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Amazon.com founder has plans for West Texas clock

Jeff Bezos intends for his clock to 'tick for 100 centuries' and to inspire people

By Dane Schiller
Houston Chronicle

SIERRA DIABLO — Sheathed in a 500-foot deep silo bored into a mountain rising from this rugged stretch of West Texas is a wildly ambitious project to build a massive clock that would tick for 100 centuries.

The clock is not just a dream. Construction is well underway, and being bankrolled by Jeff Bezos, the wealthy founder of amazon.com who recently agreed to buy The Washington Post.

He's a secretive man worth billions. And he is spending millions on this quest.

Bezos, 49, envisions the 10,000 Year Clock as a symbol to get people thinking about where mankind is headed, and what they'd like to accomplish with their lives.

There is no date set for when the clock will be complete, but Bezos has said when it is done it will be open to the public.

The pilgrimage would require a purposely tough hike to reach the monument-like clock's entrance via a cave. Visitors would then climb stairs that lead up and around the clock, and exit through a hole in the mountain's summit.

If the clock is even 300 feet tall it would be on the order of London's Big Ben, only inside a mountain instead of beside a palace in London.

Call him eccentric, crazy or visionary, but also call him ambitious.

Ten thousand years is longer than Egypt's pyramids, England's Stonehenge or China's Great Wall

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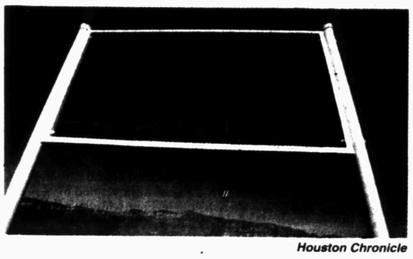

Houston Chronicle

The Devil's Mountains is the designated site for Bezos' project.

Trinity dynasty



Meredith Moriak/Reporter-Telegram

Michelle Tull, a Trinity graduate, returned to her alma mater and began teaching third grade on Monday.

Trinity alumna transitions into teacher role

By Meredith Moriak
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Monday marked the first time in 21 years that Midlanders Doug and Marcy Tull didn't have a daughter enrolled at Trinity School, but that doesn't mean the family's involvement with the college preparatory school has ended.

Before youngest daughter, Sara, even received her diploma in May, her older sister, Michelle, had accepted a teaching job in Trinity's lower school, consequently maintaining the Tull family's presence at the small 600-student private school.

After just four years away from Trinity and armed with a bachelor's in early childhood education from Texas Tech University, Michelle Tull returned to her educational home of 15 years Monday to begin her professional career.

"It will be a lot different to be on the faculty side because it was only four years ago that I was in high school, but I think it will be OK since I'm working with third grade," said Tull, who like her sisters, attended Trinity from preschool through 12th grade.

Working alongside many of her former mentors, role models and teachers has been an adjustment, but Tull said she's thankful for the guidance, insight and support that has been provided.

"I joked with Mr. (Bill) Coombes that I'm going to sit with him at faculty meetings. ... It's just fun to think that I can be 'work friends' with everyone now," Tull said. "It seems like just yesterday they were writing me recommendation letters

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Planning and Zoning approves new subdivision, Sam's Club gas station

By Joseph Basco
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About 66 acres of land are planned to be converted into a subdivision on the northeast side of Midland, an area that is still rural.

The Planning and Zoning Commission on Monday unanimously approved the zoning and preliminary plat for Sunset Ridge, a 200-lot housing development on E. Loop 250 North, a quarter mile east of Fairgrounds Road.

Each lot will be 62 feet wide by 105 feet deep, which city planner Martin Siwek said was similar to the lot size in Legends Park on the city's west side.

Nine acres of the subdivision — the seven lots closest to Loop 250 — will be allocated for retail space.

Though it was passed unanimously, residents who attended the meeting objected to the development, citing the fast traffic on the portion of Loop 250 next to this planned subdivision. East of Fairgrounds Road, Loop 250 remains incomplete.

There are few notable developments that have been approved in the northeast side within the past year. These include Sunrise at Fairgrounds apartments on Fairgrounds Road and a Stripes convenience store at East Loop 250 and Elkins Road.

Gas station at Sam's Club

Also on Monday, the commission approved a request by Sam's Club for a gas station at the eastern corner of Andrews Highway and Tradewinds Boulevard.

The gas station will be owned by Sam's Club and will feature six to eight gas pumps.

One resident voiced a complaint, saying that neighboring businesses would not want a car wash to be built alongside the gas pumps. Brent Shields, the consulting engineer with Carlson Consulting Engineers, said a car wash was not part of the original plan and there currently aren't any plans to add it to the gas station lot.

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Tweeting poses a political risk for candidates like Abbott

By Reeve Hamilton
Texas Tribune

As his followers know, Attorney General Greg Abbott, widely considered the front-runner to be Texas' next governor, manages his own Twitter feed. It's not uncommon for him to use it to thank his supporters.

But his appreciation for a supporter's tweet on Sunday night — one that called state Sen. Wendy Davis, D-Fort Worth, an "idiot" and a "Retard Barbie" — has fast become the most controversial moment of Abbott's young gubernatorial bid. And it has highlighted the high-risk, high-reward proposition of letting candidates handle their own social media.

The original tweet — "@GregAbbott_TX would absolutely demolish idiot @WendyDavisTexas in Gov race - run Wendy run! Retard Barbie to learn life lesson. #TGDN @tcot" — was written by Jeff Rutledge, a self-described "Texas publisher, debater and attorney." Abbott's response? "Jeff, thanks for your support."

An Abbott source who spoke on condition of anonymity said the attorney general did not read the full message (and, in particular, the offensive language) before expressing his gratitude. Later, Abbott issued something of a clarification: "FYI: I thank supporters on Twitter, but I don't endorse anyone's offensive language. Stay positive."

For Democrats, that didn't go far enough. The Democratic Governors Association denounced his tweet. And Texas Democratic Party Chairman Gilberto Hinojosa issued the following statement: "Greg Abbott stated appreciation for a tweet that insults women and the mentally disabled, and now doesn't even have the decency to apologize? Hate and discrimination have no place in our public discourse."

Abbott isn't the first Texas politician to find himself in hot water on Twitter.

In April, Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Barry Smitherman, who is now running to replace Abbott, drew

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Energy prices

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WTI Posted	$103.80	▼ $0.80
WTS Posted	$102.10	▼ $0.50
Natural Gas	$3.483	▲ $0.095
Gasoline	$3.382	▼ $0.027

The big number
A new phone measures
6.3 inches
and is almost as big as a tablet computer. More on 4A.

Today in West Texas Living
Midland Humane Coalition adopts its 1,500th pet.

Coming Wednesday
Our first Education section of the new school year.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Energy Tower Q and A

Midland-based developer Energy Related Properties will hold a conversation with the community on the progress at Energy Tower at City Center.

The town hall style meeting will take place from 6-7:30 p.m. today at Midland Center. ERP representatives will answer questions and provide updates regarding the project. Officials said if questions remain developers will stay until 8 p.m.

Energy Tower is a planned 50-plus story building to be built where the city's historical courthouse currently stands. The project is estimated to cost between $400 million and $500 million.

Reporter-Telegram Editor Stewart Doreen will facilitate the discussion. For those who can't make it to Midland Center, log on to mywesttexas.com for details from the event as they happen.

Meetings today

Public meeting on proposed city of Midland budget
9 a.m.
City Hall council chambers
300 N. Loraine St.

Airport board meeting
9 a.m.
Midland International Airport Media Room
9506 La Force Boulevard

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

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

TxDOT public meeting
5 p.m.
UTPB CEED Building
1400 North FM 1788

Support groups

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

■ Midland Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness), 7 p.m., First Presbyterian Church (Komonoa Room); Judith Craig, 683-3648.

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

■ Peer to Peer support group for veterans, active duty, guard, reserves and their families, 6 p.m., Permian Basin Community Center, 401 E. Illinois Ave., Suite 403; Wil Hoggard, 213-5342, william.hoggard@wtcmhmr.org.

■ Classic Movie Club, 7 p.m., Cigar Frog's, 216 N. Main St.; 687-1671.

■ Permian Basin Dance Club, 7:30 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church; cost is $5 for members, $6 for non-members; 520-4343.

■ Midland Optimist Club, noon, Abuelo's, 4610 N. Garfield St.; 685-7486.

■ Sons of Confederate Veterans, Dunn-Holt-Mid-kiff Camp No. 1441, 7 p.m., Fairmont Park Church of Christ Activities Annex; Tom Owens, tmowens44@juno.com or 697-6955.

■ American Legion Auxiliary Unit No. 19, 6:30 p.m., 501 Veterans Airpark Lane; 682-5511.

■ Tall City VFW Post 7208, 1303 E. Taylor, bingo games 7 p.m.

School supply drive

The Permian Basin Apartment Association is hosting a School Supply Drive. Donations can be dropped off at any apartment community in Odessa, Midland, Big Spring, Andrews, Crane, Monahans and Fort Stockton.

There will be a luncheon at the Atmos Fischer Community Room, 2304 Loop 40 at the airport complex at noon Wednesday. Representatives from Midland ISD and Ector County ISD will be there to accept the donations that will be distributed to students who are in need.

Water Tracker

The following is the amount of water delivered to the city of Midland from the Colorado River Municipal Water District and the Paul Davis water fields

Friday's total: 21,962,000 gallons (CRMWD 18,468,000, Paul Davis fields 3,494,000)

Saturday's total: 22,100,000 gallons (CRMWD 18,608,000, Paul Davis fields 3,492,000)

Sunday's total: 22,188,000 gallons (CRMWD 18,608,000, Paul Davis fields 3,580,000)

Who's filed?

■ For mayor
Dan Anderson
John James
Keith McLelland
Jerry Morales
Kathy White

■ For District 3
Sharla Hotchkiss
Spencer Robnett

■ For District 4
J. Ross Lacy
Michael Trost

Note: The filing period continues through Aug. 26.

Lottery

Pick 3 day: 7-0-2
Pick 3 night: 7-7-5
Daily 4 day: 0-9-1-8
Daily 4 night: 7-9-5-3
Cash Five: 8-23-25-28-33
Texas Two Step: 1-21-25-34
BB: 23

TRINITY

From 1A

and helping me get into college and now they're my colleagues."

Tull will be mentored this year by fellow third-grade teacher Sherry Malouf and also worked with third-grade teacher Cathy Erlandson, who taught all four Tull girls.

"I already knew Mrs. Erlandson really, really well but I got to work Camp Trinity with Ms. Malouf this summer and it was helpful to get to know her better and learn some things from her," said Tull, who has aspired to teach since first grade when her teacher helped her learn to read.

"I want to be that teacher that goes above and beyond for others. It's good to teach them content because that's what they're there for, but I want to teach them to be good, caring people," she said. On Monday she said "Welcome Aboard" to her third-grade students in her pirate-themed classroom.

"I've always wanted to be the teacher with the cool room," she said, smiling.

Tull said she's thankful her position at Trinity only requires her to teach English language arts and math content to her students and allows specialized teachers to provide other instruction, including science and arts. Her experience student-teaching 21 first-graders in a self-contained classroom at Cooper North Elementary in Lubbock was a bit hectic, she said.

Carly Tull, a 2011 Trinity graduate and rising junior at Texas Tech, said her sister will be "a teacher who really cares for her students. A lot of her favorite teachers have been teachers that made a difference in a person's life and family."

In addition to teaching third grade, Tull will also coach the varsity cheerleading squad.

Cheerleading was an extracurricular activity for each of the Tull girls, with eldest sisters Allison and Michelle serving together as co-captains in 2007-2008. Carly Tull cheered with each of her sisters and said cheerleading was something fun for them to all do together.

Reflecting on their time at Trinity, the sisters all agreed eighth grade was one of the best years with the Blue Gray Ball and a week spent outside Marble Falls at The Outdoor School at Camp Champions on Lake LBJ. The school's small student body and involved parent network made it an ideal place to grow up, Allison Tull said.

"Everyone that I graduated with I'd basically gone to school with since first grade and knew on a personal level," she said.

Though preparing for her first year of teaching was daunting, Michelle Tull said she's thankful to teach at the school that molded her and to be able to be a positive influence on her students' lives.

"Teaching's way more than just teaching content, it's about the whole experience," Tull said.

Tull Family Facts

" All four of Doug and Marcy Tull's daughters attended Trinity School from pre-school through 12th grade, were members of the varsity cheerleading squad and graduated from or are attending Texas Tech University.

Allison, a 2006 Trinity School graduate and 2012 Texas Tech graduate, works for Rock the Desert.

Michelle, a 2009 Trinity School graduate and 2013 Texas Tech graduate, teaches third grade at Trinity School.

Carly, a 2011 Trinity School graduate, will begin her junior year at Texas Tech on Monday.

Sara, a 2013 Trinity School graduate, will begin her freshman year at Texas Tech on Monday.

CLOCK

From 1A

have been around — and those marvels that have captivated man don't even have moving parts.

"Trying to have something work for that long is really amazing," said Ned Thomas, Rice University's dean of engineering. "What the hell is going to happen in 10,000 years? There may not even be humans hanging out here."

About 10,000 years ago, humans in Texas were coming out of the Ice Age, wearing animal skins and sharing the brush lands with mastodons, bison and armadillos the size of a Volkswagen.

The newest invention was the atlatal, a device for launching spears or darts.

The timepiece may be partially shielded from the wraths of man and nature by its dry, remote location — 150 miles east of El Paso — in the Sierra Diablo, Spanish for the Devil's Mountain Range.

This is a place where everything seems to have thorns, stingers or poisonous venom.

Walking or even riding a horse through country that looks like rattlesnake paradise might be forbidding, but maybe the sky overhead brings the true appeal for Bezos. The sun could hardly look bigger, and the crisp nighttime sky, so far from city lights, offers an awe-inspiring look at the galaxy.

Bezos, a self-described nerd and Star Trek fan, has also launched a company, Blue Origin, that uses the wide-open skies here to develop a spacecraft. The idea is to one day offer safe, affordable commercial travel to everyday people.

Bezos is reportedly putting up $42 million for the project.

The clock was first the dream of Danny Hillis, an inventor, scientist and engineer who now leads the board of the Long Now Foundation in California. With Bezos' funding, Long Now is spearheading the effort to make the clock a reality.

Despite Bezos' many adventures, going back to River Oaks Elementary where he tapped into the Houston school's mainframe computer, in these parts he's known as a land baron. He is the largest land owner in Culberson County, where he has 300,000 acres including the clock site, and another 100,000 in neighboring Hudspeth County, according to records.

The patch that includes the clock was bought by Bezos in 2006. Construction began about three years ago, but most of the work is underground and shielded from view.

The land has been snapped up in purchases large and small that are tucked away in records under company names that include explorers from hundreds of years ago: James Cook, Cabot Enterprises, Joliet Holdings, Coronado Ventures, Marquette Holdings.

You'd be hard pressed to find his name on any of the documents, but that falls in line with a reputation for secrecy that Bezos has forged in these parts.

"As far as what is going on, we don't know," said Maricel "Chello" Gonzalez, head of the Culberson Appraisal District, where many of the records are kept.

Bezos' base is the historic Figure 2 Ranch, which includes postcard worthy peaks and sits along the two-lane State Highway 54.

No trespassing signs are posted outside the main gate of the ranch, which was founded in 1900 and is surrounded by barbed wire fences, and said to be protected by cameras.

There's also a state historical marker that notes the Texas Rangers had among their last battles with the Apache Indians there.

On a recent morning, what appeared to be heavy equipment atop the clock mountain could be seen from the ranch entrance.

Trucks pulled into the ranch during a 20-minute period and headed down a caliche road toward a compound of several buildings, including sleeping quarters for workers, a dinning hall and fuel tanks.

Those who have worked with Bezos are generally tight lipped, as they say they have signed non-disclosure agreements.

"Jeff Bezos is very private. He has done what he is doing his own way," said Lyndon McDonald, a volunteer firefighter, retired probation officer and former county commissioner.

The firefighters have a "hand and glove" working relationship with Bezos' team, McDonald said, and he's helped the department get some needed equipment.

"They are very down to earth, and I think sincere in what they are doing out there," he said.

Bezos and Amazon did not respond to Houston Chronicle requests to discuss the clock. In a 2012 interview produced by Amazon, Bezos said the clock symbolizes long-term thinking.

"If we think long-term, we can accomplish things we otherwise could not accomplish," Bezos said.

"We humans are getting awfully sophisticated in technological ways and have a lot of potential to be very dangerous to ourselves," he continued. "And it seems that we as a species are going to have to start thinking long term, and so this is a symbol, and I think a symbol can be very powerful."

Some marvel at his dream, and hope the clock will one day bring some support to the nearest town, struggling Van Horn, with a population of 2,200.

About 38 percent of residents live in poverty. Finding a good paying job is about as tough as finding a shade tree.

Streets are dotted with crumbling homes, closed businesses, and even the Boys & Girls Club is on the verge of having to shut its doors over money.

Some locals wonder what makes Bezos tick, and want him to behave more like Bill Gates, of Microsoft, and share some financial love.

"This is a very poor town, a poor county," said County Commissioner Gilda Morales. "There is a lot of blight, a lot of need," Morales continued. "We would like him to be a good neighbor, he can afford it. How about a little endowment?"

Bezos has bought several homes in town and had them refurbished for his workers.

Heradio Luna, an 83-year-old retired school teacher, has seen many changes and outsiders come through here. He doesn't think too many Van Horn residents will make the trek to visit the clock, but hopes it draws tourists.

"I can't see the reason behind it," Luna said. "Whatever endeavor he is planning, I hope it works for him — anything that will bring business to Van Horn. To get over there, they will have to come through here."

As Bezos looks to the future, Luna and others in Van Horn have sought to not let people forget the past.

Luna built intricate miniature replicas of how the town used to be, from the long-gone courthouse, to the silent movie theater, to a school once segregated for Hispanic kids.

He's part of an effort to restore the century-old Clark Hotel Historical Museum, where remnants of those who have lived here before are displayed.

Bezos has apparently never been to the museum, but when one of the walls was crumbling a few years ago, his company Blue Origin donated $5,000 to fix it, said Patricia Golden, the museum's curator.

"He wants his privacy, and we give it to him," she said of Bezos and his clock.

Luna wonders what might happen over the centuries as the clock ticks in the mountain and Van Horn and the rest of the world marches on.

"People will probably be flying place to place, there won't be any cars or trucks or anything," he said of the prospects for 10,000 years into the future. "A totally different way of doing things and dealing with people."

NATIONBRIEF

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW YORK

Authorities: Men smuggled guns to NYC on buses

A pair of gunrunners smuggled firearms into New York City by hiding them in luggage they carried on discount buses that offered cheap fares and lesser odds of getting caught, authorities said Monday.

An undercover city police officer posing as a gun broker for criminal customers bought 254 weapons from the men in dozens of transactions since last year — the largest gun seizures in the city in recent memory. One of the guns was an assault rifle that was disassembled and transported in a girlfriend's zebra-striped bag, authorities said.

The alleged smugglers, Walter Walker and Earl Campbell, were among 19 people arrested in New York and in North Carolina and South Carolina — states where the guns originated — as the result of a 10-month investigation. Also charged was an aspiring rapper from Brooklyn.

Walker and Campbell were arrested earlier this month by local police in their home states, authorities said. The names of their defense attorneys were not immediately available.

New York Police Department officials and prosecutors announced details of the case on Monday, citing it as another example of a persistent black market.

Three men arrested for cocaine possession at Midland nightclub

From staff reports

Three men were arrested Friday on drug possession charges after a nightclub bouncer observed them exchanging cocaine in the bathroom, according to court documents.

Alonso Garcia-Martinez, 28, and Antonio A. Hernandez, 23, both of Midland, are being held on a $10,000 bond for a state felony charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram. Hernandez also is being held on a class A misdemeanor charge of evading arrest or detention.

Hector J. Garcia, 29, of Hobbs., N.M., posted a $10,000 bond on the same state felony charge and was released on Friday.

A bouncer at Club Arriba went into the bathroom at about 1:30 a.m. Friday and saw Garcia-Martinez standing next to a toilet stall and obtain a plastic bag of cocaine from Garcia. When Garcia-Martinez handed the item to Garcia, Garcia took a snort of the powder and then gave it to Hernandez, according to the arrest affidavit.

The bouncer then detained the three men and notified police officers who were at the club. The suspects were taken outside and arrested, according to the arrest report.

The affidavit does not state how the men knew each other.

If convicted, they face up to two years in prison for the state felony charge.

TWEETING

From 1A

criticism for retweeting an image listing the names of Republicans whose votes had broken the filibuster that would have kept a gun-control bill off the U.S. Senate floor — alongside a picture of a dangling noose.

Following his Twitter snafu, Smitherman — who does most of the tweeting on his account himself, according to his campaign — was more direct than Abbott in his apology. "In my haste to post, I failed to carefully review the complete image," he wrote on his website. "... The mistake was mine. I apologize."

Handing candidates the reins to their social media accounts — and allowing them to hastily blast messages to thousands of supporters and opponents alike — can be a headache for campaign staff. "It's dangerous," Republican political consultant Matt Mackowiak said. "As a staffer, the last thing you want is a principal who tweets on their own."

But cutting a candidate off risks a loss of authenticity. Harold Cook, a Democratic strategist, said, "It's seldom a good idea for other people to tweet for candidates, because it looks just as disingenuous as it is."

Though Cook acknowledged that allowing candidates to speak for themselves can cut both ways. "If a candidate doesn't have better sense than to stay on solid ground," he said, "then far better for voters to know that, but it's not necessarily to the candidate's benefit."

Mackowiak agreed that the desire to "get attention and be bold and be authentic" is often in competition with a desire to avoid controversy. Indeed, some Texas politicians and their staffers deliberately court controversy online.

Perhaps the best example is U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman, R-Friendswood. He's known for eye-catching tweets like this one: "If babies had guns, they wouldn't be aborted." It's done by design, and in many cases isn't even Stockman; it's the work of his communications director Donny Ferguson.

"Sometimes you can intentionally cross the line into controversial, and sometimes you can unintentionally cross the line into controversial," Mackowiak said.

Mackowiak noted that Abbott's candid tweeting — which encompasses everything from politics to Diana Ross — had built up a large following for the attorney general. "This is a big part of not just his identity but also how he consumes news, sees what's going on and gets out of the campaign bubble," Mackowiak said. "I'm guessing he would be extremely reluctant to give that up."

Abbott campaign officials said they have no plans to ask him to.

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Shields said construction will begin as soon as all the approvals with the city are made. He estimated the grand opening to be in the spring of 2014.

The Sam's Club gas station would be the first one to be built in the developing westside near the Scharbauer Sports Complex. Currently, gas stations in the area are only on the opposite side of the sports complex, east of Loop 250.

Sam's Club in Odessa already has gas pumps that are available for both members and non-members. Members are offered gas at discounted rates.

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DPS increases patrols for Labor Day enforcement period

From staff reports

The Texas Department of Public Safety will have DWI patrols in high-risk locations beginning today through Sept. 9, which includes the Labor Day weekend.

The enhanced patrols, funded by a grant from the Texas Department of Transportation, aims to target impaired drivers when alcohol-related crashes are most frequent, according to a press release from DPS.

DPS Director Steven McCraw said he wants drivers to utilize safe driving practices during the upcoming Labor Day weekend.

"Keeping Texas roadways safe for all travelers is a vital concern for DPS, and these increased patrols are designed to save lives by getting intoxicated drivers off the road," McCraw said.

During the Labor Day enforcement period last year, DPS troopers made 1,879 DWI arrests, and about 503 of those were the direct result of the increased patrols, according to the press release. Last year during this same time, DPS enforcement also resulted in 24,779 speeding citations, 1,238 fugitive arrests, 895 felony arrests and 889 drug arrests during routine patrol operations.

Tips from the DPS

DPS offers the following tips for safe travel during the Labor Day holiday:

■ Don't drink and drive. Designate a driver or take a cab.
■ Eliminate distractions, including the use of mobile devices.
■ The law requires that everyone in the vehicle use seat belts.
■ Slow down — especially in bad weather, construction areas and heavy traffic.
■ Slow down or move over for tow trucks and police, fire and EMS vehicles stopped on the side of the road with emergency lights activated. Starting Sept. 1, this law also applies to TxDOT vehicles.
■ Don't drive fatigued.
■ Drive defensively, as holiday travel may present additional challenges.
■ Make sure vehicles are properly maintained before leaving on a trip.

Source: Department of Public Safety

Probe finds deadly limo fire due to mechanical problems

Associated Press

REDWOOD CITY, Calif. — A mechanical problem ignited a limousine fire that killed five nurses trapped in the back, the California Highway Patrol said Monday as it released results of its investigation and 911 calls filled with screams from those inside.

The blaze broke out on the San Mateo-Hayward Bridge on May 4 because of a catastrophic failure of the rear suspension system, CHP Capt. Mike Maskarich said. The air suspension failure allowed the spinning driveshaft to contact the floor pan, causing friction that ignited carpets and set the vehicle on fire, authorities said.

No charges will be filed, prosecutors said.

"Some tragedies are crimes and some are not, and this one is not," San Mateo County District Attorney Steve Wagstaffe said at a joint news conference with the CHP.

The Public Utilities Commission is fining the limo operator $1,500 for having more passengers than allowed.

The fire broke out while a nurse, Neriza Fojas, was celebrating her recent wedding with a group of friends.

She was among the five killed. Four other friends inside the limo and the limo driver survived.

Recordings of 911 calls released Monday include a woman's voice shouting, "Oh, my god! Oh, my god!" and a man's voice shouting "Get out! Get out!" There also were cries and screams from callers and passengers.

"It's a limousine that's fully engulfed, and there are people trapped inside," one caller said.

A woman who said she was a passenger screamed as she told the dispatcher there were people inside the burning limo.

On another call a rescuer told a dispatcher: "I don't think there is anything we can do."

"The rear of the limo is fully engulfed, and the doors are locked," the rescuer said.

Investigators said one of the rear doors had the child lock engaged, and the other side of the limo was too burned for them to tell.

Judge bars most motive evidence in Fort Hood trial

Associated Press

FORT HOOD — A military judge blocked several key pieces of evidence Monday that prosecutors said would explain the mindset of the soldier accused in the 2009 shooting rampage at Fort Hood, including his belief that he had a "jihad duty" to carry out the attack.

Prosecutors had asked the judge to approve several witnesses and various evidence to support what they allege motivated Maj. Nidal Hasan to carry out the attack, which killed 13 people and wounded more than 30 others at the Texas military base.

But the judge, Col. Tara Osborn, blocked nearly all of it.

Osborn barred any reference Hasan Akbar, a Muslim soldier sentenced to death for attacking fellow soldiers in Kuwait during the 2003 invasion of Iraq. Prosecutors wanted to suggest that Hasan, an American-born Muslim, carried out a "copycat" attack.

But the judge said introducing such material would "only open the door to a mini-trial" of Akbar and result in a "confusion of issues, unfair prejudice, waste of time and undue delay."

The judge said prosecutors also couldn't introduce three emails, ruling that the needed redactions would make them irrelevant. The contents of the emails weren't disclosed, but the FBI has said Hasan sent numerous emails starting in December 2008 to Anwar al-Awlaki, a radical U.S.-born Islamic cleric killed by a drone strike in Yemen in 2011.

However, the judge will allow evidence about Internet searches on Hasan's computer around the time of the attack and websites that Hasan had listed as "favorites."

Military prosecutors have said they would show that Hasan felt he had a "jihad duty," referring to a Muslim term for a religious war or struggle. Prosecutors have called almost 80 witnesses so far, but they weren't expected to begin tackling his motive until this week.

Hasan — who is acting as his own attorney but has mostly sat in silence — could also soon shed light on such questions, if prosecutors rest their case as expected this week. If Monday were any indication, he may be ready to talk.

In a rare move, Hasan spoke up on Monday, first to challenge the government's definition of "jihad" and, for the first time since the day testimony began, questioned a witness.

Hasan briefly cross-examined Staff Sgt. Juan Alvarado, who saw a gunfight between Hasan and Kimberly Munley, one of the Fort Hood police officers who responded to the shootings. Alvarado said Hasan tried to shoot Munley after she had been shot and disarmed.

"Are you saying — and I don't want to put words in your mouth — are you saying that after it was clear that she was disarmed, I continued to fire at her?" Hasan asked.

Alvarado said that was correct.

The exchange marked the first time Hasan has questioned a witness to the shooting.

And earlier Monday, Hasan asked that the definition of "jihad" be adjusted.



Associated Press

In this Aug. 6 courtroom sketch, Maj. Nidal Malik Hasan sits in court for his court-martial in Fort Hood. The prosecutors pursuing the death penalty against the Army psychiatrist accused in the 2009 Fort Hood shooting rampage will soon begin trying to answer a difficult but key question determining why Hasan attacked his fellow soldiers in the worst mass shooting ever on a U.S. military base.

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This photo provided by AT&T shows the Samsung Galaxy Mega. With a screen measuring 6.3 inches (16-centimeter) diagonally, the Galaxy Mega is almost as big as a 7-inch (17.8-centimeter) tablet computer. The difference: It makes phone calls.

New Samsung phone nearly tablet-sized

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Smartphones are getting bigger as people use them more to watch movies and play games. A new one from Samsung is beyond big.

With a screen measuring 6.3 inches diagonally, the Galaxy Mega is almost as big as a 7-inch tablet computer. The difference: It makes phone calls.

Samsung says the Mega is a hybrid that combines the portability of a smartphone with the immersive experience that a tablet offers for movies, books, music and games. Phones of this size are typically referred to as phablets.

Samsung Electronics Co. is known for big phones. Its flagship Galaxy S4 is 5 inches, while the Galaxy Note 2 is 5.5 inches. Apple's iPhone 5 is 4 inches.

Samsung is also known for offering a variety of devices, with different screen sizes and prices, to target a range of consumers. Because of that, it's now the leading maker of phones. Apple, by contrast, has been releasing one model a year that targets high-end consumers. A new iPhone is expected this fall.

The Mega includes many features available in other recent Galaxy phones. That includes Multi Window, which allows multitasking in a split screen, and Easy Mode, which reduces the number of features and choices for new smartphone users.

AT&T Inc. says it will start selling the Mega on Friday for $150 with a two-year service contract. The Mega is also coming to Sprint and U.S. Cellular. Dates and prices weren't announced for those carriers. The Mega made its debut in Europe and Russia in May, but hasn't been available in the U.S. until now.

As Samsung's phones get larger, at least one of HTC Corp.'s is getting smaller. AT&T announced Monday that it will start selling a smaller version of the HTC One. Called the HTC One Mini, it will have a 4.3-inch screen, compared with 4.7 inches on the standard model. It's also lighter, at 4.3 ounces. The One is 5 ounces. The One Mini will be about $100 cheaper than its big brother. It will be available starting Friday for $100 with a two-year service agreement.

NJ governor bans gay conversion therapy

Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. — Republican Gov. Chris Christie signed a law on Monday barring licensed therapists from trying to turn gay teenagers straight, the latest example of the potential 2016 presidential candidate steering a moderate course.

The governor said the health risks of trying to change a child's sexual orientation, as identified by the American Psychological Association, trump concerns over the government setting limits on parental choice. "Government should tread carefully into this area," he said in the signing note, "and I do so here reluctantly."

The decision marked the third time this month that Christie has staked out a moderate position on a hot-button social issue as he seeks a second term in a Democratic-leaning state. It also offers more evidence that the popular governor is positioning himself as a pragmatist who shuns more conservative elements within his party.

Christie found middle ground on medical marijuana for children when he agreed Friday to allow growers to cultivate additional strains, and for marijuana to be made in an edible form for chronically ill children. But he would not lift an oversight provision that could require as many as three doctors to sign off on a prescription.

Last week, Christie vetoed a bill banning .50-caliber rifles that was vigorously opposed by firearms rights advocates and gutted a proposed overhaul of the state's gun permit law that relied on undeveloped technology. Recently, he signed 10 less-significant gun measures the Democrat-led Legislature passed after last year's deadly school shooting rampage in Newtown, Conn.

The decisions allow Christie to quiet some of the criticism he could face from conservatives by offering specific reasons why he was taking the steps, often citing compassion for the needs of children and families.

His approval of the conversion therapy ban could be met with criticism in Christian conservative circles with influence in early voting states like Iowa and South Carolina.

Conversion therapy gained attention two years ago when former GOP presidential candidate Michele Bachmann was questioned over whether her husband's Christian counseling business provided services that attempted to change gays and lesbians. Bachmann's husband, Marcus, denied involvement in the therapy and the congresswoman dropped out of the presidential campaign in January 2012 after a poor showing in the Iowa caucuses.

In signing the ban, Christie reiterated his belief that people are born gay and homosexuality is not a sin, a position he first stated in a 2011 interview with CNN's Piers Morgan. That view is inconsistent with his Catholic faith, which teaches that homosexual acts are sins.

Christie said on "issues of medical treatment for children we must look to experts in the field to determine the relative risks and rewards," citing a litany of potential ill effects of trying to change sexual orientation, including depression, drug abuse and suicide.

"I believe that exposing children to these health risks without clear evidence of benefits that outweigh these serious risks is not appropriate," he said.

Christie, however, has not moderated his position on gay marriage, which he vetoed and continues to oppose.

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OPINION

Parents know 18 years is not always enough

■ It's not easy dealing with the silence of an empty house.

MICHAEL GERSON
Washington Post Writers Group



Eventually, the cosmologists assure us, our sun and all suns will consume their fuel, violently explode and then become cold and dark. Matter itself will evaporate into the void and the universe will become desolate for the rest of time.

This was the general drift of my thoughts as my wife and I recently dropped off my eldest son as a freshman at college. I put on my best face. But it is the worst thing that time has done to me so far. That moment at the dorm is implied at the kindergarten door, at the gates of summer camp, at every ritual of parting and independence. But it comes as surprising as a thief, taking what you value most.

The emotions of a parent, I can attest, are an odd mix: part pride, part resignation, part self-pity, even a bit of something that feels like grief. The experience is natural and common. And still, planets are thrown off their axes.

Our ancestors actually thought this parting should take place earlier. Many societies once practiced "extrusion," in which adolescents were sent away to live with friends or relatives right after puberty. This was supposed to minimize the nasty conflicts that come from housing teenagers and their parents in close proximity. Some non-human primates have a similar practice, forcibly expelling adolescents from the family group.

Fat lot did our ancestors know. Eighteen years is not enough. A crib is bought. Christmas trees get picked out. There is the park, and lullabies and a little help with homework. The days pass uncounted, until they end. The adjustment is traumatic. My son is on the quiet side — observant, thoughtful, a practitioner of companionable silence. I'm learning how empty the quiet can be.

I know this is hard on him as well. He will be homesick, as I was (intensely) as a freshman. An education expert once told me that among the greatest fears of college students is that they won't have a room at home to return to. They want to keep a beachhead in their former life.

But with due respect to my son's feelings, I have the worst of it. I know something he doesn't — not quite a secret, but incomprehensible to the young. He is experiencing the adjustments that come with beginnings. His life is starting for real. I have begun the long letting go. Put another way: He has a wonderful future in which my part naturally diminishes. I have no possible future that is better without him close.

There is no use brooding on it. I'm sure my father realized it at a similar moment. And I certainly didn't notice or empathize. At first, he was a giant who held my hand and filled my sky. Then a middle-aged man who paid my bills. Now, decades after his passing, a much-loved shadow. But I can remember the last time I hugged him in the front hallway of his home, where I always had a room. It is a memory of warmth. I can only hope to leave my son the same.

Parenthood offers many lessons in patience and sacrifice. But ultimately it is a lesson in humility. The very best thing about your life is a short stage in someone else's story. And it is enough.

The end of childhood, of course, can be the start of adult relationships between parents and children that are rewarding in their own way. I'm anxious to befriend my grown sons. But that hasn't stopped the random, useless tears. I was cautioned by a high-powered Washington foreign policy expert that he had been emotionally debilitated for weeks after dropping off his daughter at college for the first time. So I feel entitled to a period of brooding.

The cosmologists, even with all their depressing talk about the eventual heat death of the cosmos, offer some comfort. They point out that we live in the briefest window — a fraction of a fraction of the unimaginable vastness of deep time — in which it is physically possible for life to exist. So we inhabit (or are chosen to inhabit) an astounding, privileged instant in the lifespan of the universe.

Well, 18 years is a window that closed too quickly. But, my son, those days have been the greatest wonder and privilege of my life. And there will always be a room for you.

OUR VIEW

City, other entities have track record supporting partnerships downtown

Can those backing the Energy Tower at City Center come up with a reason to support the idea? Yes. Actually, they will point to more than 2 billion of them.

AngeloEconomics, of Austin, has released its impact study on Energy Tower, and according to the report, during a 10-year period (between January 2014 and December 2023), the overall impact of the study will be $2.7 billion.

Pretty mind-blowing, right?

We have seen enough studies to know that anyone can make a study say just about anything they want. Still, the numbers thrown out do reflect an impact that would be hard to ignore.

