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County using promotions account for second time

Bradford defends using taxpayer funds for entertainment booking

By Simone Jasper
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The Doobie Brothers' upcoming appearance at the Horseshoe amphitheater involves the second-ever use of a Midland County promotions account that intends to pay expenses for bringing acts to the facility.

Commissioners last month approved making a $50,000 entertainment deposit in relation to The Doobie Brothers concert. The deposit is 50 percent of the guarantee, so the remaining $50,000 will come from ticket sales revenue, according to a previous Reporter-Telegram report.

The agenda for the Commissioners' Court meeting on Monday lists another item related to The Doobie Brothers. Commissioners are scheduled to discuss and take action on the contract for the rock band, which is scheduled to perform April 15.

For each show that is booked using the promotions account, 50 percent of the net profit goes back into that account. The remaining net profit is put into the Midland County general fund, according to the Horseshoe promotions account policy.

Net profit is defined as "100 percent of revenue from ticket sales and sponsorships income minus all costs incurred to bring in the entertainer or act," the policy states, in part. The county spent more than it

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WINK'S SINK WORRIES



Mark Sterkel/Odessa American via AP

Winkler County Sheriff George Keely explains Feb. 19, 2014, how much the newer of two Wink sinkholes has expanded to as much as 900 feet across since it formed in 2002 in Wink. The original fence surrounding the sink hole has fallen into it and fissures have formed hundreds of feet from the hole making the ground unstable. A fence surrounds the entire area just north of Wink.

Sinkhole studies show more reasons for concern

■ Officials say sinkholes are specific to certain areas and questions remain about link to abandoned wells

By Trevor Hawes
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A recently released geological study by a pair of Southern Methodist University researchers shook West Texas with news about what's happening underground — but earthquakes weren't the issue.

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■ Learn more about the Wink Sinks: https://bit.ly/2GLZD6c

In 1980, a sinkhole northeast of Wink formed suddenly, and ground collapsed in 2002 just east of the West Texas town, making an even larger hole. The Wink Sinks, as they're called, are more than just geological curiosities. Several organizations have since researched areas around West Texas to see if sinkholes can happen in other parts of the Permian Basin.

The latest study by SMU's Jim-Woo Kim and Zhong Lu — in only looking at an area of about 60 miles by 60 miles — has found six.

The pair of professors used public data from the European Space Agency's Sentinel-1A/B satellites, which feature interferometric synthetic aperture radar, or inSAR. In simple terms, the radar can

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O'Rourke: Trump's trade wars will hurt energy industry

By Trevor Hawes
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The nation is currently renegotiating the North America Free Trade Agreement, which could threaten oil companies' interests in the newly liberalized Mexican oil industry if their investment protections are stripped. In March, more than 100 Republican lawmakers urged President Donald Trump administration not to scrap investor protections.



O'Rourke

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Get more coverage of O'Rourke's time in Midland, including photos.

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U.S. Senate candidate Beto O'Rourke wants to improve NAFTA, "but we cannot lose that critically important relationship with Mexico and Canada and, by extension, the rest of the world."

"Whether it is the energy we produce, whether it is the cotton we grow, whether it is the cattle we raise, all of this has a connection to the rest of the world and very often is looking for a market somewhere else," he told media before his campaign event in Midland on Saturday at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center. "These trade wars, the threat of unilaterally withdrawing from NAFTA is really bad for the Texas economy, Texas jobs and the energy industry."

The oil and gas industry is vital not just to West Texas, but the entire state's economy. O'Rourke, who currently is a U.S. representative from El Paso, said making Texas a stronger voice on oil and gas issues in Washington, D.C., requires listening to everyone involved, including those who are working in the oil fields, those who are making investments in the industry

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Will the truth about Texas' Robin Hood plan lead to its demise?
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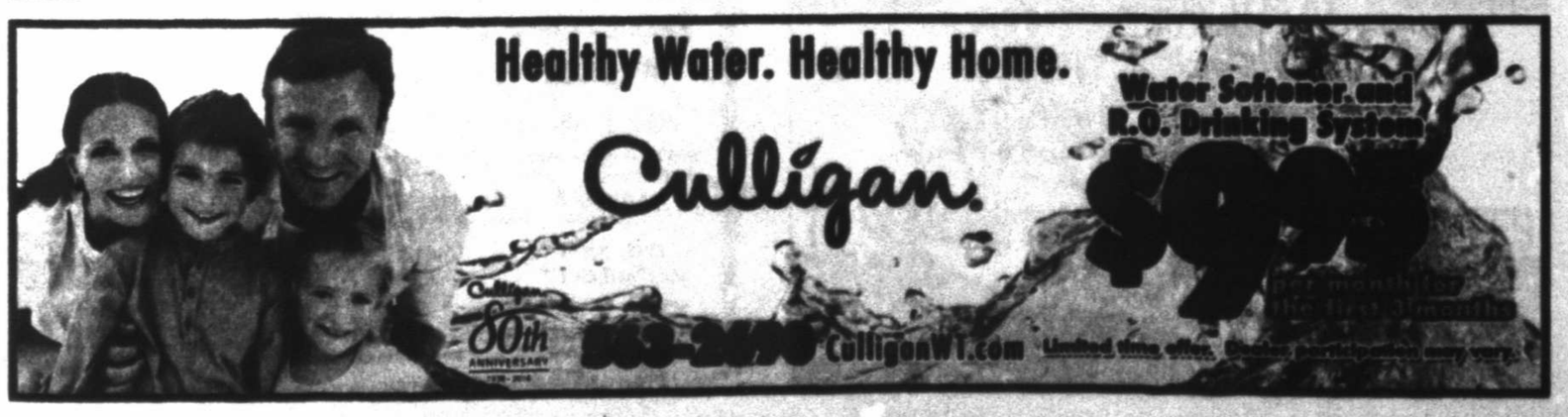
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Texas should remain top state for business for decades to come



THE ECONOMIST

By M. Ray Perryman

The Texas economy has been growing at a relatively healthy pace and the Lone Star State is widely recognized as a good place to live and do business. Our most recent projections indicate that the state economy is set to continue its upward trend.

Recovery in the energy sector is improving conditions not only in producing areas, but also in other parts of the state. According to data maintained by Baker Hughes, rig counts in Texas have been averaging almost 500, about 100 more than a year ago and well above the March 2016 level of 217. This level of drilling activity not only supports strong hiring in the industry (up an estimated 28,300 over the year ended February 2018), but also additional jobs across the economy. The oil and gas sector in Texas has one of the highest regional jobs multipliers in the country.

Manufacturing and other industries are also expanding. Texas again won Site Selection Magazine's 2017 Governor's Cup competition as the state with the most large projects (capital investment of at least $1 million, 20 or more new jobs, or 20,000 square feet of new construction). The win continued a long string of top finishes, and the state was well above the second-place finisher (Ohio). Rankings of places to do business regularly place Texas and its metropolitan areas near the top, and the states' favorable business climate, strong workforce, lower cost environment, competitive incentive programs, and other attributes are keeping the locations and expansions coming.

Looking ahead, growth in the Texas economy is projected to outpace the nation over the next five years. Our most recent short-term forecast for the U.S. economy indicates relatively healthy growth. Real gross product is projected to increase at a 2.89 percent annual pace through 2022, reaching a level of $19.3 trillion. About 11.7 million net new jobs are also expected to be gained over the period, a 1.55 percent annual rate of growth.

For the state, the expansion pace will be even faster. We are forecasting that the Texas population will grow by about 2.1 million between 2017 and 2022, reaching 30.5 million. Almost 1.4 million net new jobs are projected to be added, representing a 2.05 percent annual rate of growth over the five-year period. Services industries will drive job gains, with net new jobs concentrated in health care. Wholesale and retail trade businesses are also likely to see notable hiring.

Real gross product in all major industry groups is projected to expand through 2022, with the services, mining, trade, and manufacturing segments likely to experience the largest growth. Real gross product is forecast to expand at a 4.01 percent rate over the period, with the mining sector (largely oil and natural gas in Texas) leading the way with 6.15 percent yearly growth expected over the next five years.

The strength of the Texas economy will help with short-term issues such as the recovery process from Hurricane Harvey as well as with long-term challenges such as preparing for the needs of the future. While much of the economy is back to normal after the effects of the Hurricane, the recovery is far from complete in some communities. Over time, the short-term stimulus associated with construction to replace damaged structures will give way to some dampening of longer-term growth for some industries and geographic areas. Strength in other segments will mask these negative effects, but for some of the hardest-hit communities (such as Port Aransas), it will be a long road back.

The Texas economy has the raw materials needed for economic growth, including a large and growing population and workforce, natural resources, affordable land, and many more attributes that companies need for success. In addition, purposeful efforts to develop the economy in desirable ways have contributed to growth and will continue to do so. There are always challenges to be dealt with, such as current trade and immigration threats and the long-term need to improve infrastructure and educational outcomes. On balance, however, I think Texas will remain a top state for businesses and, therefore, individual opportunity and prosperity for decades to come.

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Crowder performs during the "Decison Texas" tour Oct. 12, 2017, at Horseshoe Ampitheater.

HORSESHOE

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received in ticket revenue when it previously used the account to bring in comedian Jeff Foxworthy, according to a Reporter-Telegram report from 2015.

"We wanted a higher name-brand event than you would normally look at," County Judge Mike Bradford said. "When you do that, you know you may run a greater risk of not breaking even."

He said the county wanted Foxworthy on a specific date, regardless of where he was coming from — a factor that contributed to the cost. But The Doobie Brothers are scheduled to come to Midland in between appearances in nearby Albuquerque and San Antonio, according to the band's online tour schedule.

Dooley Management Co., which the county has hired to run the Horseshoe complex, is tasked with promoting The Doobie Brothers event and buying the entertainment from Live Nation.

The musical act has made other appearances in the Tall City in recent years.

When the Horseshoe promotions account was created, the initial balance of $150,000 had been transferred from the general fund. Bradford said the money came from sales tax and that the county has talked about using revenue generated in this community for local matters.

"The investment is you enrich their lives with entertainment that they haven't seen out here," he said.

The Doobie Brothers appeared in Midland in 2013 for a Midland ISD Education Foundation event.

Bradford said net profits from the promotions account that are put into the general fund later transfer to an account for the Pick-Up Midland County trash collection challenge during the budgeting process. Through the contest, the county awards funds to local nonprofits that gather the most waste by weight.

The Doobie Brothers concert represents the second time the county's Horseshoe promotions account has been used. Bradford said the account started due to the desire to bring an act to perform when the venue's pavilion opened in 2015.

Between the initial Foxworthy performance and the scheduled Doobie Brothers concert, the county considered using the promotions account one other time, according to Bradford.

He said Dooley often forwards information about entertainers.

"We look at four on average every month that are going to be routing through Texas that either had an open date, or we hear a request from residents," Bradford said.

He said the county considers the appropriateness of the acts as well as related expenses. The venue is available for rental by promoters associated with entertainers.

The Commissioners' Court intends for the promotions account to be a "self-perpetuating fund," according to the policy. It may use discretion to terminate the account at any time, a decision that would send remaining money to the county's general fund, it states.

After targeting US farms, China can strike America's shale

By Heesu Lee and Stephen Stapczynski
Bloomberg

China's tariffs in one corner of the energy market signal U.S. shale fields may follow the nation's farms as a target if a trade war escalates.

Beijing on Wednesday took aim at America's rural heartland by proposing levies on politically sensitive farm commodities such as soybeans, which were among 106 U.S. products targeted. The list also included petrochemicals and liquefied propane, indicating that the world's biggest oil buyer is willing to use energy as a weapon to retaliate against planned American duties on its high-tech goods.

While officials from the world's two largest economies had sought to calm markets by showing a willingness to negotiate, President Donald Trump on Thursday ordered his administration to consider tariffs on an additional $100 billion in Chinese imports. The Asian nation is the biggest regional buyer of American oil as well as liquefied natural gas, and the critical commodities may be swept up in the trade war if tensions flare further.

"China can ditch American energy at any time because there's plenty of supplies elsewhere, whereas for the U.S., energy is a sensitive subject," said Will Yun, a commodities analyst at Hyundai Futures Corp. in Seoul. "The two countries may eventually come to an agreement and China may not use energy so soon into the dispute. It will use the card wisely."

China's Commerce Ministry said on Friday that the country would counter U.S. protectionism and "will follow suit to the end and at any cost, and will firmly attack, using new comprehensive countermeasures, to firmly defend the interest of the nation and its people."

The soybean tariffs showed China is willing to strike the U.S. where it hurts, with Wednesday's announcement ending weeks of speculation over whether Xi's government would target the commodity that it buys in huge volumes from America and is essential to feed its citizens' growing appetite for pork. The market reaction was immediate: the oilseed led a tumble in agricultural prices, with corn and cotton also declining.

"Moving to different sources of energy supply is unlikely to have a significant impact on industry input costs as they are commodity items," said Stuart Orr, a professor in the faculty of business and law at Australia's Deakin University. "It will inevitably increase the cost of energy for the growing Chinese middle-class which is rapidly adopting high-energy consuming lifestyles."

While the proposed tariff on American propane probably won't hurt U.S. companies as much as intended, Yuanta Securities Co. predicts duties on oil will rattle investors. "If China shows its willingness to impose tariffs on crude, it will send a shock wave through markets," said Min Byungkyu, a global strategist at the brokerage.

A surge in U.S. crude exports has helped drain inventories and prop up oil prices, which are still recovering from the biggest crash in a generation after a global glut wreaked havoc on the market. OPEC producers and allies including Russia are curbing output to shrink the oversupply, while surging output in shale fields from Texas to North Dakota threaten to undermine those cuts. U.S. oil net exports to China averaged about 435,000 barrels a day in 2017, more than double a year earlier, when they averaged about 180,000 barrels a day, according to a Citigroup report dated April 3. The notional dollar value rose even faster — at a rate of 200 percent — to about $8.24 billion last year, the bank said.

China bought about 750 million cubic feet a day worth of American LNG in the fourth quarter, the most of any country, according to U.S. government data.

The Asian nation's imports and U.S. exports of crude and natural gas liquids "should both grow materially over the next five years, implying that the Trump administration should push back forcefully on any Chinese move to impose tariffs on energy trade if they want to reduce the trade deficit," analysts including Christopher Main and Ed Morse wrote in the report.

Weinstein Co. bankruptcy auction draws 23 potential bidders, lawyers say

By Ryan Faughnder
Los Angeles Times

The coming auction for the assets of the bankrupt Weinstein Co. has drawn interest from 23 potential bidders, lawyers for the New York-based studio said at a Friday hearing.

The Delaware hearing to approve the bidding process was the latest step in the Weinstein Co.'s search for a buyer after the company filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection on March 19. The studio declared bankruptcy with less than $500,000 in cash and hundreds of millions of dollars owed to creditors.

Weinstein Co. entered bankruptcy with a starting bid from Dallas private equity firm Lantern Capital Partners to acquire the assets for $310 million in cash, plus liabilities related to film and TV projects. The bid sets a floor for other offers in the coming auction.

The auction date was pushed slightly to May 4 because the judge, Mary F. Walrath, wasn't available on the previously proposed date. It was previously planned for May 2. The Weinstein Co. has been eager to complete a sale as quickly as possible, partly to maintain industry relationships.

Weinstein Co.'s lawyers said 13 of the potential bidders were financial buyers, and 10 were strategic. Fourteen have accessed the company's financial documents in the data room set up for bidders. Many of the interested parties had kicked the tires before the bankruptcy filing.

It remains to be seen if any bids will top Lantern's. Many of the pre-bankruptcy bidders were interested in individual assets and film projects, not the whole company.

Weinstein Co.'s assets include a substantial library of films and a potentially valuable TV division. The company sold off multiple movie projects to raise money after the Harvey Weinstein sexual harassment and assault allegations sent the studio into a tailspin.

Starting six months ago, the movie mogul was accused of sexual harassment or assault by dozens of women. He has denied all accusations of non-consensual sex.

Several parties had filed objections in advance of the hearing, including the producers of the unfinished film "Hotel Mumbai," starring Dev Patel and Armie Hammer, who do not want the film tied up in the bankruptcy process. The producers in their objection said they had rescinded the rights for Weinstein Co. to distribute the movie. The court, however, did not address the dispute in the hearing to approve bidding procedures.

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adjective
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2 : based on or involving an axiom or system of axioms
axiomatic set theory



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Things to do

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■ Miss Sunburst Pageant and Beautiful Baby Contest for boys and girls infant to 3 years and girls 4 to 7 years old, 1-3 p.m., Midland Park Mall, 4511 N. Midkiff Road. sunburstbeauty.com.

■ Bridge game play, 1:30 p.m., Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

■ Art Digitization Workshop, 2-4 p.m., Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. $5. noelartmuseum.org. This introductory workshop will teach how to stage, light and digitally photograph 2D and 3D art.

■ Adventures in Art: Still Life, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. $18-$20. noelartmuseum.org. Children ages 6-12 will see Camile Engel's exhibition and then create a still life.

■ Summer Mummers Kick-off Party, 3-5 p.m., Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. Celebrate the 70th season of Summer Mummers and learn about volunteer opportunities with food and beverages before auditions.

■ Bingo Nights, 4 p.m., American Legion, 501 Veterans Airpark Lane. 682-5511.

Monday

"Mis Quince Anos" celebrating the 15th anniversary of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin Ballet Folklorico, 6 p.m., Wagner Noel, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. The event will also include a pre-show art exhibit by the Odessa Hispanic Art Association and the Permian High School's Foreign Language Department. Guest performances by: Mariachis' Marta Rey Y Celina Vasquez, Grupo Diversidad De Permian High School, Grupo De Danza La Flor De Lee Freshmen and Ballet Folklorico Las Aguilas De Oro Infantil. Free. wagnernoel.com.

Thursday

■ "Two for the Road" advance screening of the Big Bend episode, 12:30 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 Loop 250. basinpbs.org.

