34776

OXY USA, INC., COLLIE (DELAWARE) (O/G) DRILL Well# 39 LAYDEN A, 9460 FSL 380 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 6, H&GN SUR., A-15 7000', 3 E PECOS API# 42-389-34449

PANTHER EXPL., LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H LOUIS STATE 24, 200 FNL 1850 FEL, SEC 24 BLK 55 T-4, T&P SUR., A-3394 12000', 19 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34748

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RESOLUTE NATURAL RES. CO., LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1401BH FLYING DOG, 250 FNL 2487 FWL, SEC 14 BLK C21, PSL/LA CASEY SUR., A-5470 13500', 31 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34773

Ward County

JAGGED PEAK ENERGY LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H UTL 2635-17, 990 FNWL 200 FNEL, SEC 26 BLK 17, UL SUR., A-U65 12000', 8 NW PYOTE API# 42-475-36975

Winkler County

APACHE CORPORATION, KEYSTONE (CLR FRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 93 SETH CAMPBELL A, 990 FNL 220 FWL, SEC 29 BLK B3, PSL/S CAMPBELL SUR., A-1362 5600', 2 NE KERMIT API# 42-495-33665

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Crosby County

JUNO OPER. CO. II, LLC, HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# M147 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 950 FNL 330 FEL, SEC 11 BLK D19, D&SE SUR., A-379 4400', 10 NE SLATON API# 42-107-32035

JUNO OPER. CO. II, LLC, HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# M136 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 310 FNL 970 FEL, SEC 11 BLK D19, D&SE SUR., A-379 4400', 9 NE SLATON API# 42-107-32034

JUNO OPER. CO. II, LLC, HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# F555 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 1650 FSL 1625 FEL, SEC 1035, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-323 4400', 10 NE SLATON API# 42-107-32033

Dawson County

NAVIGATOR OPER., LLC, KEY WEST (SPRABERRY) (O) DRILL Well# 1 MORRIS, 660 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 3 BLK 35 T5N, T&P SUR., A-114 8200', 3 E LAMESA API# 42-115-33712

Gaines County

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., HUAT (WOLFCAMP LO) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 11 EXXON ATLANTIC H&J, 968 FNL 2568 FWL, SEC 123 BLK H, D&W SUR., A-169 10820', 11 E SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38149

Garza County

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC., LYN KAY (O) DRILL Well# 1 FIVE RESOURCES 38, 1444 FNL 1807 FWL, SEC 38 BLK 2, H&GN/C MCCLAIN SUR., A-920 8500', 15 SW SPUR API# 42-169-34207

Kent County

OXY USA WTP LP, SALT CREEK (RECOMP) (INJ) Well# C745W SALT CREEK FIELD UNIT, 651 FWL 2078 FSL, SEC 167 BLK G, W&NW SUR. 7000', 7 NW CLAIREMONT API# 42-263-30787

Scurry County

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, KELLY-SNYDER (O) DRILL Well# 12A-27 SACROC UNIT, 2256 FSK 1149 FWL, SEC 448 BLK 97, H&TC/MG CASH SUR., A-1693 7250', 10 N SNYDER API# 42-415-35141

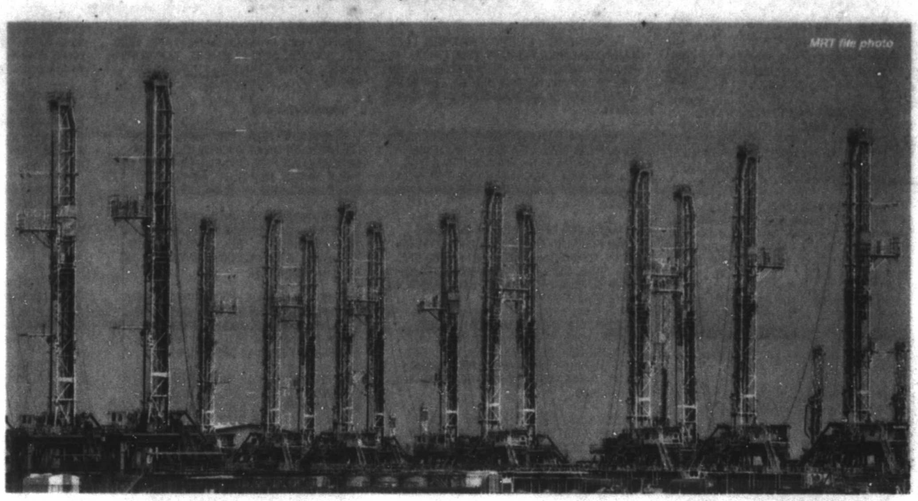
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APACHE CORPORATION, PLATANG (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SQUINTS, 500 FNL 330 FEL, SEC 534 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ EA SPEARS SUR., A-651 5700', 16 SE ORLA API# 42-501-36566