In our view, conversations about economic impact, tax/incentive implications and such are relevant in the case of Energy Tower because they work into the partnership argument that proponents are preparing for the community.

The public-private partnership will be at odds with what many think private enterprise stands for, but fits the City Council's and Midland Development Corp.'s narrative that downtown revitalization has long been a priority. Both also have taken steps to partner with private business to make things happen downtown.

It doesn't matter whether one talks about allotting millions for parking garages or earmarking money for organizations such as Basin PBS to move into the Ritz Theater, a precedent has been set. There also has been little pushback from the community on making downtown revitalization a priority.

Even after the initial reports of Energy Tower began to circulate in mid-March, the Midland Chamber of Commerce brought Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornette to its State of Education luncheon. Cornette talked about the importance of a thriving downtown.

For those not seeing the public-private connection being made, they were not looking.

We remind our readers about the Energy Tower at City Center Question-and-Answer event scheduled for 6-7:30 p.m. today at Midland Center. Tower officials will stay until 8 p.m. if there are more questions to be answered. Either way, this is your chance to ask, not only about the Energy Tower and its possibilities (positive or negative), but those other trends and the impact — good or bad.

What are we to make of the traffic problems that seem certain to follow? What about the future of Midland Center? How about the impact of the building of the tower on downtown and other properties in the short term?

For those of you not able to make it to Midland Center, we will be carrying coverage of the Q-and A-at mywesttexas.com. Readers also can go to mywesttexas.com, the Reporter-Telegram's Facebook page or email news@mrt.com to offer their own questions.

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New York Times News Service

In a simpler, more reasonable world, the government of the United States would have enough leverage in Cairo to put an end to the Egyptian military's brutal crackdown on its Muslim Brotherhood opponents. We are, after all, the longstanding patron of Egypt's generals; they are among our best-financed clients. We are the world's sole superpower; their country is a needy basket case. We're supplying them with $1.5 billion in aid this year; they can certainly use the money.

Instead, our impotence as Egypt burns is the latest case study in a reality that U.S. statesmen should always keep in mind: Client governments are never as tractable as their patrons in far-off capitals expect, and a great power that thinks it's buying influence is often buying its way into trouble instead.

This trouble can take a variety of forms. The most destructive is the longstanding tendency of client states to pull their patrons into needless wars. Sometimes the patron's promise of support persuades the client to act recklessly, and then the patron ends up backing the recklessness because its own credibility is at stake. Sometimes the patron-client relationship just creates a closed circle of bellicose misjudgment. And sometimes the relationship inspires the patron to overestimate its client's strategic importance and engage in an unwise or futile intervention.

Many of the 20th century's crises were touched off or worsened by these kinds of great-power/client-state dynamics — between Russia and Serbia in 1914; between Stalin and Kim Il Sung in 1950 and Khrushchev and Castro in 1962; and between the U.S. and various South Vietnamese governments across our long Indochina debacle.

The problem is still with us today. The brushfire war between Russia and Georgia in 2008, for instance, probably wouldn't have happened if America's patronage hadn't made our Georgian allies overestimate their ability to engage in brinkmanship with Vladimir Putin. (Happily, John McCain's half-cocked declaration that "we are all Georgians" was the closest we came to starting World War III on Tbilisi's behalf.) And the 2003 Iraq invasion was shaped, in part, by perverse patron-client dynamics as well: It was both a continuation of Gulf War I, which was fought on behalf of our gulf-state clients, and an attempt to effectively replace those (highly problematic) allies with what various Bush-administration optimists hoped would be a new and very grateful client in the heart of the Middle East.

In Egypt today, the stakes are lower for the U.S., since we are unlikely to be dragged into a shooting war on the Egyptian military's behalf. But that's partly because we've given them enough weapons to do all the shooting for themselves. Which means our patronage has created a different kind of problem: Even absent an actual military footprint, we've been dragged permanently into Egypt's domestic politics, where we're seen — for understandable reasons as well as conspiratorial ones — as the real power behind whatever the state decides to do.

In the 1980s and 1990s, that seemed a price worth paying, since a bought-and-paid-for (and Israel-friendly) Egypt was preferable to either a hostile secular dictatorship in the style of Nasser's regime or a hostile religious dictatorship in the style of post-revolutionary Iran. (Prerevolutionary Iran being another case, of course, where a U.S. patron-client relationship ended badly for all concerned.)

The events of Sept. 11 made the price seem considerably steeper, since the terrorist attacks were, in part, a case of client-state blowback. Al-Qaida's mission and worldview were forged in Egypt's prisons, and the 9/11 plot itself was spearheaded by a young Egyptian, Mohamed Atta, who didn't make a distinction between his country's rulers and their American patrons.

Still, given the post-9/11 situation, it was understandable that our aid kept flowing and our close relationship endured. And it was understandable, too, that the Obama White House would hesitate to upset the relationship in the last few years, with Egypt in the throes of what seemed as if it might be a democratic revolution.

Now, though, the calculus has to change. Egypt is rolling back into authoritarianism along a track that's soaked in blood. The cycle of crackdown-radicalization, crackdown-radicalization is likely to get worse, the cost of being intimately tied to the military regime is getting higher, and the window for demonstrating that America's favor really is conditional is closing fast.

Right now, the Obama administration is trapped by its client state the way that great-power patrons often are. Because our aid to Egypt is our most obvious leverage over its military, and because we can really only pull that lever once, Washington is afraid to follow through and do it.

But leverage can be lost through inaction as well. If we can't cut the Egyptian military off amid this blood bath, we're basically proving that we never, ever will.

Far better to act like the superpower we are, and make an end. It's time, and past time, to let this client go.

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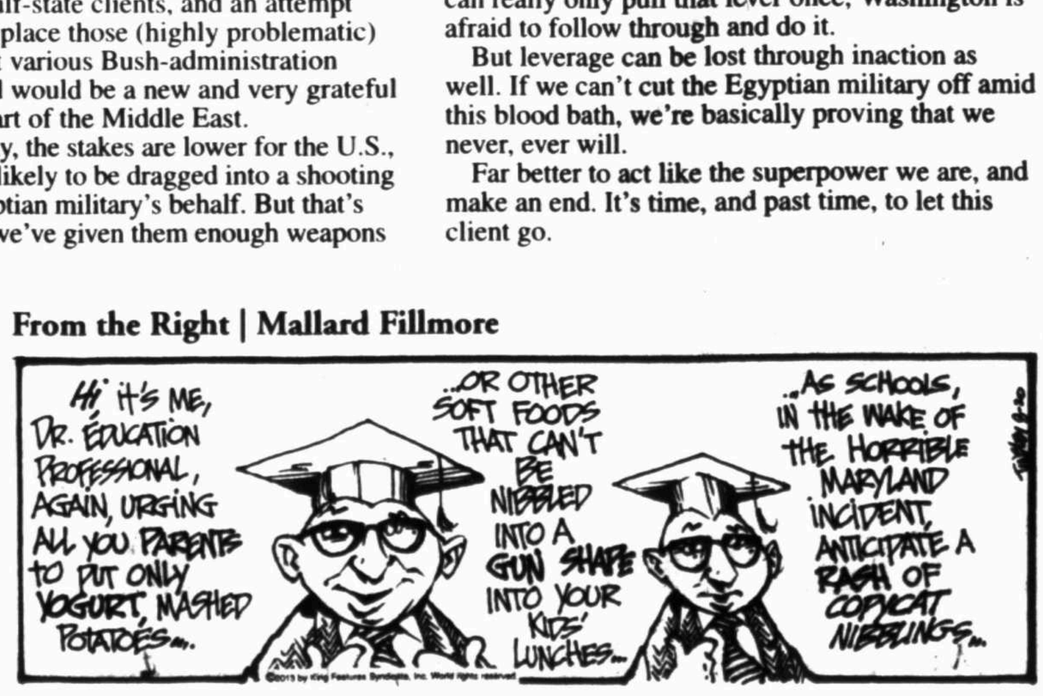

Summer burst in Iowa belies little 2016 groundwork

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Potential presidential candidates' recent burst of summertime Iowa visits belies this reality: No one has started to do the serious spadework of preparing for a 2016 White House run in this important state.

Sure, it's more than two years until Iowa is to begin the presidential selection process. But this is a state where presidential campaigning — including early wooing of state legislators, recruiting volunteers and identifying potential staff — is a near-constant undercurrent.

And yet the biggest names in the 2016 speculation game are all but absent in Iowa, so well-known that they have the luxury of staying away and doing little to nothing at this early stage.

None is bigger than that of Democrat Hillary Rodham Clinton, and she appears to be in no hurry. Iowa has, however, heard from other possible candidates, most notably Republicans looking to position themselves from the outset in what's expected to be a crowded field.

Freshman Texas Sen. Ted Cruz lit up conservative audiences on two recent visits. And Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul has stopped in Iowa three times this summer.

Even former Massachusetts Sen. Scott Brown, who is also weighing a bid for Massachusetts governor and New Hampshire senator, threw his name out for consideration while strolling through the Iowa State Fair Sunday, according to The Des Moines Register. "I'm here, seeing if there's any interest," the newspaper quoted Brown as saying.

But Republicans with arguably larger profiles, including former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio and Wisconsin Rep. Paul Ryan have all stayed away so far. Bush is the scion of a presidential family. Christie, Rubio and Ryan have emerged as national figures. Ryan also was the 2012 Republican vice presidential nominee.

Turmoil over how Republicans should move forward after last year's election losses has also kept some from stepping out too soon, former Iowa GOP director Chuck Laudner said.

"Republicans are all over the map because (President Barack) Obama won, and we can't figure out why," said Laudner.

For Democrats, Clinton is the dominant early favorite.

"I have not heard from Secretary Clinton," said Bonnie Campbell, Iowa chairwoman of Clinton's 2008 presidential campaign. "I hope I do."

That hasn't stopped Vice President Joe Biden — who has run for president twice before — from accepting Sen. Tom Harkin's invitation to headline his annual fall fundraiser, the biggest Democratic event of the year.

Longtime Iowa Biden supporter Teri Goodmann, who met privately with Biden last month, said the vice president is weighing a campaign. "Having said that, he's not a neophyte. He's a very pragmatic politician, and he is aware of the challenges," said Goodmann.

Other Democrats have taken small steps in Iowa but have not begun laying campaign groundwork.

Maryland Gov. Martin O'Malley headlined Harkin's steak fry last year and has held fundraisers for Senate candidate Bruce Braley. Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar spoke at a Democratic fundraiser Friday in northern Iowa's Clear Lake.

Among the Republicans, only Paul and former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum have anything approaching an Iowa campaign network. Paul's is the vestige of the 2008 and 2012 GOP presidential campaigns of his father, former Texas Rep. Ron Paul. And Santorum, who hasn't ruled out running again, has kept in touch with key supporters of his winning 2012 caucus campaign.

"No one has started really building a campaign," said Steve Scheffler, an Iowa Republican National committeeman, though he cited Santorum as slightly ahead of everyone else because of the remnants of his past effort.

Former state GOP Chairman Matt Strawn said: "At a minimum, Sen. Paul is starting on first base rather than in the batter's box, based on the support his father built through the years."

Early visits, though, can alter the future campaign in subtle ways.

Jamie Johnson, a top Iowa adviser to Santorum in 2012, says he will back Cruz if the Texan runs in 2016. The tea party conservative who upset the establishment Republican candidate in the Texas Senate primary last year drew applause at a Christian conservative convention in Iowa last weekend when he called for closing the Internal Revenue Service and refusing to fund Obama's health care law.

"Ted Cruz fits the times," said Johnson, a pastor in a state where evangelical Christians form an important GOP voting bloc. "He is the zeitgeist candidate."

Benghazi aftershocks affecting US policy

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The specter of Benghazi is affecting U.S. policy in coup-wracked Egypt.

The deadly attack on the U.S. diplomatic post in Libya was cited as a reason for closing some 20 American embassies and consulates this month in the face of an al-Qaida threat. And Benghazi is now playing heavily into the Obama administration's deliberations on how to respond to the growing unrest in Egypt, the Arab world's most populous country, according to officials.

The fear in Washington: That any significant cut in military aid could prompt Egypt's ruling generals to scale back their protection of the U.S. Embassy in Cairo and other diplomatic properties. The administration doesn't want to take any step that endangers American diplomatic personnel on the ground.

"We are concerned about our people," Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel said at a news conference Monday. "Protection of Americans in Egypt, not just only our diplomats but all Americans, is of the highest priority."

"American government officials, including American military, have been working very closely with the Egyptian military and police to assure the security and protection of Americans in Egypt," Hagel told reporters.

To respond to the escalating death toll and security crackdown, the administration is considering suspending some of the $250 million in annual U.S. economic aid for Egypt. Congressional notification could arrive in the next week, said the officials, who weren't authorized to speak publicly on the matter and demanded anonymity.

However, officials said Obama and his national security team are still reluctant to halt the $1.3 billion in yearly military assistance that has been more or less guaranteed since Egypt became the first Arab country to sign a peace treaty with Israel more than three decades ago. The U.S. could opt for more piecemeal moves like the decision to put off the delivery of four F-16 fighter jets and biennial, U.S.-Egyptian military exercises planned for next month, they said.

Asked about a pending delivery of Apache helicopters, Hagel would only say the U.S. was reviewing its options. Hagel, who has spoken by telephone regularly with top Egyptian Gen. Abdel-Fattah el-Sissi, demanded that the government make the political process inclusive. But he conceded that the U.S. has limited influence over Egypt's course and stressed that America's longstanding relationship with the Egyptians would continue.



Associated Press

President Barack Obama makes a statement to the media regarding events in Egypt, from his rental vacation home in Chilmark Mass., on the island of Martha's Vinéyard, Thursday. The president announced that the US is canceling joint military exercise with Egypt amid violence.

Protesters last September marched on the U.S. embassy compound in Cairo, scaled the walls and replaced the American flag with the black banner favored by Islamists before a belated response from the government of then-President Mohammed Morsi.

Yet since the army's July overthrow of Morsi, and despite violence between Egyptian security forces and Morsi's Islamist supporters that has killed almost 1,000 people in the last week, U.S. diplomatic facilities in the country have been well protected.

Despite the obvious power imbalance in the U.S.-Egypt relationship, Egypt in some ways has the greater leverage. Many Egyptian citizens and even some in the government deride America's financial assistance as unnecessary interference. The reality, however, is Egypt would likely face even worse economic struggles were it to sacrifice such aid.

But it's the Obama administration which is defending the aid. It has refused to declare Morsi's ouster a "coup d'etat," which would require the U.S. to suspend military and economic funds to Egypt. And President Barack Obama stressed last week that cutting off the assistance "was not in the national security interests" of the United States.

The U.S. has consistently outlined the important operations such money supports — from fighting al-Qaida in the heart of the Middle East and safeguarding the stability of the Suez Canal to halting weapons flow to the Hamas-ruled Gaza Strip and ensuring Israel's security.

State Department spokeswoman Jen Psaki said Monday the U.S. was still reviewing what economic programs could lose funding. She said most of the $250 million package would be unaffected because U.S. law allows for the continuation of aid related to elections, the environment and good governance. She didn't specify what law she was talking about; the U.S. law concerning a coup exempts money for democracy promotion from cuts.

The administration doesn't worry that cutting aid would spark an attack on U.S. interests by Egypt's military-led interim authorities. But it does fear that an army already besieged by internal disorder from the deadly standoff in Cairo's streets to the increasingly lawless Sinai Peninsula bordering Israel, could easily turn its cheek to threats against the United States if it is openly — and financially — expressing its opposition to Egyptian government policies.

Such a scenario would put Americans serving in an already dangerous environment in even greater peril, given Egypt's history of embassy breaches. Beside the U.S., demonstrators penetrated Israel's embassy in 2011 and damaged the facility before a late-night call from Obama spurred Egypt's military into restoring order.

Any attack targeting the U.S. overseas would be a political disaster for Obama, given the continued criticism over his administration's handling of the Sept. 11 attack in Benghazi that killed U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans. Congressional investigations continue almost a year later, and the United States has yet to bring a single perpetrator to justice.

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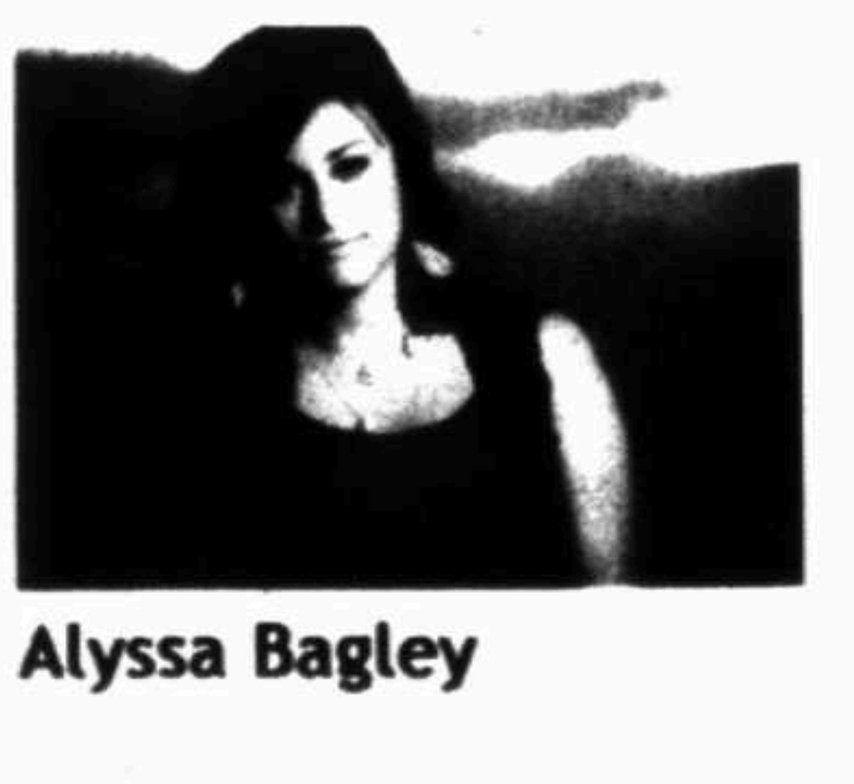
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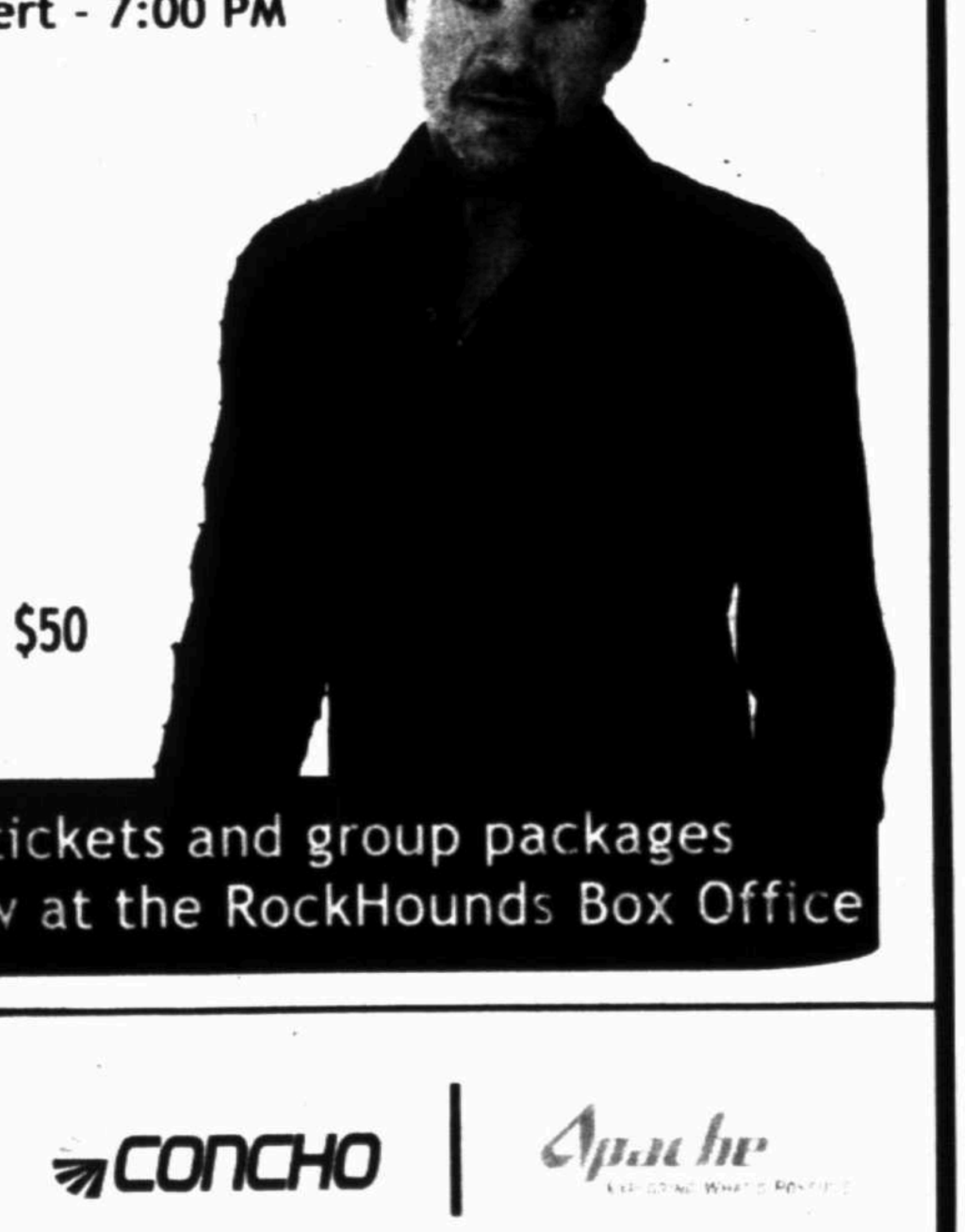
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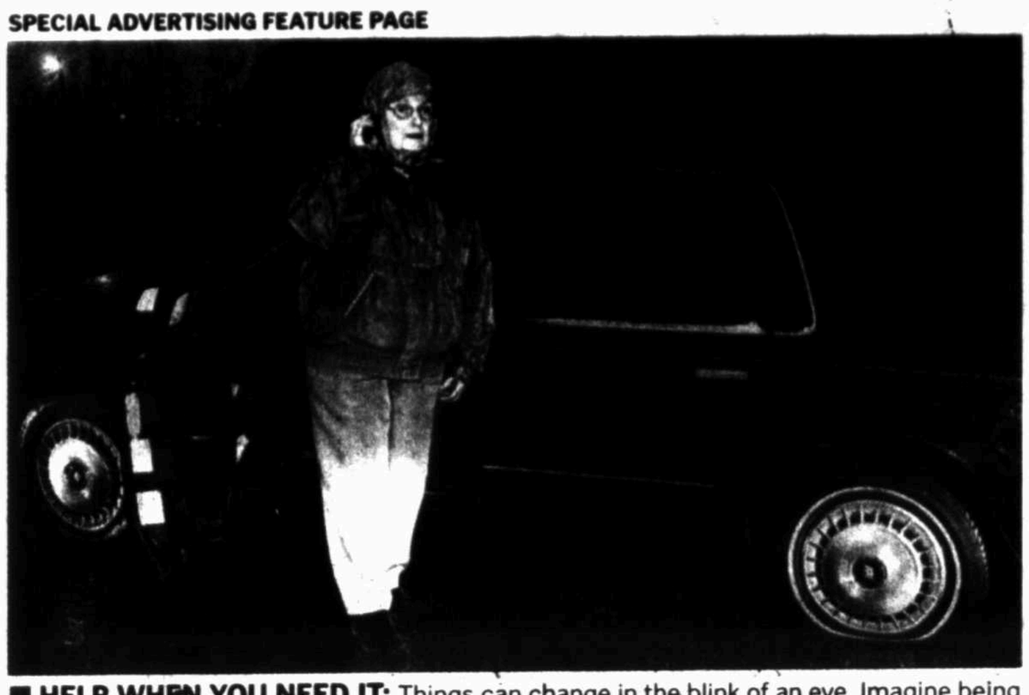

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U.S. Gov't urges citizens to carry cell phones

Cell phones prove to be safety net in case of emergency

When it comes to personal safety everyone should have a cell phone. They can save your life. In the U.S. Department of Interiors "Safe and Secure" memo it even urges citizens to carry them.[1]

In real emergencies they provide people with a lifeline of communication if hurt, stranded or to report a crime. No matter where or what kind of emergency or duress a person finds themselves under—especially if they're all alone—if they have a cell phone they can call 911 for help.

Cell phones act as valuable lifelines in health-related issues, too. At the very least, they provide an easier way to keep in touch with family and friends. They're easy to get and consumers may even find special deals that require no contracts, deposits or monthly service charges.

There's no question that everyone should have a cell phone for safety. But there's no real need to have one that plays games, takes pictures or goes on the Internet. It's important to make sure the phone can be preprogrammed or has a one touch emergency safety button that instantly calls for emergency help when needed.

It should also be easy-to-use with big buttons, a large display screen and big numbers so it's easy to see. And last of all the phone should be hearing aid compatible with an extra loud speaker that makes it easy to hear. But remember, a cell phone can't help you unless you have one.■ *'Cell phones provide significant economic gains for low-income American households.*

Seniors set to get easy to use cell phones free

New cell phones that keep seniors safe are being given away free to everyone who beats the 48 hour deadline to cover just the one-time activation fee, but only those Texas area seniors who call are also getting nationwide coverage with no long distance charges, no contracts, no deposits and no monthly bills

Big buttons, large screen and magnified text make it easy to see; extra loud speaker makes it easy to hear and the one touch emergency safety button instantly calls emergency medical, police, fire and rescue free

TEXAS – The phone lines are ringing off the hook.

That's because Midland area seniors who call the Toll Free Hotlines today are getting the new easy-to-use Senior Mobile™ cell phones free.

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This is all possible because the U.S. Gov't put a Federal Regulation in place that makes cell phone giants transmit free emergency calls in all 50 states, which is why this announcement is being so widely advertised. This allows U.S. residents to use the new Senior Mobile cell phone as an emergency phone to call emergency medical, police, fire and rescue for free as well as an everyday cell phone with nationwide coverage, no contracts, no deposits and no monthly bills.

To get the free phones seniors need to call the Toll Free Hotline before the 48-hour order deadline ends.

Everyone who does is being given the new easy-to-use cell phone free just by covering the one-time $97 activation fee and shipping which includes assigning a cell phone number, a SIM card loaded with 500 anytime minutes good for sixty days which allows the Senior Mobile phone to be used as an emergency phone as well as your everyday cell phone, preprogramming the one-touch E 911 Emergency Button that gives your location to E 911 (Enhanced 911) highly trained first responders who can send emergency help wherever you're at, a portable home phone charger and installing the lithium long life battery so it's ready to use right out of the box.

"It's important that seniors call right away to get the free cell phones because after the deadline ends the phones are no longer free and residents will be required to pay $199.00 for each new phone," said David Martin, Executive Director of the U.S. based company CompTek.

Safety research shows that 74% of Americans who own a cell phone have used it in an emergency situation to get help when they needed it.

Yet millions of seniors are still risking their safety by not having one. The main reason for this is that seniors find most cell phones too difficult to use.

That's why the new easy-to-use Senior Mobile cell phones are being given to seniors for free. It was made just for seniors with big buttons, a large screen and magnified text that make it easy to see. It's also hearing aid compatible with an extra loud speaker that makes it easy to hear. Plus it's the only cell phone in the world that has the exclusive Senior Mobile E one-touch safety button that instantly calls emergency medical, police, fire and rescue for free.

"The Senior Mobile cell phone is perfect for seniors because it's free and comes with no contracts or deposits. And since it's so easy-to-use seniors can get rid of their home phones and save money in long distance and service charges," Martin said.

"Seniors just want to be safe or stay in touch with family and friends, so the Senior Mobile cell phone doesn't play games, take pictures or go on the Internet, which makes it among the easiest cell phones to use in the world," said Martin.

Thousands of Midland area seniors are expected to call to get the free Senior Mobile cell phones today. So if lines are busy keep trying, all calls will be answered. ■



■ **KEEPS YOU SAFE:** The phone lines are ringing off the hook. That's because brand new Senior Mobile cell phones are being handed over to Midland area seniors for free just by covering a simple one-time activation fee before the deadline ends. "I'm so happy we got the phones. Now I know she'll be safe and I don't have to worry about her going out alone anymore," said Chuck G. The Senior Mobile's exclusive large red E safety button is a real life saver in any emergency situation. It immediately sends help wherever you are by instantly calling emergency medical, police, fire and rescue for free. "I love the fact that we can just push a button and instantly get help wherever we're at," said Carol G.

▶ **To get the Senior Mobile phone Free**: Read the important information listed below about the Senior Mobile cell phone. Then call the National Toll Free Hotline before the 48-hour order deadline ends.

▶ **Who gets the Senior Mobile phones Free:** All Midland area seniors who beat the 48-hour deadline are getting the new easy-to-use Senior Mobile cell phones free with nationwide coverage, no long distance charges, no contracts, no deposits and no monthly bills.

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▶ **Do I have to pay for minutes:** No. Seniors who plan on using the phone just for emergencies get unlimited emergency calls for free. This is all possible because the U.S. Gov't put a Federal Regulation in place that makes cell phone giants transmit free 911 emergency calls in all 50 states. But here's the good news. You can call family and friends too because the Senior Mobile phone comes with 500 anytime minutes good for sixty days. After that just dial 612 on your Senior Mobile phone to reload your phone with additional minutes as an added option for just 2¢/minute and get nationwide coverage with no long distance charges, no contracts, no deposits and no monthly bills.

▶ **Why is the activation fee so low for seniors:** The U.S. based company responsible for distributing the free phones is giving every senior who beats the deadline a discount to help cover the cost of the one-time activation. The Senior Mobile phone is perfect for seniors because it comes with nationwide coverage, no long distance charges, no contracts, no deposits and no monthly bills. After the deadline each Senior Mobile phone is $199, but seniors who beat the 48-hour deadline get the phones free plus a discount off the activation and cover just $97 and shipping as long as they call the National Toll Free Hotline at **1-800-313-6640** before the deadline ends.



▶ A How to get the phones free:

The National Toll Free Hotlines are now open. Seniors have just 48 hours to get the free Senior Mobile cell phones beginning at 8:30am this morning. CompTek is authorizing the giveaway of the easy-to-use cell phones to everyone who beats the 48-hour deadline to cover just a one-time $97 activation fee and shipping. But only those Midland area seniors who call are also getting nationwide coverage with no long distance charges, no contracts, no deposits and no monthly bills.

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Kelsey Hernandez sits with her daughters, Kaden and Kaylee Ramirez.

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Single mother, daughter head back to school

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Kelsey Hernandez hugged her two daughters — Kaden, 7 and Kaylee, 2 — as she told the story of how she became a teen mom.

"I was 15 when I had Kaden," the now 20-something mom said. "It was definitely unexpected. I really didn't want to follow in the foosteps of my mom — she had me when she was 16. It wasn't my intention, but things happen."

Hernandez tried to stay in high school but ultimately had to drop out to take care of her daughter. Her mother was initially very disappointed in her, she said.

"There was a little bit of anger at first because she didn't expect that from me," Hernandez said. "I was always a quiet person, always stuck to the rules."

Staying at home and raising a child, especially as a young teenager, was tough. Hernandez said she was tripped up by little difficulties, such as not being able to buy medication for her daughter because she wasn't 18.

"People look at you differently," she said. "They treat you differently because they see you as a teen mom. You don't get the respect."

Hernandez was still with her daughter's father at the time. When she turned 17, she went back to high school and received her GED.

"Schooling was something I never wanted to give up in the first place," she said. "It was just hard to go through high school with a child and

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Texas to implement foster care redesign

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Beginning next week, Texas will roll out the first stage of Foster Care Redesign, with aims to rely on a single contractor to keep foster children in their communities and reduce the time they spend in foster care.

Greg Eubanks, area vice president for national operations at Buckner International, said the redesign will occur in stages, the first of which will include Midland/Odessa, Abilene, San Angelo and Wichita Falls.

The state will now contract with one provider, Providence Service Corporation of Texas, to find foster homes or other living arrangements for displaced children. Providence will contract with all of the different foster care agencies, including Buckner.

Foster children who get placed with families outside their community often have to change schools and lose their friends, teachers and neighborhood — in addition to being separated from their parents, Eubanks said. To improve this situation, more foster families will be recruited in Midland to keep foster children close to home.

The average time a child spends in foster care is currently six months to a year, Eubanks said. The new system will aim to establish permanency as soon as possible — whether that's reunification with the birth family, being placed with a relative or being adopted.

As of now, the changes will take place in Regions 2 and 9, which includes Midland/Odessa. Other areas will be rolled out over time, Eubanks said.

For more information, visit the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services website at www.dfps.state.tx.us/Adoption_and_Foster_Care/About_Foster_Care/redesign.asp.

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Catch the Hatch with recipes for chile season

It's been a sensory overload for Hatch chile lovers lately. You can smell the chiles roasting at the grocery stores, hear the blowers by the grills, see the bright green color of the chile, feel the chiles as you take the skins off after they are roasted and taste the many delicious dishes that can be made with fresh chiles from Hatch, N.M.

The Hatch green chile is not a variety; the name is representative of the region of New Mexico where they are grown. This chile is grown only in the area surrounding the small town of Hatch, N.M. You still have time to plan your trip to the 42nd Annual Hatch Chile Festival on Aug. 31-Sept. 1, where for $5 a carload you will enjoy a parade, carnival, chile eating contests and live entertainment.

Of course, you can purchase canned Hatch chiles in the groceries most of the year, but August and September is the time of year when fresh ones are featured at the stores. In addition to roasting chiles for customers, I have seen breads, cheeses, chips, wine, jars of soup, empanadas, salsa and chicken salad made with the featured chile. If you love Hatch chiles, now is the time to take advantage of these delicious foods. Buy them roasted or take them home and roast them yourself; use what you want and freeze the rest for later.

One of the recipes today is from a cooking contest held at Central Market grocery store, while a few others are from restaurants or companies that produce the chile. Don't let Hatch chile season pass you by. They'll be gone before you know it.

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1500th ADOPTION



Newly adopted "Buddy" poses for a picture Tuesday at PetSmart.

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Midland Humane Coalition marks adoption milestone

■ Midland woman finds friend through adoption center's senior to senior program

By Megan Lea Buck
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Beulah Vernia sat down in a chair near the front desk of Midland Humane Coalition's adoption center inside PetSmart on a recent afternoon.

Staff and visitors greeted her and leaned over to pet the friendly dog — that was wearing a blue halter and leash — sitting beside her. Vernia smiled as she held on to her end of the blue leash and explained that she changed the dog's name from "Sparky" to "Buddy" after adopting him "because it sounded more like a friend."

While Buddy's adoption meant the beginning of a new friendship for Vernia, it marked a milestone for the Midland Humane Coalition. The group that formed in October 2011 with the goal of making Midland a "no-kill" city counted 1,500 pet adoptions when Vernia opened her home to Buddy.

"It's amazing. It's quite an accomplishment for what our goals are," said N. "Steg" Stegall, executive director of the adoption center. "When you consider 1,500 dogs and cats have been saved from being euthanized, it's a great accomplishment."

Vernia adopted Buddy about three weeks ago through the center's senior to senior adoption program. Buddy is 8-years-old. Vernia is 90.

"I've always loved dogs. I've had dogs every chance I had," she said, recalling her first dog, Mopsy, she got as a teenager.

Vernia grew up in Hoyleton Orphanage in Hoyleton, Ill., and went on to serve as a riveter in Kansas City, Kan., during World War II.

"I was a Rosie the Riveter on a B-25 Bomber. I had to work, so I went to work on the bombing center. First they weren't going to let me on. I had a heart murmur but I said, 'I'll work. I need a job.' I guess I was 20 or 21."

She married Charles Vernia and the couple made their home in Indiana, where they raised five children

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Pertussis on track for 50-year high

By Lora Hines
Houston Chronicle

State health officials warn that Texas is on track to see the highest number of whooping cough cases it has registered in 50 years if occurrences of the disease continue at the current rate.

As of this week, Texas has reported 1,670 cases of pertussis, better known as whooping cough, to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The Texas Department of State Health Services stresses that the disease is serious, especially in young children.

Two whooping cough deaths have been reported this year in the state — children too young to be vaccinated, according to the department's website. Thirteen percent of the whooping cough cases have required hospitalizations, with almost all of them involving infants younger than 1 year old.

Babies are especially vulnerable to the infection because they don't have full protection against it until they're 6 months old, when they receive the last of three shots.

Dr. Robert Lapus, pediatric emergency services director at Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital, said two infants suffering from whooping cough recently were admitted to the hospital. Both were younger than 6 months.

"They were having difficulty feeding, said Lapus, who also is an assistant professor of emergency medicine at the University of Texas Medical School at Houston. "They would cough and vomit their formula."