■ Clay Walker, 7 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $34-$59. wagnernoel.com.

Friday

A Night of Music & Comedy with Mark Lowry, 7:30 p.m., First Methodist Midland, 300 N. Main St. $20-$25. VIP packages available. trinitycommunications.org.

Saturday

■ Old Sorehead Trade Days in downtown Stanton. Facebook: @stantonoldsoreheadtradedays.

■ Food is Medicine with Dr. Scott Stoll, 7:30 a.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $25. wagnernoel.com. The event covers plant-based nutrition, shopping and planning meals.

■ Blue Ribbon Run X: The Race to End Child Abuse, 8:30 a.m. 1K, 9 a.m. 5K, Midland Memorial Stadium, 2001 W Cuthbert Ave. midlandchildwelfare.com.

■ West Texas Iris Society's 40th annual Iris Show will feature design arrangements, photography, educational exhibits and a vast selection of flowers in a rainbow of colors, 1:30-4:30 p.m., Midland Park Mall (JCPenney's entrance).

■ Big Boys' Toys benefiting MARC will feature a concert by Josh Turner, 6 p.m., Horseshoe Pavilion, 2514 Arena Trail. $250. marctexas.org. The event includes a collector car show, raffle and live and silent auctions.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

The Hops and Props fundraiser, benefitting the CAF High Sky Wing and Midland Army Airfield Museum, was Saturday. The event featured more than 50 beers and ciders.

Lottery

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Pick 3 day: 7-5-3
Pick 3 evening: 4-1-1
Pick 3 night: 5-8-1
Daily 4 morning: 9-7-7-0
Daily 4 day: 7-2-2-1
Daily 4 evening: 4-1-6-4
Daily 4 night: 3-8-5-4
Cash Five: 8-21-24-29-34
Triple Chance: 9-18-19-21-27-36-37-38-47-51
Lotto Texas: 15-18-28-31-33-51
Powerball: 2-17-20-38-39
BB: 20 **Power Play:** 2
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Weather

Saturday's temperatures
High 53
Low 35
Normal high 77
Normal low 47

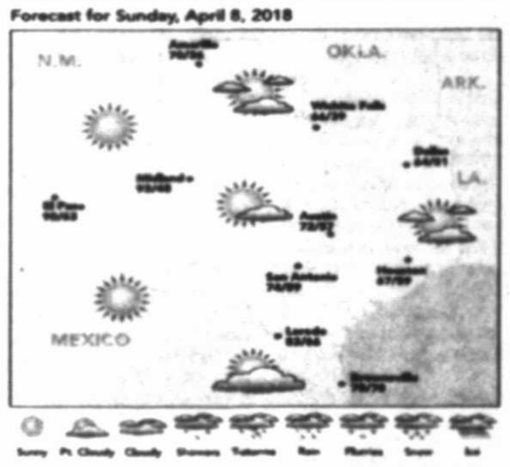
April 7's records
Record high: 93, set in 1979
Low: 23, set in 1939

Precipitation
Friday ..... 0.00 in.
Saturday ..... 0.00 in.
Month total ..... 0.00 in.
Year total ..... 0.16 in.
Normal total (year to date) ..... 2.02 in.

Winds
Average speed: 15.7 mph
Highest speed: 25 mph
Highest gust: 35 mph

Today's forecast

Forecast for Sunday, April 8, 2018



High: 94
Low: 50
Conditions: Sunny during the day/mostly clear at night
Winds: 15-20 mph (25 mph during the day)/15-25 mph (gusts of 30 mph) at night
Chance of rain: None
Sunrise ..... 7:28 a.m.
Sunset ..... 8:13 p.m.

Source: National Weather Service

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

Note: Bigar's Stars is based on the degree of your sun at birth. The sign name is simply a label astrologers put on a set of degrees for convenience. For best results, readers should refer to the dates following each sign.

A baby born today has a Sun in Aries and a Moon in Capricorn.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, April 8, 2018:
This year you will make some changes that others might find amazing. Consider stopping any wild actions, especially if they could have financial ramifications. You will not want to deal with problems in this area of your life. If you are single, you will meet someone when you are out and about. This person could be significant to your life. If you are attached, you enjoy your time alone as a couple. At times, however, the need for space will interfere. CAPRICORN emphasizes the importance of financial stability.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Tension builds as your need to dominate emerges. You are fortunate that you can see a matter very differently from how many others do. You are sensitive to others' feelings, and you understand that you can't force people to respond as you wish. **Tonight:** You are noticed. **This Week:** Monday and Tuesday, meetings provide direction.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ A project demands your attention and people seek you out. You are able to make a difference that could surprise even you. A friend might make the first move. Reach out to someone at a distance. **Tonight:** Let someone help you break past an emotional boundary. **This Week:** Tension appears to be the name of the game.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ One-on-one relating seems to bring attention to a partnership that means a lot to you. You could be unusually lucky when relating to this person, as you feel empowered when relating to him or her. The unexpected tends to point you in a new direction. **Tonight:** Visit a loved one. **This Week:** Detach in order to gain a broader perspective.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Your emotional nature might be difficult to define, as mood changes are the status quo. Try to go with the flow. Your imagination sometimes leads you down the rabbit's hole. Make sure you test out a "great" idea before recommending it. **Tonight:** Be in the moment. **This Week:** Trust that solutions will find their way to you

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You have a style that is unique. Others admire many of your traits. Confusion marks information heading in your direction. Ask as many questions as you need to in order to fill in the blanks. **Tonight:** Touch base with a friend who nearly always is involved in some uproar. **This Week:** Smile, and enjoy what is happening.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Your creativity comes into play when interacting with loved ones. Whatever you choose to do will be slightly off the beaten path. Expect to hear some positive feedback. How you communicate makes a big difference in others' responses. **Tonight:** Forget tomorrow; live it up. **This Week:** The pace lightens up from Wednesday on.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You might opt for a lazy day close to home. Read the Sunday paper, or rent a movie or two. Indulging every so often helps you recycle and feel good. An invitation or a surprise arrival could toss your plans in the air. Ultimately, you get to call the shots. **Tonight:** Happy at home. **This Week:** Tap into your creativity.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Make your Sunday round of calls early on, if possible. Someone might be looking for you. Your plans could be subject to change, but you must decide whether it's OK to make an adjustment. Opt to meet for a movie and a bite to eat. **Tonight:** Only what you want to do. **This Week:** Demands and responsibilities surround you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Be careful when dealing with your finances. You easily could make a mistake. Avoid any money commitments. A little restraint will be helpful. A pleasant surprise heads your way. Listen to what is being offered by another person. **Tonight:** Stick to your plans, if possible. **This Week:** You will have an excellent sense of what to do.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Transform your schedule, which has been routine for quite a while. You might need to infuse your day with different elements. You'll want to make a difference in a loved one's life. Be careful, as a surprise could be more upsetting than you realize. **Tonight:** Make nice. **This Week:** You have a way with money.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★ Lie low today, and screen your calls and emails for a while. How you see your universe could be changing, as you note changes in your environment as well as in various people in your life. How much are you a participant in this situation? **Tonight:** Get a good night's sleep. **This Week:** Take charge and prioritize, and the results will amaze you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Your ability to acquire friends from various walks of life surprises many people. You might observe a loved one change his or her ideas because of what he or she is experiencing. This change comes partially from your words and/or actions. **Tonight:** Celebrate the night away! **This Week:** Wednesday you hit your power days of the month.

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Beto O'Rourke, US Rep. from El Paso, stopped in Midland on Saturday during his campaign for US Senate at the MLK Center.

O'Rourke's punk rock roots influence grass-roots campaign

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U.S. Senate hopeful Beto O'Rourke drove his red Dodge Caravan into Midland on Saturday morning to rally support as he embarks on a do-it-yourself, grass-roots campaign across all of Texas' 254 counties.

The Democrat is traveling the state with a small crew and faced a packed crowd at Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center, which saw more than 250 people in attendance. His opponent, Ted Cruz drew about 80 people to Discovery Operating headquarters last week during the senator's Midland campaign stop.

O'Rourke recently announced he had raised $6.7 million in the first quarter, more than the sitting senator.

"Yesterday, my Democratic opponent announced that in the first quarter of this year he had raised $6.7 million, which is the most money raised by any Senate candidate in the entire country," Cruz said at his event. "You're seeing liberals all over the country — in Hollywood, on the east coast and even some places in Texas — they're having dreams of turning Texas bright blue. They're putting in a lot of money."

O'Rourke said Saturday that he had raised the money from 141,000 unique contributions, none of which came from political action committees or corporations — "Just the people of Texas."

"No one will ever have to wonder who it is I represent," he added.

Running against the incumbent, however, will be a challenge.

"It's only going to be possible if everyone in Texas makes it so," O'Rourke said. "Going to all 254 counties, having multiple town hall meetings in Midland, Odessa, Big Spring, Roscoe and Sweetwater. Every single person is deserving of being heard, listened to and fought for. Together, we can make something that otherwise would be impossible happen."

His campaign is a grass-roots effort that has reached down to the very grass upon which he's trying to root out votes. The U.S. representative from El Paso told the Reporter-Telegram on Wednesday that most of his team had pitched tents and camped outside after an event in Amarillo the night before. One member of his small crew opted to sleep in the van because they wanted to stay away from the "creepy crawlies" on the ground.

His campaign strategy reflects his punk rock roots. O'Rourke toured the U.S. and Canada with his band Foss in the early 1990s, and the do-it-yourself ethic learned back then has carried into his campaign today.

"Driving this Dodge Caravan across Texas, it's just us driving ourselves," he said after Saturday's event. "There's no private jet, no consultant, no pollster saying this is the message you have to say to this group or that. We allow people to drive the conversation, and it's very much like the do-it-yourself effort in rock and roll music. Bands writing their own songs, putting out their own records, starting their own labels, saying what's on their mind and listening to others who want to do the same."

O'Rourke likened DIY efforts to democracy itself.

"When you're doing it right, that's what democracy is like: Not allowing any interference between the person who seeks to represent the community and the community who will be represented," he said. "In that town hall (Saturday), you saw people could ask any question and make any suggestion — and they did. That reminds me of traveling the country in a van with a bunch of bandmates making music and sharing our story with people who showed up when we were doing that 25-plus years ago.

O'Rourke

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and those who have to deal with the consequences when there isn't adequate accountability.

"We were just listening to farmers (in Glasscock County) about groundwater and making sure that we refresh that, we recharge that and recycle that water so that we make sure this area is sustainable for a very long time," he said.

As oil and gas activity increases in the Permian, so does the stress on the often-inadequate transportation infrastructure that wasn't built to withstand rigorous punishment from wide, heavy loads such as from sand and water haulers. O'Rourke said investment in infrastructure is necessary but must be broader than highways and byways.

"That means roads having more lanes on our highways. That means investment in broadband infrastructure, which we're missing from much of rural West Texas," he said. "That investment in infrastructure also means jobs — the jobs of people connected to it and the smaller communities of the Permian Basin that now become more competitive for jobs and investment in young people and talent because they have the infrastructure to support that.

"At the federal level, that means we fight for the appropriations for West Texas. We need a senator who shows up and listens to what's on the minds of the people here, what their needs are and then delivers for them once they're in the Senate."

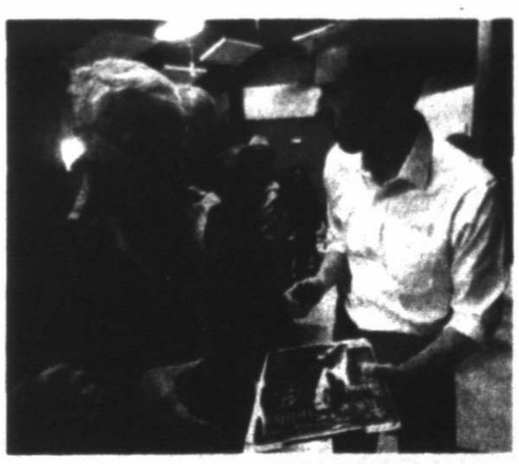
The escalating tariff tussle between the Trump administration and China isn't good for Texas, O'Rourke said.

"The tariffs imposed by this administration are hurting this country, and no state will bear more of the burden than Texas. It's going to be hard for our cotton to find markets overseas, for the cattle we're raising here to find their destination outside this country."

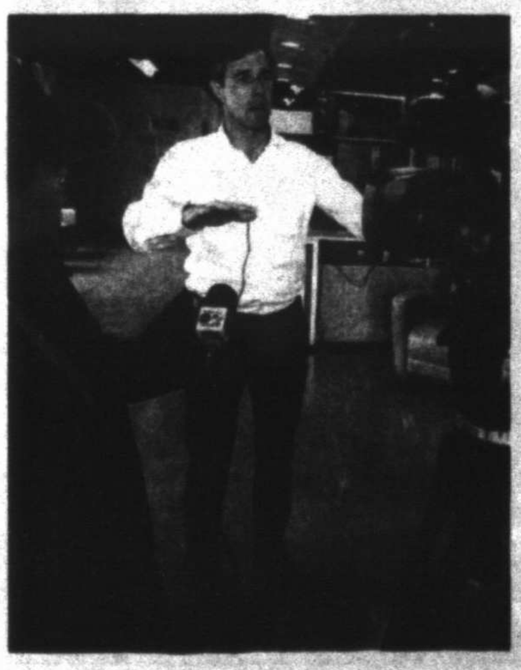
"We talked about energy earlier and the fact that we're a trading state. A million jobs depend on the U.S-Mexico trading relationship," he said. "We need a senator who is going to work with this president when we can and is going to stand up to him when he is going to hurt Texas jobs and economic growth. That's what I want to do for Texas."

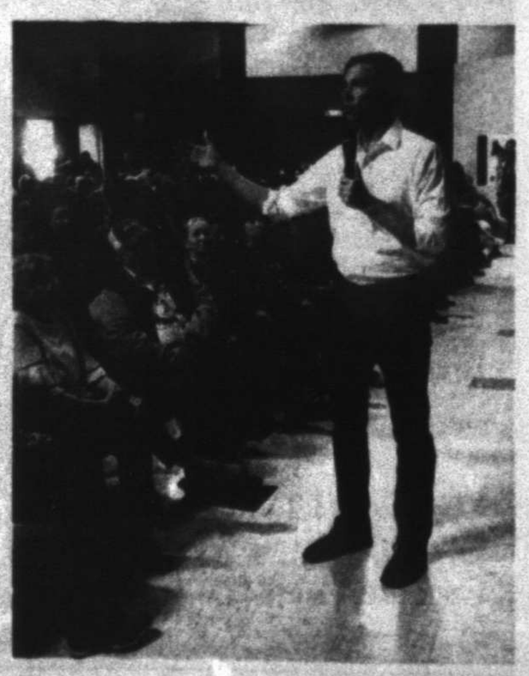














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Drivers navigate through lane closures and construction Jan. 4 on the south service road of Loop 250 near Midland Park Mall.

Simulator gives residents chance to drive safer in oil country

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As part of the Texas Department of Transportation's "Be Safe. Drive Smart." Campaign, the agency's Texas Road Watchers tour stopped at Security Bank Ballpark on Saturday evening to give people a chance to become safer drivers.

"We have safety campaigns all the time, and this one at the RockHounds game is an interactive experience to show people how they can navigate heavy traffic," Gene Powell, TxDOT Odessa District spokesman, said ahead of the event.

TxDOT brought a simulator that presents various safety situations. For the Permian Basin residents, Saturday's event offered special scenarios.

"It's geared toward how to drive in the oil patch, how to drive around big trucks, that kind of thing. Some of it seems to be common sense stuff, but it never hurts to repeat it, and it never hurts to put it in formats where people can digest it a little easier."

About 3,600 people die on Texas roads each year, Powell said. "We haven't gone a day without a fatality since November 2000. My daughter is 16 years old; there hasn't been a day in her life where there hasn't been a fatality on a Texas road."

Work zone safety week

The simulator also served as preparation for Work Zone Safety Week.

"At any one time, we have nearly 2,500 work zones across Texas," Powell said. "Some of them are like what's there on U.S. Highway 285, where they're there for months at a time; some are like what we have on Interstate 20 at Loop 338, where we're fixing some bridge rails and will take two to three weeks; some are half a day because it's our maintenance guys filling a pot hole.

"Whichever work zone it is, the way drivers behave in those work zones is really important."

There were more than 27,000 wrecks in work zones in 2017, most of which were caused by rear-end collisions. "One-hundred and ninety-nine people died in those work zones," Powell said. "The weird number is 82 percent of people killed in work zones are motorists, not the construction workers." This happened when motorists hit other vehicles, hit machinery they didn't see, they were run off the edge of the road or even hit a concrete traffic barrier.

"It's a sobering statistic. It underscores how important it is for motorists to behave in work zones," Powell said. "That includes work zones that don't seem to be attended to that day, like we have on I-20 sometimes."

Perhaps the easiest way to stay safe is to mind the speed limit.

"If the sign says 55 mph, you need to be going 55 mph. If it says 45 mph, you need to be going 45 mph," Powell said. You need to follow those because you never know in a work zone when a large piece of equipment may edge into your lane."

"Our speed limits are set for the safety of the public and the safety of the contractors," he said. "If a contract is eight miles long, we usually only let them work on two miles at a time. Slowing down a little bit early never hurts because it lets you be able to react easier when you do come up on the actual work being done."

Other events

■ **Cleaning up:** On Saturday, TxDOT, Keep Midland Beautiful and Keep Odessa Beautiful were on roadways throughout the Odessa District's 12-county coverage area picking up trash through the Adopt a Highway and Texas Trash Off programs.

■ **Work opportunities:** TxDOT is hosting pair of job fairs that include a variety of available positions, including maintenance, heavy equipment operators and engineers.

The first fair is 10 a.m-2 p.m. Wednesday at Workforce Solutions of the Permian Basin in Fort Stockton, just off of US 285. The second fair is 10 a.m.-2p.m Thursday at Workforce Solutions in Odessa on JBS Parkway.