APACHE CORPORATION, PLATANG (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H GREAT HAMBINO, 350 FSL 330 FEL, SEC 455 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ DP WINDSOR SUR., A-603 5700', 16 SE ORLA API# 42-501-36565

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 40CL WILLARD UNIT, 2482 FSL 769 FEL, SEC 802 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ CX WOODRUFF SUR., A-845 5800', 4 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36559

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 40B WILLARD UNIT, 1768 FNL 166 FWL, SEC 803 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-17 5800', 4 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36564


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OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL Well# 37C WILLARD UNIT, 1777 FNL 1786 FWL, SEC 802 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ M ROBERTS SUR., A-1702 5800', 4 N DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36562

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 38B WILLARD UNIT, 1682 FNL 2532 FWL, SEC 802 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ M ROBERTS SUR., A-1702 5800', 4 N DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36560

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 39C WILLARD UNIT, 2484 FNL 1578 FEL, SEC 802 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ SO WILSON SUR., A-1293 5800', 4 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36563

XTO ENERGY INC., WASSON (O) DRILL Well# 321R CORNELL UNIT, 299 FSL 2081 FWL, SEC 863 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-56 5700', 14 SW PLAINS CITY API# 42-501-36545

XTO ENERGY INC., WASSON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 129 CORNELL UNIT, 900 FSL 1359 FWL, SEC 831 BLK D, JOHN H GIBSON SUR., A-27 5750', 4 NW DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36546

XTO ENERGY INC., WASSON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 126 CORNELL UNIT, 2064 FNL 2317 FWL, SEC 831 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-27 5750', 4 NW DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36548

XTO ENERGY INC., WASSON (RECOMP) (INJ) Well# 42 HO MAHONEY, 440 FSL 1430 FEL, SEC 742 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ MRS BO MAHONEY SUR., A-722 5600', 12 SE PLAINS API# 42-501-10657

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Bose Ikard 4 State Com #11
East Empire; Sec 4 T17S R29E; 330/N & 150/W; 12 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 8614 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43031

COG Operating LLC
Bose Ikard 4 State Com #12
East Empire; Sec 4 T17S R29E; 750/N & 150/W; 12 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 8617 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43032

COG Operating LLC
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East Empire; Sec 4 T17S R29E; 2140/S & 150/W; 12 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 8657 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43033

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COG Operating LLC
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East Empire; Sec 4 T17S R29E; 1900/S & 150/W; 12 mi NW Loco Hills; Rot 9158 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-43036

Matador Producing Co.
Janie Conner 13 24 28 RB #124
East Pierce Crossing; Sec 14 T24S R28E; 415/N & 255/E; 1/2 S Malaga; Rot 12950 Bone Spring; API #30-015-43039

Matador Producing Co.
Janie Conner 13 24 28 RB #224
NW Pierce Crossing; Sec 14 T24S R28E; 445/S & 255/E; 1/2 mi S Malaga; Rot 14900 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-43037

Chevron USA Inc.
Midnight Sun 2 26 27 #5
Delaware River; Sec 2 T26S R27E; 10 mi SE Black River; 175/N & 775/W; Rot 14070 Bone Spring; API #30-015-43040

Lea County

COG Operating LLC
Ivar The Boneless #1
West Maljamar; Sec 22 T17S R32S; 75/N & 330/W; 2.5 mi SE Maljamar; Rot 10553 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42514

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Leghorn BWR State #1
East Red Tank; Sec 33 T22S R33E; 330/S & 660/W; 13 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 10957 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42509

Yates Petroleum Corp.
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North Antelope Ridge; Sec 13 T23S R34E; 200/S & 400/W; 6 1/2 mi NE Ochoa; Rot 15895 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42512

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Rebel 20 Fed #1
North Paduca; Sec 20 T24S R32E; 330/N & 520/W; 15 mi W Ochoa; Rot 12874 Delaware; API #30-025-42515

COG Producing LLC
Salvador Fee #5
North Red Hills; Sec 10 T24S R34E; 190/S & 560/E; 3 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 14000 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42513



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