Whooping cough is a contagious bacterial disease that can lead to severe coughing, named after the "whoop" sound children make when they try to breathe during a severe coughing spell. It may cause pneumonia, bruised ribs, collapsed lungs, increased urination, seizures, brain infections and death.

Cold-like symptoms

The disease starts with cold-like symptoms, but the cough can last up to five months. It spreads through the air when an infected person breathes, coughs or sneezes.

Experts say reasons for increased cases nationwide might be a result of several factors including: having a less robust vaccine, used since 1991; a larger number of people going without vaccination; or just that more people are seeking treatment for whooping cough symptoms.

Lapus said parents have told him that they learned about whooping cough after seeing a public service announcement taped a few years ago by singer and actor Jennifer Lopez.

"There is better awareness about it," he said. "Testing has gotten better."

Babies vulnerable

The Centers for Disease Control reports there were 159 whooping cough deaths in the United States from 2004 to 2011. Almost all the deaths — 141 of the 159 — were babies younger than 3 months old.

More than 41,000 cases were reported across the country in 2012, with 18 deaths. In Texas, there were 2,218 cases, with 159 in Harris County, 32 in Montgomery County, 12 in Fort Bend County and 10 in Galveston County.

Babies younger than 2 months old cannot be vaccinated against the disease. Officials say it's important that parents, siblings, caretakers and health care providers get inoculated to prevent spread of the disease to those who can't be vaccinated.

During a 2008 whooping cough outbreak, Texas Children's Hospital launched a program to protect babies by immunizing family members. The hospital began a "cocoon strategy" — booster shots for parents who often unknowingly spread the infection. Pregnant women are encouraged to be vaccinated to lessen the chances of newborns contracting whooping cough.

Obituaries

David Austin Stephens

David Austin Stephens, 58, departed this life on Thursday, August 15, 2013.

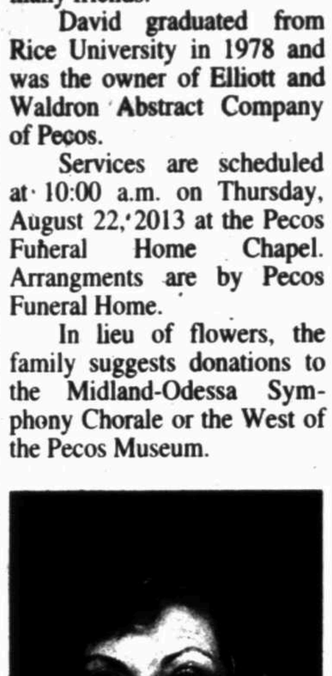
He was born April 24, 1955 to Lena and Jesse Stephens. His mother, Lena Mae Stephens predeceased him in 1991.

He is survived by his father, Jesse Stephens, his brother, Mark Stephens, and many friends.

David graduated from Rice University in 1978 and was the owner of Elliott and Waldron Abstract Company of Pecos.

Services are scheduled at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2013 at the Pecos Funeral Home Chapel. Arrangments are by Pecos Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Midland-Odessa Symphony Chorale or the West of the Pecos Museum.



Eva Marie Cox

Eva Marie Cox (Marie), of Boerne, Texas, died unexpectedly on July 22, 2013 at home. Born in Carlton, Texas on January 30, 1929 to Wilma Winona Graves and Omer Vincent Graves; she married Harold Douglas Cox in 1946. For over 20 years, Marie was executive secretary to the president of First national Bank of Midland, and later had her own branch of Fort Worth Mortgage company. She and Doug lived a few years in Saudi Arabia through his work with Exxon Mobil. Upon retirement, Marie and Doug moved to Granbury, Texas in 1987 and later to Boerne, Texas in 2007 to be closer to family. Both were members of the First Christian Church in Midland and Granbury. She was an accomplished cook, a master knitter and enjoyed traveling.

Marie is lovingly remembered by her children, son, Charles Anthony Cox and wife, Dian of Giddings Texas; daughter, Debra Gae Cox of Santa Fe, New Mexico; son, Kyle Vincent Cox and wife, Kris of Boerne, Texas; three granddaughters, Amy Vitt and husband, Jim of Houston, Texas; Clare Varshay of Santa Fe; and Kennedy Cox of Boerne. Also two grandsons, Aaron Varshay of Santa Fe and Keaton of Boerne; and one great-granddaughter, Lily Vitt of Houston. The eldest of three, she leaves brothers and families of Lewis and Marge Graves of Fort Worth, Texas and Dean and Betty Graves of Bridgeport, Texas. Marie had near perfect attendance for 65 years at the annual Cox family reunion, and her presence will greatly be missed as she was loved by many. She was preceded in death by her husband, Doug in October 2011.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Sept. 14th, 1pm to 3pm at Fossil Creek Community Church, 6700 North Riverside Drive, Fort Worth, Texas, 76137.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be given to the Alzheimer's Association.



Sandra Louise "Sandi" Drube

Sandra Louise "Sandi" Drube, age 66, of Midland, passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 18, 2013 at her residence. She was born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas on July 3, 1947 to the late Robert Edward Wright, Sr. and Rosa Lee (Parr) Wright. She married Warren "Gene" Drube in Midland on September 14, 1985. He preceded her to their Heavenly Home on December 22, 2008. Sandi was a member of West Kentucky Baptist Church. Never idle, she was a waitress in a café until illness prevented her from working.

Those left to cherish her love and memory are her sons: Daniel Robinson of San Marcos and Michael Robinson of Big Spring; daughter: Rosa Robinson of Corpus Christi; sister: Shirley Mills of Ft. Worth; five grandchildren: Nicole Robinson, Camden Robinson, Michael Lee Robinson, Uriah Robinson, and Dany Robinson; and two great-grandchildren with one on the way.

In addition to her parents and husband, Sandi is preceded in death by her three brothers: Robert Wright, Jr., Jackie Wright, and Jimmy Wright; and four sisters: Jean Falkner, Dorothy Wright, Jerry Wright, and Quanah Wright.

Funeral services will be 2:00 PM on Thursday, August 22, 2013 at West Kentucky Baptist Church officiated by Pastor Bob Porterfield. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park. Arrangements are entrusted to Acres West Funeral Chapel and condolences may be sent to the family online at acreswestfuneral.com.

Death Notices

David Wayne McKay

David Wayne McKay, age 48, of Midland, passed away on Friday, August 16, 2013.

Memorial services are scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at Family Services Funeral Chapel. Arrangements are entrusted to Family Services Funeral Parlor.

Those left to cherish his memory include his father: Howard McKay and wife Alva; three daughters: Addison Dorisa McKay, Alexis Faye McKay and Alyssa Shaye McKay; one sister: Diane Sutton and husband Roger.

Edward F. "Eddie" Eldridge, Jr.

Edward F. "Eddie" Eldridge, Jr., 63, of Speedway, Indiana passed away August 13, 2013.

Graveside services will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, August 24, 2013 at Andrews Old Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife Traci Eldridge; son, Andy Evans; sisters Frances Porter; Jean Nowell Eldgridge and Linda Harper.

Eva Hernandez

Eva Hernandez, 55 of Midland, passed away on Sunday, August 18, 2013.

A rosary will be held tonight at 7:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Chapel. Funeral mass is set for Wednesday, August 21, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at San Miguel Arcangel Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

She is survived by her son, Viviano Hernandez; her brothers, Manuel Hernandez and Ventura Hernandez; her sisters, Socorro Garay, Leonor Hernandez and Ramona Rios; numerous nephews, nieces and cousins.

Jo Ann Land

Jo Ann Land, 81, of Odessa, Texas, passed away on August 16, 2013.

A Memorial service will also be held 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, at Crescent Park Baptist Church in Odessa.

Survivors are her son Mike Kiefer and his wife Kimberly, daughter Deborah Kiefer Alexander and husband David; ten grandchildren; one step-grandchild; one niece; one great-nephew, and one sister-in-law.

Pablo "Paul" Silva

Pablo "Paul" Silva, 71, of Big Spring passed away on Friday August 16, 2013.

Funeral Mass will be 10:00 a.m. Tuesday at Holy Trinity Catholic Church. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park. Arrangements are made by Myers & Smith Funeral Home.

He is survived by his wife Andrea; three sons: Jesse Paul Silva and wife Pam, Louis Silva and wife Kathy and Michael Silva; one brother: Joe Silva; one sister: Maria Camarillo; six grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

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

Chef-driven trucks pave way to brick-and-mortar success

By David Kaplan
Houston Chronicle



Dave Rossman/Houston Chronicle

Good Dog Hot Dogs food truck co-owners Amalia Pferd and Daniel Caballero stand by their new walk-in restaurant Wednesday in Houston. They hope to have the restaurant open sometime in September.

Matti Merrell and Rodney Perry first parked their Green Seed food truck on a Third Ward street in 2011. Within a year Food & Wine named it the No. 9 vegan and vegetarian restaurant in the U.S.

Last year, the pair opened on Almeda, just around the corner in the neighborhood south of Midtown. They keep the truck parked outside, but don't use it. They run a standalone version of Green Seed instead.

Standing over a stove in a truck parked in front of a bar may not sound like a stylish life for a chef. But for some talented young entrepreneurs, a food truck is a stepping stone to having their own restaurant.

Other local food truck chefs who have made, or will soon make, the leap to brick and mortar include Fusion Taco, Good Dog, Bernie's Burger Bus and Eatsie Boys.

For Merrell, the sight of the converted Mrs. Baird's truck brings back memories. The vehicle got really hot, especially in summer, she said, but the truck served them well.

"It was like our little laboratory on wheels where all the magic was made," she said.

Cooking at speed

Getting to the restaurant stage is hard, the chefs say.

Fusion Taco's Julia Sharaby, who opened her downtown Market Square location two weeks ago, recalled that her truck broke down often. Now and then at big events her generator "would basically blow up."

She would sometimes head to events while cooking and her driver going 75 miles an hour on the freeway. She'd surround herself with heavy equipment to keep from falling over.

"It's labor-intensive," she said. "Load and unload, load and unload."

Being at the restaurant, she said, "I feel like I'm on a little holiday."

The 1,400 or so food trucks in the Houston area have names like Cracklin Hut, Sabor Venezolano and Tandoori Nite.

While it can be grueling work, these food trucks can be "the perfect way" for an entrepreneurial chef to get in the restaurant business, said Paul Galvani, an adjunct marketing professor at the University of Houston and author of "Houston's Top 100 Food Trucks." He visited 350 local food trucks for his research.

Some of these mobile chefs achieved big success in little time.

Since launching their modern American sandwich truck in 2010 with only $25,000, Eatsie Boys Matt Marcus, Ryan Soroka and Alex Vassilakidis have opened both a restaurant on Montrose and 8th Wonder Brewery on the eastern edge of downtown.

Justin Turner, who that same year launched Bernie's Burger Bus, now has three school buses selling hand-crafted gourmet burgers, and he will operate a booth at Houston Texans games in Reliant Stadium. He sells his ketchup and chipotle aioli sauce in some local Kroger stores. Early next year, he expects to open Bernie's Burger Bus Stop in Bellaire.

'Twitter trucks'

Marcus likened the Eatsie Boys food truck experience to running "an adult lemonade stand" and said it taught him "all the basics."

Galvani said it also allows chefs to tweak their menus when the stakes are not as high. In a food truck, he said, "you're eyeball to eyeball with customers."

Plus, he said, a chef can start a food truck with a fraction of the cost of a restaurant.

Food truck owners who are savvy with marketing are known as "Twitter trucks," Galvani said. It's important for food truck chefs to be adept at social media such as Facebook and Twitter, he said. Word of mouth is not enough.

Business at Bernie's reaches new heights each time it gets a rave review, Turner said.

Plus, he calls his school buses "one giant marketing campaign."

"It's a way to get your name out there and build a customer base," he said.

Sharaby hired a public relations firm to represent Fusion Taco. That's unusual for a food truck, she said, but it paid off. From the start, she said, her intent was to parlay the truck into multiple Fusion Taco restaurants.

Sharaby also launched her food truck in 2010, which Galvani pinpoints as the debut year for Houston's "new breed" of chef-driven trucks, as opposed to traditional taco and food service trucks that pull up to work sites.

The city's myriad ethnic groups make the local food truck culture interesting, Galvani said. The hundreds of taco trucks, for example, offer items from many Latin American regions.

"Any vibrant city has a very strong street food culture," he said. "Houston is not quite there yet," he said, but he sees a lot of excitement building around food trucks.

Many food truck chefs came out of culinary school during the recession and had trouble finding a job they liked, Galvani said.

Amalia Pferd, co-owner of Good Dog food truck, attended culinary school and cooked at the River Oaks Country Club, Reef and Zelko Bistro.

She met her fiance, Daniel Caballero, waiting tables and the two wanted a culinary venture of their own, something gourmet and unique, she said.

Pferd said the Good Dog concept of gourmet hot dogs with made-from-scratch condiments was inspired by her childhood visits to the East Coast, where hot dogs are popular; her grandmother's fondness for pickling; and her dachshund, Olive Oyle.

She and Caballero began selling hot dogs in the parking lot of the former Beer Island in the Heights in 2011.

"I was in the window every single day, and Mali was in the back cooking every single day," Caballero said.

"No pun intended," he said, "it literally paved our success."

Best hot dog in U.S.

Like Green Seed, Good Dog gained national acclaim. Fox News named its Ol' Zapata hot dog — with caramelized onions, sauces, Muenster cheese, bacon, diced tomatoes and jalapeqo relish — the best in the U.S.

A Good Dog restaurant is set to open in the Heights this fall.

Green Seed has been open a year, and "it's been amazing," Merrell said. She likes having a bigger menu, tables and air-conditioning, she said, and their customers can always find them.

Merrell said she and Perry launched the restaurant with personal savings, family contributions and $13,000 from the online fundraising network Kickstarter.

Their vegan dishes include Notyo Salad containing a walnut and sunflower seed "chorizo" and cashew "sour cream."

Running a restaurant is even harder than running the truck, said Merrell, who estimated she and Perry work "60 to 80 hours a week easy."

"But I wouldn't trade it for the world," she said.

Sharaby, who still uses the Fusion Taco truck for corporate and private events, finds restaurant life easier. The new place has a modern decor with Eames chairs and minimalist lighting.

Fusion Taco features Asian-inspired dishes, and she said her fiance, business partner and fellow chef David Grossman has made the menu more sophisticated.

Sharaby still has a soft spot for the old days, even if her friends may not. She'd make them help out, fixing the truck, driving it or working the window or grill, she said. Some friends stopped taking her calls.

Despite the food truck headaches, Sharaby said she has no regrets. Not only did it deliver her to where she is now, she said, it gave her an interesting livelihood.

"I really like the idea of going to places," she said.

On Sundays, for example, she might park the truck at a church after services and then head to a bar for a wild "Fun Day" party.

"I love that truck," Sharaby said.

TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Big Spring storyteller

Mangoes conjure images of world's richness, beauty

When I taste a mango, I get slightly light-headed. I feel better and have a sense of contentment. My mind relaxes and I am immediately transported into another dimension that is full of beauty, tranquility, peace and comfort. Everything is in harmony and there is a softness to the entire environment.

I think of poet Robert Browning's words: "God's in His heaven, all's right with the world," but eating a mango for me is close to being an out-of-the-world experience or maybe it just gets me thinking about the best things the world has to offer.

I think of beautiful music, art, food, wine, natural wonders, seashores with gentle breaking waves, sky formations that seem to be the doorway to heaven, stately trees and gardens with flowers of every shape and color ever dreamed of by man or God himself.

The inside of the mango has the color of sunshine. The outside colors — red and green — remind me of love and happiness in the holiday season.

Once in Quebec I ordered a fish dish that had a mango sauce. I seldom have wine with lunch, but once I tasted the meal, a glass of wine seemed almost mandatory. One of the best trips I've ever taken was to India, the world's largest producer of mangoes. In Hinduism, a mango is the symbol of perfection. We were in India during March and mangoes weren't quite ripe, but I had to taste one anyway. Taking a bite of it made me think of all the sparkling jewelry we had seen throughout the country and the smiling children with wide dark eyes. Maybe taking that bite of mango is why I enjoyed India so much.

Mangoes make me think of unbelievable architecture, impalas gracefully jumping over a fence, waterfalls and forests with colorful birds making pleasing sounds, in tune with frogs singing their nighttime symphony. I think of a perfect hit by a baseball player, a fantastic run by a halfback, a rodeo girl rounding the barrels in record time. I see a spectacular sunset with a dazzling palette available only once a day. I think of that miraculous spiral staircase in that church at Santa Fe. In my mind I hear an angelic choir, observe a rainbow in the sky and see ballet dancers make flawless leaps and whirls.

Mango is like a drug that transports me up and over the ordinary experiences of man into a special realm of enjoyment. I think of love and respect and appreciation for all things that taste good. I think of a snow-capped peak at Jackson Hole, a mountain steam in Oregon with wildflowers alongside. I think of good times with family and friends all expressing their own personal joys of life.

I have never just eaten a mango. I enjoy a mango. It is the king of fruits, eaten fresh more than any other fruit. They are used in salads, juices, smoothies and ice cream. Mangoes must be what angels eat.

Tumbleweed Smith lives in Big Spring and is producer of "The Sound of Texas" syndicated radio show. Contact him at tumbleweedsmith.com

ADOPTION

From 1B

and lived in the same house for 52 years. Her husband passed away in 2002 and Vernia now lives in the guesthouse outside the Midland home of her daughter, Leah Vernia-Amend, and son-in-law Bill Amend.

The family moved to Midland in September and has been looking for a dog for Vernia for about a year. Vernia's last dog, Muffin, died in 2010, 16 years after her daughter brought it to her home. Vernia-Amend was visiting her parents in Indiana and found Muffin at a state park.

"It was a puppy and I wasn't going to leave it at a state park by itself," she said, noting she thought her parents would find another home for the puppy. "I told her, 'you do not have to keep that dog.'"

After three years without a dog, Vernia is happy to have a companion. The adoption center let Vernia-Amend take Buddy as a foster for a few days so her mother could spend time with him before committing to the adoption.

"She said, 'you've got three days to make your mind up,' and I said, 'I think I've already made up my mind,'" Vernia said.

Through the senior to senior program, Buddy's adoption fee was waived.

The program encourages adoptions of older pets that are often overlooked at shelters.

"Usually an older animal at a shelter doesn't get adopted unless you have a waiting list of people that are specifically looking for that (breed)," said Paul O'Neill, director of Animals Services for the city of Midland.

After Buddy was released to the city by his former owners, Stegall took him to the adoption center, confident the staff and volunteers could find him a home.

"(Buddy) was a special little dog and I'm so glad we took him," she said. "There is a place for these animals with us. Whatever time they have left will be a happy one."

As Midland Humane Coalition celebrates its 1,500th adoption, the city of Midland's euthanasia numbers are dropping.

"If our numbers continue like they have been, we'll be well under 3,000 euthanasias," O'Neill said. "We've never been that low since we've been in this building."

The nonprofit coalition is gearing up for its third annual Furr Ball with special guest Roy Williams, former University of Texas wide receiver who played in the NFL for the Chicago Bears, Dallas Cowboys and Detroit Lions. The fundraiser will feature dinner, dancing, an auction and a Texas No Limit Hold'em tournament Sept. 7 at Midland Country Club. Sponsorships range from $250 to $5,000 and individual tickets are $100. For more information, call 558-8255 or go to www.midlandhumane.org.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

From left, Midland Humane Coalition adoptions director N. "Steg" Stegall and Beulah Vernia pose with newly adopted "Buddy" Tuesday at PetSmart.

SCHOOL

From 1B

our living situation, so I decided I would get a GED."

Through financial aid, Hernandez was then able to enroll at Midland College and was accepted into the two-year nursing program. In her second semester, she found out she was pregnant again.

Between being pregnant, taking care of her daughter, going to school full-time and working at Alldredge Gardens, things started to go downhill, Hernandez said. In addition to her workload, she and her daughters' father started having difficulties.

"He'd party on the weekend and I would work," Hernandez said. "I wouldn't have time to study. My grades started to suffer — on Monday class at 8 o'clock in the morning, I had morning sickness."

Hernandez delivered Kaylee, her second daughter, during Thanksgiving break and returned to college the following week because she couldn't afford to miss any classes or finals. Still, she received a D in one course and had to be held back a semester to repeat it.

Third semester passed smoothly, with Hernandez juggling her newborn daughter and school. However, her relationship with her daughters' father hit a breaking point.

"I knew that wasn't a good environment for my girls. I needed to find a way out," she said.

Hernandez found out about Buckner Family Place, a safe housing community for single parents seeking higher education. She moved in with her daughters during her last semester of nursing school, which turned out to be the most difficult.

Because of various problems with professors, her whole class was suffering in one particular course, Hernandez said. When it came to the final exam, Hernandez found out that she, along with many others, had failed. But because she had repeated a course in her second semester, she was not allowed to repeat another.

Hernandez was one course short of her nursing degree and thus prohibited from testing for her license. In order to pass, she would have to repeat the entire two-year nursing program.

"I cried. I definitely did cry," Hernandez said. "So much hard work. Two years of solid putting in time. It was really hard to go all that way and work so hard — especially the last semester, I worked 12-hour clinical shifts at the hospital. I was ready to start working as a nurse. I've already put in the hours, put in the work, everything else is in place — it's just that class."

Hernandez attempted the nursing program at UTPB but soon found out that taking care of two young daughters and commuting to Odessa every day just wasn't going to work out. Still determined to get an education, she enrolled at Midland College again for a bachelor's of applied technology and organizational management, which she is working on now, along with a part-time job during the school year.

Her dream job would be working for a corporation where she could make a difference, Hernandez said. She's not exactly sure what that job is yet, but she's considering health care administration.

Meanwhile, Hernandez is focusing on raising her two daughters by herself. Her days are busy and sleep is rare, but she's determined to support her daughters and give them opportunities she never had, such as participating in activities like dance and sports. Kaden, 7, will be entering second grade at Greathouse Elementary this year.

"They're really, really great kids," she said. "My daughter — she's so smart, she does very well in school, straight-A student. The little one's falling right behind her."

The difficult part of being a full-time student and single mother of two is doing everything on her own, Hernandez said.

"They're always striving for my attention, and I can't always give them my full attention because I have homework, I have to cook dinner, do laundry, do everything," she said. "It's hard, but me and Kaden always have an open line of communication. (Parents) come home and just turn on the TV and play and work and go to bed — they don't actually talk about what's going on. Parents need to stay active with their kids."

Hernandez has been at Buckner Family Place for two years and plans to stay another two years, by which time she should be finished with her bachelor's degree. Buckner pays rent and utilities for occupants' first two years, after which Hernandez will receive housing assistance from the government.

As mother and daughter both prepare to go back to school, Hernandez said she just has to take it one day at a time.

"The way I see it is, I gotta keep going, trying my best to give them everything, doing my best so we can move up and keep moving forward," she said.

The Class Of 2026

Mark your kindergartner's first day of school in a big way with a free photo greeting!



The Midland Reporter-Telegram helps you celebrate the milestone with the Class of 2026 in a back-to-school souvenir supplement, publishing on August 25, 2013.

If your child is starting kindergarten this Fall, fill out the form below and return it to "KINDERGARTNER PICS" c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701, no later than Thursday, August 22, 2013.

One child will be randomly selected to win a $50 Kohl's gift card for new school clothes and a backpack full of school supplies! The winner will be notified on August 23, 2013 & will be featured in the Sunday edition on September 1, 2013.

Child's Name: _____

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Please enclose a photo of your child (head & shoulders only) suitable for the souvenir edition. Print child's name on back of photo. Do not staple photo to form. Photos will not be returned unless a self-addressed, stamped envelope is enclosed. Photos can be picked up at the Midland Reporter-Telegram until Friday, September 6, 2013. Any unclaimed photos will be destroyed.

FOOD

From 1B

Hatch Chile Chicken Enchiladas

From Central Market

2 pounds boneless, skinless chicken thighs
1 can Rotel tomatoes
2 cups chicken broth
2 limes
1 bunch cilantro
1 red onion, diced
2 Tablespoons olive oil
1 garlic clove, minced
1 1/2 cups roasted Hatch chile peppers
2 Tablespoons sour cream
1 package flour tortillas
1 cup Monterey Jack cheese (or Pepper Jack)

Pour chicken broth, juice of half a lime, 2 tablespoons chopped cilantro, and Rotel in a pan and bring to a boil. Add chicken and simmer until tender and cooked through. Set aside to cool. Shred the chicken and save the broth.

Preheat oven to 350. In a large skillet, add the red onion and olive oil until onions are almost caramelized. Add garlic and Hatch chiles and cook for 1 minute. Mix in the sour cream and broth. Add the juice from one lime and stir. Then add chicken and cook for 5 minutes.

Add some of the juice to the bottom of a rectangular glass baking dish. Place a small amount of mixture into each tortilla, roll them up and place in dish. Sprinkle shredded cheese on top and cover with foil and bake for 40 minutes. Pull off the foil for last 8 minutes. Serve with a side of avocado and tomato slices sprinkled with a little lime juice and salt and pepper. (Enchiladas can be assembled a day ahead and refrigerated before baking).

Hatch Green Chile Sauce

From Focus New Mexico

1 Tablespoon olive oil
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 garlic clove, minced
1 Tablespoon flour
1/2 cup chicken stock
2 cups chopped green chile (roasted, peeled, and seeded)
1/2 cup chopped tomato, fresh or canned
1/2 teaspoon cumin
Salt to taste

Heat the oil and sauté the onion a few minutes, then add the garlic and cook until softened. Stir in the flour, cook 2 minutes, then slowly add the stock. Add the chile, tomato and cumin. Cover and simmer at least 30 minutes, stirring occasionally. Add water or stock if sauce gets too thick. Add salt to taste. Makes about 3 cups.

Green Chile Stew

From "The Pink Adobe Cookbook"

2 Tablespoons olive oil
2 pounds boneless pork, cut into 1-inch cubes
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 clove garlic, minced
1/4 cup flour
2 cups peeled and chopped fresh tomatoes
2 cups roasted, peeled and chopped fresh Hatch green chilies (or two 7-ounce cans green chilies, drained and chopped)
1 fresh jalapeno, chopped(optional)
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper
1/2 teaspoon sugar
1 cup chicken or beef broth

Heat olive oil in 4-quart Dutch oven with cover. Add pork and cook until lightly browned. Add onion and garlic and stir with meat. Add flour and stir 1-2 minutes. Add tomatoes, green chiles, jalapeno (if using), salt, pepper and sugar. Mix to incorporate. Add broth. Lower heat. Cover pot and simmer for 1- 1 1/2 hours until meat is tender. Serve with tortillas.

Hatch Green Chile Stuffed Hamburgers

From Confections of a Foodie Bride

Food Etc.

What is your favorite recipe using apples? Salads, pies, cakes and main dishes can all use this delicious ingredient. Send your recipe to foodetcmrt@aol.com or mail to the Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Ave., Midland, 79701, attention: Food Etc./Joan Huff or fax to 570-7850. Please include your name, phone number and source of the recipe. Deadline is Friday.

1 pound lean ground beef
Salt
Pepper
Worcestershire
1 roasted Hatch chile, chopped (stems and seeds removed)
6 Tablespoons grated Monterrey Jack Cheese
Burger buns
Sliced avocado
1/2 eup Hatch chile con queso

Heat grill to medium-high heat. Season ground beef with a pinch of salt, black pepper, and a few dashes of Worcestershire. Divide ground beef into 3 equal portions and divide each portion in half. Form each ball of ground beef into a patty.

Top 3 of the patties with 2 tablespoons cheese, 1/3 of the chiles, and then a second patty. Pinch the patties around the edges to seal well and lightly press into a uniform burger patty. Cook on the grill 4-5 minutes each side, until cooked to desired doneness. Assemble on buns and top with sliced avocado and a scoop of queso.

Hatch Chile con Queso

1 teaspoon olive oil
1/4 cup chopped white onion
1 clove garlic, minced
2 roasted Hatch chiles, chopped (skin, seeds, and stems removed) If using canned, drain well
4-6 Tablespoons milk
8 ounces white American cheese, shredded
2 ounces Monterrey Jack cheese, shredded
Salt
Pepper

Heat oil in small saucepan over medium heat. Saute onion until translucent, 3-5 minutes. Add minced garlic and cook for 1 minute more. Add chiles and 4 tablespoons milk, stirring until heated. Add grated cheese one handful at a time, occasionally stirring between additions to incorporate melted cheese with the milk. Add additional milk by the tablespoon, if necessary. Salt and pepper to taste, serve warm with chips. It will get thicker as it cools, but can easily be thinned with a quick zap in the microwave.

Chuy's Hatch Green Chile Salsa

From Chuy's Restaurant

1/2 pound fresh tomatillo, husked and chopped
1/2 pound serrano chili, seeded and chopped
1 pound Hatch green chile, roasted, seeded and chopped
3 garlic cloves, chopped
1 medium onion, diced
2 quarts water
1 Tablespoon salt (to taste)
3 Tablespoons lime juice, fresh squeezed

Put all ingredients except salt and lime juice, in a large kettle and bring to a light boil. Cook for 30 minutes. Strain liquid into a large bowl. Place solid ingredients in a blender. Add 1/2 of the strained liquid (about 3 cups) and blend until smooth. You may have to do this in batches. Add the lime juice and salt and blend for 30 seconds. Chill and serve.

Hatch Green Chile Rellenos

From Young's Specialty Produce

3 whole eggs, separated
3/4 cup flour
6 (3/4-inch by 4-inch sticks of cheddar or colby jack cheese)
6 whole Hatch green chiles, flame roasted and peeled
1/2 cup shortening, more if needed

Cut top off of each flame roasted, peeled Hatch green chile and clean out seeds and veins. Place one stick of cut cheese inside each chile. Place 1/2 cup of flour in a pie pan or other shallow dish and roll each cheese filled chile into the flour and set aside on a plate with paper towel on it to absorb extra moisture.

Place egg whites in a medium sized bowl and whip with a hand mixer until stiff. Beat in 1-2 tablespoons of flour to help set the egg whites. Set aside. Hand beat with a fork, the egg yolks and fold them into the egg whites with rubber spatula or wooden spoon. Do not beat the mixture.

Heat shortening in a heavy skillet until hot. (Do not let oil start to smoke.) Dip each cheese filled chile into the egg mixture. Be sure to cover the entire chile. Carefully place into hot oil. Cook approximately 1 minute on each side or turn when golden brown. Do not overcook. Remove from oil and place on paper towel lined plate. Serve plain or with Hatch green or red chile sauce.

WEST TEXAS BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Yoga class held at Grafa park

Each Saturday Vertex Complete offers Yoga in Grafa Park 9 a.m. Saturday. Cost is $10. The class meets on the north side of Ma Mar Court. Participants should bring a mat or blanket.

City to host movie in the park

The city of Midland's parks and recreation department will host three outdoor movie nights at local parks and pools. Bring chairs, blankets or sleeping bags. Children 14 and younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. All movies are rated PG.

■ 9 p.m. Thursday: "Rise of the Guardians" at Hogan Park, 3600 N. Fairgrounds Road.

For more information, contact Recreation Superintendent Lori Walters at 685-7355 or lwalters@midlandtexas.gov.

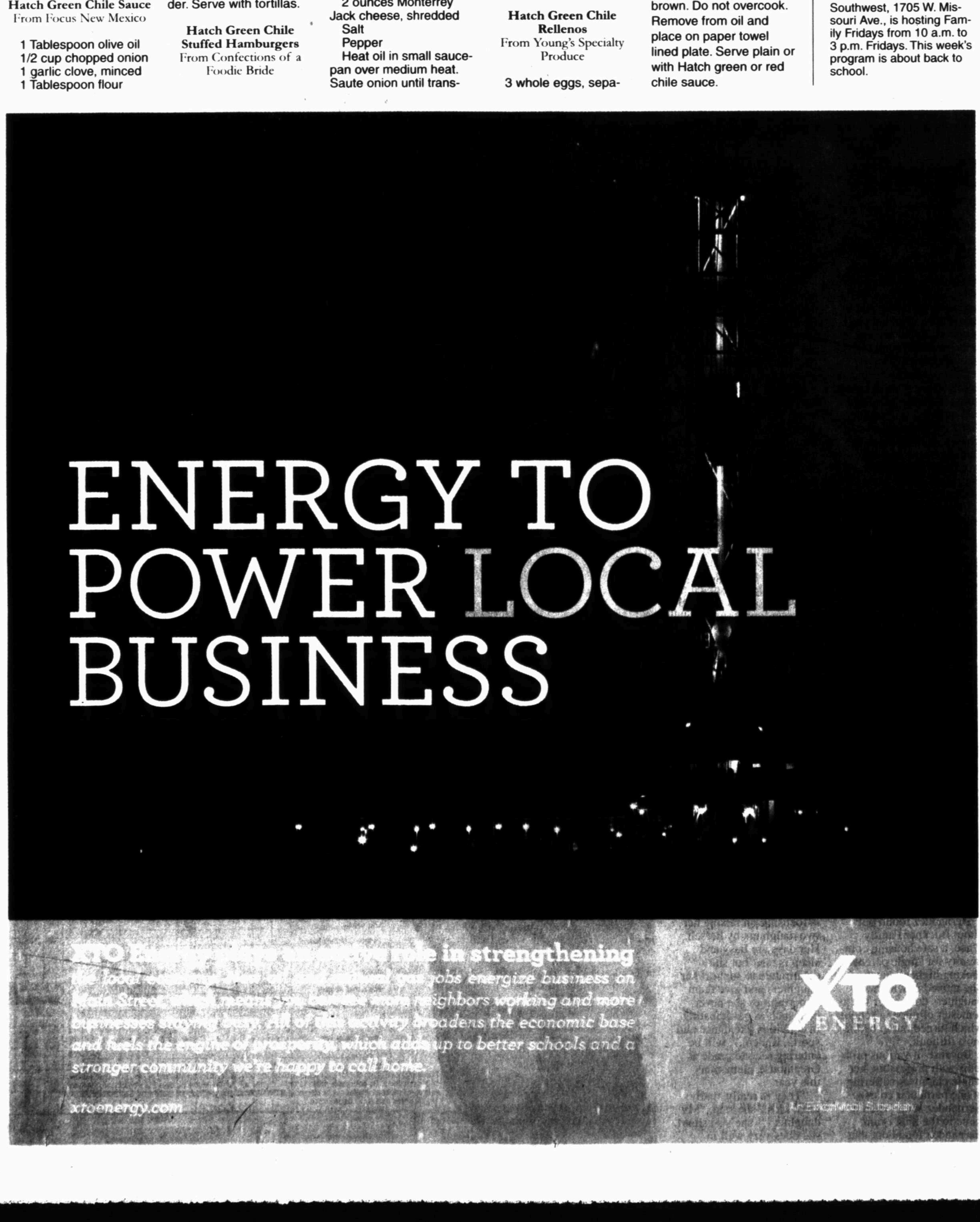
Kids Calendar

■ Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 2617 W. Loop 250 N., offers storytime 10:30 a.m. today for preschoolers and 10:30 a.m. Saturday. For more information, call 682-8880.

■ Marian Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., will host dome shows throughout the week. Go to www.museum-sw.org or call 683-2882.

■ Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane, offers Parents' Night Out 6-8 p.m. Thursdays with indoor and outdoor activities for children ages 7-10. Call 685-7355.

■ The Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave., is hosting Family Fridays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays. This week's program is about back to school.



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TODAY: Mostly sunny
High: 96
Low: 71

WEDNESDAY: Sunny
High: 90
Low: 74

THURSDAY: Mostly sunny
High: 93
Low: 72

Local forecast

Expect mostly sunny skies today with a high around 96, a low around 71 and southeast winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 90 and southeast winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night with a low around 74.

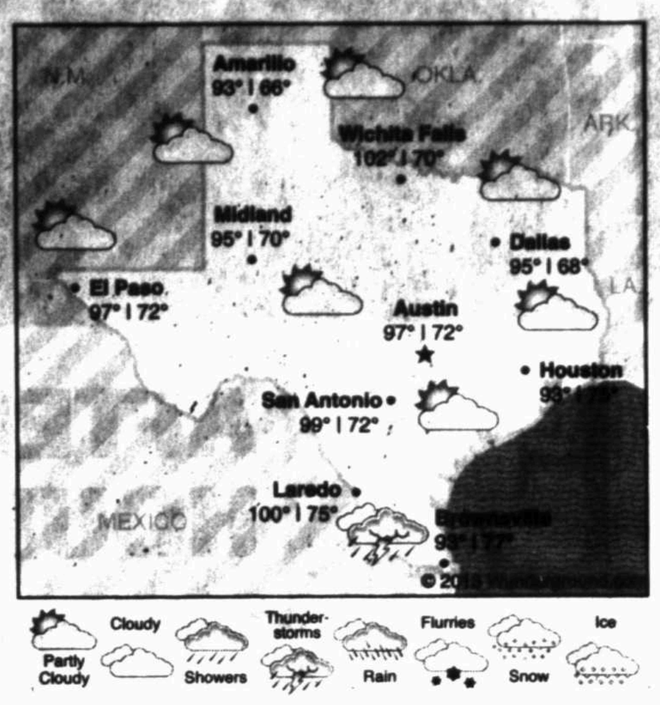
Thursday, the forecast calls for a high around 93, a low around 72 and a 10 percent chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms between 1 p.m. and 1 a.m.