If you can't make it, you can see positions and fill out an application at txdot.gov. You can also call 800-893-6848 for more information.

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capture very fine changes to the Earth's surface. What they found were areas of concern near Wink, Monahans, Grandfalls, Imperial and Pecos.

Of particular concern is an area just east of Wink Sink No. 2 — the larger one — at the intersection of county roads 201 and 204 in Winkler County. The area has seen subsidence of 40 centimeters per year since 2014.

Fissures across the CR 201 are visible on Google Earth.

"That area is sinking at half a meter per year," Lu told the Reporter-Telegram. "I cannot predict when a hole will be produced in that area, but you can see cracks and fissures nearby. I haven't seen that amount of subsidence anywhere."

University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology geoscientist Jeffrey Paine has studied the Wink Sinks for more than a decade. He's aware of the area east of Wink Sink No. 2.

"Some people call that Wink Sink No. 3 already," he said.

"It just doesn't have steep walls like the sudden collapses at Wink No. 1 and Wink No. 2."

Paine noted that there has been a "huge amount" of subsidence at the site but said the SMU figure is probably the maximum rate.

"We're seeing something on the order of a couple of centimeters per month from topographic comparisons sustained over several years. Those rates are what we saw in our earlier radar interferometry study, as well."

Not all areas in SMU's study are subsiding, however. A location west of Wink and one near Monahans are seeing uplifts, meaning the land is getting higher.

The Wink spot is the site of a wastewater injection well. Near Monahans is a CO2 injection well. The reason for the uplifts isn't known.

All of the areas in SMU's study and existing sinkholes — including one near Imperial that already has caused the Texas Department of Transportation to reroute Farm-to-Market 1053 — have a common factor: They're in a very specific area of the Permian Basin.

Odessa-based hydrologist Gil Van Deventer, who is working on resolving several subsidence issues near Imperial, said the areas being researched are all on the rim of the Delaware Basin, a subbasin of the Permian, which abuts the Central Basin Platform. Above the water-rich San Andres formation is the Salado formation, a salt evaporate deposit.

The water in the San Andres is under artesian pressure and can move up into the Salado by both natural and unnatural circumstances, eroding the salt in the Salado and causing voids that can lead to subsidence and sinkholes.

"When you look at Imperial, back in the 1940s through the 1960s, there were many well tests," Van Deventer said. "They were looking for oil in the San Andres formation, for instance. They didn't find oil, but in many cases they left those wells behind for the landowners because it had water. The unique thing down there is the water is artesian flowing; it's under pressure, so it flows to the surface without a pump. Those wells flow anywhere from 1,000 gallons per minute to 4,000 gallons per minute."

When wells lose their integrity, water from below can flow into the Salado. Abandoned wells that haven't been properly plugged can cause problems, especially when flowing unknown for decades.

"As a historical footnote, as the first flowing San Andres well in Pecos County near Imperial was drilled in 1926 by Carl Cromwell," Van Deventer said. "Cromwell was the infamous driller who drilled the Santa Rita No. 1 in Texon back in 1923. Sure enough, he drilled one of these wells down there, and it was left there to be used by whoever owned the property then. That well might actually still be flowing out there, not that it's being used."

The abandoned wells near Imperial yielded brackish water when drilled in the middle of the last century in the hunt for oil.

They were turned over to landowners and have since been orphaned. One such well corroded and has been spewing water for decades, creating a water feature known as Boehmer Lake, which is visible on satellite imagery.

The Railroad Commission has plans to plug 3,000 abandoned wells across Texas over the next few years; however, those that aren't on the books as oil and gas wells are excluded from the plugging program. The result is continued flowing water without a solution.

"The Railroad Commission will take action on any well to plug or repair it, when we have evidence the well is an abandoned oil or gas well," RRC spokeswoman Ramona Nye told the Texas Tribune in a 2016 article that featured Boehmer Lake. "If the well has been transferred over for use by a private landowner for irrigation or for a water supply well, the Railroad Commission no longer has jurisdiction or authority to plug the well."

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality spokesman Terry Clawson told the Tribune that his agency doesn't have any plugging responsibilities, water wells or otherwise.

No state agency has such a role. "That's the biggest problem we have," said Van Deventer told the Tribune.

"No one wants to claim responsibility."

Research about the causes and the state of the ground underneath is also lacking. "(The rim of the Delaware Basin is) one area where there hasn't been as much research as there needs to be," Paine said.

"What are the specific causes and settings where a sinkhole formation occurs?

"Places like Wink have a favorable subsurface groundwater regime, and you have penetration through the salt by wells that allow water to get into the salt and dissolve it. But not every place is like that, and certainly not every penetration of salt has led to sinkhole formation. Conditions have to be uniquely suited for formation of something like that."

Analysis of the Bureau of Economic Geology's 2017 airborne lidar data has been shelved as the bureau works on areas affected Hurricane Harvey. "Right now, that's the most pressing geologic hazard affecting the state of Texas."

Lu made clear to the Reporter-Telegram that even though his study tied wells to the areas where geological issues are occurring, he is not placing blame. "I don't want people to say we're pointing fingers toward the hydrocarbon industry."

Analysis revealed wells at the sites, and research connected them with API numbers, but more research is necessary to find if and how the wells are affecting the areas.

For his work around Imperial, "I just want to go out and inventory all of those wells, categorize them and write a report so we have something on the shelf that identifies the well and its features," Van Deventer said. "Then we would take the next step of fixing the problem."

TxDOT: Be aware of US 285 traffic changes

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The Texas Department of Transportation is spending $100 million on upgrading the U.S. Highway 285 corridor between Pecos and the New Mexico State line over the next few years, but a section under construction beginning this week will require motorists special attention.

Crews will be working on a bridge-class culvert at Fourmile Draw south of Orla.

It's a heavily trafficked area for the oil industry, but it will be down to one lane for the next two months.

"The way the project is designed, the contractor is going to have to do it half and half," said Gene Powell, TxDOT Odessa District public information officer. "It's a two-lane road. They'll tear half of it out to be rebuilt.

"Starting Monday, there will only be one lane of traffic available. There will be concrete traffic barriers on both sides, so there will be only 14 feet of width for people to drive through. There is no way two vehicles can go at the same time.

There is no way an oversize load bigger than 12 feet can get through there easily."

Traffic signals will let vehicles take turns crossing the bridge, and they signals must be obeyed.

"If anybody runs a red light, they're going to meet someone on that culvert and there isn't going to be anywhere to go. They're not going to be able to drive off into the ditch to get around them. They're going to be stuck," Powell said. "It's going to be a mess if anybody runs a red light or tries to get through with a load that's too big."

Other traffic alerts

Ector County: Crews will be working on US 385 just north of North Loop 338. Traffic patterns will change during week. Work will be done in both directions.

Reeves County: Crews will be working on Farm-to-Market 3334 between mile markers 178-186 on Monday. Please obey flaggers and pilot car.

Also, crews will be working on FM 1215 between mile markers 182-184 on Tuesday. Please obey flaggers and pilot car.



AP Explains why US militarization of border isn't new

By **Russell Contreras**
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — President Donald Trump's promise to use the National Guard to secure the U.S.-Mexico border isn't a new concept and is something the U.S. has done in the past for varying reasons.

Both Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama sent National Guard troops to the border when they were in the White House. And throughout the history of the borderlands, the military or armed militias have been dispatched there to keep black slaves from fleeing, remove Native Americans from ancestral lands and suppress Mexican-American revolts stemming from anger over white mob violence.

Here's a look at how the U.S. has used the military and armed militias along the border:

Slavery and Chinese exclusion

After the U.S. seized Texas and American Southwest following the U.S-Mexico War, armed militias patrolled the border looking for runaway black slaves. The traditional Underground Railroad to the north was too far for slaves to travel so thousands attempted the journey south to freedom. Soon, a guerra sorda, or cold war, developed between the nations.

According to historian James David Nichols, Texas slaveholders took matters into their own hands and sent armed militias to the border and into Mexico to search for runaway slaves. Often Mexico refused to turn over slaves and the conflict sometimes resulted in violent skirmishes.

In the late 1800s and early 1900s, mounted watchmen who patrolled from El Paso to California were dispatched largely to look out for Chinese immigrants trying to illegally enter the U.S.

Kelly Lytle Hernandez, a University of California, Los Angeles history professor and author of "Migra!: A History of the U.S. Border Patrol," says initially there were no restrictions on Mexican immigration at the time because U.S. growers wanted a steady stream of agricultural workers.

Revolution and revolt

Tensions remained high between white settlers, Mexican-Americans and Native Americans in the newly acquired territory following the U.S-Mexico War.

Miguel Levario, a Texas Tech history professor and author of "Militarizing the Border: When Mexicans Became the Enemy," said the U.S. government erected military bases such as Fort Bliss in El Paso for the sole purpose of removing Native Americans from lands. "It had little to do with immigration," Levario said.

As the Mexican Revolution began in Mexico around 1910, white settlers feared Mexican-Americans might take up arms on behalf of Mexican Revolutionary leader Pancho Villa.

When Villa soldiers in northern Mexico killed 19 white engineers and staff from an American mining company, drunken U.S. soldiers sought revenge in El Paso and attacked Mexican-Americans in poor El Paso neighborhoods, sparking a riot in 1916. El Paso police also are believed to have sought revenge and set fire to Mexican inmates in the El Paso jail, killing 27, Levario said. The inmates were doused with coal oil and gasoline as a crude disinfectant, he said.

What happened at the jail helped push Villa to raid the small town of Columbus, New Mexico. The violent raid angered whites and President Woodrow Wilson, who ordered Gen. John J. Pershing to invade Mexico to arrest Villa. The U.S. Army never caught him. National Guard units from around the country were called up and more than 100,000 troops were sent to the border.

Immigration and drugs

Congress created the U.S. Border Patrol in 1924 and the agency slowly grew in size as its mission changed. At first, the agents sought to keep out Asian immigrants and later worked to stall alcohol trafficking in the Prohibition era. Slowly, it evolved into stalling unwanted migration from Mexico.

Occasionally, U.S. presidents have sent the military or the National Guard to the border region to help the Border Patrol stem a crisis amid controversy with border residents.

In 1997, camouflage-clad U.S. Marines ordered to patrol the border for drugs in West Texas shot and killed 18-year-old Esequiel Hernandez Jr. while he was herding his family's goats near the tiny village of Redford along the U.S.-Mexico border. Authorities say Hernandez had no connection to the drug trade and was an honor student.

That shooting sparked anger along the border and ended the President Bill Clinton-era military presence along the border. After Sept. 11, President George W. Bush sent unarmed National Guard units to the border for support, Levario said.

In 2010, President Barack Obama deployed National Guard troops to the border over fear of increasing drug-trafficking violence.

Today, there are more than 20,000 Border Patrol agents along the U.S.-Mexico border, and a number of other federal agencies have a presence as well.



U.S. Border Patrol Agent James Acosta opens a barbed wire fence leading to a road lined with vehicle barriers marking the U.S.-Mexico border Aug. 6, 2009, near Hermanas, N.M. The U.S. Border Patrol has set up a permanent base in a remote section of the New Mexico desert so they can patrol the heavily trafficked region more than once a day. If U.S. President Donald Trump follows through on his promise, it won't be the first time the U.S. has sent the military or armed militias to the U.S.-Mexico border.

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Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland Police Department need your help in identifying the suspect involved in an aggravated assault.

A little after midnight on March 18, a fight broke out at a bar located at 3415 N. Loop 250. The suspect knocked out a 54-year-old female and assaulted an employee of the business. The suspect is described as a black male in his 20s, approximately 6-feet tall and weighing 240 pounds.

If you have information on this "bar-brawler" and it leads to an arrest, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. Call Midland Crime Stoppers at 694-TIPS or 1-800-7LOCKUP or download the mobile app 'P3 TIPS'. No caller ID is ever used and you will remain anonymous.

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BIG LOTS FRIENDS & FAMILY

Deported migrants weigh whether to try crossing into US again

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times



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Migrants and deportees at Casa Migrante shelter run by Catholic priests in the border city of Nuevo Laredo, Mexico, gather for breakfast before heading to work earlier this month.

NUEVO LAREDO, Mexico — The migrants rose before dawn to prepare a breakfast of bean burritos and champurrado, a Mexican cinnamon-chocolate drink whose scent filled the dining hall of their temporary shelter in this heavily trafficked border town across the Rio Grande from Laredo.

The number of migrants apprehended at the southern border has dipped since President Donald Trump took office, but hundreds still arrive each week at Casa Migrante, a haven in this border city still haunted by drug cartel violence that scared off U.S. tourists and businesses during the last decade. The surrounding state of Tamaulipas, which hugs the border, is still one of the most violent in Mexico, and the State Department this year warned Americans against traveling there. Few migrants want to linger in Nuevo Laredo.

The free shelter run by Catholic priests has space for 100 at a time in a white concrete building beside the river. On this recent morning, the migrants, most of them men, ate breakfast at plastic tables next to a map of the U.S., a picture of Jesus with his disciples and Spanish banners proclaiming, "Justice for migrants" and "If the migrant is not your brother, God is not your father."

Some of the migrants were Central Americans — first-time visitors to Nuevo Laredo. Others were recently deported from the U.S. The deportees, in particular, had a difficult decision: Should they admit defeat and give up, or risk prison by trying to cross illegally again?

Sandy Veracruz Santiago, 21, had been deported the day before just hours after she and a cousin crossed the Rio Grande into Texas, bound for Houston, where they have relatives. They had paid a total of $4,500 to cross the border, hoping to find work to support their two children.

Before they were deported, Border Patrol agents warned the pair that if they were caught crossing again, they could be detained for months. In the past, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement routinely placed migrants in deportation proceedings, but now officials often pursue criminal charges, which can mean prison time for repeat offenders.

The agents' warning scared Veracruz, who planned to head home to Mexico City. But her cousin said he would cross the border illegally again soon.

"We will see what happens," said Pablo Botello Garcia, 20, a baby-faced house painter with a 9-month-old daughter at home.

Two other migrants sat facing each other at the end of another table. They were tired, unshaven and uncertain about their futures. Luis Duran said he was stopped by police in tiny Alton, Utah, days before and swiftly deported. He had lived in the U.S. since 2001 and left behind three sons — ages 7, 3 and 2 — and he missed them.

Duran, 36, framed houses for a living in Utah and knew he would be paid far less for such work in his hometown of Puebla, Mexico. But he wasn't sure he could cross the border again without ending up in detention long term.

"I can't make money here in Mexico," Duran said. "But I have three deportations. That's enough."

Heriberto Garcia, a 32-year-old construction worker sitting across from him, agreed they were in a bind.

Garcia, who had been deported the day before, had a 10-year-old son in Houston, where he was stopped and detained for driving without a license. He also had been deported before, in 2013.

"We can't work" in Mexico, he said. In his home state of Guanajuato, it took family connections to find work. Garcia had friend who had started robbing cars for a living.

"When they deport us, they force us into a life of crime. I might have to do it," he said.

In the shelter kitchen, deportee Carlos Villareal said he had given up on returning to the U.S.

Villareal, 40, a slim construction worker from rural western Mexico, first crossed to the U.S. illegally in 1995. He worked across the South, made good money rebuilding homes in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina, married and had two sons, ages 7 and 1.

He was earning up to $150 a day when he was deported this year. In his native Nayarit state, he said, he could find only farm work that paid $20 a day. So Villareal had paid $2,500 to cross the border illegally the day before.

He was caught by Border Patrol and swiftly returned to Mexico.

"My time working in the U.S. has ended. I have to think of my sons. This was my last chance to go back and make money, but I couldn't do it," Villareal said.

At a neighboring table, clean-shaven Julian Calleja finished his burrito and prepared to leave for work at a factory.

Calleja, 27, had been deported after he was charged with driving under the influence after drinking a few beers and some tequila on his way home from work one night in Wayne, Neb. There he earned $150 a day at a Mexican restaurant. In Nuevo Laredo he earned 200 pesos a day, about $11, soldering metal chairs.

Calleja sent much of what he earned back to Acapulco to support his 12-year-old daughter. Unlike Villareal, he was willing to risk a prison sentence. He planned to pay smugglers, likely several thousand dollars, to cross the border illegally once more.

"It's tougher now, but my family has to eat. It's more difficult here in Mexico than in jail," he said.

Sitting nearby, Miguel Nogues said he also planned to return to the U.S. illegally. He had settled years before in Texas, found work in the oil fields earning $25 an hour and married a U.S. citizen. He sent money back to his father in Mexico City to pay for his cancer medication.

Now Nogues, 40, looked and felt out of place at the shelter in his Old Navy fleece, Polo cap and blue Nike sneakers. He wanted to return to his adopted small town of Alice in south Texas.

"I love living with U.S. citizens. They're my second family," he said.

After breakfast, Juan Olivares, 71, hobbled with a metal cane to an outside courtyard. He'd been deported from San Antonio in December by ICE after living as a legal resident in the U.S. for 59 years. Bearded with thick glasses, he was still wearing the slip-on shoes he had been issued at the U.S. detention center where he was held for three months.

Olivares wasn't sure why ICE came to his house and deported him. He said he had been convicted of assaulting his wife in 1996, a felony, but received 10 years of probation that ended after four years because of good behavior. His wife died in 2007. His adult children were U.S. citizens living in Texas. He couldn't afford to hire an attorney. He had no family left in his native Coahuila state, but he said he might move to a shelter there that had offered him assistance.

"We are Mexicans without a country," he said of the deportees.

Walking out the other door of the dining hall toward the shelter office was a small man in a gray Dave & Buster's sweatshirt and with an unbandaged scrape on his head.

Jovan, a Guatemalan farmer, had spent weeks migrating north on foot to find work to support his two children, ages 6 and 1. He hopped a northbound cargo train in Mexico known as La Bestia, or the Beast, a notoriously dangerous route to the U.S. border. Ten days earlier, Mexican police had forced him and a group of about 100 migrants off the train. He bumped his head, which still hurt. Others died, he said.