The high on Monday reached 99, while the low dropped to 70. The record high for Aug. 19 is 103 set in 1977 and 1994. The record low is 60 set in 1950.

Weather Why

Q: Is it true that lightning never strikes twice in the same spot?

A: That's one of several big myths about lightning, said Brent McRoberts, of Texas A&M University. "Lightning often strikes the same location multiple times," he reports. "Just look at the Empire State Building, which gets hit by lightning at least 50 times every year, often several times in the same day. The Sears Tower and Cape Canaveral also get hit by lightning several hundred times each year.



Precipitation

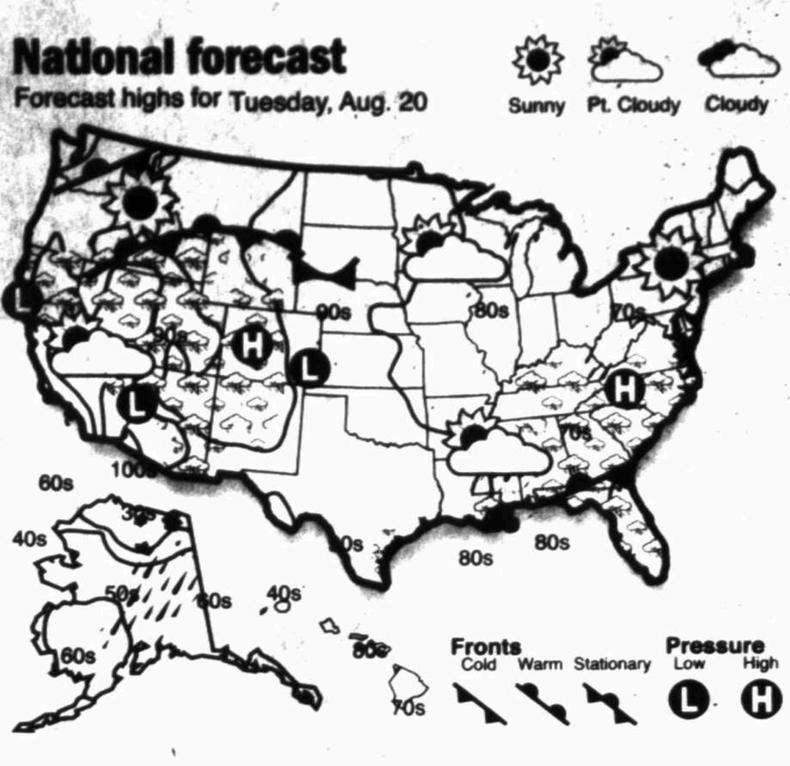
Sunday	0.00 in.
Monday	0.00 in.
Month total	1.17 in.
Year total	4.56 in.
Normal total (year to date)	8.94 in.

Monday's temperatures

High	99
Low	70
Normal high	94
Normal low	69
Sunrise	7:17 a.m.
Sunset	8:27 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Tuesday, Aug. 20



Thin-skinned Groom berates guest who sent his regrets

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.



DEAR ABBY: I recently declined a wedding invitation because my spouse and I will be out of town on the date of the wedding. A few days after I sent the RSVP, I got an email from the groom saying he had "suspicions" that I wasn't attending because I was bitter about not being in the wedding party.

I was shocked by the email. Not only do I not care about who is in the wedding party, I don't think we're such close friends that we should have been invited in the first place. I think it's appalling that he would accuse someone who declined an invitation of having ulterior motives for not going.

I emailed him back, explaining that we will be out of town and how upset and disappointed I am that he would think something like that. Wasn't what he did a breach of etiquette? — APPALLED IN NEW YORK

DEAR APPALLED: Yes, it was. Your inability to attend the wedding appears to have brought to the surface the groom's insecurity about his social relationships. I don't blame you for being appalled. The man's behavior was inappropriate.

DEAR ABBY: My sister is 63, divorced, educated, intelligent, self-employed and receives monthly support from her ex-husband. The problem is she takes no responsibility for her health. She's extremely overweight because she overeats and doesn't exercise. She complains every day that she feels "terrible." (I call it self-pitying whining.)

Our other siblings think it is too late to confront her about it. I want to address the issue now, before she gains even more, or has a stroke or heart attack and, quite frankly, won't be able to care for herself. I don't want to see the responsibility fall on her three kids or us siblings. It's not fair. She's just too lazy to make necessary changes and constantly whines! Your thoughts? — SIBLING STANDING BY

DEAR SIBLING: The problem with "confronting" someone is that it usually makes the person being confronted defensive. In a case like this I don't recommend it. However, a family INTERVENTION might work. If the family members were to get together and, as a group, talk to your sister about your concern for her health, it might be the wake-up call she needs.

No mention of "whining" should be made, but suggest that she might have a touch of depression that could be helped if she brings it to the attention of her doctor. Tell her you all love her, that you're worried about her, and are willing to help her schedule an appointment with her physician if she's willing. I think that would be a loving thing to do.

DEAR ABBY: When my wife and I go to a busy restaurant or a concert where we can pick up last-minute tickets, I often ask her to hop out of the car to find out if the wait times are reasonable or tickets are available while I wait in the car. I do this so I won't have to find a parking space until we're sure we will be staying.

My wife says my doing this is tacky. I believe it is efficient. What are your thoughts, recognizing that I usually come up with the short straw on matters of manners? Thanks! — JOHN K. IN WINDSOR, CONN.

DEAR JOHN K.: Your request makes perfect sense to me. Parking spaces are sometimes hard to find and valet parking isn't cheap. However, because your wife resents doing this, either she should be the one to drive so you can "hop out," or tickets and reservations should be made in advance either online or on the phone.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, Aug. 20, 2013:

This year you often weigh the pros and cons of being spontaneous and emotional against those of being intellectual and logical. You will see which voice works best for you by your next birthday. If you are single, others often express their admiration of your daring love life. You want to date and have fun rather than commit. If you are attached, as a couple, you often might have disagreements. Learn to respect your differences rather than trying to convince each other that you are right. AQUARIUS likes people as much as you do, but he or she might be far more detached.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Many of your ideas could be challenged, but that doesn't worry you. Your friends will manage to add a touch of chaos to your life, as they will be clamoring for your attention. You might feel as if there is no way to continue on with your plans. Tonight: Go with the flow.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You could feel pressured by several different situations. An important matter at work demands your attention, but a roommate or family member also needs your feedback on the domestic front. Know that you can't please everyone all the time. Tonight: Work late.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Keep reaching out to someone at a distance. You respect this person and often get important information from him or her. At the same time, an overwhelming amount of people seem to need to give you their feedback. Tonight: Catch up on a good friend's news.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ You are unusually responsive to the Moon phases, and today's Full Moon could find you juggling your needs while also trying to be there for a significant other. Realize what is happening and consider how pressured you feel. Tonight: Continue the juggling act.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Others will be a little too challenging for your taste. You also might feel overloaded right now. It could be difficult to figure out how to handle all the requests, calls and appearances. Just try to enjoy your popularity. Tonight: Go along with the suggestion that you like the most.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★ You might be feeling out of sorts, and you will have no difficulty telling someone just how you feel. You could find that several disagreements will emerge at the same time if you are not careful. Take a step back rather than make a mistake. Tonight: Stay level-headed and calm.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★★ A flirtation might have a lot more power over you than you initially had intended or even considered. You might not be sure whether to attend an important get-together tonight or hang out with this person. Ultimately, the choice is yours. Tonight: Try to squeeze it all in.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ An authority figure could be more ornery than he or she has been in a while. This person even might be a parent or higher-up. Do not let this situation, or perhaps a different one involving your personal life, get out of control. Tonight: Be where you are happiest.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Your phone might ring right off the hook. You could become rather crazy as a result of dealing with all the knocks on the door. Do not plan on getting everything accomplished that you wanted. Save some of your energy for later on. Tonight: Beam in more of what you want.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You might be a bit too busy juggling your budget, your responsibilities and other people's needs. You could feel overwhelmed by everything you need to get done. Do not take any risks before you do more research. Tonight: Indulge a friend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You will have a lot of energy and want to channel it into what you feel would be most appropriate. Listen to your inner voice. You might want to be more spontaneous, but understand that you could hit some opposition along the way. Tonight: Do whatever you want.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Stay centered, and realize that you might not want to get sucked in to the high energy that is swirling around you. Even when trying to focus, you could experience many disruptions. A close friend refuses to agree with you. Avoid the confrontation. Tonight: Do your own thing.

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BORN TODAY

Musician Robert Plant (1948), singer/songwriter Isaac Hayes (1942), boxing promoter Don King (1931)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Expert play

Neither vulnerable. East deals.

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◇ J 5
♣ A 9 4 3

WEST
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♡ A K J 5 2
◇ 7 3
♣ K J 2

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♡ Q 6 4
◇ 10 6 4 2
♣ 10 7

SOUTH
♠ J 8 2
♡ 8
◇ A K Q 9 8
♣ Q 8 6 5

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
Pass	1◇	1♡	Dbl
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♡
Dbl	Pass	Pass	3♣
Pass	3◇	Pass	5♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: King of ♡

This deal is from a World Team Olympiad match. The auction was fairly routine and the final contract hinged on declarer losing only one trump trick. Can you match his feat, looking at all the hands?

West led a top heart then shifted to the 10 of spades. Declarer won in dummy with the king and then decided to test the distribution by playing the jack, king and ace of diamonds. Reluctant to weaken his trump holding, West chose to discard a heart.

Since West did not double originally, he was unlikely to hold more than three spades. Declarer therefore opted to play West for 3-5-2-3 distribution and, probably, the king of clubs. Declarer discarded a spade from dummy, crossed to the king of spades and led the three of clubs, covered by the seven and eight and losing to the jack. Declarer ruffed the heart continuation and led the queen the clubs.

When this was covered by the king and ace and felled the jack, declarer could claim a well-reasoned success.

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DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Red planet
5 Put down stakes, maybe
11 Jack Sprat's no-no
14 "Yeah, whatever!"
15 It traditionally translates to "O come"
16 Elem. school basics
17 Facts and figures
18 Thing to make when a Post-it isn't handy
20 Surgeons' tools
22 Call it a night
23 Fan magazine for teens
25 Exclusive, as communities
26 Veto vote
27 "Blessed __ the peacemakers": Matthew
29 Carrying a weapon
32 Clearance event
34 Enveloping glow
38 Best Picture of 1965, and a hint to the ends of 18-, 23-, 50- and 59-Across
41 Geologic periods
42 Any time now
43 Not up to the task
44 Distant
45 Supermarket chain with a red-and-white logo
46 Take off
50 Warm, muted color
56 Former Indian prime minister Gandhi
58 College class staples
59 Frenzied state
61 Shabby wear
62 Prefix with cycle
63 Sprawling property
64 To be, to Berlioz
65 Scale fifth
66 Game with falling blocks
67 Revolutionary Trotsky

DOWN

1 Central position
2 Beaded calculators
3 Change the price of
4 Blah quality
5 Paid a visit
6 Fred's dancing sister
7 High-IQ group
8 Pasadena winter hrs.
9 Floride, par exemple
10 Downpour
11 Forward-facing side
12 Clarinetist Shaw
13 The way things are going
19 Gun lobby org.
21 Site of much Spanish art
24 Eagle's picker-upper
28 Gridiron enforcer
29 Had a bite
30 PI follower
31 Dudes
32 Sleep-disturbing sound
33 Excitement
34 In the altogether
35 Take advantage of
36 Shred
37 Not just sit by
39 Springsteen's "Born in the __"
40 Physical strength
44 Polecat relative commonly kept as a pet
45 Needs scratching
46 London elevators
47 Month after diciembre
48 Aleve competitor
49 Be in the game
51 Raised church area
52 Prefix with linear
53 Give a speech
54 Part of UNCF
55 German steel city
57 Church recess
60 Former comm. giant

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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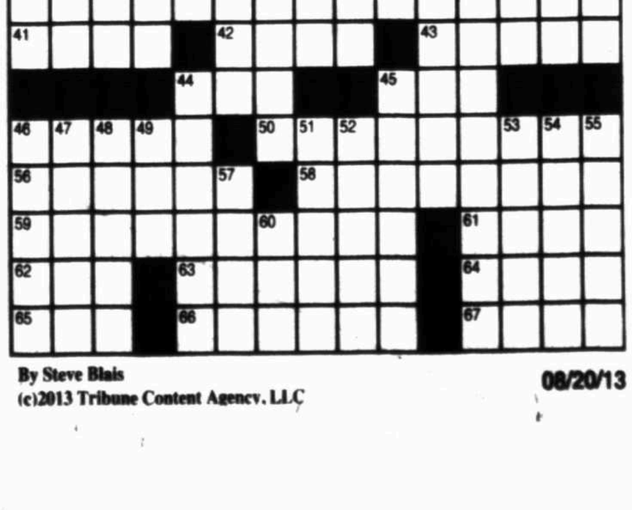

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ARTIZEN AFTER HOURS



ArtiZen Outlet, a local artists' co-op located at 3404 W Loop 250 N., hosted "ArtiZen After Hours" on Saturday to benefit Midland/Odessa CPS. The event included refreshments, live music and new art by ArtiZen artists. For more information, visit www.artizenoutlet.com.

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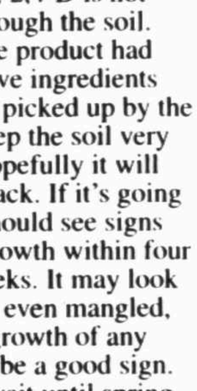
NEIL SPERRY



Neil Sperry's "Plant Talk Texas" and "Texas Lawn and Garden Hour" can be heard on radio stations across the state. Email him at mailbag@sperrygardens.com.

Lilacs are not well-suited for most climates in Texas

Dear Neil: Is it possible to grow lilacs in Texas? I've not had the best of luck.

Answer: To a very small degree, that depends on where you are in our state. Almost all of Texas is too hot for them to thrive. Granted, they exist in North Texas and the Panhandle, but they're just not happy with our summer temperatures and low humidity. Every time I try to discourage people from planting them, I get a backlash of feedback from people who have had them somewhere in Texas, but if you've ever seen lilacs in the upper Midwest and Pacific Northwest, you know how large and stunning they can be. Their flower heads are basketball-sized and the plants grow to 20 feet tall. Ours grow to 4 or 5 feet tall and push out golf ball- and tennis ball-sized flower heads that last a few days. Their leaves typically scorch by late summer. In South Texas, they seldom survive at all. I've given up trying to convince people, but I will always point out the warnings. We have two dozen better types of flowering shrubs for Texas.

Dear Neil: We have a 10-year-old Choctaw pecan tree that is showing stress (sparse foliage and no pecans). My biggest concern is that the bark is peeling all the way up the trunk. Also, we have no other pecans in our neighborhood, and I've heard that you need a second tree to produce pecans. Any suggestions?

Answer: The bark comment concerns me. If bark is lost all the way around a tree's trunk, the tree is probably going to die. But note that pecans shed big chunks of bark as a part of their growth. The way to tell the difference is to determine if bare wood is exposed when the bark falls, or if there is new bark forming beneath the old pieces as they drop. Take a couple of good photos to a Texas Master Certified Nursery Professional. They'll be able to help you know which is involved. As for the second variety, in most urban areas there is ample pecan pollen that will blow in the spring breezes and insure good pollination. But yes, you do want another variety that blooms at the same time. Do note that pecans will not bear well during extreme droughts like we've had in recent years. It has a big impact the following year.

Dear Neil: I had to pull my Indian hawthorn shrubs because of wild morning glories, berry vines and briars that had taken over. Is there anything I can spray on the ground to be sure they are gone before I replant?

Answer: No. The herbicides that might have controlled these all must be applied to active green growth — before you removed them. You don't want to apply any product that will hang around in the soil. If this were my decision, I would rototill the bed with a rear-tine tiller. Then I'd rake out all the root debris, add organic matter into the soil, and rototill and rake again. You should be able to plant with confidence after all that.

Dear Neil: A friend hose-washed full-strength 2,4-D off concrete and onto our grass. A 25-foot chitalpa tree was dosed in the process, and now all of its leaves are crisp and brown. Will it come back?

Answer: There is no way for us to know yet. Typically, 2,4-D is not active through the soil. I'll bet the product had other active ingredients that were picked up by the roots. Keep the soil very moist. Hopefully it will bounce back. If it's going to, you should see signs of new growth within four to six weeks. It may look distorted, even mangled, but new growth of any kind will be a good sign. I would wait until spring to make the final decision unless it refuses to try any type of a comeback.

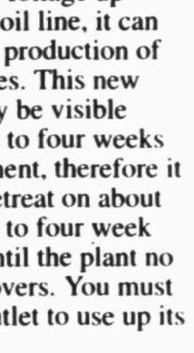
Dear Neil: I recently planted Palmetto St. Augustine. I know you normally recommend watering very deeply and less often to encourage deeper root growth, but I'm wondering if that would apply to new sod planted less than two months ago. I've been watering every second day.

Answer: Yes, it probably would. By now the new sod should have fairly deep roots. It's amazing how quickly they develop. Gradually taper your frequent watering off over the next three or four weeks.

Dear Neil: Is there a groundcover for full shade that will not be bothered by deer?

Answer: Two of the really good shade groundcovers are mondograss (monkeygrass) and English ivy. Do a little localized homework to see how successful neighbors have been using them. I also have a good bit of Asian jasmine and purple wintercreeper in shade beds at our house. We have feral hogs, armadillos, raccoons, possums and now skunks, but no deer. Online research told me that the groundcovers I suggested should be relatively to highly deer-resistant.

JEFF FLOYD



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Controlling nutgrass infestation is a war with many battles

Recently someone told me they had a heavy infestation of nutgrass in their lawn and wanted to know how to get rid of it. Nutgrass is an extremely difficult weed to eradicate and I almost suggested they move to a new home. But with the price of real estate being what it is, maybe a more practical solution can be found.

Nutgrass is perennial weedy sedge in the genus Cyperus which is often mistaken for a grass. Also called nutsedge, it is a nuisance in turfgrass when its shiny leaves and fast growth rate disrupt the otherwise uniform texture of a lawn. The invasive nature of nutsedge may cause it to destroy the appearance of a flower bed.

Nutsedge may spread by seed or by underground stems called rhizomes. Each plant is attached to a tuberous bulb-like structure often called a nut or nutlet. Under optimal conditions, a tuber can give rise to as many as 7,000 new nutlets annually. Somewhat like a potato, each nut has five or more eyes, with each eye having the ability to produce a new shoot. A single nutsedge plant may produce up to 90,000 seeds every year. Half of these new seeds may have the ability to grow into a plant.

How is nutsedge controlled? Hand pulling is the most effective and immediate control but is only practical in areas with small infestations. You may be able to use its biology against nutsedge. The plant does not grow well in shade. A layer of cardboard mulch may shade out some nutsedge in beds.

For the tuber to germinate, it must be in a moist environment. Any water introduced to the tuber in early spring will break down a suppressive chemical in its skin and allow the weed to come out of dormancy. Early spring cultivation where practical, may expose the nutlets to the surface where they can be destroyed by heat and drought.

Pre-emergent herbicides with the active ingredient metolachlor are labeled for nutsedge control. Metolachlor can be applied safely over warm season turfgrass, but may damage fescue and ryegrass. Do not over-seed your lawn with a desirable grass within four months before the use of metolachlor or the new seed may be inhibited. I recommend that you consult a professional landscape chemical applicator for best results.

Post emergent herbicide formulations with the active ingredient halosulfuron may be applied early during the three leaf stage. Halosulfuron is active when sprayed on foliage but not as useful as a soil applied product. Herbicides with the active ingredient imazaquin are readily taken up through the soil via the roots of nutsedge.

Herbicides have label limitations on the amount and frequency of their use. It will take several applications to ultimately exhaust the resources in the nutsedge tuber. Be certain to read and follow all label directions. Metolachlor and imazaquin are less specific in their mode of action than halosulfuron and may damage desirable ornamentals or grasses.

Nutsedge control is a war and you need to be prepared to win every battle. The weed tends to recover by putting on new growth from the unaffected eyes of the nutlet. Once it has foliage up above the soil line, it can resume the production of new reserves. This new growth may be visible about three to four weeks after treatment, therefore it is best to retreat on about every three to four week intervals until the plant no longer recovers. You must get each nutlet to use up its reserves.

Arm yourself now to control nutgrass next spring. If you don't start early in the season when you first spot the weed, your success may be limited.

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We will be starting a vegetable gardening series on Thursday. The free seminar will be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Ector County Extension office, 1010 E. Eighth St. in Odessa.

Register to attend a two-part compost class 6:30-8 p.m. on Sept. 3 at the Midland County Extension office, 2445 E. Highway 80 and Sept. 5 at the Time Machine, 816 W. 42nd St. in Odessa. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service and the Permian Master Gardeners will host this free class that is sponsored by the Permian Basin Regional Planning Commission, Keep Midland Beautiful, Keep Odessa Beautiful, the cities of Midland and Odessa and Midland and Ector counties. Participants will receive instruction on composting, one free composting bin per family and some composting worms to take home.

For more information or to register for these programs give me a call at 432-498-4071 or drop me an email at jeff.floyd@ag.tamu.edu.

Cowboys home after month of West Coast camp

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

IRVING — The Dallas Cowboys have made it back to real life and the heat.

After a month on the West Coast for training camp and three exhibition games, the Cowboys were finally home Monday when they practiced at their Valley Ranch facility.

"We have been in that environment out there by ourselves, away from our families. And you get used to that, you get used to being focused only on football. And that's a good thing," coach Jason Garrett said. "Now you come back to real life and you have to stay focused on football."

And readjust to the warm temperatures in North Texas.

There is no marine layer lingering over the Valley Ranch practice fields as so often is the case in Oxnard, Calif.

The forecast highs at home this week are in the mid- to upper-90s, about 25 to 30 degrees warmer than in Oxnard, where the team had camp. The Cowboys have morning practices through Wednesday, avoiding the hottest part of the day.

"It ain't changing, so make it work," Garrett said.

"It's always great to be home," receiver Dez Bryant said. "I think the approach we came with (Monday) morning was outstanding. There was no sluggish feeling."

Second-year running back Lance Dunbar was at Valley Ranch with a protective boot on his sprained left foot. He had catches of 43 and 18 yards in Saturday's loss to Arizona, though Garrett said he wasn't sure when Dunbar hurt his foot.

Garrett said Dunbar is certainly out of Saturday night's game at home against Arizona, the fourth of the team's five exhibition games.

The injury could also put Dunbar's status for the Sept. 8 season opener against the New York Giants in jeopardy.

"He's certainly going to be out for this week, and we're just kind of seeing day to day beyond that," Garrett said. "He's playing really well. Done

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Ross D. Franklin/AP

Dallas Cowboys head coach Jason Garrett, left, and quarterback Tony Romo (9) watch the action against the Arizona Cardinals in the first half of Aug. 17's preseason game in Glendale, Ariz.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PREVIEWS

2nd time around



Ron Jenkins/Fort Worth Star-Telegram

TCU quarterback Casey Pachall speaks to members of the media July 31 in Fort Worth. The Horned Frogs are looking for improvement in their second season in the Big 12.

TCU not surprised by 1st season in Big 12

Editor's note: Today is the fourth day of a series of stories previewing Texas and Big 12 schools.

Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — TCU coach Gary Patterson and the Horned Frogs knew things were going to be different in the Big 12.

While they had their lowest victory total in eight seasons and went without a league title for the first time in four years, the Frogs still made a notable adjustment to their new conference.

"We had played a lot of the teams, so I don't think we were surprised by any thing that happened in the Big 12," Patterson said. "It was more of us learning about ourselves."

The Horned Frogs made their Big 12 debut playing the same standout defense they did when they were winning three consecutive Mountain West Conference titles. Their freshman quarterback won three Big 12 road games after being unexpectedly thrust into the starting role.

TCU finished 7-6 with a 17-16 bowl loss to Michigan State, one of three losses in the trail 3 1/2 minutes of regulation or overtime. After at least 11 wins each of the previous four years, they had a triple-overtime loss and a double-overtime victory last season.

"There was a lot of ups and downs that first year in the Big 12 and it was tough playing in a new conference where week in and week out you're facing a top-caliber team," said defensive end Jon Koontz, one of eight returning defensive starters. "But I feel like we did get our feet wet last year. ... We do know what it's like now to play in a conference like this, and we've got a lot of experience coming back."

There will no easing into this season like the 56-0 win over Grambling State in the 2012 opener. The Frogs play SEC powerhouse LSU on Aug. 31 at the Dallas Cowboys' stadium in Arlington, Texas, only about 20 miles from the TCU campus.

Five things to watch this season at TCU:

1. CASEY'S COMEBACK: Casey Pachall is 15-2 as TCU's starting quarterback, though he only played the first four games last season — all victories, in which he threw 10 touchdowns and one interception. He left school last October for a treatment program after his drunken driving arrest. Pachall was back in school in time for spring drills and the senior seems to have the upper hand in being the starter again even after Trevone Boykin's solid performance (2,054 yards passing and 15 TDs) the rest of last season. "If it's a tie, then the older guy is going to win," Patterson said. "He's been around a while."

2. NO FIELDS: Unless there is change in his status, defensive end Devonte Fields

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West Virginia has tall task to compete in Big 12

John Raby
Associated Press

MORGANTOWN, W.Va. — Chasing a Big 12 championship will be a tall order for West Virginia unless Dana Holgorsen can do some patchwork on both sides of the ball.

The Mountaineers' third-year coach hopes a group of transfers can help shore up big holes on offense and improve a defense that was one of the nation's worst last year.

West Virginia is coming off a disappointing 7-6 season that included a five-game losing streak. They Mountaineers aren't considered to be a contender for a Big 12 championship in their second season in the conference.

West Virginia fans got spoiled by an offense that averaged 40 points per game a year ago. But with only three returning starters on offense, the Mountaineers will be pressed to continue a streak of 11 consecutive seasons of playing in a bowl game.

Holgorsen must choose from three candidates to replace departed quarterback Geno Smith and has a group of mostly inexperienced wide receivers looking to fill the void left by Tavon Austin and Stedman Bailey.

"We're talking to our guys about this all the time: How are we going to score a point without three of the best players to ever play the game here?", Holgorsen said Monday. "That doesn't mean that we don't have guys on our roster that can't score touchdowns. There are some guys probably waiting in the wings or maturing or developing that we just don't know who they are yet."

For now, the challenges not only are to get the players to understand the system but to replicate its dizzying pace of play.

"In the Big 12 we're going to have to not only be able to play fast, which is what we like to do offensively, but we have to be able to defend that as well," Holgorsen said. "We have a long ways to be functional offensively and defensively when it comes to tempo."

West Virginia opens the season at home Aug. 31 against William & Mary.

Here are five things to watch as West Virginia tries to keep up with the rest of the Big 12:

1. QB SCRAMBLE: West Virginia opens Big 12 play on Sept. 7 at Oklahoma, making it urgent to get Smith's replacement in tune with the offense. Longtime backup Paul Millard has played 11 games in Holgorsen's system but has never thrown

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Jeff Gentner/AP

In this his April 21, 2012 file photo, West Virginia's Paul Millard carries the ball during the Gold-Blue Game in Morgantown, W.Va. Millard is one of three quarterbacks seeking to replace Geno Smith as the starting quarterback at West Virginia this fall.

Texans trying to get safeties healthy by Sunday

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Already without Ed Reed while he recovers from offseason hip surgery, injuries sustained this weekend have left the Houston Texans thin at safety entering Sunday's third preseason game against New Orleans.

Safeties Shiloh Keo, Eddie Pleasant and rookie Orhian Johnson were all injured on Saturday against the Dolphins, leaving coach Gary Kubiak concerned about the group.

Things looked better on Monday when Kubiak said Johnson was fine and Keo was doing better and participated in some portions of practice. Pleasant remained out with a sprained knee.

Kubiak was worried on Sunday that the team might have to pick up another safety, but Monday's developments made him feel much better.

"We're not quite in as bad of shape as we were during the game with those guys being out," Kubiak said. "If Keo makes it back and Johnson is fine this week, I think we can hold up."

The Texans are closely watching the recovery of Reed, a nine-time Pro Bowler who signed with Houston in the offseason.

Kubiak has said he hopes to have him back for Houston's season opener, but there is no guarantee he'll be ready by then.

They have been encouraged by

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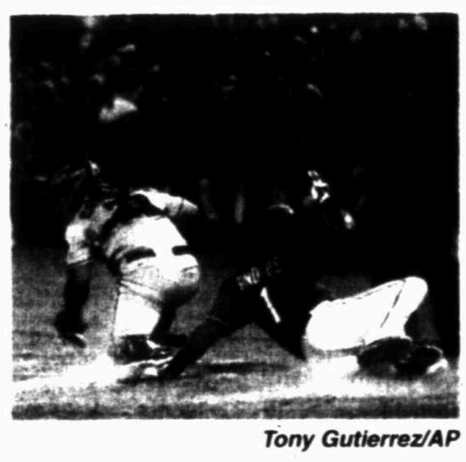

Tony Gutierrez/AP

Houston catcher Carlos Corporan, left, looks for the ball as Texas' Elvis Andrus scores on an A.J. Pierzynski single in the third inning in Arlington.

Rangers rout Astros with 11-run inning

Rangers **16**
Astros 5

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Leonys Martin and Elvis Andrus know how to get things going at the top of the Texas Rangers lineup.

Against the Houston Astros, they weren't alone in making things happen.

Martin and Andrus each scored three runs for AL West-leading Texas, including twice each in an 11-run inning that was the biggest in the majors this season, in a 16-5 victory Monday night.

"We went up and down the lineup," manager Ron Washington said. "When we can do that is when we can be at our best."

Martin got the Rangers big third inning started with his majors-leading 11th bunt single before a single by Andrus. The top two hitters in the lineup

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Pujols will miss rest of season

By Greg Beacham
Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Albert Pujols finally agreed he should wait till next year.

Pujols will miss the rest of the season to rest his injured left foot, the Los Angeles Angels announced Monday.

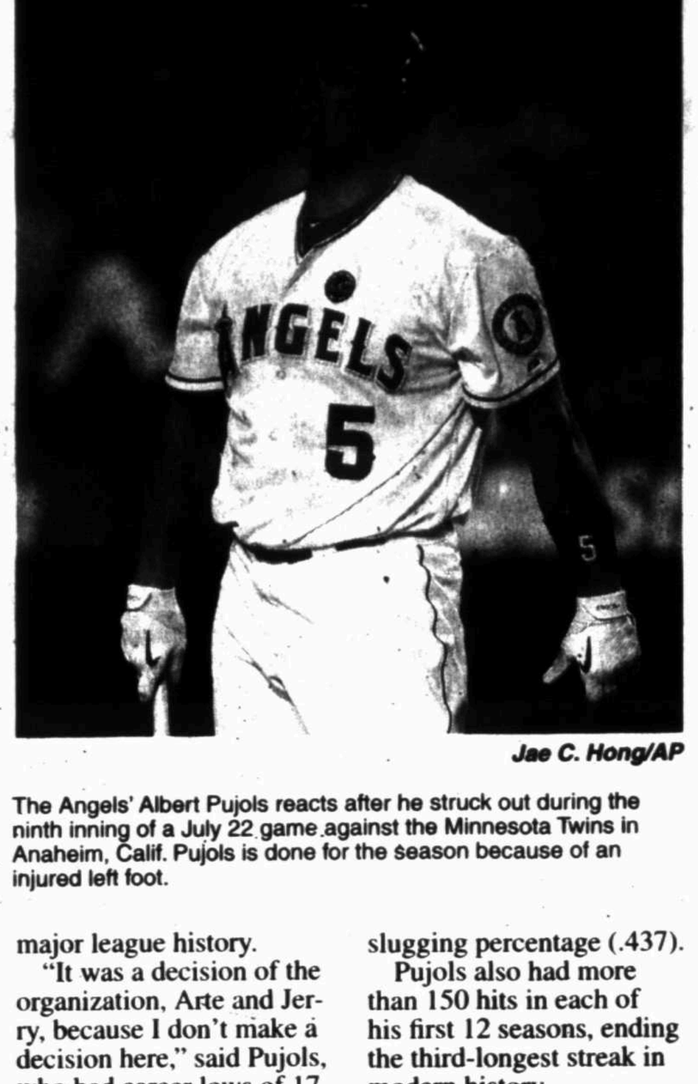
The $240 million slugger gave up his hope to play again next month when the team's medical staff and front office advised him to avoid rushing back to the lineup late in the Angels' dismal season. Pujols partially tore his left plantar fascia last month, and only recently got his foot out of a walking boot.

While sitting out the past three weeks, Pujols repeatedly said he hoped to return at some point in September, even if the Angels remained hopelessly out of contention. He eventually acknowledged the plan made sense only as a salve to his pride.

"It's not an easy decision, as competitive as I am," Pujols said at his locker before the Angels opened a series against Cleveland. "But I also understand that we (need) to look beyond the season."

The three-time NL MVP hasn't played since July 26, when he partially tore his troublesome plantar fascia while running in Oakland. Pujols had been rehabilitating the injury with hopes of playing in September, but the struggling Angels' inability to get into playoff contention made that plan increasingly pointless.

Pujols, who has 492 career homers and 1,498 RBI, consulted with owner Arte Moreno and general manager Jerry Dipoto before agreeing to shut himself down for the season. Moreno still owes Pujols $212 million over the next eight years in the third-biggest contract in major league history.



Jae C. Hong/AP

The Angels' Albert Pujols reacts after he struck out during the ninth inning of a July 22 game against the Minnesota Twins in Anaheim, Calif. Pujols is done for the season because of an injured left foot.

"It was a decision of the organization, Arte and Jerry, because I don't make a decision here," said Pujols, who had career lows of 17 homers and 64 RBI this year. "I put my uniform on and get ready to play. They said, 'This is what's best for the organization in the long run,' and they came and brought it to me. And I just told them, 'Whatever you guys want to do, I'm all for it.' It's definitely hard, as I want to be out there, but I also understand that I can't be selfish and put myself out there."

The injury has hindered Pujols all season, forcing the first baseman to be a designated hitter for 65 of his career-low 99 games. Pujols will finish with fewer than 30 homers for the first time in his remarkable 13-season career, along with career lows in batting average (.258), on-base percentage (.330) and slugging percentage (.437).

Pujols also had more than 150 hits in each of his first 12 seasons, ending the third-longest streak in modern history.

Those numbers aren't exactly encouraging for a player who will be 34 years old in January — in fact, they're a bit frightening. The Angels are determined to give Pujols every chance to get into ideal health for the spring.

"The doctors think it's the best course of action," manager Mike Scioscia said. "For Albert, everything would have to have been perfectly aligned for him to come back and play. I think by trying to get to that level, maybe there were some things that would have been at risk in setting the healing process back. I think that it's a decision that everyone can be at peace with and get everyone ready for next year."

RANGERS

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came home on a single by A.J. Pierzynski, and both got on base and scored again before the Astros finally got the third out.

"Any time we can get those guys on base obviously it usually leads to runs," Pierzynski said. "Leonys has been doing a great job, and Elvis hitting behind him, hitting-and-running, putting pressure on the other team. That's fun. That's the way baseball is supposed to be."

All nine Rangers scored in the third, when they sent 15 batters to the plate and had seven hits — six singles and a double — along with three walks, two Houston errors and a sacrifice bunt. Only five of the 11 runs were earned.

The last team in the majors with as many runs in an inning was St. Louis, with a 12-run seventh in a 12-0 win over the Chicago Cubs on July 21, 2012. Texas' last 11-run inning was in the fifth of a 15-3 win at home against Tampa Bay on Sept. 26, 2009.

The Rangers have won 12 of their last 13 games against Houston (41-83), the first-year American League team now 30 1/2 games back in the division.

Martin, in his 19th start as the leadoff hitter, had an infield single to start the Texas first before Andrus had a single on a perfectly executed hit-and-run play. Ian Kinsler had a sac fly and Adrian Beltre got his first intentional walk of the game before a double steal. Andrus swiped home for a 2-0 lead.

"Every time we get on base, put ourselves in scoring position, it makes things easier," Andrus said.

Matt Garza (3-1) struck out eight in 6 2-3 innings. But the right-hander allowed five runs, becoming the first Texas starter in 22 games to allow more than four.

Lucas Harrell (6-14), getting another start after four consecutive relief appearances, allowed nine runs (seven earned) in 2 1-3 innings. He was initially sent to the bullpen after also giving up nine runs in 3 2-3 innings at Texas in a 10-5 loss July 5.

Texas finished with a season high for runs, two nights after a 15-3 victory over Seattle that is its highest-scoring game without a home run in the 20 seasons of Rangers Ballpark.

Texas had 15 runs without a homer again before Pierzynski connected in the seventh off reliever Philip Humber, who last season threw a perfect game for the Chicago White Sox with Pierzynski as his catcher. Pierzynski finished with four hits and four RBI.

After Martin and Andrus got the third started, Kinsler had a sac bunt before Adrian Beltre, hitting .437 over the previous 19 games, got his second intentional pass. Singles by Pierzynski and Alex Rios re-loaded the bases, Mitch Moreland hit a two-run doubled to deep center and Jurickson Profar walked to load the bases again, and end Harrell's night.

Wade LeBlanc, recalled by Houston earlier Monday, got David Murphy to hit a grounder. Second baseman Jose Altuve made a nifty stop going toward the middle of the infield and flipped the ball with his glove, only for shortstop Jonathan Villar to drop it and allow two runs to score. Martin then walked and Andrus reached on an error before Kinsler's two-run single. Pierzynski drove in another run with a single to cap the scoring.

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

CORPUS CHRISTI 5, PERTH, AUSTRALIA 2
SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Jared Cruz and Jacob Garza hit back-to-back home runs to key a five-run third-inning in leading Corpus Christi, to a 5-2 win over Perth, Australia, in a consolation game at the Little League World Series on Monday.

Cruz hit a three-run shot to give Corpus Christi a 4-2 lead, and Garza followed with a solo home run to center.

It was the final game for both teams, which had been eliminated from contention after losing their first two games.

NASHVILLE, TENN. 10 NEWARK, DEL. 0
SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Zane Denton hit a grand slam to lead Nashville, Tenn., to a 10-0 win over Newark, Del., in an elimination game at the Little League World Series on Monday.

WASHINGTON 6 IOWA 5
SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Jacob Dahlstrom drove in two runs on four singles and Sammamish, Wash., hung on for a 6-5 win over Urbandale, Iowa, in a Little League World Series elimination game Monday night.

TAOYUAN, TAIWAN 6 SAN LORENZO, PUERTO RICO 4
SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Taoyuan, Taiwan, rallied to a 6-4 victory Monday over San Lorenzo, Puerto Rico, in an elimination game at the Little League World Series.

PANAMA 12 CANADA 0
SOUTH WILLIAMSPORT, Pa. — Jean Mar Sanchez hit a three-run homer and drove in four runs, and Edgardo Rosales and Juan Crisp combined on a one-hitter to help Aguadulce, Panama, stay alive at the Little League World Series with a 12-0 win over Ottawa, Ontario, on Monday.

Little League World Series Glance
At South Williamsport, Pa.
Double Elimination
UNITED STATES
GREAT LAKES, Grosse Pointe, Mich.; MID-ATLANTIC, Newark, Del.; MIDWEST, Urbandale, Iowa; NEW ENGLAND, Westport, Conn.; NORTHWEST, Sammamish, Wash.; SOUTHEAST, Nashville, Tenn.; SOUTHWEST, Corpus Christi, Texas; WEST, Chula Vista, Calif.
INTERNATIONAL
ASIA-PACIFIC, Taoyuan, Taiwan; AUSTRALIA, Perth; CANADA, Ottawa, Ontario; CARIBBEAN, San Lorenzo, Puerto Rico; EUROPE & AFRICA, Brno, Czech Republic; JAPAN, Tokyo; LATIN AMERICA, Aguadulce, Panama; MEXICO, Tijuana.

Thursday, Aug. 15
Aguadulce, Panama 9, San Lorenzo, Puerto Rico 4
Sammamish, Wash. 8, Corpus Christi, Texas 4
Tijuana, Mexico 12, Perth, Australia 0, 4 innings
Westport, Conn. 3, Nashville, Tenn. 2
Friday, Aug. 16
Taoyuan, Taiwan 10, Ottawa, Ontario 2
Chula Vista, Calif. 3, Grosse Pointe, Mich. 0
Tokyo 7, Brno, Czech Republic 3
Newark, Del. 6, Urbandale, Iowa 3
Saturday, Aug. 17
San Lorenzo, Puerto Rico 4, Perth, Australia 0, Perth eliminated
Nashville, Tenn. 10, Corpus Christi, Texas 2, Corpus Christi eliminated
Ottawa, Ontario 4, Brno, Czech Republic 3, Brno eliminated
Urbandale, Iowa 6, Grosse Pointe, Mich. 5, Grosse Pointe eliminated
Sunday, Aug. 18
Tijuana, Mexico 13, Aguadulce, Panama 0, 4 innings
Westport, Conn. 9, Sammamish, Wash. 7
Chula Vista, Calif. 15, Newark, Del. 3, 4 innings
Tokyo 3, Taoyuan, Taiwan 2
Monday, Aug. 19
Corpus Christi, Texas 5, Perth, Australia 2
Taoyuan, Taiwan 6, San Lorenzo, Puerto Rico, 4, San Lorenzo eliminated
Nashville, Tenn. 10, Newark, Del. 0, 4 innings, Newark eliminated
Aguadulce, Panama 12, Ottawa, Ontario 0, 4 innings, Ottawa eliminated
Sammamish, Wash. 6, Urbandale, Iowa, 5, Urbandale eliminated
Today
Consolation — Brno, Czech Republic vs. Grosse Pointe, Mich., Noon
Game 21 — Taoyuan, Taiwan vs. Aguadulce, Panama, 3 p.m.
Game 22 — Nashville, Tenn. vs. Sammamish, Wash., 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Aug. 21
Game 23 — Tijuana, Mexico vs. Tokyo, 3 p.m.
Game 24 — Westport, Conn. vs. Chula Vista, Calif., 7 p.m.
Thursday, Aug. 22
Game 25 — Game 21 winner vs. Game 23 loser, 3 p.m.
Game 26 — Game 22 winner vs. Game 24 loser, 7 p.m.
Friday, Aug. 23
Rain day, no games scheduled
Saturday, Aug. 24
International championship, 11:30 a.m.
U.S. championship, 2:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 25
At Lamade Stadium
Third Place
International runner-up vs. U.S. runner-up, 10 a.m.
World Championship
International champion vs. U.S. champion, 2 p.m.

HSVOLLEYBALL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MIDLAND HIGH DEF. FRENSHIP, 25-20, 18-25, 25-16, 20-25, 15-13

Midland High picked up its ninth consecutive victory Monday, out-lasting Wolfforth Frenship in five sets, 25-20, 18-25, 25-15, 20-25, 15-13.

The Lady Bulldogs won the Monahans Sandhills Tournament over the weekend and carried that momentum over to Monday's non-district affair with Frenship.

Midland High was led by Channing Burleson's 22 kills, 18 digs and four blocks. Jenna Gilligan had 14 kills, three aces and three blocks, while Kaydee Strickland added seven kills and seven blocks.

Midland High tries to continue its winning streak this weekend at the Fraulein Volleyfest in New Braunfels.

MIDLAND HIGH DEF. FRENSHIP, 25-20, 18-25, 25-16, 20-25, 15-13
Midland High statistics
Kills — Channing Burleson 22, Jenna Gilligan 14, Claire Lancaster 7, Kaydee Strickland 7, Katie Fullen 5, Shelby Neatherlin 3, Erin Robbins 3, Hannah Bertelson 2, Kyndal Cowan 1
Digs — Allyson Gordon 20, Burleson 18, Konnel Wood 14, Gilligan 7, Emily Wickman 7, Lancaster 4, Neatherlin 4, Fullen 3, Bertelson 2, Cowan 1, Robbins 1, Strickland 1
Assists — Cowan 33, Wickman 25, Neatherlin 2, Gordon 2, Burleson 1, Gilligan 1
Blocks — Strickland 7, Burleson 4, Gilligan 3, Fullen 2, Neatherlin 2, Robbins 2, Lancaster 1, Bertelson 1
Aces — Gilligan 3, Cowan 2, Burleson 1, Gordon 1
Record: Midland High 9-1
Next: Midland High at Fraulein Volleyfest, New Braunfels, Thursday

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will miss the first two games due to a suspension for an unspecified violation of "university and team policy." Fields had 18 1/2 tackles for losse with 10 sacks as a freshman last season, when he was selected the Big 12 defensive player of the year. The suspension was announced in May, keeping him out of the LSU game and the home opener vs. Southeastern Louisiana. He can play the Big 12 opener at Texas Tech.

3. B.J. AND THE BACKS: B.J. Catalon was the only running back to play in all 13 games last season, and the freshman ended up leading the team with 582 yards rushing. But Waymon James is healthy after missing the final 11 games last season because of a left knee injury and former Nebraska transfer Aaron Green is eligible to play after having to sit out last year.

4. GP'S TWEET LIFE: Frogs coach Gary Patterson joined the Twitterverse in April after spring practice. One of the primary reasons was to take advantage of being able to direct message recruits. He can also keep up with what his players are doing on Twitter, and then give fans a different perception of the coach whose is so often hoarse-throated and tying his shoes on the sideline during games. As of his own players, "They just know that I'm out there," he said. "In the last three months, it's really kind of cleaned up."

5. FIRST TIME (ALMOST): TCU will play conference games at Texas Tech, Oklahoma, Iowa State and Kansas State, which will complete the Frogs' visits to each of the other nine Big 12 stadiums for conference games. The Frogs have been to all of those places before, but their last visit to Patterson's alma mater (K-State) was 1985. They are going to Oklahoma State for the second year in a row.

Predicted finish in Big 12: 2nd.

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more than nine passes in a contest. Florida State transfer Clint Trickett, who graduated in the spring and is available to play immediately, played eight games last season as EJ Manuel's backup with the Seminoles and in games in 2011 against Wake Forest and Clemson. The third QB in the mix is redshirt freshman Ford Childress. Holgorsen said Millard so far has made both the best and the worst decisions in practice. "The guy that probably reduces the poor decisions will be the guy that wins the job," Holgorsen said. "I think they're all capable of being pretty good."

2. FORGET 2012: It won't take much to see improvements on West Virginia's defense, which allowed 38 points per game and was near the bottom nationally in several passing categories last year. Keith Patterson took over at defensive coordinator for the 2012 Pinstripe Bowl. The defense has most of its starters back but needs to improve its coverage and tackling and not give up big gains. The unit returns its top two tacklers, sophomores Karl Joseph at safety and Isaiah Bruce at linebacker. The pair also combined for four of the team's 10 interceptions.

3. TRANSFER HELP: West Virginia loaded up on nearly a dozen junior-college and immediate-play transfers for 2013. Trickett and former Houston running back Charles Sims could end up having the most impact. Among the juco transfers who could help out include wide receivers Ronald Carswell, Mario Alford and Kevin White, linebacker Brandon Golson, defensive lineman Dontrill Hyman and running back Dreamius Smith.

4. RUNNING STRONG: Sims adds to a running back unit that, for a change, is loaded with talent. Injuries have thinned the position in recent years and West Virginia hasn't had a 1,000-yard rusher since Noel Devine in 2009. Sims is battling for a starting role with Andrew Buie, Dustin Garrison and Smith. Sims, Buie and Garrison all have 200-yard games on their college resumes. Both Sims and Buie ran for 851 yards last year. Garrison played sparingly while recovering from knee surgery. Smith was with the team during spring practice but has been slowed in preseason camp by a thigh bruise.

5. PASS CATCHERS: Holgorsen said he didn't lose any sleep over the exits of Austin and Bailey, but it did leave gaping holes at wide receiver. Ivan McCartney is the top returnee with nine catches for 112 yards as a junior. McCartney left the team for personal reasons last November after struggling for playing time and returned to the roster in May. Holgorsen said his best player might be sophomore Cody Clay, who could line up at tight end, slot receiver or in the backfield.

Predicted order of finish in the Big 12: Eighth.

MLBROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

RAYS 4 ORIOLES 3
BALTIMORE — Evan Longoria and Matt Joyce homered, David Price grinded through five challenging innings to win his fourth straight decision and the Tampa Bay Rays beat the Baltimore Orioles 4-3 Monday night in a duel between AL contenders.

Joyce hit a two-run drive in the fourth to break a tie and push the Rays toward their fifth win in six games. Tampa Bay moved within a half-game of the first-place Red Sox in the AL East, pending Boston's late game in San Francisco.

MARLINS 6 DODGERS 2
MIAMI — Jose Fernandez bested Yasiel Puig and led the Miami Marlins over the Los Angeles Dodgers 6-2 Monday night.

Fernandez (9-5) allowed only one earned run in six innings, handing the NL West-leading Dodgers consecutive losses for the first time since June 20-21.

CARDINALS 8 BREWERS 5
MILWAUKEE — Matt Carpenter hit an RBI single with two outs in the eighth inning, putting the St. Louis Cardinals ahead during a four-run rally against Milwaukee.

The Cardinals got seven of their 16 hits in the big inning, capped by pinch-hitter David Freese's two-run double. St. Louis won for the ninth time in 11 games.

REDS 5 DIAMONDBACKS 3
CINCINNATI — Ryan Ludwick drove in his first run of the season with a double, and the Cincinnati Reds kept up their August surge, beating Arizona for their seventh win in nine games.

Arizona now trails Cincinnati by six games for the final NL wild-card spot.

PHILLIES 5 ROCKIES 4
PHILADELPHIA — John Mayberry Jr. and Carlos Ruiz each homered to lead Philadelphia past Colorado, giving the Phillies and interim manager Ryne Sandberg two straight wins for the first time since the All-Star break.

Ethan Martin (2-2) tossed two-hit ball and struck out six over 6 1-3 innings for the win. Jonathan Papelbon tossed a scoreless ninth for his first 21st save, and first since July 11.

CUBS 11 NATIONALS 1
CHICAGO — Nate Schierholtz homered twice and drove in a career-high six runs, powering Jeff Samardzija and the Chicago Cubs past Washington.

Schierholtz connected for a three-run shot in the first and a two-run drive in the seventh in his fourth career multi-homer game. He also had an RBI double in the third in Chicago's highest-scoring game since a 14-6 victory over Houston on June 23.

Interleague

METS 6 TWINS 1
MINNEAPOLIS — Dillon Gee pitched into the eighth inning for the Mets in a victory over the Twins in a makeup game from April 14.

Gee (9-8) turned in yet another quality start, and the offense for the Mets was about as balanced as could be with RBI singles by Eric Young, Daniel Murphy, Andrew Brown, Wilmer Flores and Omar Quintanilla. All five of them had two hits, as did Marlon Byrd, who hit his 20th home run.

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NFL Preseason

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Buffalo	2	0	0	1.000	64	39
New England	2	0	0	1.000	95	43
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	.500	54	39
Miami	0	2	0	.000	64	51
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	2	0	0	1.000	51	30
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	48	50
Jacksonville	0	2	0	.000	16	64
Tennessee	0	2	0	.000	40	49
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	71	39
Cincinnati	2	0	0	1.000	61	29
Cleveland	2	0	0	1.000	61	25
Pittsburgh	0	2	0	.000	28	42
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	1	0	0	1.000	20	16
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	39	45
Kansas City	0	2	0	.000	26	32
San Diego	0	2	0	.000	36	64

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Washington	2	0	0	1.000	46	34
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	30	33
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	36	40
Dallas	1	2	0	.333	45	51
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	2	0	0	1.000	45	33
Carolina	2	1	0	.667	40	31
Atlanta	0	2	0	.000	33	61
Tampa Bay	0	2	0	.000	37	69
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Chicago	1	1	0	.500	50	52
Detroit	1	1	0	.500	32	41
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	19	24
Minnesota	0	2	0	.000	29	47
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Arizona	2	0	0	1.000	29	7
Seattle	2	0	0	1.000	71	20
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	21	23
St. Louis	0	2	0	.000	26	46

Thursday's Scores
Cleveland 24, Detroit 6
Baltimore 27, Atlanta 23
Philadelphia 14, Carolina 9
Chicago 33, San Diego 28

Friday's Scores
Buffalo 20, Minnesota 16
New Orleans 28, Oakland 20
San Francisco 15, Kansas City 13
New England 25, Tampa Bay 21

Saturday's Games
Arizona 12, Dallas 7
Cincinnati 27, Tennessee 19
N.Y. Jets 37, Jacksonville 13
Green Bay 19, St. Louis 7
Houston 24, Miami 17
Seattle 40, Denver 10

Sunday's Score
Indianapolis 20, N.Y. Giants 12

Monday's Score
Washington 24, Pittsburgh 13

Thursday's Games
New England at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Carolina at Baltimore, 7 p.m.

Friday's Games
Seattle at Green Bay, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Oakland, 9 p.m.

Saturday's Games
Buffalo at Washington, 3:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Indianapolis, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at N.Y. Giants, 6 p.m.
Kansas City at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Jacksonville, 6:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Miami, 6:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Denver, 7 p.m.
Cincinnati at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Tennessee, 7 p.m.
San Diego at Arizona, 9 p.m.

NFL Calendar
Aug. 27 — Roster cutdown to 75 players.
Aug. 31 — Roster cutdown to 53 players.
Aug. 29 — Preseason schedule ends.
Sept. 5 — 2013 season begins, Baltimore at Denver.
Sept. 8-9 — First weekend of regular-season games.

Fight Schedule

Friday

At Bangkok, Thailand, Nobuo Nashiro vs. Denkaosan Kaovichit, 12, for the interim WBA World super flyweight title.

At Dover (Del.) Downs Hotel & Casino, Amir Mansour vs. Maurice Harris, 12, for the vacant USBA heavyweight title; Edgar Santana vs. Michael Clark, 10, junior welterweights.

At Turning Stone Resort & Casino, Verona, N.Y. (ESPN2), Argenis Mendez vs. Arash Usmanee, 12, for Mendez's IBF junior lightweight title; Claudio Marrero vs. Jesus Andres Cuellar, 12, for the interim WBA World featherweight title; Aleem Collado vs. Hugo Particia, 10, featherweights; Ed Paredes vs. Noe Bolanos, 10, welterweights.

Saturday

At Donetsk, Ukraine, Stanyslav Kashtanov vs. Jaime Barboza, 12, for the interim WBA World super middleweight title.

At Stubhub Center, Carson, Calif. (SHO), Abner Mares vs. Jhonny Gonzalez, 12, for Mares' WBC featherweight title; Victor Terrazas vs. Leo Santa Cruz, 12, for Terrazas' WBC junior featherweight title.

Sept. 3

At Takamatsu, Japan, Daiki Kameda vs. Rodrigo Guerrero, 12, for the vacant IBF junior bantamweight title.

Sept. 7

At Scottish Exhibition Centre in Glasgow, Scotland, Ray Beltran vs. Ricky Burns, for Burns' WBO lightweight title.

At Fantasy Springs Resort Casino, Indio, Calif. (SHO), Seth Mitchell vs. Cristobal Arreola, 12, heavyweights; Rafael Marquez vs. Efrain Esquivias, 10, junior featherweights.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	75	53	.579	—
Tampa Bay	71	56	.577	1/2
Baltimore	67	57	.540	5
New York	64	59	.520	7 1/2
Toronto	57	67	.460	15
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	73	51	.589	—
Cleveland	66	58	.532	7
Kansas City	64	59	.520	8 1/2
Minnesota	54	69	.439	18 1/2
Chicago	44	79	.358	28 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	72	53	.576	—
Oakland	70	53	.569	1
Seattle	57	66	.463	14
Los Angeles	55	68	.447	16
Houston	41	83	.331	30 1/2

Monday's Scores
N.Y. Mets 6, Minnesota 1
Tampa Bay 4, Baltimore 3
Texas 18, Houston 5
Cleveland at L.A. Angels, late
Seattle at Oakland, late
Boston at San Francisco, late

Today's Games
Toronto (Rogers 3-7) at N.Y. Yankees (Nova 6-4), 12:05 p.m., 1st game
Tampa Bay (Cobb 7-2) at Baltimore (Mig. Gonzalez 8-5), 6:05 p.m.
Toronto (Buehrle 9-7) at N.Y. Yankees (Phughes 4-12), 6:05 p.m., 2nd game
Minnesota (Pelfrey 4-10) at Detroit (Porcello 9-6), 6:08 p.m.
Houston (Cosart 1-0) at Texas (Blackley 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Joh.Danks 2-10) at Kansas City (E.Santana 8-6), 7:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 1-1) at L.A. Angels (C.Wilson 13-6), 9:05 p.m.
Seattle (J.Saunders 10-12) at Oakland (Gray 1-1), 9:05 p.m.
Boston (Peavy 9-5) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 2-4), 9:15 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	76	48	.613	—
Washington	60	64	.484	16
New York	57	66	.463	18 1/2
Philadelphia	55	69	.444	21
Miami	48	75	.390	27 1/2
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	72	51	.585	—
St. Louis	72	52	.581	1/2
Cincinnati	71	54	.568	2
Chicago	54	70	.435	18 1/2
Milwaukee	54	71	.432	19
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	72	52	.581	—
Arizona	64	59	.520	7 1/2
Colorado	58	66	.468	15
San Diego	56	68	.452	16
San Francisco	55	66	.447	16 1/2

Monday's Scores
N.Y. Mets 6, Minnesota 1
Philadelphia 5, Colorado 4
Cincinnati 5, Arizona 3
Miami 6, L.A. Dodgers 2
Chicago Cubs 11, Washington 1
St. Louis 8, Milwaukee 5
Pittsburgh at San Diego, late
Boston at San Francisco, late

Today's Games
Colorado (J.De La Rosa 12-6) at Philadelphia (Cloyd 2-2), 6:05 p.m.
Arizona (Corbin 12-3) at Cincinnati (Cingrani 5-2), 6:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Beachy 2-0) at N.Y. Mets (Z.Wheeler 4-2), 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Capuano 4-8) at Miami (Ja. Turner 3-4), 6:10 p.m.
Washington (Stanton 7-11) at Chicago Cubs (Rusin 2-2), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Lynn 13-6) at Milwaukee (Lohse 8-8), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (A.J.Burnett 5-8) at San Diego (T.Ross 3-5), 9:10 p.m.
Boston (Peavy 9-5) at San Francisco (Vogelsong 2-4), 9:15 p.m.

MONDAY'S AL WEST BOXES

RANGERS 18, ASTROS 5

Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Grssmn cf	5	1	1	2
Wallac 1b	4	0	1	1
Altuve 2b	3	0	1	0
MGnzlz pr-2b	1	0	0	0
ACastro dh-c	3	1	2	0
Carter lf	4	0	1	1
MDmn 3b	4	1	1	0
Corprn c	1	0	0	0
Elmore c-p	2	1	1	0
Hoes rf	4	1	1	1
Villar ss	4	0	0	0
Totals	**35**	**5**	**9**	**5**

Texas	ab	r	h	bi
LMartin cf-rf	4	3	3	2
Andrus ss	4	3	2	1
Rosales ss	0	0	0	0
Kinsler dh	3	1	1	3
ABeltre 3b	2	1	2	0
JeBakr 3b	1	0	0	0
Przsns c	5	2	4	4
Rios rf	4	1	1	0
Gentry ph-cf	1	0	0	0
Morlnd 1b	5	1	1	2
Pretbr 2b	4	2	1	2
DvMrp lf	5	2	1	1
Totals	**38**	**16**	**14**	**14**

Houston ..... 010 000 400 — 5
Texas ..... 20(11) 101 10x — 16

E—M.Dominguez (12), Villar (6). DP—Texas 1. LOB—Houston 5, Texas 5. 2B—Grossman (10), Wallace (9), J.Castro (32), Carter (17), M.Dominguez (19), Pierzynski (17), Moreland (20), Profar (8), DevMurphy (23). HR—Pierzynski (14). SB—Andrus 2 (33), A.Beltre (1). S—Kinsler. SF—Kinsler.

Houston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Harrell L,5-14	2 1-3	7	9	7	3	2
LeBlanc	2 2-3	5	5	1	2	1
Humber	2	2	2	2	0	0
Albers	1	0	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Garza W,3-1	6 2-3	8	5	5	1	8
R.Ross	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Soria	1	0	0	0	0	1

WP—Garza.
T—3:06. A—32,113 (48,114).

MONDAY'S LINESCORES

AMERICAN LEAGUE

RAYS 4, ORIOLES 3

Tampa Bay ..... 110 200 000 — 4 10 0
Baltimore ..... 011 000 100 — 3 11 1

Price,J.Wright (6), Jo.Peralta (7), McGee (7), Rodney (9) and J.Molina; Tillman, Patton (7), Fr.Rodriguez (7), Mig.Gonzalez (8), Tom.Hunter (9) and Wieters. W—Price 7-5. L—Tillman 14-4. Sv—Rodney (28). HRs—Tampa Bay, Longoria (25), Joyce (16). Baltimore, Wieters (18).

INTERLEAGUE

METS 6, TWINS 1

New York ..... 110 200 100 — 6 14 1
Minnesota ..... 000 000 100 — 1 7 0

Gee, Rice (8), Atchison (9) and T.d'Arnaud; Gibson, Swarzak (4), Duensing (7), Burton (9) and Mauer. W—Gee 9-8. L—Gibson 2-4. HRs—New York, Byrd (20).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

PHILLIES 5, ROCKIES 4

Colorado ..... 000 000 220 — 4 7 0
Philadelphia ..... 000 410 00x — 5 7 0

Hamels, Francis (8), W.Lopez (7), Brothers (8) and W.Rosario; E.Martin, De Fratus (7). Lu.Garcia (8), Diekman (8), Papelbon (9) and Ruiz. W—E.Martin 2-2. L—Mansho 0-3. Sv—Papelbon (21). HRs—Colorado, Tulowitzki (21). Philadelphia, Mayberry (9), Ruiz (3).

REDS 5, DIAMONDBACKS 3

Arizona ..... 000 102 000 — 3 10 0
Cincinnati ..... 010 310 00x — 5 8 0

Delgado, Thatcher (7), W.Harris (8) and Nieves; Arroyo, M.Parra (7), Hoover (8), A.Chapman (9) and Hanigan. W—Arroyo 12-9. L—Delgado 4-4. Sv—A.Chapman (31). HRs—Arizona, A.Hill (9). Cincinnati, Frazier (13).

MARLINS 6, DODGERS 2

Los Angeles ..... 000 011 000 — 2 8 0
Miami ..... 002 001 03x — 6 10 1

Ryu, Withrow (8), Howell (8), Maxmut (8) and A.Ellis; Fernandez, A.Ramos (7), Qualls (8). Cishek (9) and Mathis. W—Fernandez 9-5. L—Ryu 12-4. HRs—Miami, Stanton (15).

CUBS 11, NATIONALS 1

Washington ..... 000 000 100 — 1 6 0
Chicago ..... 301 130 21x — 11 9 0

Zimmermann, Abad (6), Krol (8) and W.Ramos; Samardzija and D.Navarro. W—Samardzija 7-11. L—Zimmermann 14-7. HRs—Washington, W.Ramos (8). Chicago, Scherholtz 2 (18), Do.Murphy 2 (6), D.Navarro (11).

CARDINALS 8, BREWERS 5

St. Louis ..... 100 102 040 — 8 16 1
Milwaukee ..... 001 010 300 — 5 11 0

S.Miller, Maness (6), Wacha (7), Siegrist (8), Mujica (9) and Y.Molina; Estrada, Wooten (7), Kintzler (8), Badenhop (8) and Lucroy. W—Wacha 2-0. L—Kintzler 3-1. Sv—Mujica (32). HRs—St Louis, Beltran (21). Jay (7). Milwaukee, Aoki (7), Ar.Ramirez (6).

AUTO RACING

NASCAR

Sprint Cup Points Leaders
Through Aug. 18

1. Jimmie Johnson	813
2. Clint Bowyer	772
3. Carl Edwards	762
4. Kevin Harvick	749
5. Kyle Busch	706
6. Matt Kenseth	688
7. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	679
8. Brad Keselowski	667
9. Kurt Busch	665
10. Greg Biffle	663
11. Kasey Kahne	659
12. Martin Truex Jr.	653
13. Joey Logano	646
14. Jeff Gordon	637
15. Ryan Newman	636
16. Jamie McMurray	622
17. Paul Menard	599
18. Tony Stewart	594
19. Aric Almirola	587
20. Jeff Burton	561
21. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	556
22. Marcos Ambrose	554
23. Juan Pablo Montoya	549
24. Casey Mears	492
25. Danny Hamlin	439

Sprint Cup Money Leaders
Through Aug. 18

1. Jimmie Johnson	$6,565,912
2. Kyle Busch	$4,645,191
3. Matt Kenseth	$4,391,363
4. Brad Keselowski	$4,332,302
5. Kevin Harvick	$4,314,525
6. Carl Edwards	$3,994,764
7. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	$3,944,478
8. Jeff Gordon	$3,856,606
9. Ryan Newman	$3,828,277
10. Joey Logano	$3,753,703
11. Clint Bowyer	$3,746,412
12. Martin Truex Jr.	$3,716,934
13. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	$3,561,956
14. Greg Biffle	$3,394,519
15. Kurt Busch	$3,387,273
16. Aric Almirola	$3,380,898
19. Jamie McMurray	$3,243,828
20. Juan Pablo Montoya	$3,228,556
21. Paul Menard	$3,154,881
22. Marcos Ambrose	$3,152,650
23. David Ragan	$2,961,047
24. Casey Mears	$2,785,346
25. Danny Hamlin	$2,725,219

Schedule
Aug. 4 — GoBowling.com 400 (Kasey Kahne)
Aug. 11 — Cheez-It 355 at The Glen (Kyle Busch)
Aug. 18 — Pure Michigan 400 (Joey Logano)
Aug. 24 — Irwin Tools Night Race, Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 1 — AdvoCare 500, Hampton, Ga.
Sept. 7 — Federated Auto Parts 400, Richmond, Va.
Sept. 15 — GEICO 400, Joliet, Ill.

Nationwide Points Leaders
Through Aug. 17

1. Sam Hornish Jr.	769
2. Elliott Sadler	756
3. Regan Smith	754
4. Austin Dillon	754
5. Brian Vickers	751
6. Justin Allgaier	722
7. Brian Scott	706
8. Trevor Bayne	696
9. Kyle Larson	695
10. Parker Kligerman	687
11. Alex Bowman	617
12. Nelson Piquet Jr.	589
13. Mike Bliss	550
14. Travis Pastrana	508
15. Reed Sorenson	427
16. Jeremy Clements	420
17. Mike Wallace	404
18. Eric McClure	380
19. Michael Annett	358
20. Joe Nemechek	313

Nationwide Money Leaders
Through Aug. 17

1. Sam Hornish Jr.	$821,842
2. Austin Dillon	$741,964
3. Kyle Busch	$715,075
4. Elliott Sadler	$697,242
5. Brian Vickers	$670,547
6. Trevor Bayne	$646,822
7. Kyle Larson	$623,543
8. Regan Smith	$621,788
9. Justin Allgaier	$608,485
10. Brian Scott	$587,398
11. Parker Kligerman	$581,412
12. Alex Bowman	$560,032
13. Nelson Piquet Jr.	$517,287
14. Travis Pastrana	$512,557
15. Mike Bliss	$504,547
16. Reed Sorenson	$490,62
17. Mike Wallace	$475,866
18. Eric McClure	$470,842
19. Brad Keselowski	$462,015
20. Jeremy Clements	$451,742

Schedule
Aug. 10 — Zippo 200 (Brad Keselowski)
Aug. 17 — Nationwide Children's Hospital 200 (A.J.Allmendinger)
Aug. 23 — Food City 250, Bristol, Tenn.
Aug. 31 — Great Clips/Grit Chips 300, Hampton, Ga.
Sept. 6 — Virginia 529 College Savings 250, Richmond, Va.
Sept. 14 — Dollar General 300 powered by Coca-Cola, Joliet, Ill.

Camping World Truck Points Leaders
Through Aug. 17

1. Matt Crafton	464
2. Jeb Burton	413
3. James Buescher	412
4. Ty Dillon	402
5. Miguel Paludo	391
6. Brendan Gaughan	390
7. Timothy Peters	382
8. Ryan Blaney	379
9. Darrell Wallace Jr	370
10. Johnny Sauter	369
11. Joey Coulter	366
12. Dakoda Armstrong	356
13. Ron Hornaday Jr	347
14. German Quiroga	332
15. John Wes Townley	329
16. Max Gresham	294
17. Ryan Sieg	285
18. Brennan Newberry	261
19. Tim George Jr.	252
20. Ross Chastain	219

Also
31. Tyler Young 77

Camping World Truck Money Leaders
Through Aug. 17

1. Johnny Sauter	$224,205
2. Ty Dillon	$220,180
3. Jeb Burton	$217,535
4. Matt Crafton	$213,645
5. Ryan Blaney	$208,870
6. James Buescher	$200,840
7. Kyle Busch	$185,451
8. Timothy Peters	$172,525
9. Brendan Gaughan	$167,505
10. Joey Coulter	$163,910
11. Miguel Paludo	$161,080
12. German Quiroga	$159,110
13. Ron Hornaday Jr	$156,825
14. Darrell Wallace Jr	$139,235
15. Dakoda Armstrong	$137,740
16. Max Gresham	$135,630
17. John Wes Townley	$134,365
18. Ryan Sieg	$123,935
19. Brennan Newberry	$122,565
20. Tim George Jr.	$107,905

Also
42. Tyler Young $32,950

Schedule
Aug. 17 — Michigan National Guard 200 (James Buescher)
Aug. 21 — UNOH 200, Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 1 — Chevrolet Silverado 250, Bowman-ville, Ontario
Sept. 8 — Iowa 200, Newton, Iowa
Sept. 13 — Chicagoland 225, Joliet, Ill.

GOLF

PGA

FedExCup Leaders
By The Associated Press
Through Aug. 18

Rank Player	Points	YTD Money
1 Tiger Woods	3,059	$7,687,119
2 Matt Kuchar	2,293	$5,006,408
3 Brandt Snedeker	2,218	$4,913,261
4 Phil Mickelson	2,166	$4,956,727
5 Bill Haas	1,505	$3,223,463
6 Billy Horschel	1,487	$3,117,543
7 Justin Rose	1,447	$3,163,881
8 Jordan Spieth	1,436	$2,631,220
9 Henrik Stenson	1,426	$3,441,003
10 Keegan Bradley	1,418	$3,136,613
11 Adam Scott	1,347	$3,206,513
12 Boo Weekley	1,335	$2,583,982
13 Kevin Streelman	1,333	$2,794,418
14 Jason Day	1,284	$2,923,263
15 Jason Dufner	1,256	$2,641,334
16 Dustin Johnson	1,226	$2,572,844
17 Webb Simpson	1,188	$2,355,284
18 Zach Johnson	1,141	$2,287,259
19 Harris English	1,134	$2,127,757
20 Steve Stricker	1,117	$2,553,532
21 Hunter Mahan	1,101	$2,355,997
22 Patrick Reed	1,062	$1,927,999
23 Jim Furyk	1,057	$2,165,929
24 Russell Henley	1,048	$1,958,106
25 D.A. Points	1,038	$2,239,287
26 Jimmy Walker	996	$1,923,250
27 Charles Howell III	996	$1,782,290
28 Graeme McDowell	941	$2,135,769
29 Jonas Blixt	912	$1,972,486
30 John Merrick	909	$1,827,580
31 Chris Kirk	904	$1,536,416
32 Ken Duke	902	$1,705,863
33 Charl Schwartzel	871	$1,759,823
34 Graham DeLaet	856	$1,577,300
35 Lee Westwood	856	$1,953,501
36 Sang-Moon Bae	838	$1,696,240
37 Matt Jones	836	$1,448,507
38 Bubba Watson	833	$1,514,756
39 Michael Thompson	828	$1,672,420
40 Angel Cabrera	826	$1,751,279
Also		
136. Chad Campbell	330	$510,661

PGA Tour Statistics
Through Aug. 18
Scoring Average

1. Tiger Woods	68.654
2. Adam Scott	69.117
3. Justin Rose	69.220
4. Henrik Stenson	69.356
5. Charl Schwartzel	69.470
6. Matt Kuchar	69.507
7. Sergio Garcia	69.604
8. Brandt Snedeker	69.722
9. Phil Mickelson	69.728
10. Keegan Bradley	69.777

Driving Distance

1. Luke List	308.3
2. Nicolas Colsaerts	305.7
3 (tie). Bubba Watson and Gary Woodland	304.1
5 (tie). Dustin Johnson and Jason Kokrak	303.3
7. Keegan Bradley	302.2
8 (tie). Robert Garrigus and Eric Meierdierks	301.9
10. Ryan Palmer	301.3

Driving Accuracy Percentage

1. Mark Wilson	70.86%
2. Jerry Kelly	70.80%
3. Tim Clark	70.35%
4. Chez Reavie	70.05%
5. Justin Hicks	69.87%
6. Henrik Stenson	69.49%
7. Ken Duke	69.42%
8. Jim Furyk	69.29%
9. Jin Park	68.82%
10. Jeff Maggert	68.51%

Greens in Regulation Percentage

1. Graham DeLaet	70.73%
2. Henrik Stenson	70.72%
3. Ricky Barnes	70.48%
4. Boo Weekley	70.17%
5. Ross Fisher	69.71%
6. Bubba Watson	69.49%
7. Vijay Singh	69.13%
8. Justin Hicks	68.92%
9. Kevin Stadler	68.82%
10. Bill Haas	68.73%

Total Driving

1. Graham DeLaet	81
2. Justin Rose	87
3. Henrik Stenson	78
4. Jim Herman	79
5. Boo Weekley	81
6. Keegan Bradley	86
7. Matt Jones	89
8 (tie). Brandt Jobe and Dui Trahan	99, 10,

Hunter Mahan, 100.