Jovan, 24, had arrived in Nuevo Laredo a few days before and didn't want to share his last name for fear he might be deported. Walking down the street with fellow migrants, he said, he got chased by Mexican men in a black SUV. Some darted out, grabbed a Honduran migrant he knew and sped off. The man had not been heard from since, Jovan said.

He asked staff members in the shelter office whether he could leave with other migrants for work. They explained that Jovan did not have the necessary paperwork yet to work in Mexico. He didn't have money to pay a smuggler, but he was determined to reach the U.S. on his own if he had to.

"Today or tomorrow I will cross," he said. "These are the risks we take."

Earlier that morning, a few miles away at the border bridge, several men had boarded a red inflated rubber raft and tried to cross the river. They were desperate and also conspicuous, and half a dozen Border Patrol agents ran to apprehend them.

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Study: Odessa has most expensive room rates

From staff reports

If you're looking for a hotel room in Odessa, be prepared to pay.

CheapHotels.org — a hotel room booking website owned by Booking.com — looked at the least expensive double-room rates at the hotels across 30 Texas cities in mid-March and found that Odessa ranked as the most expensive at $186 per night. The site used hotel comparison website Kayak.com for its research, which also is owned by Booking.com.

Midland ranked sixth at $147 per night. The cheapest in the state was Killeen, where a double room cost on average $55 per night.

The complete results of the study:

1. Odessa $186
2. Waco $176
3. Austin $174
4. Dallas $158
5. Fort Worth $153
6. Midland $147
7. The Woodlands $144
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28. McAllen $74
29. Abilene $64
30. Killeen $55

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Texas ranks 8th for return on investment in taxes

From staff reports

As the federal tax filing deadline approaches, personal finance website WalletHub looked at which states offer the best return on investment for taxes paid.

Texas ranked eighth overall, but its position is elevated by its low total of taxes paid per capita, where it placed sixth. When it comes to overall government services received, the Lone Star State ranked 36th.

For overall government services, WalletHub analyzed education, health, safety, economy and infrastructure and pollution — the latter of which was a particular low spot. Texas ranked 47th for infrastructure and pollution. It ranked 13th for economy.

The top five states overall were New Hampshire, Florida, South Dakota, Colorado and Virginia. The lowest-ranking state was Hawaii, followed by Arkansas, California, North Dakota and New York.

WalletHub also compared Republican- and Democrat-dominant states, based on the 2016 presidential election results. The average return on investment rank was 20.60 for Republican states and 32.85 for Democrat states.

The last day to file federal income tax returns is April 17.

BLS: Midland posts largest employment gain in US

For the second straight month, Midland recorded the largest over-the-year percentage gain in employment in the United States.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported last week that Midland showed a 9.1 percent increase in employment during the month of February. Odessa finished second with a 7.5 percent increase.

Meanwhile, Midland was one of 69 metropolitan statistical areas with an increase in its jobless rate from January to February. Midland's unemployment rate rose from 2.4 to 2.5 percent. The national unemployment rate in February was 4.4 percent.

Unemployment rates

The following are the metropolitan areas that posted an unemployment rate under 3 percent during the month of February

Honolulu, Hawaii	1.8	Manchester, New Hampshire	2.8
Ames, Iowa	1.9	Oshkosh-Neenah, Wisconsin	2.8
Kahului-Wailuku-Lahaina, Hawaii	2.0	San Francisco-Oakland-Hayward, California	2.9
Burlington, Vermont	2.3	Boulder, Colorado	2.9
Elkhart-Goshen, Indiana	2.5	Fort Collins, Colorado	2.9
Iowa City, Iowa	2.5	Columbus, Ohio	2.9
Portland, Maine	2.5	Topeka, Kansas	2.9
Portsmouth, New Hampshire	2.5	Amarillo	2.9
Midland	**2.5**	Charlottesville, Virginia	2.9
Madison, Wisconsin	2.5	Appleton, Wisconsin	2.9
Columbia, Missouri	2.6	Wausau, Wisconsin	2.9
Omaha, Nebraska	2.6		
Dover-Durham, New Hampshire	2.7		
Sheboygan, Wisconsin	2.7		

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

RRC: More than half of all drilling permits issued for Midland region

AUSTIN — The Railroad Commission of Texas (Commission) issued a total of 1,220 original drilling permits in March 2018 compared to 1,310 in March 2017.

And more than half of those were for the Midland region.

The March total included 1,002 permits to drill new oil or gas wells, 14 to re-enter plugged well bores and 204 for re-completions of existing well bores. The breakdown of well types for those permits issued March 2018 included 385 oil, 77 gas, 690 oil or gas, 82 injection, two service and 11 other permits.

In March 2018, Commission staff processed 656 oil, 173 gas, 35 injection and three other completions compared to 586 oil, 77 gas, 49 injection and zero other completions in March 2017. Total well completions processed for 2018 year to date are 2,712; up from 1,925 recorded in 2017.

There were 618 permits issued for the Midland region, 363 oil completions and 53 gas completions. The Midland region led the state in all three categories.

According to Baker Hughes Inc., the Texas rig count as of April 6 was 498, representing about 49 percent of all active rigs in the United States.

Oil & gas permits

The following are March 2018 oil and gas drilling permits and completions, provided to the Reporter-Telegram from the Railroad Commission.

District	oil/gas holes	completions	completions
San Antonio	116	51	10
Refugio	86	67	21
Deep South Texas	23	2	11
East Central Texas	12	7	4
West Central Texas	49	7	2
San Angelo	74	59	2
Midland	**619**	**363**	**53**
Lubbock	79	11	0
North Texas	44	27	10
Panhandle	24	11	8
Total	1,220	656	173

Building permits March 26-30

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2215 N. Midland Drive	Commercial Alteration	1319 Corral Drive	New Residence
104 S. G Street	Swimming Pool	1321 Corral Drive	New Residence
2805 Savoy Place	Residential Addition	1323 Corral Drive	New Residence
4314 Tennessee Drive	Residential Addition	2313 Scenic Road	New Residence
3508 Cunningham Drive	Residential Alteration	2300 Scenic Road	New Residence
2504 Colonial Oaks Court	New Residence	2303 Horizon Road	New Residence
1404 Harvard Ave.	Residential Addition	4910 Meadowside Street	New Residence
1215 Milltown Road	New Residence	2318 Scenic Road	New Residence
1213 Milltown Road	New Residence	2302 Sage Brush Road	New Residence
3705 Mark Lane	Residential Addition	5100 Bolivar Court	New Residence
3506 Casino Reale	Residential Alteration	3411 Shell Ave.	Residential Addition
1101 N. Garfield Street	Residential Alteration	2300 Sage Brush Road	New Residence
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6708 Laughlin Court	New Residence	2301 Scenic Road	New Residence
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What's at stake in China-US trade dispute

By Joe Mcdonald
Associated Press

BEIJING — Beijing has announced a $50 billion list of U.S. goods for possible tariff hikes in a spiraling technology dispute with Washington.

That followed the release of a U.S. government list of Chinese goods targeted for punitive tariffs in response to complaints Beijing pressures foreign companies to hand over technology.

On Monday, China raised duties on $3 billion of U.S. pork, apples, and other goods in response to higher American import duties on steel and aluminum.

The issues at stake:

Q: Why did this dispute blow up?

A: U.S. President Donald Trump says Beijing is violating its free-trade commitments by pressuring foreign companies to hand over technology to potential Chinese competitors in exchange for market access.

Trump has pledged to narrow the U.S. trade deficit with China, which Washington put at $375.2 billion last year, a record for any country.

A key irritant is Beijing's long-range industry plan, dubbed "Made in China 2025," which calls for creating Chinese global leaders in electric cars, robotics and other fields. Foreign companies complain that will limit or outright block their access to those industries.

Q: What have the two sides done so far?

A: Trump approved tariff increases on steel and aluminum imports in response to complaints American suppliers were threatened by unfairly low-priced imports.

The United States buys little steel and aluminum from China, but analysts said Beijing felt compelled to respond, partly as a "warning shot" ahead of an expected fight over technology.

On Monday, China raised duties on pork and aluminum scrap by 25 percent and on apples, sparkling wine, steel pipes and other goods by 15 percent. The measures appeared to target farm states that voted for Trump in 2016.

Q: What is at stake?

A: The United States and China have the world's biggest trading relationship. That gives them an incentive to reach a settlement to avoid damaging many businesses on both sides.

Exports to China directly or indirectly supported 1.8 million new U.S. jobs in 2015, according to the U.S.-China Business Council, an industry group.

Wednesday's Chinese tariff hike targeted goods including soybeans, the biggest U.S. export to China, and aircraft.

Economists and investors worry other governments might respond by raising their own import barriers. That might chill commerce and set back a global economic recovery.

Q: Why does technology matter?

A: The latest tariff dispute strikes at the heart of technology industries China's leaders consider vital for its economic future.

Chinese factories assemble most of the world's smartphones, computers and consumer electronics. But Beijing wants to capture more of the profits by becoming a creator of technology instead of a low-cost factory.

The ruling Communist Party is spending heavily and pressing foreign companies for help in developing Chinese global competitors in telecoms, electric cars and other technologies.

Washington is trying to promote technology exports to offset its imports from China and support higher-paying jobs.

American and other foreign companies have long complained about Chinese rules that require automakers and others to work through local partners, compelling them to share technology with potential competitors.

Last month, Washington filed a World Trade Organization complaint over Chinese policy it said limits the ability of foreign companies to control and profit from their technology.

Q: What's likely to come next?

A: Chinese officials have acknowledged their country has more to lose in a full-blown conflict with Washington but say they will endure the cost.

Beijing has options for retaliating against U.S. companies operating in China. Regulators could withhold licenses or alter other conditions to hamper foreign business activity.

Some economists have suggested Washington could target state-owned enterprises that dominate industries including energy, telecoms and banking.

Europe and Japan also have grumbled about the monopolies and other privileges given to SOEs. Washington may try to get them to jointly pressure Beijing for change.



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A couple walk by an American flag signboard on display outside a supermarket selling imported groceries on Thursday at the Qingdao bonded zone in east China's Shandong province.

News Guide explains what's behind the US-China trade fight

By Christopher Rugaber
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The United States and China, the world's two largest economies, have roiled financial markets and fueled fears of a protracted trade war by threatening tariffs this week on each other's goods.

The United States on Tuesday said it would impose 25 percent duties on $50 billion of imports from China, and China quickly retaliated by listing $50 billion of products that it could hit with its own 25 percent tariffs. Earlier in the week, Beijing announced separate import duties on $3 billion of U.S. goods in response to the Trump administration's duties on all steel and aluminum imports, including from China.

U.S. officials sought to downplay the threat of a broader trade dispute, saying a negotiated outcome is still possible. Even so, economists warned that the tit-for-tat moves bear the hallmarks of a classic trade rift that could escalate.

"The seeds of a more serious conflict are there," said Adam Slater, lead economist at Oxford Economics, a consulting firm.

Some of the largest American brands, from Apple to Boeing to Kentucky Fried Chicken, are increasingly intertwined with the Chinese market. They either sell billions of dollars of goods there or make some of their products in China, or both.

So h did we get here, and what might the impact be?:

Why did this dispute blow up?

President Donald Trump says Beijing is violating its free-trade commitments by pressuring foreign companies to hand over technology to potential Chinese competitors in exchange for market access.

A U.S. trade official said Wednesday that the administration was moved by concerns that China is increasing its use of unfair trade practices, expanding them from industries such as steel to high-tech industries where U.S. companies dominate.

A key irritant is Beijing's long-range industry plan, dubbed "Made in China 2025." It calls for establishing Chinese global leadership in electric cars, robotics and other fields. Foreign companies complain that the initiative will limit or outright block their access to those industries.

Trump has also pledged to narrow the U.S. trade deficit with China, which Washington estimated at $337.2 billion last year, a record for any country.

Will U.S. Consumers end up paying more?

Not yet. The United States plans to impose tariffs on mostly machinery and high-tech goods typically purchased by businesses.

The duties would mostly steer clear of the billions of dollars of consumer goods that the U.S. imports from China, such as iPhones, toys, and shoes. Only about one-tenth of China's goods exports to the United States would be affected.

Still, economists say many companies might try to pass their extra costs from the tariffs onto consumers. Prices would rise, though likely only slightly.

Kathy Bostjancic, an economist at Oxford Economics, estimates they could raise inflation by just one-tenth of a percentage point.

Will the dispute hurt U.S. economy?

The steps taken so far shouldn't have much of an impact. Only about 2.5 percent of all U.S. imports are affected by the tariffs. And imports from all countries amount to just 15 percent of the economy.

Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics, estimates that the tariffs threatened so far could slice U.S. growth by just one or two-tenths of a percentage point this year.

"So far, at least, this is relatively minor," he said. "It's going to take a lot to derail this economy."

Still, specific industries would feel some pain if threats of higher tariffs are carried out. China is the top overseas market for U.S. soybeans.

And China has included soybeans on its list of 106 products that would be hit by retaliatory tariffs.

Automakers such as Tesla, BMW and Mercedes-Benz would also be hit. BMW exports 89,000 cars a year from the U.S. to China, while Mercedes-Benz sends 65,000 cars, according to analysts at Sanford C. Bernstein. Tesla expects to sell about 15 percent of its Model S and Model X cars in China this year.

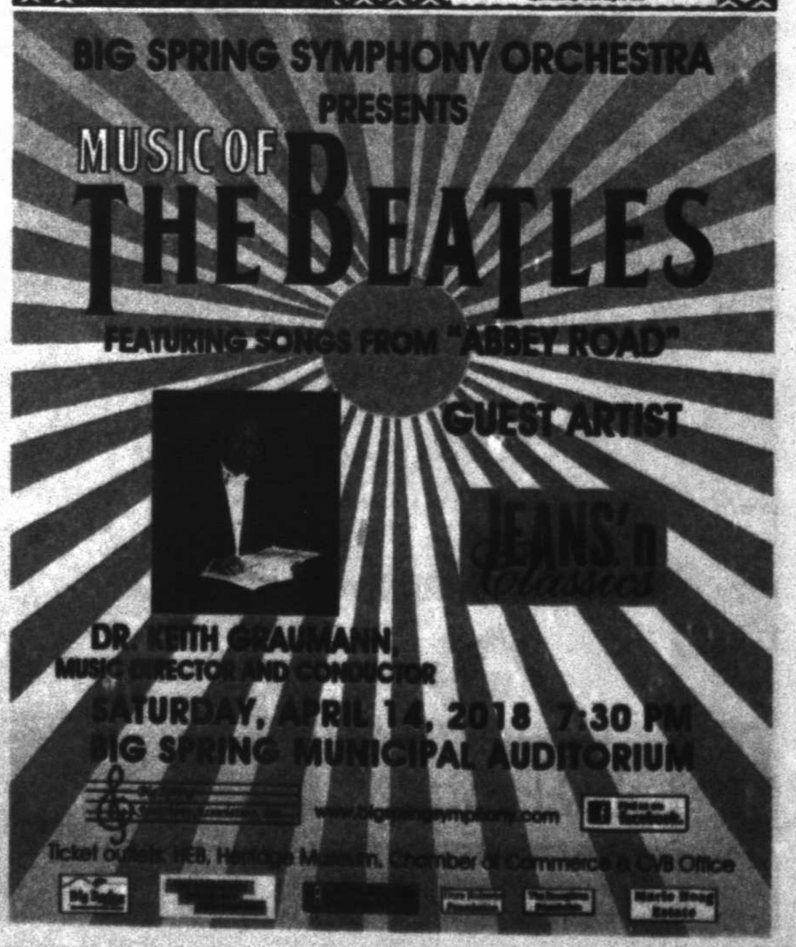
What will likely happen next?

So far, no tariffs have actually been imposed. And some U.S. officials say they're at least partly intended as a negotiating ploy. U.S. officials say they'll hold hearings on the administration's proposed target list of 1,300 products in mid-May and haven't set a deadline for when the tariffs would take effect.

Nor has China set a date for imposing tariffs on the 106 products it has targeted.

"It will be a couple months before tariffs on either side would go into effect and be implemented, and we're hopeful that China will do the right thing," White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said.







If Trump really wants to go after Amazon, he has options

By Jeff Stein
The Washington Post

■ ANALYSIS

President Donald Trump is livid with Amazon, attacking the company in a multi-day Twitter jeremiad and accusing it of taking advantage of the U.S. government to gain an unfair advantage over its competitors.

Trump has accused Amazon of paying "little or no taxes" to state and local governments, in an apparent reference to local municipalities' struggle to collect sales taxes on Amazon. He has also suggested Amazon is ripping off the U.S. Postal Service to the tune of "tremendous losses" — although some experts say the online retailer is actually helping the post office's bottom line. (Amazon's founder and chief executive, Jeff Bezos, owns The Washington Post.)

"I am right about Amazon costing the United States Post Office massive amounts of money for being their Delivery Boy," Trump wrote Tuesday on Twitter. "Amazon should pay these costs (plus) and not have them bourne by the American Taxpayer. Many billions of dollars. P.O. leaders don't have a clue (or do they?)!"

But while Trump tweaks the online giant on Twitter, his administration is taking action — or continuing Obama-era actions — that appear likely to boost Amazon's bottom line.

Trump's government continues to do big business with Amazon.

Under former President Barack Obama, the CIA awarded Amazon a contract reportedly worth $600 million over 10 years. In December, Amazon Web Services, Amazon's cloud computing wing, announced it was creating a "Secret Region" program as part of its contract with the CIA. (The cloud storage unit will manage classified information for U.S. spy agencies.) Amazon also announced the further expansion of that program with the CIA last month.

The Pentagon may also be on track to expand the amount of federal money flowing to Amazon.

In April, the Defense Department is expected to bid out a cloud contract worth billions of dollars over the next decade, and competitors have complained that only Amazon appears poised to win it.

The Pentagon initially said it awarded a nearly $1 billion contract to an Amazon Web Services partner but later backtracked after a legal challenge by Oracle.

Fears still persist that Amazon has an inside track to the big government deal, and more than 1,000 comments have been sent to the Pentagon about the multibillion-dollar bid, including dozens from industry groups, according to Bloomberg.

Amazon has said it is seeking a fair and competitive process for the bid. "As we have always said, an open and competitive bidding process allows for the customer to thoroughly analyze the various providers and select the solutions that best meet their needs," a spokesperson previously told The Washington Post.

Additionally, Amazon said in its most recent financial disclosure documents that the Republican tax law signed by Trump will reduce the company's deferred tax liability, or postponed taxes that will have to be paid at a later date, by $789 million for 2017 alone.

Some academics say this merely reflects an accounting change rather than a financial windfall for the company, but other experts disagree.

"Amazon is a multinational corporation and makes a lot of profit here and abroad, which will be taxed at a much lower rate under Trump's tax law," said Steve Rosenthal, a senior fellow at the Tax Policy Center, a nonpartisan think tank.

"The big picture is Amazon expects to make lots of profits and the U.S. slashed its corporate tax rate both domestically and internationally."

The GOP tax law did take some steps that will increase taxes on Amazon, or at least reduce its tax breaks, eliminating a manufacturing deduction and requiring multinational companies to repatriate overseas profits.

Jeffrey Hoopes, a tax expert at the University of North Carolina, warned against making premature judgments about the tax law's impact on Amazon specifically.

Some critics add that Trump has other means at his disposal to tackle Amazon's largesse, including directing the Justice Department to beef up antitrust enforcement action or pushing Congress to amend federal law governing online sales taxes.

"Under the current interpretation of antitrust laws, Amazon seems to be getting a free pass," Lina Khan, an antitrust expert at the Open Markets Institute, told NPR. ". . . What they are supposed to prevent is a company that enjoys a dominant footprint in one area of the market, using that footprint to leverage its way into other markets, and so I think that's the area where Amazon potentially should be facing scrutiny."

Amazon did not immediately respond to a request for comment about potential antitrust action, but conservative think tanks have argued that trying to break up Amazon would hurt competition and discourage business investment.

Top anti-trust experts at Berkeley and Wharton have also expressed some skepticism about using existing statutes to break up Amazon.

Wall Street's patience with Trump has its limits

By Julie Pace and Josh Boak
Associated Press

■ ANALYSIS

WASHINGTON — For more than a year, Wall Street has largely ignored the unpredictability and chaos that has plagued Donald Trump's administration, confident that the businessman-turned-president's policies would juice the economy and that a team of mainstream advisers would keep more controversial proposals at bay.

Now the financial markets are showing that their patience with Trump has its limits.

A triple whammy of tariffs, Twitter threats against one of the nation's largest companies and high-level staff shake-ups have rattled Wall Street in recent weeks. The S&P 500 has fallen 1 percent amid turbulent daily price swings since March 1, the day Trump said he intended to levy tariffs on steel and aluminum imports. Wednesday was another roller coaster day for Wall Street amid back-and-forth tariff threats by the U.S. and China. The Dow Jones industrial average plunged 501 points after the opening bell but made it all back, and more.

The repercussions of a jagged drop in the stock market are both economic and political. If the market fluctuations continue, they could dampen business and consumer confidence and ultimately slow U.S. economic growth. For Trump and the Republican Party, that could be a devastating development in a midterm election year, when the party is largely pinning its hopes of keeping control of Congress on economic success and Americans seeing a benefit from the tax overhaul the president signed in December.

Republican leaders have been urging Trump, both publicly and privately, to spend the year selling the merits of the new tax law, which permanently slashed corporate tax rates and included big rate cuts for wealthy individuals, alongside more modest cuts for the middle class. Instead, Trump has aggressively pursued tariffs that may initially satisfy his supporters' desire to crack down on China and other nations, but risk sparking a trade war that could devastate some of the American industries that Trump has pledged to protect.

"Farmers and ranchers shouldn't be expected to bear the brunt of retaliation for the entire country," said Sen. Chuck Grassley, R-Iowa, whose state depends on agriculture exports. "It's not fair, and it doesn't make economic sense."

White House officials scrambled Wednesday to calm both the markets and Republicans, leaving open the possibility that some tariffs ultimately won't be implemented if China lowers barriers to U.S. exports.

"Don't overreact, we'll see how this works out," said Larry Kudlow, Trump's new chief economic adviser. "At the end of this whole process, the end of the rainbow, there's a pot of gold."

That still left plenty of investors on edge.

Companies surveyed for the Institute for Supply Management's services index released on Wednesday said that while they're still expanding, they're worried about the tariffs and volatile swings in prices for lumber, steel and aluminum that make planning difficult.

"If there is follow-through on both sides to go ahead with higher tariffs, clearly there will be negative implications everywhere," said Jennifer Lee, a senior economist at BMO Capital Markets. "As of now, the impact is on confidence, and uncertainty is never a good thing for the economy."

Wall Street's fluctuations could be particularly problematic for Trump given how closely he's tied his own success to stock market gains. Unlike most of his predecessors, who rarely commented on Wall Street's highs and lows, Trump has frequently cast market highs as a direct result of his presidency and policies. He notably hasn't tweeted or commented on the recent volatility, though his spokeswoman said he wasn't rattled.

"We may have a little bit of short-term pain, but we're certainly going to have long-term success," White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders told reporters.

Beyond Trump's tariff threats, investors have also been put off by the sudden departure of senior administration officials with close ties to Wall Street and the business community. Secretary of State Rex Tillerson, the former CEO of Exxon, was ousted last month. White House economic adviser Gary Cohn, the former president of Goldman Sachs, also announced that he was resigning. The morning after Cohn's resignation, the Dow Jones industrial stock average opened roughly 1 percent lower.

Adding to the market uncertainty: Trump's tweets about Amazon. He's spent the last several days misleadingly saying that the online retailer doesn't pay taxes and has hurt the finances of the U.S. Postal Service. Amazon shares have lost nearly 14 percent of their value since the middle of March.

So far, Trump's trade strategies and taunting have done little to derail the economy as a whole.





Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas facing tornado and wildfire threats

By Ken Miller
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — Emergency officials in Oklahoma, Texas and Kansas are bracing for two types of disasters as spring gets into full swing: The start of what's historically the most active time of year for tornadoes plus wildfire threats brought on by severe drought.

April, May and June are the most active months in the U.S. for tornadoes. At the same time, the three states on the southern end of Tornado Alley are experiencing extreme and exceptional drought that could fuel wildfires.

Tornado Alley extends from northern Texas and covers much of Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska and South Dakota, plus slivers of New Mexico and Colorado, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Storm Prediction Center.

The past three years, the U.S. has seen an average of more than 600 tornadoes during April, May and June, according to the center . That is more than half the average of 1,186 tornadoes per year during that time span, although the numbers from the last three months of 2017 are still considered preliminary.

Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas are accustomed to preparing for multiple emergency situations happening at once and train with various agencies to account for different possibilities.

"We're typically preparing for worst-case scenarios year-round anyway," state Department of Emergency Management spokeswoman Keli Cain said, noting that the SPC reports Oklahoma City has been struck by more tornadoes than any other U.S. city, with more than 100 known twisters. "We do have some experience at that. We plan for all hazards anyway."

Katie Horner, spokeswoman for the Kansas adjutant general's division of emergency management, said last year the state dealt with a blizzard, an ice storm, fire, flooding and a tornado warning all in the same week. "We train not only for one or two events in a day, but three or four events in a day," she added.

Chip Orton, the emergency management director for Amarillo, a city of about 200,000 in the Texas Panhandle, says, "My job is to be worried."

"That's why we come to work every day. Is it likely? Probably not. Could it happen? Sure," he said.

While tornadoes are the result of thunderstorms, which are created from conditions that include moisture, the current dry conditions in the area do not preclude twisters, said Storm Prediction Center meteorologist Patrick Marsh. He noted that two tornadoes were reported in the Texas Panhandle on March 18, even as the area was rated in extreme drought.



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A tornado moves past homes on May 20, 2013 in Moore, Okla. Emergency officials in Oklahoma, Texas and Kansas are bracing for the start of what's historically the most active time of year for tornadoes while also facing wildfire threats because of severe drought conditions.

Some private forecasting services are predicting an increase in tornadoes during the coming months, based largely on the fact that there was the climate phenomenon La Nina during the past winter. They're expecting weather patterns in the coming months to be wetter and warmer than usual, particularly in the southeastern U.S. and along the Gulf Coast.

"(Those conditions) would be a petri dish for thunderstorms. You need to add an additional ingredient for tornados. ... You need wind shear. Wind shear is best described as a change in wind speed and direction," Marsh said, and is created when cold air and warm air collide at the surface.

The national Storm Prediction Center, however, does not forecast severe weather more than about a week in advance.

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NEW YORK

One critically injured in fire at Trump Tower

Officials say one person has been critically injured in a raging apartment fire at Trump Tower in New York City.

Fire Commissioner Daniel Nigro says the fire broke out after 5:30 p.m. Saturday in an apartment on the 50th floor of the midtown skyscraper.

Nigro says the person who lived in the apartment is hospitalized in critical condition.

He says four firefighters suffered less serious injuries.

President Donald Trump tweeted that the fire was out and said it was "Very confined (well built building)."

Trump's business is based at Trump Tower and his residence is there, but he has spent little time in New York since taking office.

Nigro says no member of the Trump family was at the building on Saturday.

SAN FRANCISCO

Rivers swell as wet storm moves through Northern California

Up to 6 inches of rain fell over two days as a drenching "Pineapple Express" storm swelled rivers and flooded roads in Northern California, forecasters said Saturday.

The heaviest rain was in the northern Sierra and in coastal counties from San Francisco north to Mendocino during a 48-hour period beginning Thursday afternoon, the National Weather Service said. Downtown San Francisco saw nearly 2 inches on Friday, making for the fourth-wettest April day since record-keeping began.

The storm tapered off by late Saturday morning but minor flooding continued along the swollen Truckee River near Lake Tahoe. Parts of Yosemite National Park remained closed as the Merced River peaked several feet above flood stage through the Yosemite Valley.

No major problems were reported, but runoff from melting snow could add to the chance of rapidly rising streams and rivers, forecasters warned.

The wet weather resulted from a strong "atmospheric river" of subtropical moisture that moved east from Hawaii.

Police rescued a man who became trapped in a rain-swollen drainage channel near Sacramento, where many roads were flooded. The state capital saw more than 1.17 inches of rain on Friday.

Sonoma County officials said there were no major mudslides in areas stripped bare by last fall's wildfires.

San Francisco International Airport reported about 150 canceled flights because of the weather and others were delayed.

The opener of the San Francisco Giants-Los Angeles Dodgers weekend series was rained out, the first at the Giants ballpark in 12 years. Saturday's game was also pushed back by two hours.

To the north, state officials warned this week that they may have to use the partially rebuilt spillway at Oroville Dam for the first time since repairs began on the badly damaged structure last summer.

The water level in Lake Oroville topped 797 feet on Saturday. If it reaches about 830 feet, water managers said they may open the gates to the spillway. Officials said they are confident it can safely function.

BAKERSFIELD

Post office named for Merle Haggard in California hometown

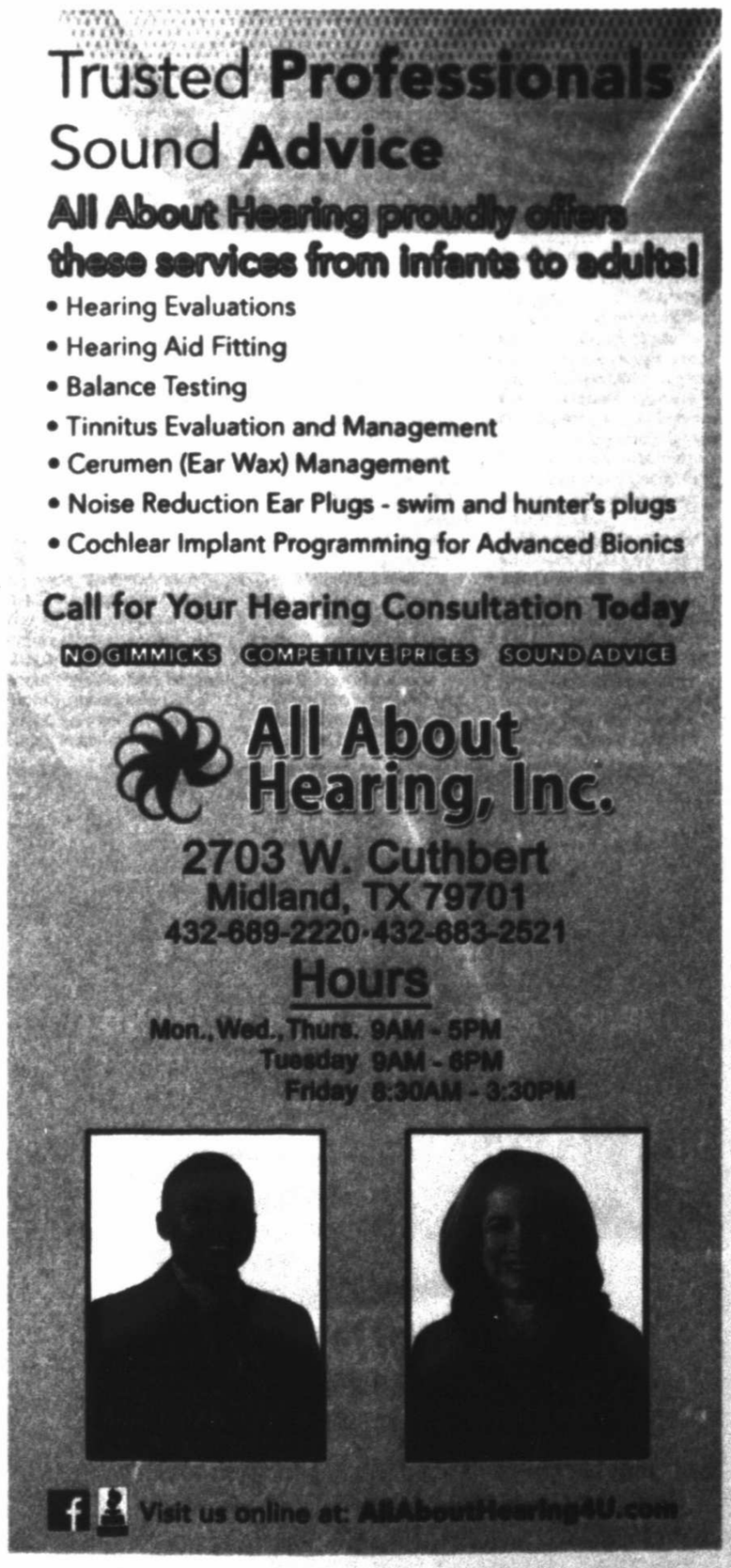
About 300 people turned out in Bakersfield, California, to celebrate the naming of a post office for Merle Haggard in his hometown.

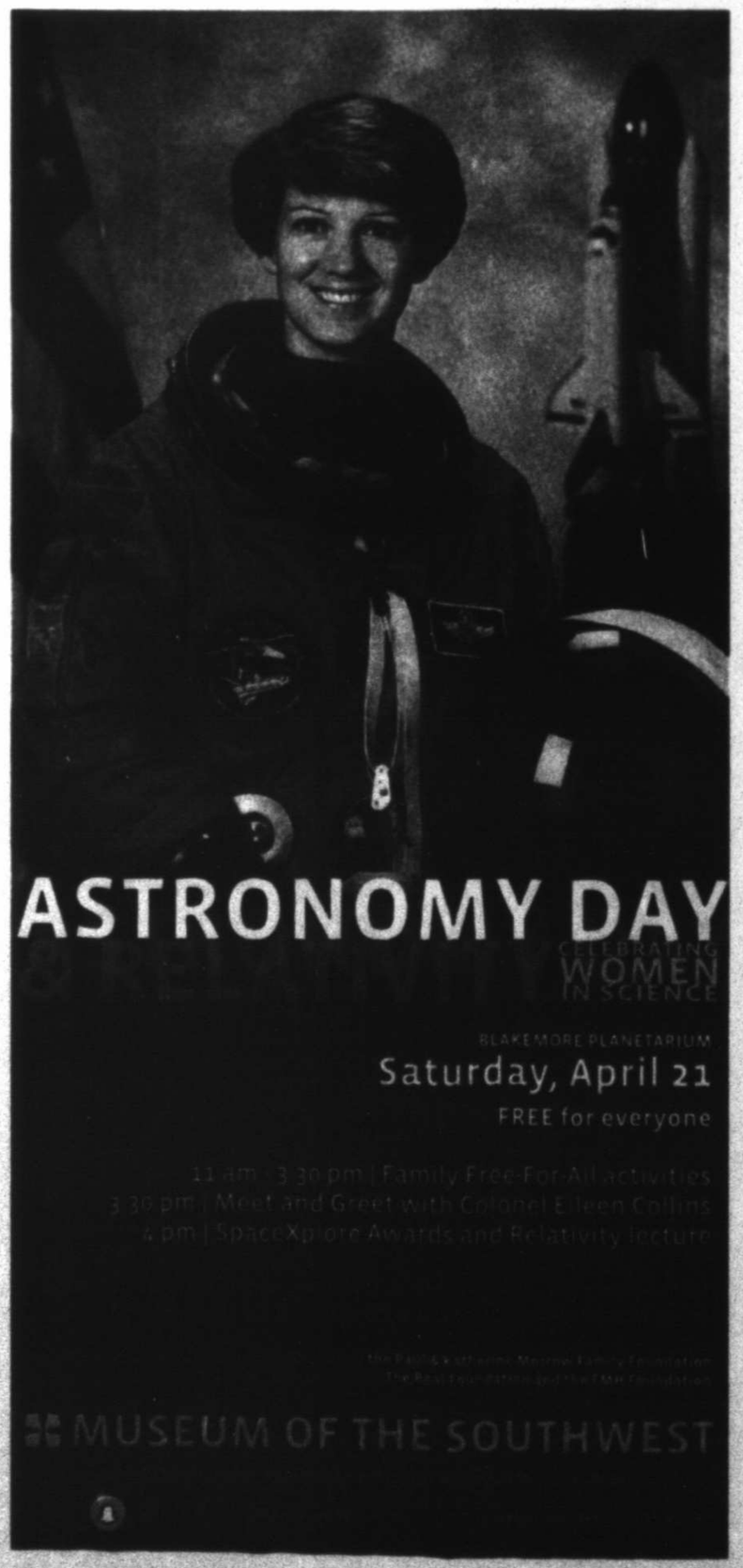
The late country music legend's sister and widow were among those at a Friday ceremony near downtown honoring Haggard, who helped create the twangy "Bakersfield Sound."