Strokes Gained - Putting

1. Greg Chalmers	876
2. Tiger Woods	.835
3. Sergio Garcia	.831
4. Aaron Baddeley	.746
5. Brandt Snedeker	.727
6. Luke Donald	.712
7. Stephen Ames	.710
8. Bryce Molder	.709
9. Phil Mickelson	.692
10. James Driscoll	.653

Birdie Average

1. Phil Mickelson	4.23
2. Billy Horschel	4.11
3. Rory Sabbatini	4.09
4. Charley Hoffman	4.03
5 (tie). Tiger Woods and Ryan Palmer	4.00
7. Charl Schwartzel	3.98
8. Brandt Snedeker	3.94
9. Morgan Hoffmann	3.87
10. Jason Day	3.87

Eagles (Holes per)

1. Dustin Johnson	84.0
2. Andres Gonzales	90.0
3. Tiger Woods	99.0
4. Henrik Stenson	108.0
5. Chris Kirk	109.4
6. Joe Ogilvie	114.0
7. Ernie Els	117.0
8. Jason Kokrak	118.8
9. Patrick Reed	119.5
10. Kevin Stadler	120.6

Sand Save Percentage

1. K.J. Choi	67.83%
2. Matt Kuchar	66.40%
3. Steven Bowditch	66.07%
4. Justin Rose	63.93%
5. Lee Williams	63.64%
6. Casey Wittenberg	63.30%
7 (tie). Ben Crane and Rickie Fowler	62.75%
9. Jason Day	62.62%
10. Tom Gillis	62.61%

All-Around Ranking

1. Tiger Woods	210
2. Jordan Spieth	333
3. Keegan Bradley	346
4. Charley Hoffman	353
5. Brandt Snedeker	365
6. Justin Rose	368
7. Matt Jones	369
8. Billy Horschel	394
9. Kevin Stadler	401
10. Boo Weekley	407

Schedule
Aug. 1-4 — WGC-Bridgestone Invitational (Tiger Woods)
Aug. 1-4 — Reno-Tahoe Open (Gary Woodland)
Aug. 8-11 — PGA Championship (Jason Dufner)
Aug. 15-18 — Wyndham Championship (Patrick Reed)
Thursday-Saturday — The Barclays, Liberty National, Jersey City, N.J.
Aug. 30-Sept. 2 — Deutsche Bank Championship, TPC Boston, Norton, Mass.
Sept. 12-15 — BMW Championship, Conway Farms GC, Lake Forest, Ill.
Sept. 19-22 — Tour Championship, East Lake GC, Atlanta

LPGA

Money Leaders
Through Aug. 4

Rank Player	Tm	Money
1 Inbee Park	*Hi	$1,394,844
2 Stacy Lewis		$916,799
3 I.K. Kim		$909,957
4 Suzann Pettersen		$860,056
5 So Yeon Ryu		$847,207
6 Beatriz Recari		$784,023
7 Paula Creamer		$628,715
8 Karrie Webb		$584,764
9 Angela Stanford		$551,300
10 Na Yeon Choi		$511,469
11 Cristie Kerr		$498,885
12 Catriona Matthew		$496,291
13 Hee Young Park		$493,013
14 Lizette Salas		$485,539
15. Jiyai Shin		$459,805
16. Jessica Korda		$448,434
17. Shanshan Feng		$441,715
18. Anna Nordqvist		$421,863
19 Ai Miyazato		$402,759
20. Jodi Ewart Shadoff		$355,915
21. Pornanong Phatlum		$329,901
22. Jennifer Johnson		$328,017
23. Haeji Kang		$327,282
24. Caroline Hedwall		$325,210
25. Ilhee Lee		$325,038
26. Chella Choi		$320,373
27. Karine Icher		$307,190
28. Lexi Thompson		$300,155
29. Mika Miyazato		$285,149
30. Yani Tseng		$273,743
31. Morgan Pressel		$267,099
32. Gerina Piller		$263,254
33. Amy Yang		$250,241
34. Giulia Sergas		$245,376
35. Mo Martin		$234,579
36. Carlota Ciganda		$213,719
37. Jenny Shin		$210,153
38. Brittany Lang		$203,845
39. Momoka Jutanugarn		$203,216
40. Hee Kyung Seo		$196,772

LPGA Tour Statistics
Through Aug. 4
Scoring

1. Stacy Lewis	69.79
2. Inbee Park	69.79
3. Na Yeon Choi	70.16
4. Suzann Pettersen	70.16
5. Paula Creamer	70.43
6. So Yeon Ryu	70.45
7. I.K. Kim	70.53
8. Lizette Salas	70.55
9. Jessica Korda	70.60
10. Beatriz Recari	70.68

Driving Distance

1. Nicole Smith	274.9
2. Lexi Thompson	270.6
3. Brittany Lincicome	269.2
4. Gerina Piller	268.5
5. Daniela Iacobelli	267.4
6. Jessica Korda	266.8
7. Yani Tseng	266.5
8. Alena Sharp	266.2
9. Nicole Hage	266.0
10. Maude-Aimee Leblanc	265.9

Greens in Regulation Pct.

1. Suzann Pettersen	75.70%
2. Paula Creamer	75.30%
3. Chella Choi	75.30%
4. Jodi Ewart Shadoff	75.10%
5. Na Yeon Choi	75.10%
6. So Yeon Ryu	74.80%
7. Stacy Lewis	74.70%
8. Jennifer Johnson	74.30%
9. Jessica Korda	74.10%
10. Gerina Piller	73.60%

Putting Average

1. Inbee Park	1.726
2. Stacy Lewis	1.751
3.

Foot injury sidelines Cowboys' Dunbar

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News



Ben Margot/AP

Dallas Cowboys running back Lance Dunbar (25) runs during an Aug. 9 preseason game agiainst the Oakland Raiders in Oakland, Calif.

Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones quickly absolved Lance Dunbar of the sin of fumbling at the end of his electrifying 43-yard catch-and-run against Arizona.

"Totally forgive him," Jones said after the game. "I'm so glad our fans got to see him. He's quick, fast and makes plays."

Unfortunately for the Cowboys, their fans won't be seeing the speedy third-down back for awhile. Dunbar suffered a sprained left foot on his scintillating play in the 12-7 preseason loss and is expected to miss three to four weeks.

The setback jeopardizes the former North Texas standout's participation in the season opener against the New York Giants on Sept. 8. Considering that bell-cow tailback DeMarco Murray missed six games last season with a sprained foot, Dunbar could be sidelined well beyond the opener.

"It's really uncertain how long he's going to be out," coach Jason Garrett said Monday at a news conference in Irving. "He's certainly going to be out for this week, and then we'll just kind of see it day to day beyond that."

Speaking to reporters in the locker room at Valley Ranch, Dunbar refused to rule himself out for the opener.

"It's just disappointing, but that's football," said Dunbar, whose fumble came inside the Cardinals' 5-yard line. "I'm just going to work hard to get back quick. My mindset is just get back in the weight room and get treatment on this. Get back there as fast as I can."

Dunbar's injury means the team likely will keep four backs on the 53-man roster, with the other three being Murray, Phillip Tanner and rookie Joseph Randle, the fifth-round pick from Oklahoma State. If that's the case, the Cowboys could be forced to cut an on-the-bubble player at another position they would like to keep.

"(Injuries) factor into how you cut your team down," Garrett said. "We certainly have a couple of weeks to go before we have to do that, and we'll just see what the landscape is at that time."

Garrett raved at training camp about the "juice" the 5-foot-8, 188-pound Dunbar brings to the offense.

After joining the team last year as an undrafted free agent, he gained only 75 yards on 21 carries and caught six passes yards. But he was one of the top performers at camp, leaving the Cowboys with visions of him becoming another Darren Sproles, the New Orleans Saints' undersized dynamo.

"He was playing really well," Garrett said. "He's done a really nice job for us in all phases, as a runner, receiver and pass protector. He's shown up on special teams. Hopefully, this is just a mild setback for him."

Notebook: Dallas placed linebacker Alex Albright, who will undergo season-ending back surgery this week, on the waived/injured list. If he clears waivers, he will be placed on injured reserve… Defensive end Anthony Spencer, who underwent surgery on his left knee three weeks ago, said he remains hopeful he can play in the opener…Receiver Cole Beasley, who missed the Arizona game because of a foot injury, said he hopes he can return to play against Cincinnati on Saturday…Dallas also waived/injured defensive linemen Travis Chappelear and Toby Jackson. The moves leave the Cowboys with 87 players on the roster. They must cut 12 by Aug. 27.

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a really nice job for us in all phases as a runner, as a receiver and as a pass protector. He's showing up on special teams and hopefully this is just a mild setback for him."

The second-year running back out of North Texas had eight rushing attempts for 45 yards and caught six passes for 83 yards in the preseason games.

"Explosive. He's just one of those guys who can turn like a 5-yard play into an 80-yard play," Bryant said.

Bryant had a bulky wrap around his right thumb, which he jammed during camp. He was quiok to say that his thumb is great, and his performance during camp and in the games (seven catches for 129 yards) certainly indicates that.

As for making the transition from California camp to being at home, defensive tackle Jason Hatcher said it was good for him.

"Seeing my wife and kids ... it was great," Hatcher said. "I was excited to come in and have this early practice."

Hatcher then looked into one of the television cameras and requested that Garrett keep the morning practice schedule.

Cornerback Orlando Scandrick said the only thing that changed for him was not having a camp cafeteria for meals.

"I go home and there's no food in my refrigerator," Scandrick said. "Work is work. I'm excited about this season, taking the next step and winning games, and being a good football team."

Notes: The Cowboys waived/injured LB Alex Albright, DT Travis Chappelear and DE Toby Jackson. ... LB Anthony Spencer, who had arthroscopic surgery on his left knee four weeks ago said he has no doubt about playing in the season opener Sept. 8 against the New York Giants. Spencer is building up strength in the weight room and isn't back on the field yet. ... Safety J.J. Wilcox had not returned to the team yet following his mother's death last week. "We do anticipate him coming back at some point this week," Garrett said.

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the work he's done in his rehabilitation, which has included spending time in Atlanta to work with the people who helped him come back from his last hip surgery.

"We think he's ahead and has responded very well," Kubiak said. "We were going (send him to Atlanta) again this week for a few days.

"So we're just exhausting everything we possibly can do to get him ready to go and push toward the beginning of the season. There has been a lot of progress — lot of good progress."

Kubiak said they plan to have Reed be examined by the doctor who performed the surgery to repair his partly torn labrum by the end of this week, and they hope to know more about his status following that visit.

With Reed out, the Texans have had a chance to give rookie second-round pick D.J. Swearinger extra work, and have been impressed with his development. He said he feels more confident every day.

"I've improved tremendously since when I first got here until now," he said. "There are a whole lot of things — just understanding the defense; my eyes, me being disciplined in certain coverage's and I've gotten way better."

Swearinger was drafted by the Texans after starting for four seasons at South Carolina where he developed a reputation as one of the hardest hitting defensive backs in the Southeastern Conference.

That style of play has already placed him at the center of controversy, after Miami tight end Dustin Keller sustained a season-ending knee injury when Swearinger hit him on the knee with his helmet in Saturday's game.

"I'm sorry it happened like that," he said, adding that he was taught to hit low to avoid fines. "I was just playing football and didn't mean anything by it, but I'm hoping he has a speedy recovery and gets back."

Swearinger felt bad that Keller was injured on the play, but doesn't plan to change his aggressive style because of the incident.

Report: Miller facing at least 6-game suspension

By Arnie Stapleton
Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — Von Miller lined up at his usual position Monday and flashed the freakish athletic moves that might soon be missing from the Denver Broncos' ramshackle defense.

The All-Pro linebacker brushed past reporters after another stellar practice, choosing not to stop and talk about the latest report that he could be facing an even longer suspension that originally thought.

ESPN reported that Miller might have to sit out at least six games for violating the league's drug abuse policy. Previously, it was believed Miller was facing a monthlong suspension to start the 2013 season.

Miller had repeatedly expressed confidence he was going to successfully win an appeal of any pending penalty, insisting he had "done nothing wrong." Now, Miller is unlikely to go forward with such an appeal, which was expected to be heard today, ESPN reported.

NFL spokesman Greg Aiello told The Associated Press, "We have nothing to report" on the matter, and Miller's agent, Joby Branion, didn't return a phone call from the AP.

NFL ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

REDSKINS 24
STEELERS 13

LANDOVER, Md. — Rex Grossman completed 10 of 16 passes for 133 yards with a touchdown and an interception Monday night in the Washington Redskins' 24-13 preseason win over the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Robert Griffin III isn't playing in the preseason as he works his way back from major knee surgery, and backup Kirk Cousins left in the second quarter with a sprained right foot. Grcssman's TD pass was 10 yards to Leonard Hankerson in the second quarter.

Ben Roethlisberger was 5 for 6 for 66 yards for the Steelers. He had a screen pass intercepted and returned for a touchdown by linebacker Ryan Kerrigan.

Pittsburgh rookie back Le'Veon Bell left with a right foot injury. He missed the Steelers' preseason opener with a sore left knee.

CHIEFS TRADE BALDWIN TO 49ERS IN WR SWAP: At Kansas City, Mo., the Kansas City Chiefs have traded wide receiver Jon Baldwin to the San Francisco 49ers for wide receiver A.J. Jenkins in a swap of disappointing first-round picks.

Baldwin was the 26th overall pick of the Chiefs in 2011. He missed time his rookie season after getting hurt in a fight with a teammate, and has been prone to dropping passes. He has just 41 catches for 579 yards and two touchdowns in two seasons.

Jenkins was the 30th overall pick of the 49ers last year. He appeared in only three games as a rookie and did not make a catch, even though he was healthy all season.

TE'O OUT OF WALKING BOOT BUT RETURN UNKNOWN: At San Diego, rookie linebacker Manti Te'o continues to rebound from what the Chargers are describing as a sprained right foot.

His work on Monday came minus his cumbersome walking boot.

Te'o, the team's second-round pick who suffered his injury in the Aug. 8 preseason opener, has yet to return to practice.

But part of his side work with the team trainer is being done without a walking boot.

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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.

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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 n.achanics and pitch selection in a one-on-one setting.

Private hitting and catching instruction
For more info: Call Scott Chapman at 967-2364 for instruction in a one-on-one environment

Pitching, hitting and fielding lessons
For more info: Call Midland High baseball coach Barry Russell at 296-2438

Private Baseball/Softball lessons
For more info: Contact Extra Innings Midland/Odessa at (432) 617-4487 or visit www.extrainnings-midlandodessa.com

Midland Little League Umpires Needed
For more info: Contact 889-6080

West Texas ABA Fall Showcase Tryout
When: 9 a.m., Aug. 20 (incoming freshman and sophomores) Aug. 21 (incoming juniors and seniors)
Where: Lubbock
For more info: Go to www.ababaseball.com or call Ryan Brewer at 505-730-6879

Basketball

Permian Basketball Association needs officials
For more info: Jim Cox. 685-4143 or 553-3714

YMCA needs basketball referees
For more info: 682-2551

Lunch break Pick-up Basketball
When: Noon-1 p.m., Monday-Friday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
For more info: Call 413-0521

Bowling

Tuesday Night Petroleum Men's League
When: Meets at 6:45 p.m.
For more info: Mellon Post 684-5176 or Cactus Lanes 694-0177

Edith McElmore Three-Person League
When: 10 a.m. Wednesdays
Where: AMF Lanes
For more info: Call AMF Lanes at 689-9725

Camps/Clinics

Ten Star All Star Camp
For whom: Boys and girls ages 10-19
For more info: Call (704) 373-0873 for a brochure

COM Aquatic Camps
What: Swimming, diving, snorkeling
Ages: Preschool and grade school
For more info: Call 684-7755

Beginner tennis clinics
Where: Midland High School tennis courts
When: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 to 10 a.m. or 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For: Kindergarten-12th grade, community-based organizations, parents and adults
Deadline: Two weeks before week wanting to attend
For more info: Call Luis Valdez at 570-6245, Brandi at 687-7059 or Elizabeth at 699-6058

YMCA Basketball Skills Clinic
When: Every Saturday
Times: 1 p.m.-3:45 p.m. for grades 3 through 12
Cost: YMCA Family member, free; YMCA Youth member, $5 and program participant, $10 per visit
For more info: Call Midland YMCA at 682-2551

Cycling

Permian Basin Bicycle Association Meetings
When: 7 p.m. third Monday of every month
Where: Atmos Energy's Fischer Community Room, 2304 Loop 40, Midland International Airport
Dues: $25/$30 for a family
For more info: Peyton's Bikes 699-1718 or go to www.pbbatx.com

Dodgeball

Sticks and Kicks Leagues
Who: Kids, adults, co-ed players
Cost: $35 per player (8 game season)
Where: Register at Sticks and Kicks. 3918 W Wall
For more info: Call 520-8633

Fitness

Beach Body
When: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
Note: Instructor is Tommy Hindman
For more info: Call 685-7355

P-90X/Beach Body Fitness Club
When: 12:1 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Yoga

When: 5:30-6:30 p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Cardio/Core
When: 11 a.m., Tuesdays & Thursday
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Flag Football

YMCA Officials Needed
What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
For more info: Call 682-2551

Football

Permian Basin Officials Chapter seeks officials
Note: Education and training will be provided
For more info: Call Terrell Pierce at 559-5004 or Don Orren at 631-2395

Martial Arts

Aikido
When: Monday-Friday, 7 to 9 p.m., Saturdays, 12:30 p.m.
Note: Specializing in traditional Hombu style Aikido
For more info: Call John Riggs, 684-7008 or 770-3155

Cardio Kickboxing Class
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do and Fitness Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
Cost: $35 a month
For more info: Call 689-8139

Women's Self Defense Class
When: Monday and Wednesday, 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Friday, 6 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Private Tae Kwon-Do lessons
Where: Jimenez Tae Kwon-Do Studio, 4400 N. Midland Dr.
For more info: Call 697-8554

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu
When: 6-8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays, 2-3 p.m. Saturdays
Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
For more info: Call 634-9621 or (469) 248-8472

Matthews Martial Arts
When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Judo-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu
For: Ages 3 and up
Where: 3205 Cuthbert
For more info: Contact Jason Matthews at 488-7467 or 689-8444

Taekwondo
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesday nights, Saturdays, 10-11 a.m.
Where: MLK Center, 2300 Butternut
For more info: Call 685-7355

Miscellaneous

Student-Athlete Sports Consultant
For: Assisting high school student athletes with academic-athletic scholarships.
For more info: Call Jacob Santillano at (915) 240-1030

Etiquette
When: 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays
Note: Instructors is Natalie Cargile
For more info: Call 685-7355

Poker

Lone Star Poker League
What: Free to play Texas Hold 'em Poker tournaments
For: Beginners to experienced players. Ages 21 and up
When/where: 7 p.m., Sunday, Wednesday and Friday at Woofers & Tweeters; 7 p.m., Monday and Tuesday at The Detour. Players must be signed in by 6:45 p.m. each night.
For more info: Go to www.lonestarpokertour.net

Professional Wrestling

Old School Wrestling School
What: Professional wrestling school for all ages
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $50 down; $35 a month
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001, or Sam, 349-3055

Rugby

Midland Mad Dog Rugby Club
What: Recruiting for 2012-13 season, no experience necessary
For: Participants 18 years and older; need shorts, t-shirt or jersey, cleats or running shoes, watch
When: Practice is 7-9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays
For more info: Go to www.maddogrugby.com

Midland Rugby (Bloodhounds) Club
For more info: Call Joshua 661-7147

HHD Dads & Lads Rugby
When: 7-8:30 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays
Where: Cowden Park
For more info: 212-6088

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership; $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Hailey, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com

Gazelles Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988

Martin County EMS Labor Day 4 mile Run/Walk
When: Monday, Sept. 2; Registration, 8 a.m.; race begins, 9 a.m.
Where: 1101 Broadway, Stanton
Cost: $20 prior to Aug. 30; $25 after Aug. 31 and on day of race
For more info: Contact Bob Tevenr at 661-8597 or Stacey Harris at 230-7228

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month; first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m.; Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on fifth Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter). Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jake's Clays
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bulls-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, rimfire silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, skeet, trap 5 state and sporting clays
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
Where: Dunagan Park, located at corner of Gist and Terrell
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 238-6947 after 6:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-684-5425

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball
For more info: Call 634-8474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

USA Softball Jr. Men's National Fastpitch Team looking for players
For: Boys players born between 1995 and 1998
Note: No softball experience is needed
For more info: Tim Lyon, USA Jr Men's National Team coach, 801-244-7477 or Dave Parker, West Texas Men's Fastpitch Association, 634-6474 or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

Swimming

COM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Mabee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards or freestyle or backstroke
For more info: 664-7755

COM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
For more info: 684-7755

COM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

COM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

COM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Dive Team
When: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of COM Dive Team
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

COM Elite Dive Team
What: Highest level of COM diving. Concentrates on perfecting Olympic level skills, national and international travel
For more info: 684-7755

COM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for COM Swim Team, tryouts available by appointment
What: Emphasizes stroke correction and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

COM Adult Conditioning
What: Allows adult participation use of top quality lap pools and fitness room during specified hours
For more info: 684-7755

COM Water Walking Class
What: Unstructured, self-paced class
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

COM Senior Fitness Class
Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
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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
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Who: All ages and ability
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For: Ages 6 and up
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Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area.
For more info: Call 432-563-1333 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information.

Bush Tennis Center Youth Clinics
What: Tennis clinics for beginners to advanced players ranging from preschoolers to high school seniors. Ages 3-5, balloon tennis, ages 6-8, Quick Start (red ball), ages 9-10, Quick Start (orange and green ball), ages 11-18, junior development, all levels of adult programs
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and click on "Programs & Events" or call, 620-8180

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

WTTA/USPTA Junior Circuit
For: Boys and girls singles players, ages 10-18
When: Sept. 18, Oct. 10
Register: By the Thursday before each event
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Contact Lance or Kathy at 694-6321

Midland Tennis Club (MTC)
What: MTC is a non-profit public tennis club for all ages, all levels. Tournaments are free for members. Non-members may play by paying a tournament fee.
When: Sept. 14-15, Sept. 21-22; Nov. 16-17
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual dues: $65 Adults, $30 Youths, $140 Families
Call: 687-4046 or 563-1333 to join

Midland College tennis classes
When: Tuesdays and Thursdays 12:30 to 1:50 p.m.
Where: Midland College
For more info: Midland College 685-4500 or Lance Armstrong 687-4046

Youth Clinics
When: For children 4-8 years of age (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 3:30 to 4 p.m.) and 9-15 years of age (Mondays and Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: 687-4046

Midland Women's Tennis Association fall league
For more info: 689-4340

Walking

Midland Walkabout AVA Club Meetings
When: Fun Walks, 10K, 3rd Saturday morning of the month; Monthly meeting 3rd Sunday at 5 p.m.
Where: Fun Walks, vary; meetings in Room 227, First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave.
Who: All ages
For more info: Call Alex Rose 687-2588 or go to www.midlandwalkabout.org

Tony Stewart to miss rest of season

By Dan Gelston
Associated Press

Three-time Cup champion Tony Stewart will miss the rest of the season because of broken right leg. He will be replaced in the Stewart-Haas No. 14 Chevrolet by Austin Dillon and Mark Martin.

Stewart is expected to return in time for preseason testing in January 2014.

Martin was granted his release Monday from Michael Waltrip Racing to join SHS. He will drive the No. 14 this weekend at Bristol and in 11 other races.


Stewart

Dillon will race Oct. 20 at Talladega. Dillon filled in for Stewart on Sunday at Michigan and finished 14th.

Stewart broke his right leg in a sprint car crash Aug. 5 at Southern Iowa Speedway.

"Obviously, I'm disappointed to be out," Stewart said in a statement. "But the team is in very good hands with Mark Martin and Austin Dillon. Mark is someone I've looked up to my entire career and I have a tremendous amount of respect for him. Austin is a great young talent, and he showed that Sunday at Michigan."

Greg Zipadelli, competition director at Stewart-Haas Racing, said Stewart needed to focus on his health and be ready to return next season.

Brian Vickers will now drive the No. 55 Toyota for MWR in 12 of the final 13 races. He was originally scheduled to drive just three more times. Michael Waltrip will race the No. 55 at Talladega as previously scheduled.

Waltrip said Martin achieved all of the goals both he and the team set when he began a 24-race schedule in the No. 55 in 2012.

"With Mark, we accomplished everything we hoped to when he came to this organization, which was bringing that winning confidence to the team, the experience to help elevate our program and ultimately find the full-time driver for the future who can race for a NASCAR Sprint Cup championship," said Waltrip, a two-time Daytona 500 champion.

Martin has 40 wins and 56 poles in 870 career Sprint Cup starts.

MWR announced last week that Vickers will drive the No. 55 Toyota for a full Sprint Cup schedule beginning next season.

"No one wants to see Tony out of the 14, but I am appreciative of the opportunity to get more seat time in the 55 as a result," Vickers said.

Martin will be the third driver in the No. 14 this season. Max Papis drove Toyota in Stewart's absence at Watkins Glen.

The No. 14 car is 13th in the owner standings.

"For the No. 14 team, our focus is on positioning them for a run at the owner championship," Zipadelli said. "Mark Martin and Austin Dillon give us the best opportunity to do that, and we certainly appreciate Michael Waltrip Racing and Richard Childress Racing for making Mark and Austin available to us."

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Extreme Weight Loss "Ashley" Ashley carries around extra weight and lots of guilt. (N)				Body of Proof "Disappearing Act"		KMID News	(:35) Jimmy Kimmel Live		(:35) News Nightline
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	7 News	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Shiva"		NCIS: Los Angeles "Rude Awakenings"		Person of Interest "Critical"		CBS 7 News	(:35) Letterman Louis C.K., John Legend (N)		(:35) Late Late
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Sein. "The Airport"	Rules "3rd Wheel"	Whose Line Is It?	Whose Line Is It?	Capture "Angel With a Broken Wing" (N)		Cops	Seinfeld	Rules "Jeff Day"	That '70s Show	King of Queens	'Til Death
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	So You Think You Can Dance "Top Eight Perform, Two Eliminated" (N)				The Simpsons	Met Your Mother	Met Your Mother	Loves Ray	Law & Order: Criminal Intent	
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Doorways to Wisdom		Update News	Dr. Alewine	Light of the Southwest				Shepherd's Heart		Ministerios Nueva Vida	
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KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Life of Muhammad "The Seeker" (N)		Life of Muhammad "The Holy Wars" (N)		Life of Muhammad "The Holy Peace" (N)		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX	340	65		165		(5:05) The Snow ...		★★ Love and a .45 ('94, Cri) Gil Bellows.				★★★ Reservoir Dogs			(:40) ★ The Rich Man's Wife		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(:15) ★★ The Hangover Part II				Real Sports (N)		Hard Knocks		The Newsroom		True Blood	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(:15) Mary and Martha Sam Claflin.				The Newsroom		★★ The Five-Year Engagement				(:10) Boxing After Dark	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:25) Beasts of t...		The Sopranos		Sherlock Holmes: A Game of Shadows				(:15) The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel			
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:20) Assault on...		(:15) Taken 2 ('12, Act) Liam Neeson.				★★ Hide and Seek			(:45) Strike Back		JumpOff
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15) I Still Know What You Did Last Su...				StrikeBk	(:50) ★★★★ American History X				SexGame	(:20) Friday the ...	
PLEX			96			(5:50) The Imaginarium of Dr. Parnassus				It Could Happen to You			(:45) ★★ Opportunity Knocks				Carrie
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	(5:15) ★★★★ The Ninth Gate			★★★ Born on the Fourth of July Tom Cruise.					Therapy	Dexter		Donovan
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:00) ★★ Twins		★★ Man on the Moon Jim Carrey.				★★★★ The Big Lebowski Jeff Bridges.				Trainspotting	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage Wars	Storage NY (N)	Storage NY (N)	Barter "Clowning Around in Utah" (N)		Barter Kings "Puppy Love"		Storage Wars	Storage Wars
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(5:30) ★★★ Demolition Man				★★ Erin Brockovich ('00, True) Aaron Eckhart, Julia Roberts.						A League of The...	
BET	58	26		40		★★ White Chicks ('04, Com) Shawn Wayans.					Game	Game (N)	Game	Husbands	Husbands	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Housewives NJ		Interior "Odd Couple"		Interior Therapy (N)		Bidding	Listing "Last Laugh"		Property	Interior Therapy	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		American Greed		American Greed		Profit "Eco-Me" (N)		Mad Money		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		A. Cooper 360		OutFront		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Amish Mafia		Amish Mafia		Amish Mafia (N)		Tickle (N)	Porter (N)	Amish "Prodigal Son"		Tickle	Porter
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	A.N.T.	Jessie	Phineas and Ferb		A.N.T.	Austin	Shake Up	GoodLuck	Jessie	A.N.T.	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	ESPN All Access (N)		Nine for IX (N)		Poker World Series		Poker World Series		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	SportsCenter Special		Baseball Little League World Series (L)				WNBA Basketball Los Angeles vs Seattle (L)				Baseball Tonight (L)	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Pretty Little Liars		Pretty Little Liars (N)		Twisted (N)		The Vineyard (N)		The 700 Club		The Vineyard	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity		On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		Hannity	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped		Cutthroat Kitchen		Chopped	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Hall of Fame	Pre-game (L)	MLB Baseball Houston Astros vs. Texas Rangers Site: Rangers Ballpark -- Arlington, Texas (L)						Rangers Live (L)	SportsDay OnAir	Fox Sports Live (L)	
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HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Property	Property	Power Brokers (N)		HouseH	House (N)	Renovate	Renovate	Power Brokers	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pwn Star	Pawn Star	Pwn Star	Pwn Star	SwampMn	SwampMn	SwampMn	SwampMn	Hatfield	Hatfield	Pwn Star	Pwn Star
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Dance Moms "The Dancing Dead"		Dance Moms "Gone, Abby Gone"		Dance Moms (N)		Double Divas (N)	Double Divas (N)	Double Divas	Double Divas	Dance Moms "Gone, Abby Gone"	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	39				Fight	Fight	Mixed Martial Arts World Series of Fighting				Mixed Martial Arts World Series of Fighting				EPL Soccer	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Hathaway	Victorious	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Nanny	Nanny	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Ink Master		Ink Master		Ink Master		Ink Master (N)		Tattoo (N)	Tattoo	Ink Master	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Cosplay	Face Off			Face Off (N)		Heroes Cosplay (N)		Face Off		Heroes of Cosplay	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Sein. "The Statue"	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan Jim Gaffigan, Zach Galifianakis		The Office	Conan
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:15) Saratoga		★★★★ Gone With the Wind (1939, Epic) Clark Gable, Olivia De Havilland, Vivien Leigh.								Show Boat	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Dama y Obrero		Marido en Alquiler		Santa Diabla		Al rojo	Decision	Marido en Alquiler	
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TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "A Rose for Everafter"		Rizzoli & Isles "Cold as Ice"		Rizzoli & Isles (N)		Perception "Wounded" (N)		Rizzoli "No One Mourns the Wicked"		Perception "Wounded"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	MASH	MASH	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Law & Order: S.V.U. "Coerced"		Law & Order: S.V.U. "Persona"		Covert Affairs "Space (I Believe In)" (N)		Suits "The Other Time" (N)		Graceland "Bag Man"		Covert Affairs "Space (I Believe In)"	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		★★ Dumb and Dumberer: When Harry Met Lloyd ('03, Com) Eric Christian Olsen.				WGN News at Nine		America's Funniest Home Videos		Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.

Andretti talking to Montoya about IndyCar return

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

Michael Andretti is trying to find a sponsor to bring Juan Pablo Montoya back to IndyCar with Andretti Autosport.

"I have talked to Juan about IndyCar and told him 'Hell yeah, let's find a way to put something together,' " Andretti told The Associated Press on Monday. "I've driven against him and I think he's one of the best drivers I've ever driven against. It just comes down to sponsorship. So we're looking, and if it's a possibility, we want to do something with him."

Andretti only had conversations with Montoya last week after the Colombian learned from Chip Ganassi that he wouldn't be re-signed to Ganassi's NASCAR team for an eighth season. Montoya has been out of open wheel racing since he left Formula One in 2006 to rejoin Ganassi in NASCAR, and he's not ruling out any series now that he's looking for work.

He told AP on Monday a return to IndyCar isn't out of the question, but wouldn't reveal what teams he's spoken to so far.

Montoya won 11 races in 1999 and 2000 in CART driving for Ganassi, including the 1999 CART championship and the 2000 Indianapolis 500. Montoya and Andretti raced against each other those two seasons, with Andretti winning three races in that span. The two waged one of the most memorable battles in series history, with Montoya coming out on top as the two nearly banged wheels racing side-by-side at 230 mph to the finish line at Michigan International Speedway in 2000.

Andretti believes that Montoya's return to IndyCar would be a huge lift for the series.

"I think he could bring what he brought the last time — it seemed like when he raced, half the stands were full of flags supporting him," Andretti said. "When he first got to NASCAR, he had a huge effect there. He brings a huge crowd, a huge support. He's a big personality, and he could be a good personality for IndyCar because he definitely has that 'don't give a (crap) attitude.' "

Where Montoya fits into the Andretti lineup remains to be seen because the marketing arm is still working behind the scenes to finalize the 2014 lineup.

The biggest piece of the puzzle is James Hinchcliffe, a three-time IndyCar winner this season and breakthrough star in the final year of his two-year deal. Andretti Autosport much wants Hinchcliffe back, but an offer is contingent on a commitment from sponsor GoDaddy.

While Andretti waits, Hinchcliffe is currently free to negotiate with other teams in the paddock.

"It's all going to come down to GoDaddy and if they are going to play or not. They love Hinch, we love Hinch, but GoDaddy needs to decide if the return on their investment is there or not," Andretti said. "So we're just waiting and Hinch is allowed to be talking to other teams. He's not said that he wants to leave, but it's only fair for him to be allowed to see what's out there because we don't want him to be left with nothing. That's not fair to him, that's not fair to the series."

Hinchcliffe's deal is not tied to Andretti working out a deal with Montoya, he said.

"There's still a possibility of running five cars," Andretti said. "I think we can do it no problem, so long as we have a properly funded deal."

The organization is also still trying to put together a deal for next season with Carlos Munoz, the Colombian who grew up a Montoya fan and finished second in the Indianapolis 500 in his IndyCar debut. He doesn't have a deal yet in place for 2014 with E.J. Viso.

"We have a lot of irons in the fire," Andretti said. "If a sponsor falls out of the sky for Juan, then we don't know what we'd do to make it all work."

Prosecution: Woman screamed, then Pistorius fired

By Gerald Imray
Associated Press

PRETORIA, South Africa — A woman screamed and then there was silence, according to South African prosecutors pressing a premeditated murder case against Oscar Pistorius. Next, the indictment said, witnesses heard gunshots and more screaming at the home of the Paralympic champion, who said he shot his girlfriend by mistake on Valentine's Day.

The sequence of events outlined Monday could bolster an argument that the double-amputee Olympian was intent on killing Reeva Steenkamp after an altercation and was not reacting fearfully to what he thought was an intrusion in his home, as he has said. Prosecutors revealed a list of more than 100 witnesses, some of whom live in the gated community where she was killed.

Pistorius wept and prayed in court as he held hands with his brother and sister before being served with the indictment. The athlete will face an additional charge of illegal possession of ammunition when his blockbuster trial starts on March 3 in a court in the South African capital, Pretoria.

The indictment in the Pretoria Magistrate's Court yielded new details about how prosecutors will pursue a case that has gripped the world because of the celebrity status of Pistorius, who overcame his disability to become a global phenomenon, only to see his name and accomplishments tarnished by his role in a violent death. The timing of the indictment was melancholic because Steenkamp would have celebrated her 30th birthday Monday.

The main charge laid by prosecutors carries a mandatory sentence of life imprisonment with a minimum of 25 years in prison if Pistorius is convicted. The prosecution's allusion to a possible fight between the couple at Pistorius' villa before the shooting raises the possibility of a motive.


Pistorius

Pistorius denies committing murder and said he mistook Steenkamp for a dangerous nighttime intruder. He said he thought she was in bed when he fired four shots through the locked toilet door, and only shouted at her to call the police before realizing what had happened. Steenkamp was hit three times by the shots.