The event fell on the two-year anniversary of Haggard's death — and what would have been his 81st birthday.

Haggard rose from poverty and prison to international fame through his songs about outlaws, underdogs and an abiding sense of national pride. His hits include "Okie From Muskogee" and "Sing Me Back Home."

Norm Hamlet, who played in Haggard's band for nearly a half-century, told the Bakersfield Californian newspaper that the singer would've been humbled by the honor.





AP reports EPA's Pruitt spent millions on security, travel

By Michael Biesecker
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Environmental Protection Agency chief Scott Pruitt's concern with his safety came at a steep cost to taxpayers as his swollen security detail blew through overtime budgets and at times diverted officers away from investigating environmental crimes.

Altogether, the agency spent millions of dollars for a 20-member full-time detail that is more than three times the size of his predecessor's part-time security contingent.

EPA spokesman Jahan Wilcox cited "unprecedented" threats against Pruitt and his family as justification for extraordinary security expenses such as first-class airfare to keep him separate from most passengers — a perk generally not available to federal employees.

But Pruitt apparently did not consider that upgrade vital to his safety when taxpayers weren't footing the bill for his ticket. An EPA official with direct knowledge of Pruitt's security spending said the EPA chief flew coach on personal trips back to his home state of Oklahoma.

The EPA official spoke on condition of anonymity for fear of retaliation.

New details in Pruitt's expansive spending for security and travel emerged from agency sources and documents reviewed by The Associated Press. They come as the embattled EPA leader fends off allegations of profligate spending and ethical missteps that have imperiled his job.

Shortly after arriving in Washington, Pruitt demoted the career staff member heading his security detail and replaced him with EPA Senior Special Agent Pasquale "Nino" Perrotta, a former Secret Service agent who operates a private security company.

The EPA official knowledgeable about Pruitt's security spending says Perrotta oversaw a rapid expansion of the EPA chief's security detail to accommodate guarding him day and night, even on family vacations and when Pruitt was home in Oklahoma.

Perrotta also signed off on new procedures that let Pruitt fly first-class on commercial airliners, with the security chief typically sitting next to him with other security staff farther back in the plane. Pruitt's premium status gave him and his security chief access to VIP airport lounges.

The EPA official said there are legitimate concerns about Pruitt's safety, given public opposition to his rollbacks of anti-pollution measures.

But Pruitt's ambitious domestic and international travel led to rapidly escalating costs, with the security detail racking up so much overtime that many hit annual salary caps of about $160,000. The demands of providing 24-hour coverage even meant taking some investigators away from field work, such as when Pruitt traveled to California for a family vacation.

The EPA official said total security costs approached $3 million when pay is added to travel expenses.

Wilcox said Pruitt has faced an unprecedented number of death threats against him and his family and "Americans should all agree that members of the President's cabinet should be kept safe from these violent threats."

A nationwide search of state and federal court records by AP found no case where anyone has been arrested or charged with threatening Pruitt. EPA's press office did not respond Friday to provide details of any specific threats or arrests.

Pruitt has said his use of first-class airfare was initiated following unpleasant interactions with other travelers.

In one incident, someone yelled a profanity as he walked through the airport.

But on weekend trips home for Sooners football games, when taxpayers weren't paying for his ticket, the EPA official said Pruitt flew coach.

The source said Pruitt sometimes used a companion pass obtained with frequent flyer miles accumulated by Ken Wagner, a former law partner whom Pruitt hired as a senior adviser at EPA at a salary of more than $172,000. Taxpayers still covered the airfare for the administrator's security detail.

Walter Shaub, who until last year ran the federal Office of Government Ethics, said it is a potential ethics violation for Pruitt to accept the airline tickets, even if Wagner didn't pay cash for them. Federal officials are barred from accepting gifts from employees that have a market value of more than $10.

"It would be a very serious ethics problem, indeed, if Pruitt accepted airline tickets from a subordinate," Shaub said.

The EPA administrator has come under intense scrutiny for ethics issues and outsized spending.



P.J. Scott Applewhite/Associated Press

Scott Pruitt, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator-designate, Oklahoma Attorney General, is seen on Capitol Hill in Washington at his confirmation hearing before the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee on Jan. 18, 2017.

Among the concerns: massive raises for two of closest aides and his rental of a Capitol Hill condo tied to a lobbyist who represents fossil fuel clients.

At least three congressional Republicans and a chorus of Democrats have called for Pruitt's ouster. But President Donald Trump is so far standing by him.

A review of Pruitt's ethical conduct by White House officials is underway, adding to probes by congressional oversight committees and EPA's inspector general.

Pruitt, 49, was closely aligned with the oil and gas industry as Oklahoma's state attorney general before being tapped by Trump. Trump has praised Pruitt's relentless efforts to scrap, delay or rewrite Obama-era environmental regulations.

He also has championed budget cuts and staff reductions at the agency so deep that even Republican budget hawks in Congress refused to implement them.

EPA's press office has refused to disclose the cost of Pruitt's security or the size of his protective detail, saying doing so could imperil his personal safety.

But other sources within EPA and documents released through public information requests help provide a window into the ballooning costs.

In his first three months in office, before pricey overseas trips to Italy and Morocco, the price tag for Pruitt's security detail hit more than $832,000, according to EPA documents released through a public information request.

Supreme Court Notebook: Diabetes, decisions and justice math

By Jessica Gresko and Mark Sherman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Visitors attending Supreme Court arguments surrender their electronics on entering the courtroom. So if something rings, chimes or buzzes, it's likely the device's owner is dressed in a black robe.

Last year, a justice's cellphone went off. But last month, when four electronic pings sounded during an argument, the device was different. It belonged to Justice Sonia Sotomayor and was alerting the justice, who is diabetic, that her blood sugar was urgently low.

The 63-year-old justice has had diabetes since childhood, but the sound was the first public notice that she was using a continuous glucose monitor.

Sotomayor's use of the device doesn't indicate a change in her health, experts told The Associated Press, but it does show her embracing a technology that has become more popular with Type 1 diabetics.

In 2013, when Sotomayor did an interview with the American Diabetes Association's "Diabetes Forecast," the magazine reported she was not using one. But in recent years the devices, which use sensors inserted under the skin, have become more accurate, said Cleveland Clinic endocrinologist Kevin Pantalone.

Monitors give users continuous information about glucose levels, rather than the snapshot they get from testing their blood with a finger prick. Information from the sensor gets sent every few minutes to a device where a user can see it charted. Most devices sound alarms at low and high glucose levels. Some monitors work with an insulin pump, which continuously delivers insulin.

It's not clear when Sotomayor began using the technology. She declined comment through a court spokeswoman. But the dinging during arguments on March 21 followed an incident in January where emergency medical personnel treated her at home for symptoms of low blood sugar.

Aaron Kowalski, an expert in diabetes technologies, said an event like that can prompt a person to try a monitor, but even people using the devices can experience low blood sugar that might result in an emergency call. Kowalski, who leads the research and advocacy efforts of JDRF, the Type 1 diabetes research organization, said about 15 percent to 20 percent of Type 1 diabetics now use such a device.

Some Supreme Court math: It takes at least six of the nine justices for the court to consider a case.

When financial conflicts or family relations require more than three justices to step aside, federal law leaves the remaining justices just one option: They affirm the lower court's decision, without setting a precedent on the issue at hand. That's also what happens when the court is evenly divided.

But an unusual statement from two justices on Tuesday suggests the court is looking for an end run around the law in one case.

Justices Anthony Kennedy and Clarence Thomas said the court would put off acting on a long-pending appeal resulting from the Tribune Co. bankruptcy and strongly hinted that lower federal courts in New York that previously ruled in the case should take new action.

"I've never seen anything like it before," said Arthur Hellman, an ethics expert at the University of Pittsburgh

As many as seven of the nine justices might have a conflict in the case, according to Fix the Court, a group that advocates for greater transparency at the Supreme Court. Seven justices appear to hold investments in mutual funds that were on the winning side in the lower courts, it said.

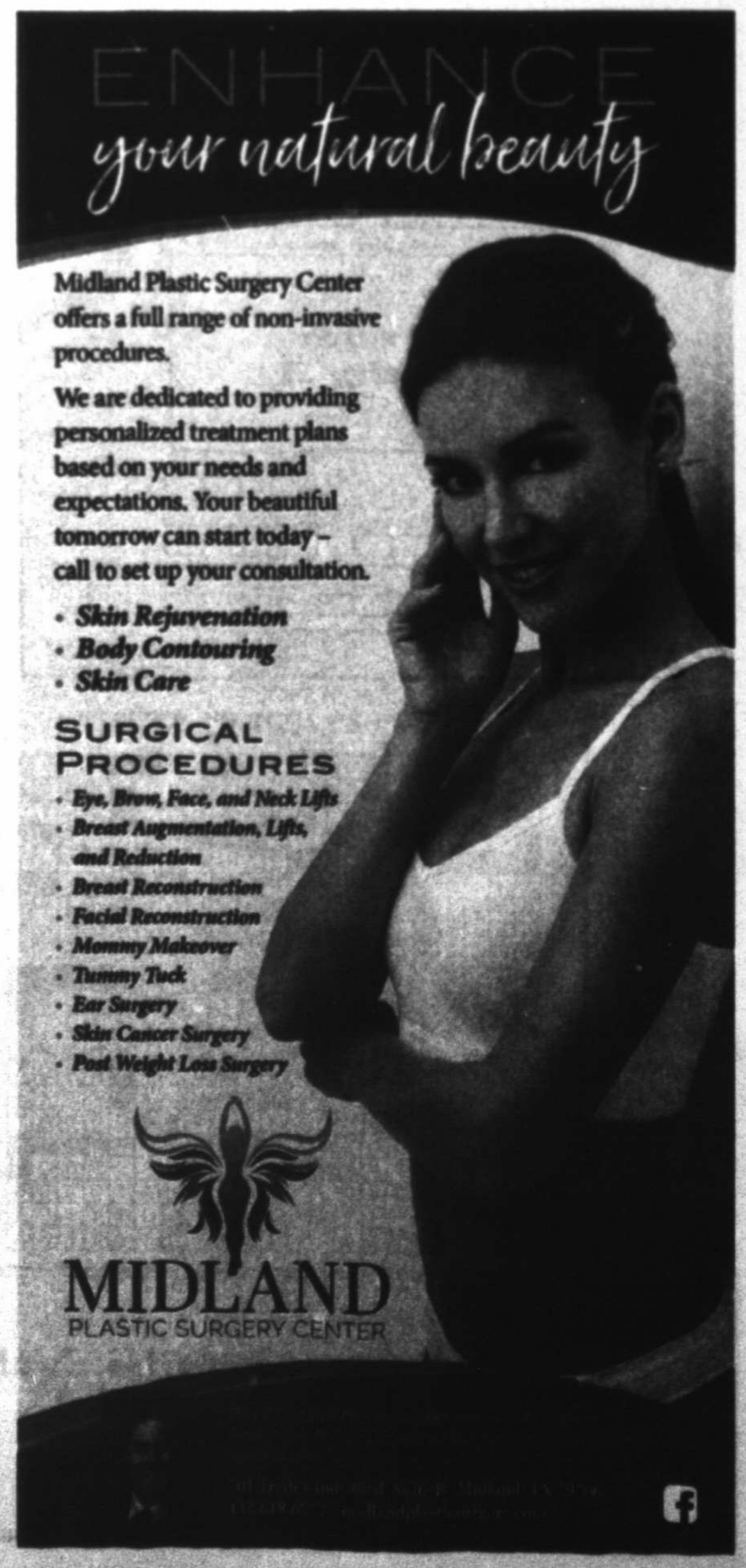
The explanation for the statement is that the high court recently ruled in a separate bankruptcy case that raised an issue that's also part of the Tribune case. The unanimous court, resolving a split between appeals courts, said in effect that the New York-based 2nd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals got it wrong.

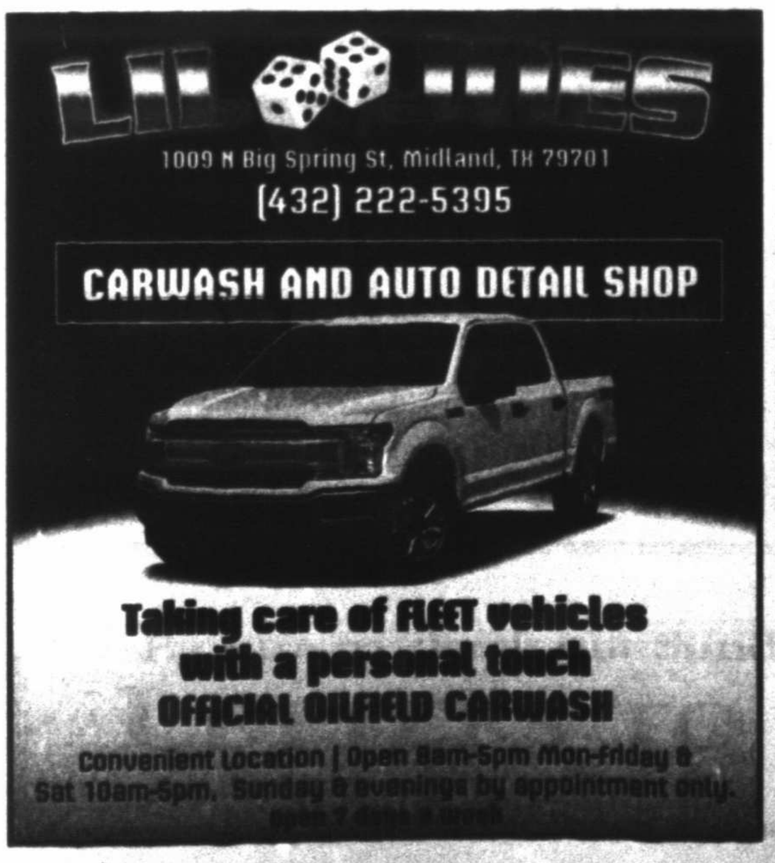
If the justices were now to turn around and affirm the 2nd Circuit's ruling in the Tribune case, they would be blessing a decision they already had decided was incorrect.

One of the animals that appear in the architecture of the Supreme Court is the tortoise, symbolizing that the court moves slowly but surely. This year, the justices are moving a little more slowly than usual. They have released 18 opinions at a point in the year when the number is generally above 20.

So far, two just decisions split the liberal and conservative justices 5-4, with Justice Anthony Kennedy breaking the tie. Conservatives won both times.

In one case, the justices said that car dealerships' service advisers are not eligible for overtime pay. They held in the other that prisoners who win civil rights lawsuits against their jailers will have to give more of their money to their lawyers.





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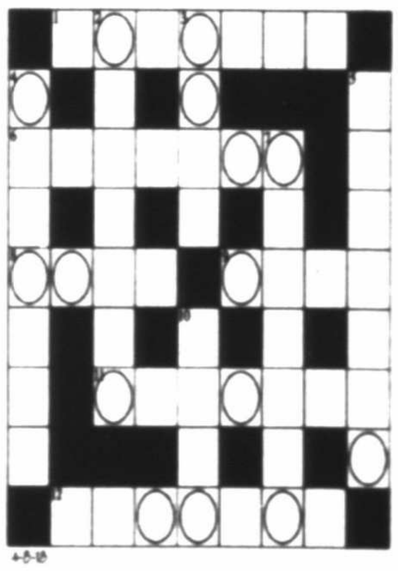
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1. Cheat, steal	SNIEWDL
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8. ___ pressure	REIT
9. "True ___"	TRGI
11. Hurrying	SGINADH
12. Type of bun, roll	HECIBOR

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
2. Bet	DEAERGW
3. Require	ENDE
4. ___ room	ATGINIW
5. ___ cheese	TGOCTEA
7. Harm, pollute	SITNRAH
10. Scandinavian city	LSOO

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BONUS

CLUE: This film was nominated for 13 Academy Awards. It won 10.

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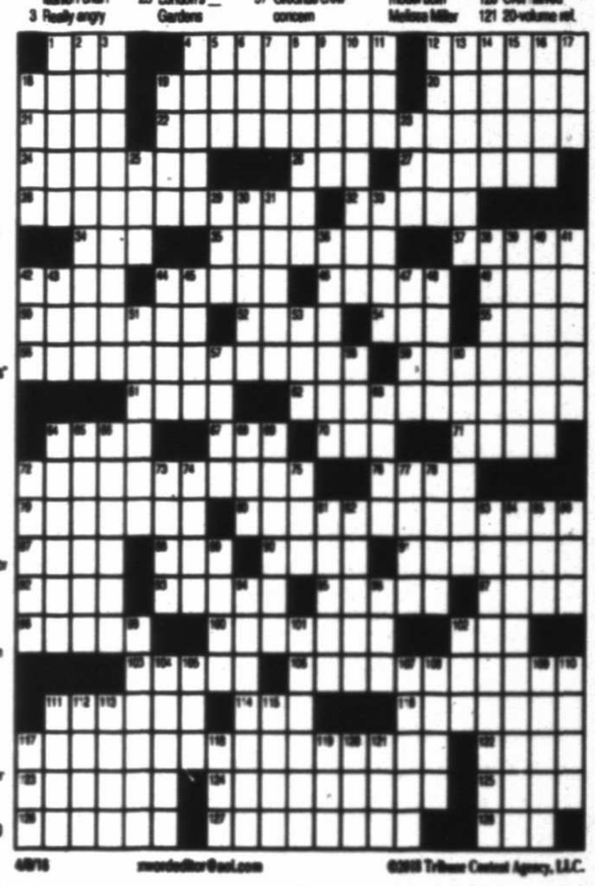
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12 Enhances
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20 Kitchen gadget
21 Eponymous reader
22 Interfaith service attendees?
24 Conquered after losing bet, as territory
26 Part of it is on LL
27 ___ food
28 Aesonia's wife?
32 ___ resources
34 Ornamental shrub
35 Gurus' retreats
37 Ill-gotten gains
42 Sheep group
44 Pre-adulthood stages
46 Venerable retailer
48 Even once
50 Reliable sort
52 Glitzy rock genre
54 Goliath, to David
55 Levelheaded
56 Cause of business failure?
59 State requiring "Stat"
61 Enterprise bridge figure
62 Distinguished screenwriter?
64 More than not
67 Unrefined
70 "The Goldbergs" star
71 "House" actor Epps
72 Uproar over a controversial win?
76 Eponymous solid creator
79 "That is my intention"
80 Niche market for airport bookstores?
87 Emulate a condor
88 Spherical organ
90 "Star Wars" saga fixture
91 Equanimity
92 First word of "Send in the Clowns"
93 WWI battle river
95 Stop on the briny
97 S.F. commuting system
98 16th-century Sorrento-born poet
100 Cape user
102 SALT subject
103 Barely bested, with "out"
106 Dumpster hoverers?
111 Like Stephen King's Pennywise
114 Medium power?
116 Golden quality?
117 Hygiene product for very big teeth?
122 Yawn-inducing
123 One changing lines, perhaps
124 End of an ultimatum
125 88-Across' lang.
126 Yes
127 Manhattan region
128 Sardine catcher

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1 Stimulating nut
2 Women's fashion chain
3 Really angry
4 Bombers' home?
5 Radius location
6 Young socialite
7 Phair output, briefly
8 Track competitor
9 Brand including Regenerist products
10 Defiant reply to a dare
11 Soft & ___: deodorant
12 Sleep disorder
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18 Banzai Pipeline feature
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23 Omega, to a physicist
25 London's ___ Gardens
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33 Its Space Command has HQ in Colorado
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38 Alter, as a tailor might
39 First Family name
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107 Actor Davis
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109 Brilliant display
110 Market
111 They're chewed in pastures
112 Wrigley Field stat's
113 Sunrise dirección
115 "Do the Right Thing" pizzeria
117 "Many linen streams meet in one salt ___": Shakespeare
118 Little piggy
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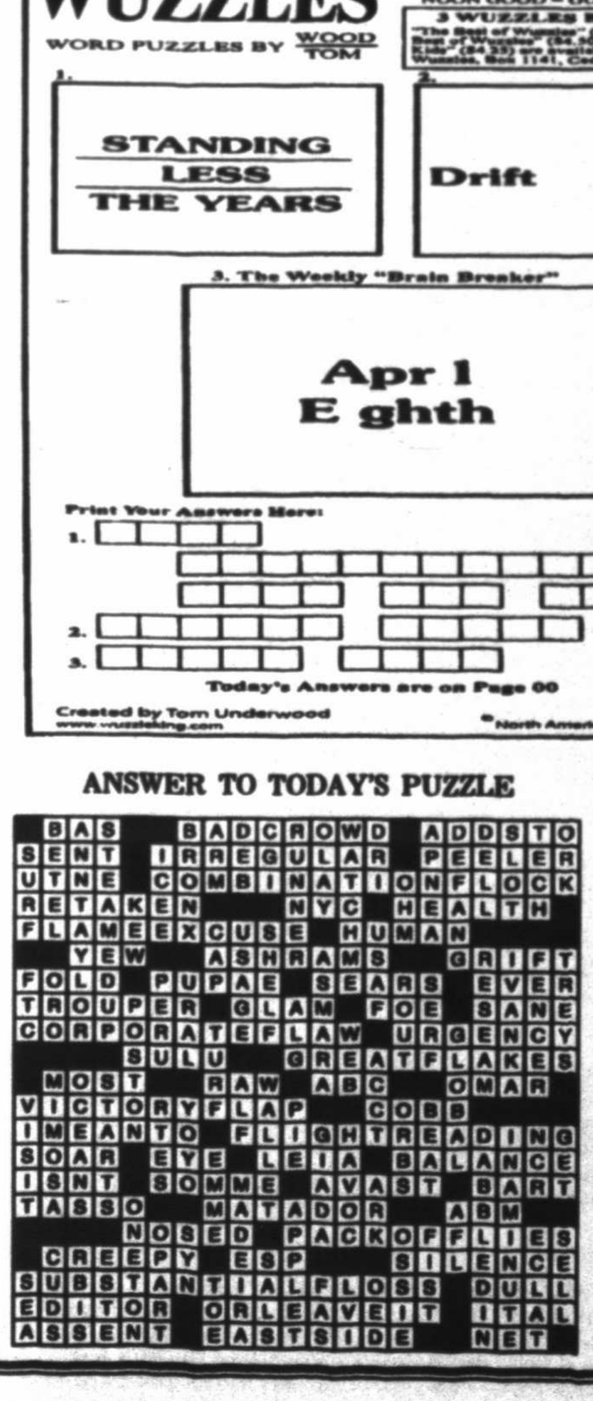
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

'Roseanne' is a smash, but what happens when a network's biggest star is also its most controversial?

By Emily Yahr
Associated Press

ABC executives knew exactly what they were getting into when they hired Roseanne Barr.

While her off-key, crotch-grabbing rendition of the national anthem in 1990 is the most viral example of the comedian's polarizing past, the original run of ABC's "Roseanne" in the '90s made headlines for being a toxic work environment: Barr herself threatened to quit, and one producer announced his exit by saying he was fleeing for "the relative peace and quiet of Beirut."

But in the wake of Donald Trump's unexpected victory in 2016, ABC decided it needed a show that would appeal to Middle America.

So, tapping into TV's current nostalgia obsession, it went with a reboot of "Roseanne," in which Barr plays a Trump supporter — as she is in real life — and clashes with her family over their respective political views.

As everyone — including the president — knows, the ratings for the premiere were jaw-dropping.

A whopping 18 million viewers tuned in, and that number jumped to about 25 million with DVR-delayed viewing.

This week's episode notched 15.2 million overnight viewers, a slight dip but still an outstanding number for a sitcom in 2018.

ABC immediately renewed the show for a second season last Friday. Then, mere hours later, Barr sent social media into a frenzy when she tweeted that Trump has "freed so many children held in bondage to pimps all over the world" — a debunked claim that has been circulating on far-right sites. Barr eventually deleted the tweet, but it was a stark reminder that the network had indefinitely tethered itself to an extremely controversial figure — and as a result of the show's success, given her a very powerful megaphone.

"If this has had happened five years ago, people may have laughed it off. But people are not laughing about this anymore," said Bonnie Fuller, president and editor-in-chief of the entertainment website Hollywood Life. "There have been too many consequences from fake news and conspiracy theories."

It wasn't the first time Barr›s tweets recently landed her in hot water. On the day of the "Roseanne" premiere, she accused teenage school shooting survivor David Hogg of giving a Nazi salute. ("Argh. Hit show on ABC. We have reached peak normalization," model Chrissy Teigen tweeted with a screenshot of the tweet, echoing many criticisms.)

Barr later retracted the claim and said she was misled by a doctored image.

At the Television Critics Association Press tour last summer, a reporter posed this scenario to ABC entertainment president Channing Dungey, as Barr was already known for tweeting fringe conspiracy theories: "Is there somebody whose job it is to monitor her Twitter feed in absolute terror in case she says something that›s going to make this new show untenable?"

When Dungey replied that Barr planned to turn the keys to her Twitter account over to her son, the reporter pressed: "No matter who is actually doing her Twitter feed, if you look at the things that whoever it is has tweeted in the past week, there›s some wacky conspiracy stuff that either she or her son has tweeted, and it's not like this is a new thing. I'm just wondering if that concerns you."



Adam Rose/ABC via AP

Roseanne Barr appears in a scene from the reboot of the popular comedy series "Roseanne." 18.4 million viewers tuned in for its premiere.

"I try to just worry about the things that I can control," Dungey said, eliciting laughter in the room.

ABC declined to comment for this story, and according to industry experts, that's the typical decision in the TV controversy playbook — there's little to be achieved by executives saying anything other than, "We're thrilled that America has welcomed the Conner family back into their homes."

"They're smart people over there (at ABC). They knew. She was controversial the last time, so it›s not like they thought they were getting an angel," said Preston Beckman, a veteran broadcast executive and media consultant who worked at NBC and Fox. "I think that any network who says, 'Gee, had I known what she tweets or that there were pictures of her allegedly dressed up like Hitler, we wouldn't have gone near it,' they're lying to you."

Indeed, Barr appeared on the cover of Jewish magazine Heeb in 2009, dressed like Hitler while holding a tray of burned cookies shaped like people. Although it was explained as "satire," that didn›t really help when those images flew around social media without context.

When the Hollywood Reporter this week asked "Roseanne" co-showrunner Bruce Helford about seeing the star of his show dressed as a Nazi, he noted Barr is a "staunch supporter of Israel" and added that he assumed it was a parody.

"My feeling is that people should just watch the show and judge it on its merits," Helford said, emphasizing that Barr's real-life persona is separate from her character. "Watch the show without the accompanying background noise."

Beckman said that although ABC doesn't have to make any excuses for Barr›s behavior, "there's always a line you don't want to cross."

"Once you cross that line, there are consequences," Beckman said. "But I think to her fans, and her kind of going against the grain and not acting like a typical TV star, is the reason why she's popular with them.

There's a lot of similarities between her and our current president."

Plus, history shows viewers don't necessarily care about the behavior of stars off-camera.

In early 2011, CBS entertainment president Nina Tassler dismissed concerns about "Two and a Half Men" lead Charlie Sheen, who was then in the news for trashing a hotel room in New York City and reportedly locking a prostitute in the closet.

The year before, he was arrested after a domestic dispute with his ex-wife and pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor assault charge.

"On a personal level, we are concerned, but he has his job, he does it well, and the show is a hit," Tassler told reporters at the 2011 TCA press tour. But only two months later Sheen checked into rehab and started calling radio shows to bash "Men" creator Chuck Lorre.

Soon, CBS was forced to scrap production on the season and Sheen was eventually fired.

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Recently, Mr. Clark has represented clients in a range of transactions, including the acquisition of pipeline assets traversing several counties in the Permian Basin; divestitures and acquisitions of leasehold interests; negotiations with private equity financiers to form a new Midland-based service company; and an asset acquisition of a water purification company with pending patents and technology for recycling wastewater. Mr. Clark said, "Becoming a shareholder of Davis, Gerald & Cremer was a significant milestone for my career. I look forward to serving my clients in the community for many years to come and continuing DGC's tradition of providing value driven legal representation."

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Community demands excellence from MISD programs



ORLANDO RIDDICK
Midland ISD superintendent

In Midland, our community is known for its pioneering spirit…a wildcat mentality that continues to pave the way not only for the oil and gas sector but for local business, entrepreneurship, healthcare, finance, the arts, among so many others. We have one of the most autonomous and robust economies in the country.

Shouldn't our public school district reflect the same?

With Midland on the Move and the district's pursuance of becoming a System of Great Schools, we must strive for the same transformative and autonomous mindset as the wildcatters that drive this economy. Just as local businesses and entrepreneurs thrive in a competitive environment with innovative and transformative ideas, so must our public school system.

The radical transformation of Midland ISD has begun. No longer will the status quo be accepted, and no longer will educating our young leaders the way we have for decades be an option. For your kids and for mine, we collectively as a team, must demand and expect more.

If we want to achieve greatness and provide an education for our future that is reflective of our great city, we must operate with the same competitiveness and courage of our business community. This should be evident not only during the normal school day, but anytime we have students in our presence, including our before and after-school programs. This is what our community has requested.

If you go

There will be a parent forum concerning the district's before- and after-school programming from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Bowie Fine Arts Academy, 805 Elk Ave.

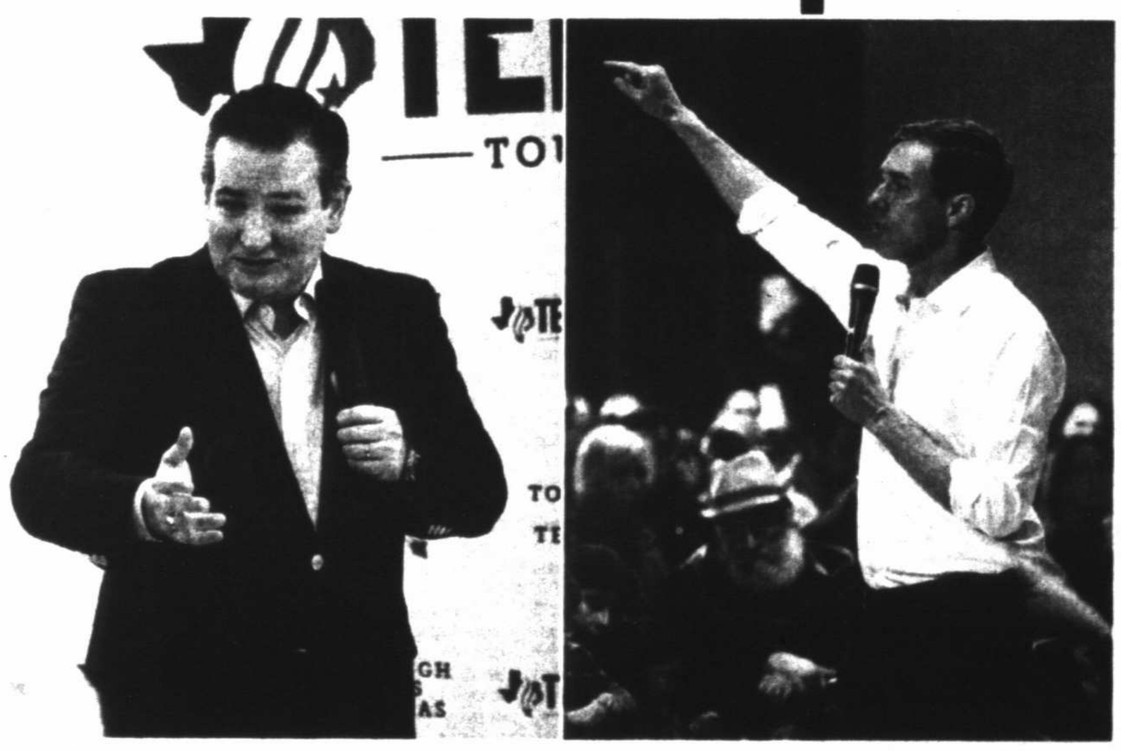
Join Right At School for the meeting that will provide an introduction into the program and answer questions in person. All Midlanders are encouraged to attend.

For example, as part of the district's public engagement initiatives, Midland ISD held a series of community meetings to better understand the needs of parents and students. We continued this engagement with the recent "School Quality Survey" for students, parents and staff. The need for quality, enriched programs outside of the normal school day, homework assistance, extracurricular activities, among other things were frequently mentioned.

To ensure the best programming for our students, the district moved forward with issuing a request for proposals (RFP). Several local, state and national childcare organizations, including our current providers, participated.

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O'Rourke raises profile



LEFT: US Senator Ted Cruz makes a stop in Midland on Wednesday at Discovery Operating, speaking to area residents on a campaign tour of Texas. *Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram;* RIGHT: Beto O'Rourke, US Representative from El Paso, stopped in Midland on his campaign for US Senate on Saturday at the MLK Center. *James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram*

Texas hasn't seen a Senate underdog like Beto O'Rourke since 2012, when Ted Cruz ran

By Ross Ramsey
Texas Tribune

■ **ANALYSIS**

The fight promoters in politics — the media, in other words — are delighted that El Paso congressman Beto O'Rourke raised enough money in the past three months to command U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz's attention.

It's the difference, at least for a moment, between a real contest and the Bambi vs. Godzilla races that have marked statewide general elections in Texas for the last umpteen years.

O'Rourke raised $6.7 million from more than 141,000 people during the last three months, according to his campaign. The official report to the Federal Election Commission will land in a few days.

Without an event, an incident or a dynasty to make a candidate famous — Wendy Davis' filibuster, for instance, or George P. Bush's last name — there's only one reliable way to build a public identity: months of intense campaigning and advertising. It costs money to build a brand name. O'Rourke is raising money rapidly enough to raise eyebrows.

It doesn't mean he's going to beat Cruz. Rather, it's a sign that he'll have the financial strength to make voters aware that there's an alternative to the incumbent — that voters will have another name in their head when they go to the polls. That's not enough to win, as people like Hillary Clinton and Mitt Romney can attest. But it's impossible to win otherwise unless the incumbent has made a very public mess of things.

Cruz hasn't done that. In a February University of Texas/Texas Tribune Poll, 73 percent of Democrats said they had unfavorable opinions of Cruz, but 72 percent of Republicans had favorable views of him. At the same time, 58 percent of the voters surveyed had no opinion at all of O'Rourke — a clear sign that the challenger has to make

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Will the truth about Texas' Robin Hood plan lead to its demise?



MITCHELL SCHNURMAN
The Dallas Morning News

In Plano, like many parts of Texas, property taxes have been climbing, often leading to a backlash about the tax burden.