Prosecutors also said in the indictment papers that Pistorius shot "with the intention to kill a person," and even if his story is found to be true, he was still guilty of murder. That secondary argument seemingly allows for the possibility that Pistorius could escape the more serious charge of premeditated murder, but still be convicted of murder without premeditation, which carries a sentence of 15 years in prison.

South Africa does not have the death penalty.

The state hinted that its case would hinge on the witnesses who say they heard a woman scream before the gunshots inside the gated complex in the pre-dawn hours of Feb. 14.

"Some of the state witnesses heard a woman scream, followed by moments of silence, then heard gunshots and then more screaming," the prosecution said in the 11-page indictment.

The court set March 3-20 as the trial dates. Prosecutors submitted a list of 107 witnesses who they can call at the trial, including members of Pistorius' own family: His uncle Arnold, sister Aimee and brother Carl. Also listed were people who lived or worked in the gated community where Steenkamp was killed, as well as police officers, paramedics, doctors and friends of Steenkamp.

In some more new detail, prosecutors said the 29-year-old Steenkamp died just after 3 a.m. on Feb. 14 of multiple gunshot wounds, according to the autopsy.

Pistorius, 26, wore a dark suit on Monday and had longer hair than during his last appearance in June. The athlete wiped away tears with a tissue before he sat in the dock with his head bowed.

Just feet away, some of Steenkamp's friends also sat in Courtroom C. They had earlier told South African media that she had planned to go to Las Vegas to celebrate her 30th birthday.

Pistorius stood and spoke twice during the proceedings, first responding to the magistrate's question at the start on whether he was OK by saying: "Under the circumstances, ja (yes)."

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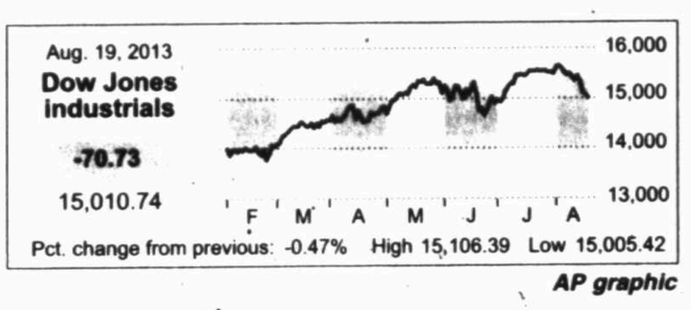

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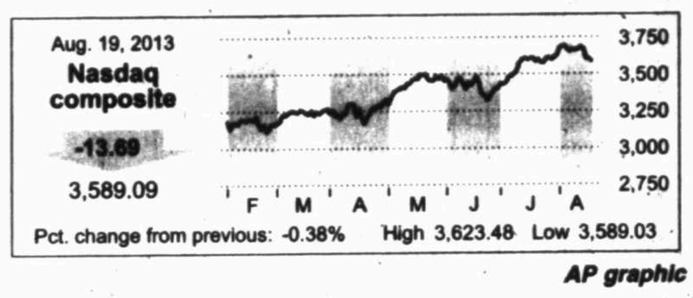

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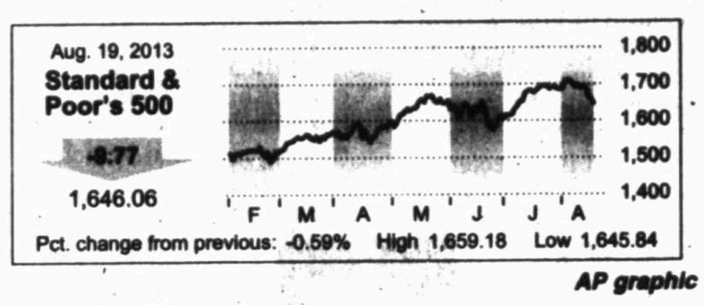

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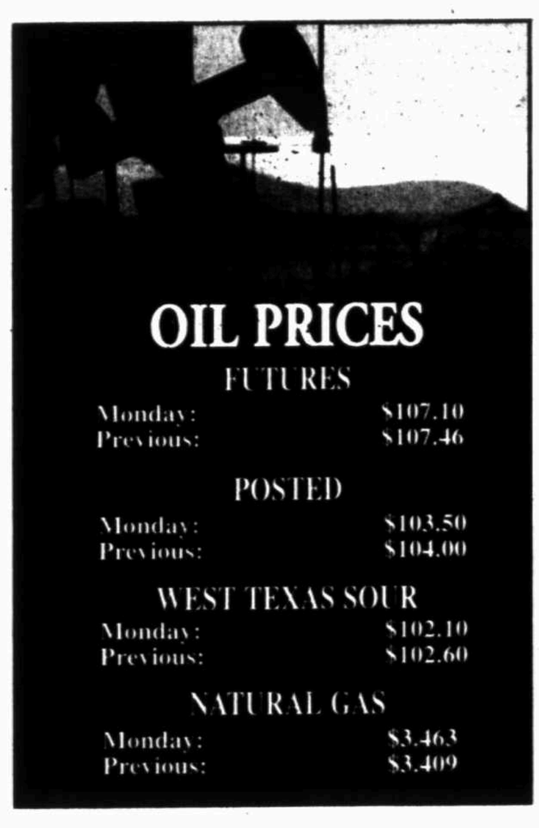

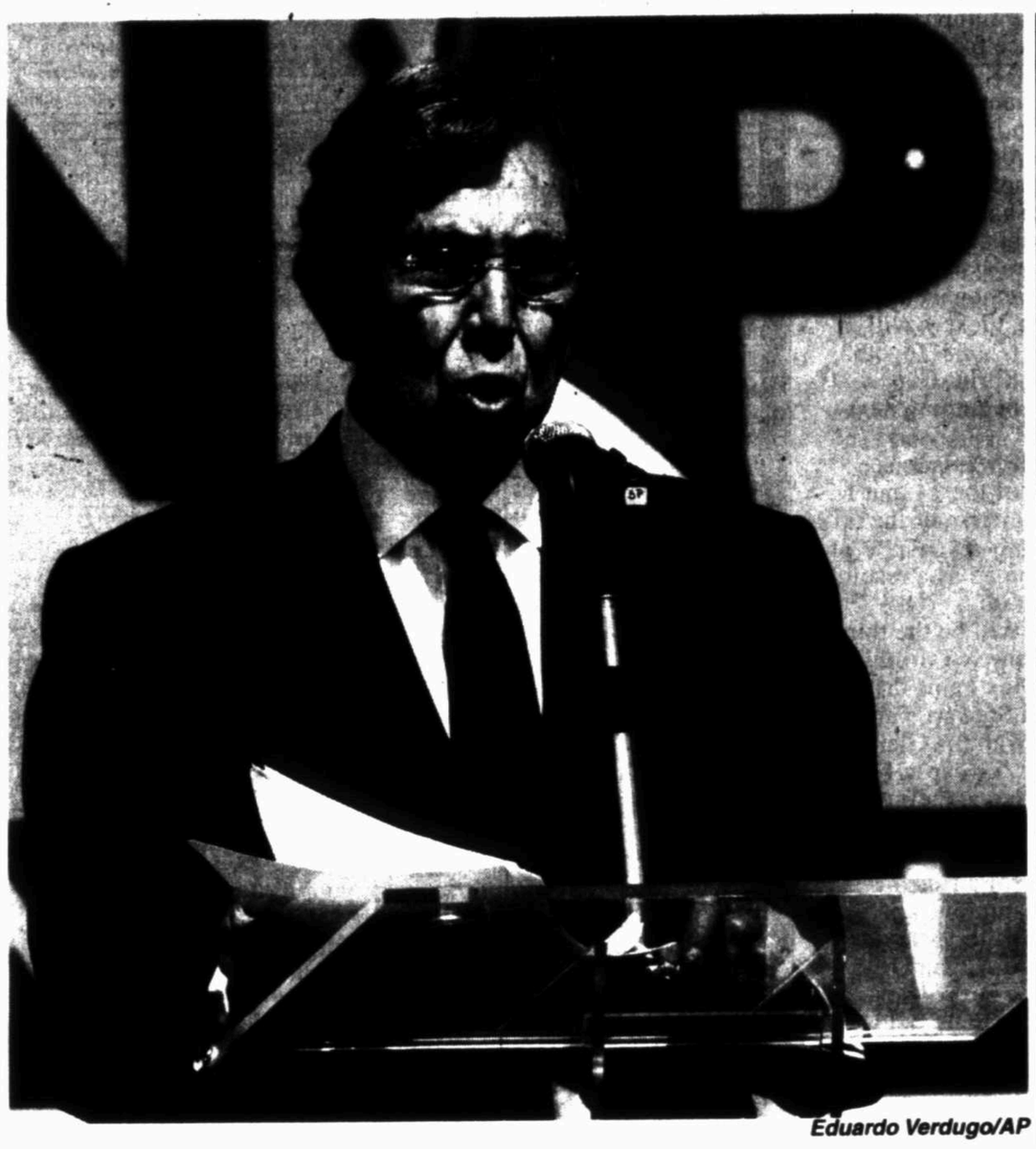

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A founder of the Party of the Democratic Revolution, PRD, Cuauhtemoc Cardenas presents his party's proposed energy reform at the Monument of the Revolution in Mexico City, Monday.

Pemex to form company to explore for oil in US

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Mexico's state-owned oil company says it will form a new entity to explore and produce shale gas and deep-water oil in U.S. territory.

The plan will help Petroleos Mexicanos, known as Pemex, acquire drilling techniques it now lacks for complicated terrain in Mexico, chief executive Emilio Lozoya said in an interview with the Wall Street Journal.

Pemex confirmed the plan Monday.

"The geology is similar and we can benefit from numerous areas of collaboration with international oil companies," Lozoya said.

Pemex has so far been unable to exploit its shale and deep-water reserves, and the Mexican constitution limits its ability to hire outside expertise in Mexico. The government has proposed allowing Pemex to enter profit-sharing contracts with private companies and let outside companies refine and transport oil inside the country.

That would require politically controversial changes to the constitution, which states that Mexico's oil belongs to the state.

Mexico's largest leftist party is leading opposition to opening up Pemex to more private investment as a way to reverse its declining production.

On Monday, the Democratic Revolution Party, or PRD, presented its own plan to fix the ailing, outdated oil company without constitutional changes or a greater role for private companies.

Instead, the PRD is proposing to loosen the government's stranglehold over revenues from Pemex, where 70 percent of profits go to fund the federal budget.

Party founder and former presidential candidate Cuauhtemoc Cardenas also said Pemex should be made more indepedent by removing Cabinet secretaries and the oil workers union from the Pemex board seats they now hold.

Cardenas is the son of the late President Lazaro Cardenas, who nationalized the oil industry in 1938.

Mexico's oil production has dropped by about one-quarter over the last decade.

Oil falls near $107

The price of oil fell for the first time in more than a week Monday, slipping near $107 a barrel.

By early afternoon in Europe, benchmark oil for September delivery fell 36 cents to close at $107.10 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract rose $4.06, or 4 percent, over the prior six trading sessions.

Meanwhile, pump prices held steady. At $3.54 a gallon, the average price for a gallon of gasoline is 13 cents cheaper than a month ago and 18 cents less expensive than at this time last year.

The situation in Egypt has supported higher oil prices. The country has been wracked by ongoing clashes between supporters of ousted President Mohammed Morsi and the military-backed government. Nearly 900 people have died in the violence so far.

Egypt is not a major oil exporter, but there is concern that an escalation in fighting could spread to neighboring countries or disrupt the Suez Canal, a major trade route.

Traders are also waiting for clear signals from the U.S. Federal Reserve on monetary policy.

Gold falls

December gold fell $5.30, or 0.4 percent, to $1,365.70 an ounce. Silver for September delivery dropped 15.6 cents, or 0.7 percent, to $23.17 an ounce.

Copper for September dropped 3.1 cents, or $3.332 per pound. Palladium for the same month fell $10.15, or 1.3 percent, to $752.90 an ounce. Platinum for October fell $18.60, or 1.2 percent, to $1,509 an ounce.

NYSE

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	962677	14.15	-.27
S&P500ETF	846173	164.77	-1.06
iShEMkts	498765	38.56	-.74
SPDR Fncl	372753	19.76	-.26
Annaly	322160	10.66	-.61

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
DB AgriLg	15.30	+2.63	+20.8
HarvNRes	4.70	+.76	+19.3
BitautoH	14.36	+1.50	+11.7
SouFun	40.26	+4.09	+11.3
AcornIntl	2.32	+.21	+10.0

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
CobaltIEn	24.90	-4.47	-15.2
DrxIndiaBl	9.24	-1.40	-13.2
InterOil g	63.30	-8.40	-11.7
JinkoSolar	12.88	-1.54	-10.7
GoodrPet	20.85	-2.31	-10.0

DIARY

Advanced	587
Declined	2,539
Unchanged	72
Total issues	3,198
New Highs	17
New Lows	487
Volume	2,861,160,357

AMEX

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
B2gold g	81437	2.86	-.44
InovioPhm	48148	1.36	-.08
NwGold g	44827	7.49	-.26
AlldNevG	32458	4.28	-.21
Organovo	25436	6.10	+.23

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InoOpR	5.37	+.67	+14.3
MexcoEn	7.00	+.85	+13.8
BovieMed	2.91	+.31	+11.9
Arrhythm	2.57	+.27	+11.7
OronEngy	3.47	+.31	+9.8

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
B2gold g	2.86	-.44	-13.3
CT Ptrs	4.36	-.61	-12.3
Reeds	5.14	-.41	-7.9
UraniumEn	2.31	-.13	-5.3
SL Ind	24.28	-1.33	-5.2

DIARY

Advanced	150
Declined	271
Unchanged	19
Total issues	440
New Highs	9
New Lows	50
Volume	88,255,001

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 OR MORE)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	559886	37.81	+.73
Intel	423980	22.28	+.37
Cisco	386848	24.27	...
SiriusXM	345560	3.61	-.09
PwShs QQQ	277631	75.35	-.14

GAINERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
e-Future	3.81	+.97	+34.2
EdwardsGp	10.00	+1.55	+18.3
IntrntGold	6.47	+.73	+12.7
MannKd	6.37	+.60	+10.4
PranaBio	4.55	+.42	+10.2

LOSERS ($2 OR MORE)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Galectin wt	4.00	-1.45	-26.6
ChinaAuto	6.07	-1.25	-17.1
nTelos	15.27	-2.96	-16.2
RenewEn	12.88	-2.23	-14.8
TOP Ships	2.00	-.34	-14.5

DIARY

Advanced	756
Declined	1,772
Unchanged	88
Total issues	2,616
New Highs	48
New Lows	52
Volume	1,397,765,828

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $48.60 Down 2.28

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $92.41 Down 1.91

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $35.88 Down 0.99

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $39.35 Down 0.09

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $26.72 Down 0.20

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.00 Up 0.85

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $25.25 Down 0.08

Ring Energy (RNGE)
Closing Price $14.00 Up 0.20

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	25	33.79	-.39	+.2
Abraxas	...	...	**2.60**	**-.03**	**+18.7**
AdamsEx	**.67e**	...	**12.01**	**-.13**	**+13.4**
AMD	...	...	3.60	-.06	+50.0
Alcoa	.12	29	7.94	-.18	-8.5
AlonUSA	.24a	6	11.21	-.28	-38.0
AlphaNRs	...	...	5.73	-.32	-41.2
ACapAgy	4.20m	3	20.43	-1.39	-29.3
AmIntlGrp	.40	26	46.32	-.78	+31.2
Amgen	**1.88**	**18**	**104.47**	**-.44**	**+21.2**
Anadarko	**.72f**	**26**	**88.95**	**-2.57**	**+19.7**
Annaly	1.80e	3	10.66	-.61	-24.1
Apache	**.80**	**12**	**75.37**	**-3.62**	**-4.0**
Apple Inc	12.20	13	507.74	+5.41	-4.6
ApldMatl	**.40**	**...**	**15.55**	**-.07**	**+35.9**
ArchCoal	.12	...	4.27	-.22	-41.7
ArmourRsd	.84	2	3.78	-.34	-41.6
ATMOS	**1.40**	**16**	**41.34**	**-.28**	**+17.7**
AutoData	1.74	25	71.90	+.01	+26.3
BP PLC	**2.16**	**14**	**41.10**	**-.22**	**-1.3**
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	15.87	+.20	+3.9
BakrHu	.60	20	46.44	-.42	+13.7
BkofAm	.04	25	14.15	-.27	+21.9
BariPVix rs	...	...	15.39	+.42	-51.6
BarrickG	.20m	...	19.23	-.10	-45.1
BasicEnSv	...	...	11.30	-.36	-1.0
BerkHa A	**...**	**171715**	**01.00-1621.00**		**+27.9**
BerryPet	**.32**	**15**	**41.25**	**-.15**	**+23.0**
BlkHillsCp	**1.52**	**17**	**49.92**	**-.67**	**+37.4**
BlackBerry	...	...	10.32	-.19	-13.1
BrMySq	**1.40**	**51**	**41.95**	**+.27**	**+30.1**
BrownFA	**1.02a**	**26**	**70.50**	**+.75**	**+14.6**
BrownFB	**1.02a**	**25**	**69.27**	**+.52**	**+9.5**
CVS Care	.90	17	58.45	-.12	+20.9
Cameron	...	18	55.20	-.79	-2.2
Caterpillar	2.40f	14	84.20	-.96	-6.0
Celestic g	...	23	10.64	-.11	+30.6
CntryLink	2.16	19	32.56	-.36	-16.8
ChesEng	.35	...	24.77	-.23	+49.0
Chevron	**4.00**	**9**	**118.66**	**-1.22**	**+9.7**
Chicos	.22	15	15.72	-.16	-14.8
Chimera	.36	...	2.92	-.04	+11.9
Cimarex	.56	17	78.45	-1.51	+35.9
Cisco	.68	13	24.27	...	+23.5
Citigroup	.04	13	49.33	-1.02	+24.7
ClayEng	**...**	**...**	**48.60**	**-2.28**	**+21.5**
CobaltIEn	...	...	24.90	-4.47	+1.4
CocaCola	**1.12**	**21**	**38.78**	**-.27**	**+7.0**
ColeREI n	.72f	...	11.30	+.08	+3.7
ColgPalm s	**1.36**	**25**	**59.15**	**-.32**	**+13.2**
ConAgra	**1.00**	**16**	**34.91**	**+.13**	**+18.3**
ConchoRes	**...**	**49**	**92.41**	**-1.91**	**+14.7**
ConocoPhil	**2.76f**	**11**	**65.83**	**-1.55**	**+13.5**
CrackerB	3.00f	20	99.05	-1.19	+54.1
CrosTim	**1.98e**	**14**	**28.23**	**+.13**	**+4.9**
DCP Mid	2.84f	21	48.66	-.09	+16.6
DTE	2.62	18	67.16	-.43	+11.8
Dataram rs	...	...	3.04	+.06	+53.5
Dawson	**...**	**20**	**35.88**	**-.09**	**+36.0**
Dell Inc	.32	18	13.79	-.03	+36.0
DevonE	**.88**	**...**	**56.44**	**-.94**	**+8.5**
DxGldBll rs	...	...	8.77	-.50	-84.0
Disney	**.75f**	**19**	**61.83**	**-.34**	**+24.2**
DowChm	**1.28**	**40**	**36.63**	**-.26**	**+13.3**
DryShips	...	...	1.92	-.12	+20.0
EMC Cp	.40	21	25.73	-.15	+1.7
EOG Res	**.75**	**42**	**152.69**	**-2.80**	**+26.4**
EmpDist	**1.00**	**15**	**21.62**	**-.43**	**+6.1**
Energen	.58	19	65.34	-.99	+44.9
EngyTsfr	3.58	11	50.76	-.14	+18.2
EnPro	**...**	**31**	**57.98**	**-.52**	**+41.8**
EntPrPt	2.72f	21	58.52	-.77	+16.9
Ericsson	.43e	...	12.14	-.17	+20.2
ExterranH	**...**	**11**	**27.78**	**-.33**	**+26.7**
ExxonMbl	**2.52**	**9**	**86.92**	**-.99**	**+.4**
Facebook	...	...	37.81	+.73	+42.0
FordM	.40	11	16.12	-.18	+24.5
ForestOil	...	16	5.28	-.01	-21.1
FMCG	1.25a	11	30.93	-.61	-9.6
FrozenFd h	**...**	**...**	**2.08**	**-.01**	**+133.7**
GATX	**1.24**	**17**	**44.58**	**-.33**	**+3.0**
GTx Inc	...	...	1.43	-2.72	-66.0
GabMultT	**.80**	**...**	**9.24**	**-.16**	**+17.7**
GAInv	**2.00e**	**...**	**32.78**	**-.20**	**+17.8**
GenElec	**.76**	**17**	**23.85**	**-.10**	**+13.6**
Gerdau	.03e	...	7.10	+.34	-21.0
GtPlainEn	**.87**	**14**	**22.46**	**-.29**	**+10.6**
Groupon	...	...	9.50	-.11	+95.5
HalconRes	...	34	4.76	-.31	-31.2
HallibrTn	.50	17	46.65	-.30	+34.5
HewlettP	.58	...	25.88	-.54	+81.6
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	42.49	-.65	-24.0
iShJapan	.15e	...	11.32	-.03	+16.1
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	36.06	-.10	-10.9
iShEMkts	.77e	...	38.56	-.74	-13.1
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	61.25	-.44	+7.7
iShR2K	1.75e	...	100.65	-1.03	+19.4
iShREst	2.49e	...	60.97	-.84	-5.7
IntegrysE	2.72	14	57.82	-.90	+10.7
Intel	**.90**	**12**	**22.28**	**+.37**	**+8.1**
InterDig	.40a	6	35.57	+.04	-13.4
JPMorgCh	1.52f	9	51.83	-1.46	+18.7
JohnJn	**2.64**	**20**	**90.45**	**+1.08**	**+29.0**
KimbClk	**3.24**	**20**	**94.60**	**-.34**	**+12.0**
KindME	5.28f	29	81.42	-.69	+2.0
KindMM	5.28f	50	78.62	-.87	+4.2
Kinross g	...	...	5.71	-.21	-41.3
LegacyRes	2.32f	...	26.72	-.20	+12.3
Lubys	**...**	**35**	**7.98**	**+.03**	**+19.3**
MannKd	...	...	6.37	+.60	+175.8
MktVGold	.46e	...	29.23	-.56	-37.0
McDnlds	3.08	18	95.48	+.45	+8.2
Merck	1.72	26	47.58	-.12	+16.2
MeritMed	**...**	**45**	**13.03**	**-.13**	**-6.3**
MexcoEn	...	...	7.00	+.85	+8.7
MicronT	...	...	13.80	-.21	+117.7
Microsoft	.92	12	31.39	-.41	+17.5
Nabors	.16	36	15.53	-.10	+7.5
NatGrid	**3.16e**	**...**	**57.20**	**-.40**	**-.4**
NOilVarco	1.04	13	70.98	-1.75	+3.8
NvMAd	**.80a**	**...**	**11.97**	**+.04**	**-21.3**
NvPMI	**.88**	**...**	**12.11**	**+.08**	**-18.8**
NuvPI	**.86**	**...**	**11.96**	**+.11**	**-20.1**
NSTFI3	**.63a**	**...**	**12.26**	**+.02**	**-16.1**
NTXQI	**.70**	**...**	**13.27**	**-.21**	**-16.2**
OcclPet	**2.56**	**16**	**86.11**	**-.40**	**+12.4**
Oracle	.48f	14	32.06	-.35	-3.8
Pandora	...	...	21.17	+.83	+130.6
PerTech	**...**	**...**	**4.35**	**+.05**	**-11.2**
ParkDri	**...**	**...**	**5.75**	**+.04**	**+25.0**
PattUTI	**.20**	**14**	**19.18**	**-.39**	**+3.0**
Penney	...	...	13.22	-.18	-32.9
PennaRE	**.72**	**...**	**17.73**	**-.61**	**+.5**
Prmian	.76e	18	13.35	...	+8.9
PetrbrsA	.77e	...	14.90	-.13	-22.8
Petrobras	.27e	...	14.13	-.30	-27.4
Pfizer	**.96**	**15**	**28.46**	**+.09**	**+13.5**
PvcNtrl	.08	47	166.36	-3.93	+56.1
PlainsAA s	**2.35f**	**18**	**51.48**	**-.86**	**+13.8**
PwShs QQQ	.94e	...	75.35	-.14	+15.7
Praxair	**2.40**	**21**	**117.24**	**-.65**	**+7.1**
PrmEgy	**...**	**10**	**46.20**	**...**	**+100.9**
ProctGam	**2.41**	**21**	**79.59**	**-.31**	**+17.2**
PulteGrp	.20	21	15.65	-.63	-13.8
RangeRs	.16	...	75.67	-1.99	+20.4
RegionsFn	.12	12	9.68	-.16	+35.8
RiteAid	...	...	3.40	-.12	+150.0
Rowan	...	21	35.09	-.61	+12.2
RoyDShllA	3.60	8	63.80	-.20	-7.5
SpdrDJIA	3.52e	...	149.74	-.76	+14.7
S&P500ETF	3.33e	...	164.77	-1.06	+15.7
SabnR	3.63e	15	51.42	-.02	+29.2
SanderFm	**.68**	**30**	**72.40**	**-.10**	**+52.3**
SandRdge	**...**	**...**	**5.07**	**-.14**	**-20.2**
Sapient	**...**	**30**	**14.92**	**-.23**	**+41.3**
Schlmbrg	1.25	16	80.41	-1.51	+16.0
SiderurNac	.38e	...	3.69	+.19	-37.5
SigmaAld	**.86**	**22**	**83.59**	**-.54**	**+13.6**
SiriusXM	.05e	52	3.61	-.09	+24.9
Smucker	2.32f	22	109.06	-1.26	+26.5
Sprint n	...	...	6.91	-.01	+24.5
SPDR Fncl	.31e	...	19.76	-.26	+20.6
SP Util	1.48e	...	37.22	-.32	+6.6
SunocoLog	2.40f	15	64.52	-.27	+29.7
TelefEsp	**...**	**...**	**14.23**	**-.38**	**+8.5**
Tesoro	1.00f	10	47.04	-1.76	+6.8
3M Co	2.54	18	115.61	-.29	+24.5
Torchmark	**.68**	**13**	**70.00**	**-.93**	**+35.9**
TriContl	**.71e**	**...**	**18.22**	**-.10**	**+13.5**
TylerTech	**...**	**65**	**72.76**	**-.47**	**+50.2**
UBWV	**1.24**	**18**	**28.31**	**-.22**	**+16.3**
Vale SA	.78e	...	15.22	-.15	-27.4
ValeroE	.90f	8	34.47	-.94	+1.0
VangEmg	1.56e	...	38.51	-.77	-13.5
VulcanM	**.04**	**...**	**47.74**	**-.11**	**-8.3**
Walgrn	**1.26f**	**21**	**48.52**	**-.32**	**+31.1**
WalterEn	.04m	...	11.60	-1.11	-67.7
WellsFargo	1.20	12	42.49	-.26	+24.3
WstnRefin	.72f	6	29.60	-.15	+5.0
WhitngPet	...	14	48.79	-.80	+12.5
WmsCos	1.41f	38	34.31	-.68	+4.8
XcelEngy	**1.12f**	**14**	**27.70**	**-.25**	**+3.7**
Xerox	**.23**	**11**	**10.14**	**-.16**	**+48.7**
Yahoo	...	8	26.91	-.41	+35.2

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52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
15,658.43	12,471.49	Dow Jones Industrials	15,010.74	-70.73	-.47	+14.55	+13.10
6,686.86	4,838.10	Dow Jones Transportation	6,328.63	-45.64	-.72	+19.26	+21.93
537.86	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	477.19	-4.49	-.93	+5.32	-.38
9,695.46	7,841.76	NYSE Composite	9,385.90	-79.69	-.84	+11.18	+15.96
2,509.57	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,325.07	-16.51	-.70	-1.30	-3.94
3,894.19	2,810.80	Nasdaq Composite	3,589.09	-13.69	-.38	+18.86	+16.67
1,709.67	1,343.35	S&P 500	1,646.06	-9.77	-.59	+15.42	+16.07
18,157.57	14,036.94	Wilshire 5000	17,456.80	-114.87	-.65	+16.42	+18.08
1,063.52	763.55	Russell 2000	1,013.25	-11.05	-1.08	+19.30	+24.10

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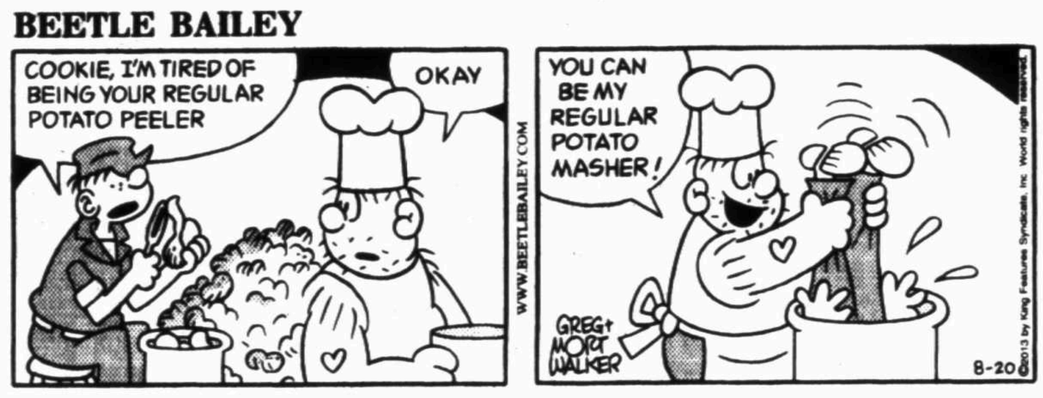

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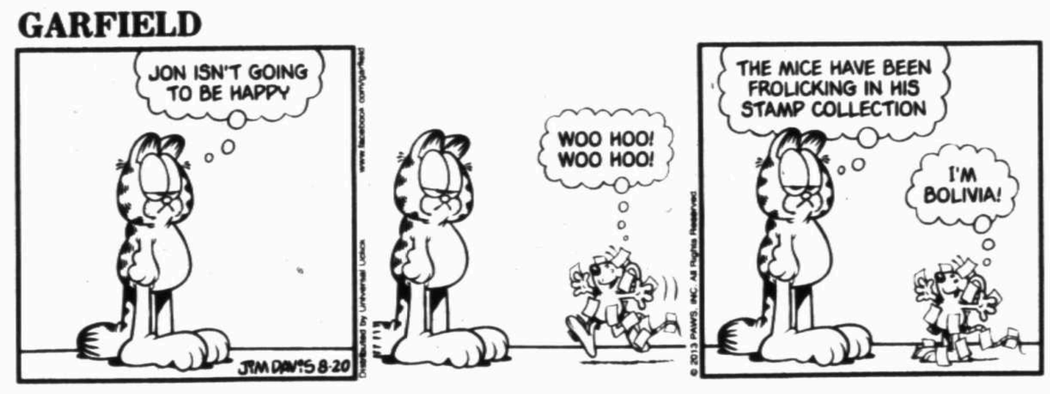

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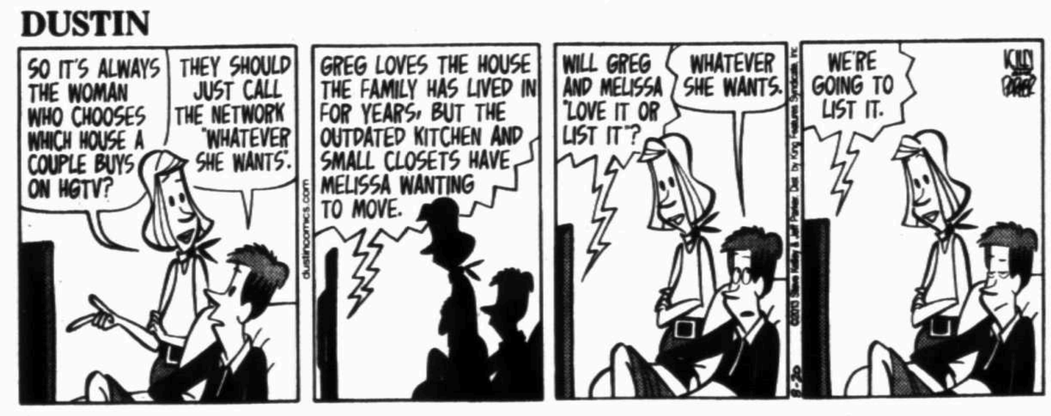

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"Notice of Sale of Personal Property to satisfy landlords lien. Per Chapter 59, Texas Property Code, contents of unit(s): Unit #35 Andrew Beeson, at Greenwood Self Storage, located at 2118 SCR 1083, Midland, TX 79706 on August 27th at 9:00 a.m. by silent auction."

General Announcements

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Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59 Texas Property Code, SecurCare Self Storage, LTD, will hold a Public Sale of Property to satisfy landlord's lien. Property will be sold to highest bidder for cash. Property must be removed immediately and space broom swept. Seller reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw property from a sale.

Friday September 6, 2013 at 10:30 A.M., SecurCare Self Storage #0215, 1010 N. Loop 250 W., Midland, Texas 79703, 432-697-5932
Auction Time: 10:30 A.M. MIDLAND, TX
168 – David Bowman: Tubs. Fan, Christmas Décor, Dryer, Misc
289 – Daniel Blanco – Remote Control Planes, Golf Clubs, Misc
294 – Ruben Saenz – Mini Fosse Ball Table, Mattress, Misc
309 – Christina Hale – Bar Stools, Table, TV, Enter Center, Misc

SecurCare Self Storage #0216, 3233 E. Highway 80, Odessa, TX 79761 432-337-0271 - Immediately following auction at 1010 N Loop 250 W. Midland
47 – Crystal Alexander – Dresser, Table, Chairs, Couch, Misc
57 – Kenyata D Johnson – Microwave, Dresser, Tubs, Misc
60 – Kourtney Scott – Clothes, Boots, Misc
110 – Ralph Mireles, Jr. - Childs Bike, Swing Set, Futon, Misc

Lost & Found

FOUND DOG, Female, black/brown puppy, Ward & Sentinel. Call 432-520-8599

FOUND FEMALE Chihuahua on Midland Dr. & Wadley. Call to identify 432-528-5905.

FOUND MALE terrier mix. Near Bluebird and Garfield on 8/11/13. Call 432-770-1963.

FOUND ON Sinclair, 8/11, young tan/white Pit Bull mix, no collar, 432-689-6316.

LOST- 9 year old male lab mix, black with white chest. Answers to Tux. Lost on south hwy 349. 661-9090

Fax Your Classified Ad In Today! 682-6999

LOST: WEDDING Rings: Gold Nugget band one diamond solitaire surrounded by 10 small diamonds. Very precious, my golden anniversary ring. Reward offered. please call 432-336-2721 or 432-244-8114 Lost in Midland, Texas

Business Center

Business Opportunity

RETIRING - 28 year old established flower shop. Great instant income. Great opportunity. Serious inquiries. $145K. apes6263@yahoo.com

Fax Your Ad 682-6999

Business Opportunity

VORTEX
Mobile Spray in bedliner business. Equipment used (1) time and is perfect. I have everything needed to spray including enough material to do 10 trucks. Parent Company is 55 years old. Our product is as good as any in the industry. I'm involved in another business and don't have the time. Selling it for $12,000. By it new for $25,000, You see it you'll own it. 432-638-2363

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Passenger Cars

1998 TOYOTA Camry, white. Good condition. Call: 432-682-4264.

Passenger Cars



2004 DODGE INTERPID, new auto engine, everything works. Good condition. $2,700. 432-599-3754 or 432-250-2271

BMW 2011 335i Coupe. LeMans blue, saddle leather, M sports package, garaged, 6900 miles, $40,900 obo. 432-349-8194.

CADILLAC 2006 DTS V8, leather. We finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6222

CHEVROLET 2005 Cavalier, white, 4 dr., 111K. Perfect! $3,750. 432-218-9941

CHEVY 2006 Corvette Coupe, 6.0L V8 automatic/standard, removable hardtop. Only 24K miles. Beautiful red exterior with black leather. Excellent condition. $30,000 OBO Serious inquiries call. 432-638-8654

CHEVY 2008 Malibu $9950. We finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6180

FORD 2011 Fiesta. Hatchback SE. 20k miles, factory warranty, $12,500. Call 432-661-5777.

FSBO 2010 Nissan, Sentra, excellent running condition 40K. $8,900 firm. Call 432-682-1569

HONDA 1999 Accord EX. 159,400 miles, Runs good, needs cosmetic repair. Asking $700 Cash 727-481-1614

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LEXUS 2006 SC430: Beautiful Pearl White, Retractible hard top convertible. fully loaded tan leather and wood interior, wheel covers and locks, spoiler and more. 122K miles. $17,000. 432-230-9476

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Passenger Cars



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WANTED!
Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars, trucks & RVs. FREE pick-up. 432-685-4078

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2003 CORVETTE Convertible - 50th Anniversary Badging. Excellent Condition, 27,000 miles. New Michelin tires, Automatic, Borla Exhaust, Heads Up. No Joy Rides! Serious Inquiries only! Call (432)-556-5479 $24,000.

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DATSUN 1977 280Z. New interior, new paint. No Rust. 2nd owner. Excellent condition, $12,000, 432-661-5777. Serious inquiries only.

Pickup Trucks

2004 FORD F-250 Crew-cab, FX-4, 4wd, blue/silver, diesel, automatic, short bed, good condition, nice tires & wheels Clean title. $13,500. Call: 915-549-4728.

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CHEVY 1990 454ss truck. Great shape. New tires, new transmission, 185K miles, runs great. All stock, won't find a better SS for my price $9250.00 firm. Serious inqiries only! call 432-967-1795

CHEVY 2006 2500HD crew cab, LT diesel, $19,599. Financing. B&B Auto 683-6180

Pickup Trucks

CHEVY 2006 Z71 Colorado, 4x2, Green. 1 owner, 70,966 all in town miles. current tags and up keep. new battery, tires and radio/CD, $14,000. 432-520-8356

CHEVY 2007 Avalanche LTZ 4X4, leather, navigation $17,999. 683-6180 or 559-4977

CHEVY 2012 Silverado 2500HD. LTZ, Z71 4x4. Duramax, 29k miles, white with tan leather. heated/cool seats. Nav, camera, engine brake, trailer brake, new tires, hard folding bed cover, B&W gooseneck and 5th wheel set up. Very nice! NADA $51,000 asking $45,000. Call 432-682-3214 or 432-559-8001.

Passenger Cars

BMW of the Permian Basin
5715 Andrews Hwy • Midland
432 522 5900

2009 BMW 528i
Alpine/ Cream Beige
Prem , Xenon, Assist & Bluetooth, 98k miles

2011 BMNW X5 50i
Jet Black / Blk
Sport Activity, Cold, Tech, Spare saver, Head up Active seats
13k miles, CPO

2013 BMW 335i Convertible
Jet Blk/Blk
Conv, Prem, Nav, SaT, Though Loading System heated seats
4k miles, DEMO

2013 BMW 535i
Dark Graphite / Blk
M sport , Tech, Prem , heated , head up display
6k miles, Service loaner

2013 BMW 528xi
Space Gray/Oyster
Prem, Heated seats, rear view camera , Nav,
4k miles, Demo

2007 GMC Yukon
Gray/Blk
Sat, Rear Seat Ent, 3rd row, 125K
Super Clean

2012 BMW 535i
Space Gray/Oyster
Prem sound, Sport , Prem.
11k miles, CPO

2012 Mercedes CLS550
Blk/Blk
Harman Kardon, Nav.,
20k miles

2012 BMW 328i Coupe
Mineral Wht/Oyster
M sport , Prem., hi- fi, nav.,12k miles

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Blk racing Stripe
Sport line, Sport Trans, Nav, Heated seats,
3k miles, Unique

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If you are trying to return an item to its rightful owner, let us help you. Call 432-682-6222 For Your Complimentary Ad!

Need some cash? Call CLASSIFIED 682-6222

DODGE 2009 Ram 3500 Quad Cab Dually LaRamie 4WD. 60k miles, diesel, gooseneck connection, new Michelin tires, black w/ tan interior, heat/cool seats, tow package, loaded, excellent condition, navigation systems. $34,500. Call 432-349-3772 after 6.

FORD 2002 F250 Crew cab, 4x4, 7.3 Diesel, good condition, 230K miles. $12,000. 432-557-2130

FORD 2003 F350 King Ranch long bed P/U. Ranch hand bumpers, BW turn over hitch. 99000 miles 7.3 Ltr Diesel. Runs good needs a sensor replaced. $14,500 OBO. (432) 260-5083

FORD 2004 F150 XLT Super crew, $9950. We finance. B&B Auto Sales 432-683-6180

FORD 2005 F-350 Crew cab, dually. Powerstroke, short bed, Lariat, FX4, 92,000 miles, excellent condition. All options plus 50 gal tank and 25,000lb Super Slide 5th wheel hitch in bed. $24,500. 432-689-2097. or 432-386-3165.

FORD 2010 F250 crew cab, Lariat, Fx4, 6.4 diesel, 24K miles. 432-559-4977.

FORD 2011 F250 crew cab $16,900. Financing avalable. B&B Auto Sales 683-6180

GMC 2004 2500, 4WD, Crew Cab Pickup. SLE pkg. 94K mi, gas, black with gray leather interior, Ranchhand front bumper/grill replacement. Good condition with new tires and rear brakes, incl. emergency brakes, $17,000. call Steve 432-559-3431

JEEP 1989 Comanche pickup truck. Long bed. 2wd-6cyl. Runs good. $1200 call 210-5054

TOYOTA 2004 Tacoma SR5. 95k miles, 1 owner. Auto, $9,500. Call 432-889-1647.

Vans & Minivans

CHEVY 2005 3500 15 passenger van $10,500. We finance. B&B auto 683-6180

CHRYSLER VAN 2006 Maroon, 56,000 miles, price $9,999, Call (325) 396-4603.

4WD & SUV

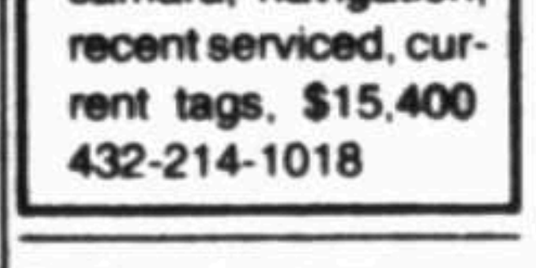
2006 PORSCHE BOXSTER Triple black beauty. Excellent condition. 5-speed. leather. 47K miles. new tires and battery. 2nd owner. adult driven. garaged. all service records. $25,000 432/385-8181

2008 GMC Acadia SLT, white with Titanium interior. Garaged. 63K miles with 80,000 miles extended warranty. Excellent condition. $19,000. Call: 432-553-9019.

CADILLAC 2007 Escalade, navigation, power running boards. B&B Auto 683-6180

CHEVROLET 2004 Suburban, 2WD, 117K mi. Rear DVD, Excellent condition, well maintained $8,500, 432-352-3310.

CHEVY 2001 Suburban. 3rd row seat. Wifes car; easy miles. Great condition, interior is immaculate, tow ing package. Ice cold A/C. Always garaged and serviced every 3,000 miles. Recent inspection and registration. $4500 obo. Call 432-352-6832.



CHEVY 2007 Suburban LTZ.
Very good condition, rear backing camara, navigation, recent serviced, current tags, $15,400 432-214-1018

CHEVY 2010 Tahoe , all power, 34K miles, garage kept. $25,000. 432-235-8816

DUNE BUGGY Project & trailer, includes engine transaxle, seats, harness and other accessories. $1,500 OBO. 210-827-7030

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF INVITATION ELIGIBLE TRAINING PROVIDER SYSTEM

This notice is an invitation to any institution interested in becoming a certified training provider for the Workforce Solutions Permian Basin under the Workforce Investment Act. The online application and instructions are found at http://tpcs.twc.state.tx.us. Interested parties may view the Permian Basin's targeted occupations by going to http://www.workforcepb.org/training.php

Questions and applications are not subject to time limit under this invitation and may be accepted at any time, on an ongoing basis.

For more information, contact Cristal Reyes at Permian Basin Workforce Development Board at 432.563.5239 or cristal.reyes@workforcepb.org.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF KATHARINE BLAIR BECK, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of KATHARINE BLAIR BECK, issued on August 13, 2013, in Cause No. P17557, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to:
OSCAR STELIN BECK and
STEVEN WAYDE BECK

The physical address of the Co-Executors is in Midland County, Texas, and the mailing address is:
c/o **Todd, Barron, Thomason, Hudman & Baxter, P.C.**
3800 East 42nd Street, Suite 409
Odessa, Texas 79762-5982

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

DATED the 13th day of August, 2013.

TODD, BARRON, THOMASON, HUDMAN & BAXTER, P.C.
3800 East 42nd Street, Suite 409
Odessa, Texas 79762-5982
432-363-2103
432-363-2152 (Fax)

By: /s/ STEVEN B. BARRON
State Bar No. 01821200
ATTORNEYS FOR THE ESTATE

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0283786
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jul 25, 2013 — Status/Permit No. 766771
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Aug 29, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 46, Bk.38 T1S, T&R RR CO / WATTS, W D Survey, A-729, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 5.29 miles E direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Aug 29, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO FILE A PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name: WHITFIELD
Lease/Unit Well No.: 3
Lease/Unit Acres: 161.6
Nearest Lease Line (ft): 512.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 1150.0

Lease Lines: 512.0 F NORTH L, 840.0 F EAST LL
Survey Lines: 2130.0 F NORTH L, 840.0 F EAST LL

As part of this applicaiton, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) PARSLEY (ATOKA), (2) BETTY SUE (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

Field rules for ALL fields on the permit applicaiton are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.
PARSLEY (ATOKA): OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres
BETTY SUE (STRAWN): OIL Statewside rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres

This well is to be drilled toa n approximate depth of 11730 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN, at (972) 969-3643.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0284018
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Aug 12, 2013 — Status/Permit No. 767346
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 16, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name: FLANAGAN 14-LLOYD POOLED UNIT
Lease/Unit Well No.: 2H
Lease/Unit Acres: 1116.8
Nearest Lease Line (ft): 100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 9.0

Lease Lines: 384.0 F NORTH L, 840.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines: 384.0 F NORTH L, 840.0F EAST L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
820.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH cOUNTY: GLASSCOCK
Section: 23 Block: 36 T2S Abstract: 385
Survey: T& P RR CO
Lease Lines: 100.0 F SOUTH L
827.0 F EAST L
100.0 F SOUTH L
827.0 F EAST L

Field rules for ALL fields on the permit applicaiton are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10404 feet.

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

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0284020
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Aug 12, 2013 — Status/Permit No. 767341
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Sep 16, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
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Lease/Unit Well No.: 1H
Lease/Unit Acres: 1116.8
Nearest Lease Line (ft): 100.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft): 193.0

Lease Lines: 384.0 F North L, 810.0 F East L
Survey Lines: 384.0 F North L, 810.0 F East L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 200.0 F NORTH L
467.0 F EAST L

Terminus Location
BH County: GLASSCOCK
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SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 467/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 9107 feet.

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

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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Accounts Payable

Well Established Oil Well Servicing Company, seeking to fill an Accounts Payable position. Candidate must have prior accounts payable history and knowledge. Must have experience with Quickbooks 2013, great customer service skills, and telephone skills. Bilingual is a plus, but not required. Benefits after 30 days with two weeks vacation a year, (after one year of employment), sick leave and paid holidays. Competitive pay. DOE. Qualified candidates should email resume with references to: hrac123@yahoo.com.

CORPORATE A/P ASSISTANT

Natural Gas Services Group FT

NGSG is immediatly seeking a full-time **CORPORATE A/P ASSISTANT.** Responsible for coding & entry of invoices, organizing check runs, distributing checks, filing checks in A/P files, reconciling statements & back-up receptionist. Familiarity with SYSPRO a plus. Must have 2 years + experience. Excellent Salary and Benefit package for the right person. For more information or to submit your resume contact employment@ngsgi.com or call (432) 262-2700.

FULL CHARGE BOOKKEEPER

Full Charge Bookkeeper with a minimum 10 years experience needed for busy multiple entity office. Must have strong Excel and analytical skills, solid working knowledge of QuickBooks and exposure to oil and gas accounting software. Job includes reconciliations, receivables, payables, creating and maintaining spreadsheets. Ideal candidate should be detail oriented, organized and self-motivated with ability to manage multiple tasks. Pleasant working environment with good salary and benefit package.

Equal Opportunity employer, Non-smoking environment.

Please email resume and cover letter to: Blind.box.p110@gmail.com or mail to: P-110 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

AUTOMOTIVE

Diesel Technician/ Mechanic

Position responsible for diagnosing and repairing medium to heavy duty trucks & trailers under minimal supervision. Paid vacation, holidays & health insurance, & competitive salary. CDL a plus. Call Farrell at 432-853-4884.

Parts Counter Help, Cashier, Sales Associate

Stanley Ford - Andrews FT

Stanley Ford - Andrews is currently seeking applicants for the following positions:

Parts Counter Help
Cashier
Sales Associate

While experience is preferred, we will consider training the right individual.

Benefits include:
Health Insurance
Paid Vacation

Qualified Candidates must be able to pass a Background Check as well as a Drug Screening.

Applications are available at:
1700 North US Highway 385
Andrews, Texas 79714

Please send resume and /or application to: Pat Plunkett via fax at: 432-524-9112 or via email at: pplunkett@stanleyautogroup.com.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

File Clerk

For correctional facility. Temp to perm hire, flexible hours Monday-Friday. Must pass drug screen & background check. Call **432-212-2310**

EDUCATION & TRAINING

TEACHER

Mrs. Irene's Child Care FT/PT

Needs a full and part time worker, Must have high-school diploma, will tain. Starting pay $10 per hour with some benefits. 432-520-8888

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Purchasing Agent/Warehouseman

Purchasing Agent/Warehouseman needed with experience in the Natural Gas Industry near Midland. Working knowledge of engine parts is preferred. Must be self-motivated, dependable and reliable. Competitive salary and benefits. To apply to go: www.energytransfer.com, click on Careers/Search Current Openings/Purchasing Agent.

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- Operate well artificial lift equipment
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HEALTHCARE

Certified Dental Assistant

Thomas Campagna, DMD FT

We are looking for an exceptional, experienced, **Certified Dental Assistant** to join our team at Midland's premier dental pratice. Please email **info@smilemidland.com**, fax: **(432) 520-0720** or bring resume to **3722 N. Loop 250, Midland, TX**

Dental Assistant

Michael C. Courter, DDS, PA FT

Opening for a CDA with at least two years of experience. We practice general denistry, as well as orthodontics. We work Mon-Thurs. Paid vacation, retirement plan, great patients and a friendly enviroment to work in. If you are responsible, self motivated, with a desire to learn and grow, then call (432) 682-0786 or send resume to: 4305 N Garfield, Ste 221, Midland, 79705.

Marketer Position

MARTIN COUNTY HOME HEALTH is now accepting applications for our Marketer position. MCHH is seeking a self starter with an energetic and magnetic personality. Marketing experience and a general knowledge of medical services a plus. Competitive pay with great benefits available. Full time Monday thru Friday 8am-5pm. Call 432-607-3249 or fax resume to 432-607-3299 Attention Allison Roy RN, DON, AA

Medical Assistant/Receptionist

Advanced Neuroscience Clinic FT

Hiring Medical Assistant/Receptionist with experience preferred. Must be billingual. Please email your resume to: Irma@brainanc.com or Call Irma: 432-570-9991.

Medical Assistant

West Texas Orthopedics FT

Medical Assistant needed for a busy medical office. Clinic Experience preferred. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 - 5. Health, dental, and vision insurance offered, as well as 401k. Please send resume' to: PO Box 5556, Midland, Texas 79704.

Now Hiring - Home Health Agency

A growing Home Health Agency in Midland, TX Needs:
• RN Case Managers
• Marketing Professional (RN/LV preferred)
For more information Call: Tynisa: 432-686-7449 Claudia: 432-686-7535.

Optician

Phillips Eye Clinic FT
4311 W. Wadley Ave. **Midland, TX 79707**

Experienced preferred but not required. Please apply in person.

Receptionist & Medical Assistant

Experienced Receptionist & Medical Assistant needed for busy medical clinic. Attractive salary and benefits. Fax resume to: 432-522-2950.

OTHER JOBS

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois. Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email: jmaddox@hearstnp.com

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HEALTHCARE

RNs for Su Casa Home Health

RN position is FT. Great benefits and pay rate. Fax resume to **432-570-0823** or come by **1311 W. Florida, Midland, TX.**

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Front Desk Clerk/Breakfast Hostess

Hampton Inn FT/PT
5011 North Loop 250 W.
Midland, TX 79707

Now hiring! Front Desk Clerk and Breakfast Hostess. Now hiring Full/Part time. Apply in person: 5011 West Loop 250 North, Midland TX.

MANUFACTURING & OPERATIONS

Assistant Operators

Excel FT

National Industrial Maintenance Contractor is currently seeking experienced applicants for Assistant Operators. Operators will be primarily responsible for operating, blending, material handling, and packaging equipment in a blend process chemical plant. High School Diploma or GED, Associates Degree in Process Technology is preferred. Excel offers competitive salary and compre hensive benefit packages including 401K benefits, insurance, vacation and holiday pay. Please send resumes to: lwilliams@excelusa.com or fax to #979-297-1113, Attention: Lisa Williams. EOE

OTHER JOBS

All Positions

Firehouse Subs FT
Midland, TX 79701

Now hiring Slice, Prep, Cashiers, Catering & Kitchen help for AM/PM positions. Apply in person: 2900 W. Loop 250 North, Ste 162.

All Positions

QSN Realty: Restaurant Staff all positions. Bartender, Waitstaff, Office Managers, HVAC Tech. Please apply in person at 3100 W. Wall.

Assistant Mgr. & Sales Associate

Wood's Boots FT
Midland, TX 79701

Assistant Manager & Sales Associate positions available at Wood's Boots. Best customers & best hours in retail. Plus you get to wear boots & jeans. Come talk to us! 4803 Andrews Hwy.

Available Openings

QSN Realty: Hotel General Manager wanted. Independent hotel in Odessa being renovated. Great opportunity for Front Office Managers who want to rise up in the Hospitality Industry. Experience preferred, but will train the right person. Salary DOE. Must be computer literate & a strong communicator. Email resumes to jposmantur@jylhospitality.com

Housekeepers

Healthcare Services Group, Inc. FT

Rapidly growing management company is seeking Housekeepers. Previous experience is a plus. Please apply at the facility: 3000 Mockingbird Lane, Midland, TX. 76904.

Janitorial Floor Tech

Universal Bldg Svcs FT
Midland, TX 79701

Experienced Janitorial Floor Tech needed. This is a Full-time job. Apply at: 1307 North Big Spring, 8:30am-5:30pm. Mon-Fri.

Kitchen Help

The Boys & Girls Club of Midland seeking kitchen help. 3-6pm, $8.50-$10 per hour. Also seeking a CDL bus driver, $25 per hour. 2:45pm-4:45pm. Call Michael 432-683-0050.

Lead Maintenance

Summerhill Apartments FT

Must be HVAC certified. Salary depending on experience. Apply in person to: 3001 North Midland Dr. or call 432-697-6039.

Newpark Drilling Fluids is growing!!!!

Newpark is the fastest growing drilling fluids company in West Texas. We are looking for a Warehouse Manager for our Snyder facility. The ideal candidate will at least 2 years of warehouse/management experience. We offer great benefits and a great schedule. All qualified candidate please apply at www.newpark.com or send your resume to Justin Lee at jlee@newpark.com

Sales/Warehouse Help

Outside sales, Counter sales and Warehouse help. Apply at Midland Winlectnc, 3606 Bankhead Hwy., Midland, TX 79701.

Service Driver

B&W Chemical Toilets FT
4500 S State HWY 349
Midland, TX 79706

Service Driver needed for portable toilet business. Must have a good driving record. Health insurance & 401K available. Please apply in person or call 432-685-1082.

SHIPPING ASSISTANT

Susie's South Forty Confections is looking for a qualified applicant full time with shipping experience to assist Shipping manager in all shipping duties. Applicants must have computer experience and be willing to assume a variety of duties and tasks. Fax resume 432-682-4040

The Midland Reporter Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the position of:

Pressman/Pressman Trainee

for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses. This 5-6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires: night shift weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary/DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Production Director
c/o Midland Reporter Telegram
201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701
E-mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
or
come by 201 E. Illinois Street to fill out an application.

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Warehouse

Rhino Linings FT
Midland, TX 79703

Rhino Linings of Midland is now hiring for Warehouse position. Must have drivers license and be able to operate a forklift. Insurance, Weekends off, Paid Vacation & Holidays. Come in and apply at 5306 wall st. 432-262-6463

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Hydrologic Technician

We are looking for a qualified individual who is experienced with the characteristics of water and who has an oilfield background. Our mission is to clean water through a filtration process so it can be re-used for fracing. If you have knowledge of water filtration for these purposes and are interested in a new opportunity, please send your resume to haroldm@bigdco.com.

Licensed P & C Insurance Agent

Area Insurance FT

Licensed Property and Casualty Insurance Agent needed. Bilingual preferred. Competitive pay and a friendly environment. Please bring resume to: Area Insurance, 1302 N. Big Spring St., Midland or email to: areainsurance@area-ins.com

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

All Positions

Genghis Grill FT
Midland, TX 79705

NOW HIRING 20 Warriors. Please apply in person: 4517 N. Midkiff, Dr., Midland, Tx 79705.

All Positions

Schlotzsky's Deli hiring for all positions. Full and part time, day and evening shifts. Fun, grease free environment and opportunity for advancement. Apply at 5211 W. Wadley or 1109 Andrews Hwy.

Dining Services Staff

Midland's Premier Country Club FT

Is looking for **Line/Prep Cooks**. Bring us your culinary skills! *We hire attitude and personality over experience.* Additionally, we offer competitive wages as well as other benefits such as paid medical insurance, paid life insurance, 401k, and vacation, Please apply in person: Midland Country Club, 6101 N. Hwy 349, Midland, TX 79705 or via email HR@midlandcc.com

DOMINO'S PIZZA NOW HIRING!

-Drivers: Make cash everyday. Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $7.50 an hour (no split tip/wage here) plus delivery reimbursement, plus tips. **-CSRs:** Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $8.25 an hour, Bright & Friendly people only! **-Shift Leaders:** Great part time & full time shifts, Starting wage of $10 an hour, Flexible Schedules. Apply at any **Domino's Pizza** Midland or Odessa or send resume: **cassie@clearwire.net**. Senior citizens & stay at home moms always welcome. EOE

OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

NOW HIRING EXTRA! EXTRA!

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

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

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

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RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Servers
Cattle Baron FT
Cattle Baron Restaurant now hiring experienced servers. Starting wage $11.00 - $15.00 per hour depending on experience. Please apply daily 2:00 pm -- 5:30 pm 418 Wadley Ave., Midland, TX. No phone calls please!! EOE

SWENSEN'S NOW HIRING DAY & EVENING SERVERS!
Excellent working environment! Now adding DAY & EVENING SERVERS to our Team.-Come join a group that fosters membership, not just employment. Excellent pay. Will train. Closed Sundays. Apply at Loop 250 & A Street or call 432-967-6823 & speak to someone immediately

Wait Staff and Dish Washer
Wall Street Bar & Grill FT
Hiring Wait Staff and Dish Washer. Apply in person: 115 E. Wall St., Midland or call 432-684-8686.

Waitstaff
Hog Pit Pub & Grub FT
Midland, TX 79706
Has immediate openings for Waitstaff. Hours are from 10am-2pm, M-F. Come in and apply today: 7400 West County Rd. 116, Midland or call 432-561-9301.

RETAIL JOBS

Retail Sales
Susie's South Forty is now hiring a retail sales clerk to work in the store. Experience is a plus. Must be personalbe and a team player. Apply in person at **2101 W. Wadley** or fax resume 432-682-4040.

SALES JOBS

Apprentice
Peerless Tyre Company FT
Do you have the desire to make an above average income? Peerless Tyre Co. is now hiring for an Apprentice. Person should have previous sales experience or tire experience but not necessary. Person must be over 18 years of age, possess a valid driver's license and pass a pre-employment drug screen and background check. Starting $12/hour or depending on experience. Apply 2804 W. Wall, Midland or 3401 Andrews Hwy, Odessa.

LEGAL SECRETARY
Oil & Gas Legal Secretary. 1-3 years experience preferred. Dictation a plus. Word Perfect. Temp to Hire. Great benefits. $40-$50L DOE
Send resumes to resume@lgotthejobe.com

Staffing Resources
684-0527

SALES ASSOCIATES
WESTLAKE HARDWARE, one of the largest retailers of home hardware in the U.S., has immediate openings for **PART TIME SALES ASSOCIATES** for our Midland Store. The primary responsibility of all Westlake associates is first and foremost to provide superior customer service! Associates will be working evening and weekends, 20 to 30 hrs a week with a starting hourly rate of $11. If you want a great place to work and competitive pay, apply at **1009 Andrews Hwy, Midland, TX.**

Sales
Xcaliber FT
Midland, TX 79706
is looking for a salesman with down hole tools and drilling motor experience. We offer competitive salary and commission. Must be willing to travel. Call 432-561-5612.

STORE MANAGERS and CASHIERS
Smoker's Outlet is looking for **Store Managers** and **Cashiers** in the Midland area. We offer competitive wages and a good work environment. Paid is weekly plus tips. Go by your nearest **Smoker's Outlet** to apply.

Oilfield Sales Representative
Looking for Motivated Men and Women for Oilfield Company Sales Representative. Salary plus commission. Benefits after 90 day trial period. 8-5 Monday through Friday. A minimum of 3 years oilfield sales experience required and oilfield network contacts a must. Fax resume to 580-592-4850 Attn: Tyler, for inquiries call 580-592-4851

TERRITORY SALES MANAGER
Build a team. Drive Sales. W-2, Salary plus Overrides, B2B, Benefits, Leads, and Training. Call Terry **832-795-7123**.

SKILLED LABOR

Backhoe & Trackhoe Operators
Blue Sky Svcs. FT
Midland, TX 79701
Blue Sky Services is looking for experienced Backhoe & Trackhoe Operators and also experience Pipeline Labor Hands. Call 432-580-7332.

CDL Driver
Trinity Pallets FT
Wanted CDL Driver for local and short hauls. Home everyday. Family oriented business. Drug test and references checked. Trinity Pallets, Call Steve 432-349-5822.

SALES JOBS

Multi-Media Sales Consultant



The Midland Reporter-Telegram and mywesttexas.com advertising department is looking for a Multi-Media Sales Consultant. The ideal candidate will have a proven track record of personal sales successes, preferably in a newspaper/media environment. Some knowledge of the advertising industry would be helpful, but not required.

Duties for this position will include, but are not limited to selling advertising in all print publications of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and all online products, including mywesttexas.com.

Qualifications & Skills:

- *Ability to work in a fast-paced, deadline oriented environment*
- *Excellent customer service and time management skills*
- *Highly organized with the ability to work independently with minimal supervision*
- *Detail-oriented with good communication, spelling and math skills*

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Jeri Houston, Advertising Sales Manager
Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois Avenue, Midland, TX 79701
or email to: jhouston@mrt.com

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Laborers, Mechanic, Heavy Equipment Operator
Delhur Industries FT
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EOE

Machinist
Mesquite Oil Tools Manual Machinist Job Description Experienced Manual Lathe machine operator needed, mill/drill press experience a plus. Shop located at 8007 West Industrial Ave. Midland, Texas 79706 (432)-563-1071. General duties such as shaving/milling of down-hole completion equipment, threading down hole- tools, cross overs etc. Great benefits that include a friendly fun work environment, paid vacation bonuses, Full paid family insurance. Email resumes to carsona@mesquitetools.com or come by today for your new amazing career opportunity.

Workshop Technician
TAM Completions a subsidiary of TAM International is seeking a workshop technician. Performs shop operations associated with downhole tools and packers and other TAM products. Must be able to work under minimal supervision, maintain an orderly work area, and meet production deadlines. Some overtime may be required and will be an on call position. Must have some tool experience. TAM offers a competitive salary and benefits package. All interested applicants call 432-250-6024 or apply at 6505 S. Midland, TX 79706

TECHNOLOGY

PLC Programmer Tech
PLC Programmer/Tech- Excellent pay & benefits. Must have valid driver's license. Must have experience working in the oil field. Must have experience with controls programming PLCs, configuring VFDs. Please email resume to jobs@tanklogx.com

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Company Driver
SanJan Hot Shot & Transportation FT
San Jan Hot Shot is now hiring Company Drivers for hotshot 1 ton pickups. Must have CDL & clean driving record. Hiring local drivers for Midland or Odessa only. 432-488-6430

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B & B Wrecker Service is looking to hire **Non CDL Drivers**. Must be 21 years or older. Good driving record. Paid every Friday. Health Insurance provided. Please come by **2823 S. Rankin Hwy**.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

DOT Route Driver Trainees
Ben E. Keith Foods of Midland FT
Will train to get Class A CDL. Competitive wages, retirement, insurance. Apply online at http://www.benekeith.com/food/employment Job Req # 9220. Contact Dallas Bradley. 432-770-9522

Drivers
Renzenberger, Inc. FT
Renzenberger, the leading provider of transportation services, is seeking qualified drivers in the Midland, TX area to provide transportation services for our clients. We provide well-maintained, late model vehicles in excellent condition. Starting salary is $12.00/hour. Apply online at www.renzenberger.com

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GMC 2005 Yukon SLT. Blue 122K miles, great condition! $12,000 432-553-8879

GMC 2007 Yukon XL. Silver, Leather, Power Everything, New Trans, 81K Miles, Asking $22,500 432-553-8131

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SUZUKI 2004 XL7 Black. Fully loaded, leather seats, sunroof, running boards. Good condition. 80k miles. $6,500 OBO 432-699-5151

SUZUKI 2005 XL7 Great condition! Fully loaded. $6000 Call for details 432-288-3761

TOYOTA 1992 4 Runner SR5. 4 door, V6, 4WD, 142,500 original miles. Runs well. Some hail damage and body damage on right rear wheel well. Interior in good condition. $4,995. Call 432-686-8407.

TOYOTA 2002 Sequoia SRS, 123k mi, excellent condition, fully loaded, well maintained, leather, front & rear A/C, new tires & brakes. Asking $10,000 OBO, 432-488-9784.

TOYOTA 2005 Sequoia Limited. 88k miles, excellent condition, fully loaded. Leather, DVD and Navigation system. Asking $17,500. Call 432-686-8065.

YUKON 2000 DANALI dark green with tan leather interior, 4WD, 189,000 miles, great condition. $4,900. 432-260-8893.

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SUDOKU

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit **www.sudoku.org.uk**

SOLUTION TO MONDAY'S PUZZLE

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Free Stuff

FREE FEMALE Pit Bull mix, age unknown, good with kids, 432-770-8793.

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FREE GRAY Tabby kittens to good home. Call 432-687-0304.

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FREE OLDER cat to good home. No young children. Supplies included. 432-699-0746.

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
(on dock side)

FREE WOOD Large & small pieces. Take some or all. Call 432-694-9491

To good homes. Chihuahua mix puppies and 2 adults females, also 2 female cats. 432-599-8341

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42" Round Oak Pedestal table, 58" oval with leaf. New condition. $300. 432-634-4579

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SOLID MAPLE bedroom set and day bed for sale. Both come with new mattresses. $650 each. 432-682-7468 or 432-631-0726

Furniture

SOLID MAPLE bedroom set and day bed for sale. Both come with new mattresses. $650 each. 432-682-7468 or 432-631-0726

Home Items

9 MONTH OLD Tempurpedic mattress, in great shape, barely used, $2500, 432-934-6050.

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IBANEZ ELECTRIC guitar w/ case, played one time $200. 1960's Swinger Kingston electric guitar, w/case, vintage $250. Evil Knievel autographed pin (when he jumped fountain at Caesar Palace) $150. 38 Star Trek comic books, 1985 - 1988. $230. Will trade for pistol. 432-385-5983

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Musical Instruments

NEW TODAY!

BALDWIN STUDIO Piano for sale - Black - Good condition. Call for details or information:: 432/ 352-5121.

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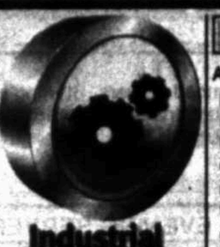

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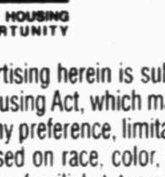

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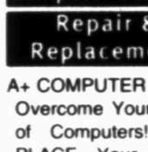

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DEEP SEA TV

A reality show with depth: Live ocean exploration

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

WASHINGTON —

Vicious fights. Stunning beauties. Surprises around every corner. Yes, it's reality TV but with a lot more depth — as much as 10,000 feet. It's live coverage of deep-sea exploration off Nantucket and tens of thousands of people are tuning in.

They're watching an eel suddenly attack a squid, oohing-and-aahing over hot pink starfish and listening as excited researchers discover a canyon so downright alien that sea life lives on methane escaping from the sea floor instead of sunlight.

They're watching science as it happens, however weird and wild.

"We've been calling it Deep Sea TV," said National Marine Fisheries Services scientist Martha Nizinski, in a ship-to-shore interview. "It's much better than any other reality show being broadcast."

For years, the world of the deep sea floor has mostly been the province of scientists. A handful of researchers would huddle on a ship and watch the video from below, take notes, and two or three years later write a scientific paper.

Now, as the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's ship Okeanos Explorer and its robotic submarine explore thousands of feet deep, the view is broadcast live, usually from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. EDT, for other scientists and everyday people to follow along to the tune of 50,000 visits.

Leona McKinney of Hiram, Ga., started watching from home over three weeks ago.

"I've watched every day since then. In fact, I'm watching now. I'm hooked on it," she said in a phone interview earlier this month.

The expedition, which costs about $40,000 a day, ran through Friday. As the robotic sub roams the Atlantic Ocean off Massachusetts, scientists called in or sent messages with requests to see this or that.

Aboard the ship, researchers do more than watch; they explain the science and the action for viewers.

"It's a bit like color commentary from sports," said U.S. Geological Survey scientist Amanda Demopoulos, whose voice is often heard calling the underwater action. "These are mysterious ecosystems. We don't always know what we're going to find."

The expedition seems to be gaining loyal viewers, Nizinski said.

"We're giving everybody a really good diversion and keeping them from doing their work," she said.

On the ship's Facebook page, comments from viewers include raves from McKinney, who's become a fan of some of the commentators.

"I love it when they say 'Ooh, I haven't seen that before'," McKinney said.

One of the highlights for her: Watching an eel circle an unsuspecting squid, attack and bite its would-be-lunch. The squid played dead and then suddenly escaped.

It's that sense of surprise that makes the ocean view more compelling to him than the Kardashians, said NOAA's acting chief of exploration, John McDonough.

"It's a reality show, but it's more real than reality. You don't know what you're going to witness in one of those dives."

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Get your youngster excited about math, science with Bootstrap

Q: Dear Propeller-Heads, I bet my 7-year-old can do your job…

A: Wait, is that a question? Regardless, I doubt that's the case. I'm pretty sure they'll have to hit double digits before they pose a real threat (Note to self: "Deal" with threat in a few years). In the meantime, there are certainly tools that can help your wunderkind turn into the tech version of Doogie Howser, M.D. if they are on that path. The one that has our propellers twirling is a program call Bootstrap (www.bootstrapworld.org).

Bootstrap is an alternative teaching curriculum that is really aimed at helping revive the lagging interest in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) in the US. These areas are gaining momentum overseas and can lead to jobs that are in high demand. The way to boost this revival is to get students excited about it at a young age. Bootstrap describes its curriculum as ideal for 12- to 16-year-olds; however, it's also been very successful with younger children

One of the ways Bootstrap gets young people excited in those fields is by adding the "fun factor." Let's face it — algebra isn't very sexy. That is, until the creators of Bootstrap combined a unique teaching methodology with … video games! The big attraction for kids taking this curriculum is that they not only get to play video games, but they can create them, change them, and do it all during classroom time.

The lessons actually start with simple exercises that use basic math functions (addition, subtraction, etc.) to teach the programming language. They show the equation in a traditional format, translate that into a visual representation that shows the same equation, and then provide a third presentation that is a line of code for use in the games later down the road. As the lessons progress, they introduce definitions for basic algebra alongside the programming jargon using a combination of traditional equations, word problems, and visual tools.

Unless you are a fellow Propellerhead you're probably thinking that this doesn't sound very fun, but throughout each lesson the students get to plug those example equations into program and run their "game." The initial phases really have the program acting as a glorified calculator, but the teaching method is genius in its simplicity.

The lessons quickly move forward from simple equations into defining search logic through games like "Pizza Parlor," where the students enter code that includes topping names and prices. When the game is played, it asks you what toppings you would like. As you enter them in, it returns costs and can even tell you if a topping is not available.

Later lessons include the introduction of graphics and more complex logic that put the games on the same level as many simple mobile apps that are available on iTunes or Google Play.

OK, so you're ready for your Steve Jobs incarnate to take over the tech world, but how do you get started? Many of the resources you need can be found on their site for free; however, the curriculum is really designed for a classroom setting. Teacher-only materials are currently restricted to participating school partners.

The good news is that Bootstrap is free to schools that want to teach it. It could be as simple as reaching out to administrators at your child's school and pointing them to the site for their review. Even if they don't start a local program, you can have fun doing the lessons alongside your child and secretly preparing them for a future that will utilize their skills.

In the meantime, I'm going to have to review child labor laws to see if I have to worry about a second-grader becoming my boss.

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