"We hear that a lot and we get a lot of the blame," said Missy Bender, president of Plano ISD's board of trustees.

The district isn't responsible for higher taxes or, more important, the fact that most of the increase isn't staying in town.

That's the nature of school finance in Texas, and she and others are trying to spread the word to residents and businesses. If they're better informed, maybe they'll push lawmakers toward real reform.

Something's gotta give.

Many people and companies are paying higher property taxes, but spending per student statewide has declined 19 percent in the past decade. Texans still lag in college readiness and educational attainment. And after the Texas Legislature cut education spending by over $5 billion in 2011, test scores declined.

The Plano board teamed with other districts "to look behind the curtain" on school finance and created a website called Taxparency Texas. A key takeaway: Paying more for school taxes doesn't necessarily mean more for school budgets.

In Plano ISD, tax collections for

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CLIFFORD SANDEN

Stormwater tax is more of the same from tax-and-spend city council

Our City Council is planning to take more of your money, this time via a stormwater runoff fee on the water bill. For residents, the tiered fee structure ranges from $1.20 to $3.40 per month and is based on the square footage of your home's roofline. Barring any Council input from their voters, this new tax will be charged starting Oct. 1.

This latest involuntary tax was proposed at the Feb. 13 City Council meeting, with MRT's first article appearing on Feb. 19. On March 27, the first reading and public hearing was held to create a new "Municipal Drainage Utility," which would declare city of Midland drainage as a public utility. The second reading, which passes the ordinance and makes it official, is on Tuesday.

Is the city generating revenue for a Stormwater Fund or to free up other dollars for a new slush fund? Voters just passed the $100 million Road Bond which was supposed to catch up the city on long overdue maintenance, both on and under the streets. During this process, there was no mention of needing to make a new stormwater tax, the $20 million near-term maintenance needs, or the $81 million long-term stormwater system upgrades referenced in the MRT Articles on March 27 of this year and July 12, 2016. The "4B…For What" campaign told voters how the city could build new parks if voters gave the Council carte blanche with tax revenue, but now we see that there are other spending priorities.

On Feb. 21, MRT reported the city's oil & gas lease bonus payments and royalties received. Since 2016, the General Fund and Water & Sewer Fund have received $5,119,103. The future revenue projections are expected to increase as more wells are drilled and completed on city leases. Instead of using this money to make repairs to stormwater systems, the Midland City Council has decided to tax residents more.

MRT reported that Midland budgeted only $1,500 for stormwater drainage maintenance and $0 for capital improvements—lower than any other Texas peer city. Where does all the money go? In typical city of Midland operating practices, maintenance is deferred on everything while money is blown on new capital projects. Instead of spending money on essential and necessary improvements, our City Council spends money on frivolous pipe dreams and then asks voters to pay separately for essentials.

During the last two years, the city spent $800,000 on a spaceport, undisclosed fees and waivers on the dry-hole Hotel Santa Rita, and $45 million on a new downtown convention center which ties up hotel/motel tax revenues until long after the current council's reign. Currently, the fainéant Midland Development Corp levies a quarter-cent sales tax and has a General Fund balance of $51 million from the last published audited financials. Perhaps this tax could be scrapped and replaced with one that keeps the

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The United States stands alone as the global leader in innovation. For decades, we have recognized the tremendous value of innovation and creativity and established a strong intellectual property (IP) system that consistently rewards, protects, and pushes the boundaries of future possibilities. This system attracted investment from markets with weaker protections and gave birth to the core driver, and future, of the U.S. economy.

An unlevel playing field with our trading partners threatens this future by handicapping and hampering creative and innovative U.S. industries.

Trade enforcement and strong new trade deals are the keys to breaking this trend and putting U.S. innovators back on course. That's why the recording, telecom, tech, motion picture, publishing, and other IP-intensive industries launched the American Creative, Technology, and Innovative Organizations Network for Trade (ACTION for Trade). ACTION for Trade is dedicated to shaping U.S. trade policy to protect our competitive advantage as innovators. We call on America's trade negotiators to ensure our global trading partners properly reward and protect the innovation and creativity that drives our economic future and fosters development of tomorrow's inventions.

As the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) negotiations and other trade talks continue, it's critical to prioritize policies that support our global leadership.

IP-intensive industries drive our economy through job creation, high wages and increased exports. In 2016, U.S. innovative biopharmaceutical companies invested an estimated $65.5 billion in the search for new treatments and cures, bringing the total invested since 2000 to more than $600 billion. The industry supports almost 4.7 million U.S. jobs with average wages that are higher than most other industries and accounts for exports in 2016 that exceeded $52 billion.

Unfortunately, some international trade partners are threatening this progress.

Take price controls. When trade partners arbitrarily set prices of innovative medicines, or peg innovative products to older products, incentives for future innovation falter. Canada is one of the worst actors, with its Patented Medicine Prices Review Board, or "PMPRB", grossly undervaluing innovative U.S. medicines. Not only does this raise numerous concerns under existing trade rules but it is also an area that a reinvigorated NAFTA must address.

Or, take the failure to protect creative works on the Internet. Too many of our trading partners employ overbroad safe harbor provisions that deny copyright holders the ability to protect their work from infringing activities online. Strong trade deals and enforcement of trade rules can tackle this threat.

Other nations are aware of America's intellectual property leadership. They are prepared to deploy every tool to undermine it and bolster their own positions and industries. They undervalue and steal U.S. inventions and ideas. Weak and unenforced IP and market access trade rules encourage this behavior. Let's put a stop to this and protect our innovative advantage. We can start with a strong NAFTA.

The IP-intensive industries that are a part of ACTION for Trade stand ready to work with the Administration and Congress to preserve and protect our creative and innovative industries and the nearly 60 million American jobs they support.

Brian Pomper is the executive director of ACTION for Trade. This guest column originally ran in The Hill.

SCHNURMAN

From 1B

operations rose 40 percent in the last four years, but most of the money didn't stay home.

"As that growth occurs, all of that is swept over to the state," Bender said. "It doesn't stay local."

Bender made her case at a Dallas Regional Chamber meeting in March and encouraged businesses to speak out. The week before, she testified to a commission on public school finance in Austin.

The month before, Tarrant County Judge Glen Whitley, a longtime Republican, blamed higher property taxes on the state. A decade ago, the state covered half the tab for K-12 schools. This year, its share is projected to fall to 38 percent.

Most local officials feel the same as him, Whitley said. They want local control left to local government and they want the state to commit to fund education at historical levels.

"It's time to stand up and make our voices known," Whitley told Bud Kennedy of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Fixing finances

Whitley also called for an end to "Robin Hood," the nickname for Texas' school finance program. In general, it allows the state to shift school tax revenue from wealthy districts to poorer ones, and it has expanded beyond expectations.

The Austin and Houston districts have pumped in hundreds of millions of dollars. Next year, Dallas ISD is expected to contribute at least $50 million. In Plano, the so-called recapture tax is projected to increase from $32 million in 2014 to $200 million by next year.

That transfer of wealth is a feature of Robin Hood, except that it doesn't work as many imagine. All those taxes aren't going to poorer districts; the money goes to the state, which also uses it to offset other parts of the budget.

"Where did the state spend the 'savings?'" says a slide from Taxparency Texas.

It lists $2.6 billion for cuts in the business franchise tax and $1.2 billion for increasing the homestead exemption.

Taxpayers don't realize, Bender told the school finance commission, that the system "just allows the state to reduce its contributions."

A member of the commission, Todd Williams, noted that Plano was doing exceptionally well as a community. It has attracted Toyota and lots of new development, yet school taxes aren't growing at even the rate of inflation.

"How long is that sustainable?" said Williams, founding chairman and CEO of the Commit Partnership in Dallas.

The question applies to much of the state as more districts pay more into Robin Hood. It's an issue for businesses because they pay half the property taxes statewide — and a higher share in Dallas.

They're also concerned about the return on investment. Gov. Greg Abbott set a goal of having 60 percent of young people attain a college degree or secondary certificate by 2030. At the current trajectory, the state won't reach that mark until the middle of the century, according to Commit.

Real reform

In the past, the courts ordered improvements to Texas school finance. After the Legislature cut spending in 2011, over half of the state's districts sued. The state Supreme Court said the program met the minimum constitutional requirements, but it urged lawmakers to fix a "Byzantine" system that serves over 5 million school children.

"They deserve transformational, top-to-bottom reforms that amount to more than Band-Aid on top of Band-Aid," the court wrote almost two years ago.

The ruling means that all roads on school reform run through Austin, where lawmakers have failed to agree on a fix. They must weigh the demands of a growing student population against a conservative voter base that opposes tax increases.

Many lawmakers have made property tax relief a priority, proposing lower caps on annual increases — an idea rejected by local officials. Some companies also want the franchise tax eliminated.

An old line about taxes describes the dilemma over paying for schools: "Everybody wants to go to heaven but nobody wants to die," said Eva DeLuna Castro of the Center for Public Policy Priorities.

In past years, school leaders went to Austin and pleaded for more money. This time, Plano's Bender said, the push is to enlist residents and employers. If they know how the system actually works, maybe they'll insist that taxes collected for education go to education.

"Your voice matters more than ours," Bender said at the Dallas chamber.

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We went through a very extensive and thorough process to find a program that was equitable district-wide and one that for the first time in our district's history supported all 27 elementary campuses and all 15,000-plus students pre-K – sixth grade. During the process, we looked for a program that offered increased academic rigor; not only after-school enrichment but before-school enrichment and care during holidays, professional days for teachers and summer; scheduling flexibility; multiple pricing options; scholarships; and discounts for teachers, siblings and free or reduced lunch families.

The nationally recognized student enrichment provider, *Right At School*, was recommended by administration to the school board of trustees and approved on March 26th during the regular scheduled board meeting.

Right At School is known for the academic rigor of their program – *The Right Club*. *Right At School* provides an engaging and meaningful academic program to enable students and schools to focus on their academic mission with a very unique disguised learning approach. *Right At School* offers a curriculum that features hands-on learning, multi-sensory activities, daily health and fitness, team building, and leadership development. *Right At School's* curriculum also supports Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS), the same criteria the state expects from our academic environment during the regular school day.

Right At School provides families with many options at different price points and offers discounts for siblings, teachers and families on free or reduced lunch. They offer a before-school program from 6:30 a.m.-7:45 a.m., an after-school program from 3:20 p.m.-6 p.m. or both options. They also offer "drop-in" options and "punch card" options if a family would like to purchase a certain number of days. Flexible one, two, three, four and five-day options are available also. The current program requires families to pay for the full five-day program and does not offer a sibling discount for families that have multiple children enrolled. Families should not have to pay for a full-time, five-day program if they don't need care every day of the week. This is a cost-saving measure, along with a 10 percent sibling discount, that we felt was an important option for our families.

There has been some confusion about the cost of the program and the impact to our low income families, which make up approximately 47 percent of our student population. In a letter to the editor, we recently read that *Right At School's* cost "will easily exclude most Midlanders"… "had no consideration of cost to parents"…and is "punishing working poor families". The current after-school program provider, which does not offer our families a before-school option, was compared with *Right At School's* before and after-school program price, and program discounts were excluded.

As I mentioned before, a variety of price points are available to choose from, but if you compare apples-to-apples to the current offering, *Right At School's* five-day after-school program is $248 a month per student. Families on free or reduced lunch receive a 25 percent discount which brings the costs of the five-day after-school program down to $186. This is $6 more a month than the current program offered.

In addition to providing a TEKS supported curriculum, before and after-school options, and flexibility for families, *Right At School* also offers scholarships. *Right At School* will hire local professionals from our community and will operate at a 15:1 ratio. The current state requirement is 26:1.

We have created a web page for *Right At School* on our web site with more information for parents. Please visit www.midlandisd.net/rightatschool to view pricing, frequently asked questions, sample curriculums, and to learn more about *Right At School*. Additionally, on April 10 from 6-7:30 p.m. at Bowie Fine Arts Academy, *Right At School* is hosting a "Parent Forum." They will provide childcare, have examples of student activities on-hand and will address any of your concerns and answer all of your questions. I encourage you to attend.

I fully understand the impact of empowering partnering organizations and people while holding them accountable. Just like the wildcatters that contribute to our unique and competitive business climate, I encourage and expect everyone that has an impact on our public school system to innovate, create and not just perform…but transform the educational experience for our students. No less will be expected of *Right At School* nor anyone else who engages in a partnership with Midland ISD.

Our community's most valuable asset – our children – deserve the same tenacity that drives our very unique and special community. I can tell you that no other team is more prepared to propel this district forward than our incredible school board and staff.

Get ready, Midland. We are on the move.

Obituaries



Charlotte Ann "Charlie" Snowder Fitzpatrick

Charlotte Ann "Charlie" Snowder Fitzpatrick of Midland, Texas, ran to Jesus on April 4, 2018. Visitation will be at 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Monday, April 9, 2018 at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory in Midland. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at Calvary Assembly of God in Midland, Texas. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Charlotte was born on January 20, 1956 in Abilene, Kansas to Charles and Katherine Snowder. She was a graduate of Midland High School. She was a barber for over 40 years and former owner of Charlie's Barber Shop. She loved Jesus and showed it in her love for others. Her personality would light up a room. She was compassionate, loving, and funny. She enjoyed crocheting, playing bingo, crafts, furniture restoration, Energizers group at the church, and baking. However, her favorite past time was spending time with family.

Charlotte is survived by her husband Gary Fitzpatrick; daughter Charity Worcester and husband Charlie, son David Fitzpatrick; grandson Derek "D-Man" Fitzpatrick-Truelove and wife Gabriela, granddaughter Skylar "Love" Buchanan; great grandson E.J. Fitzpatrick-Truelove; mom Katherine Snowder, all of Midland. She is also survived by two brothers Dakota Phoenix of San Francisco, CA and Bobby Snowder of Arlington, TX.

She is preceded in death by her father, Charles Snowder, and father and mother-in-law, Paul and Anne Fitzpatrick. She is also preceded in death by her sister-in-law Mary Phillips.

In lieu of flowers the family suggest memorials be donated to Calvary Assembly of God.

God Bless her Calvary church family.

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

Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory
(432) 550-5800



Chris Hambleton

Chris Hambleton, 70, of Tarzan, Texas died Thursday, April 5, 2018 in a Lubbock hospital. Funeral services will be 10:00 a.m. Monday, April 9, 2018 at the First Baptist Church Tarzan. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Saturday, April 8, 2018 at the Gilbreath Funeral Home.

He was born October 8, 1947 in Corsicana, Texas and married Sue Arterbury December 10, 1976 in Fritch, Texas.

Chris served in the United States Navy on the USS Springfield during the Vietnam War from 1967 to 1971. He graduated from the University of New Mexico in Albuquerque with a Bachelor Degree in Mechanical Engineering. He later received his Professional Engineering license so he could do consulting work. Chris worked for Phillips Petroleum for four years and for Mobil Oil Company for 20 years, retiring in 1996. He enjoyed gardening.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Hambleton of Tarzan; one son, Philip Hambleton of Stanton; one daughter, Kristyn Sanders and husband, Steven of Tarzan; and four grandchildren, Charlie Sanders, Nathan Sanders, Wolfgang Sanders and Willow Sanders.

He was preceded in death by James and Francys Hambleton; and a sister, Stephanie Hambleton.

The family suggests memorials to the donor's favorite charity.

Arrangements are under the direction of Gilbreath Funeral Home. Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

Death Notices

Danny C. Runyan

Danny C. Runyan, 70 of Midland, Texas passed away on Thursday, April 05, 2018. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Kentucky Street Baptist Church, Midland, TX.

Doug Hardcastle

Doug Hardcastle, 82 passed away on Friday, April 6, 2018, in Odessa, Texas . Celebration of life will be held at 2:00 p.m. April 21, 2018 at L7 Ranch 16001 FM 3503. Odessa, TX 79766. Arrangements are by Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Kenneth H. Carroll

Kenneth H. Carroll, 78, of Midland, passed away April 5, 2018 in Odessa, Texas . He was born January 30, 1940 in Malakoff, Texas to Milton and Betty Carroll.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Carroll; son, Kevin Carroll; daughters, Rebecca Carroll and Esther Boyd; two siblings; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Monday, April 9, 2018 from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral service will be held Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. with burial immediately following at American Heritage Cemetery.

All arrangements are at American Heritage Funeral Home/Cemetery/Crematory.

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

SANDEN

From 1B

stormwater burden off property owners. Better yet, the city could partially fund stormwater maintenance by fining outdoor water violators whose water pours down the streets and sidewalks, further exacerbating runoff problems according to the city's Engineering Manager.

I can hear the objections: 4B and hotel/motel tax have specific state-mandated constraints on their expenditures and that these examples are not valid. What frustrates me is that the city has a spending problem with other people's money; the stormwater tax hike is but another symptom. Midland will continue to grow rapidly as more wells are drilled and the Permian Basin fuels America. While I fully support plans to develop and grow Midland, the City Council has demonstrated its ability to grow debt and waste money.

At 10 a.m. Tuesday the second reading of the ordinance will take place at the City Council meeting. Should it pass, the proposed tax could become real. Although the City Council's meetings are essentially inaccessible to those who work due to the time, their phones and emails are not. I urge readers to contact their councilman and ask them to vote against this new stormwater ordinance.

RAMSEY

From 1B

himself known (and a signal to Cruz that O'Rourke is more susceptible to negative advertising than a better-known figure would be).

Cruz has helped, however, by building a large profile going back to his upset Senate win in 2012 followed by his attention-grabbing abilities in the Senate — Dr. Seuss! — and in his unsuccessful run for president in 2016.

The latter, in particular, put the state's junior senator on the public radar. He's been on Republican primary ballots all over the country now, arguably a plus for his money-raising prospects now and for other national campaigns in the future. It also put him on the Democratic radar. He's made deeper impressions with Texas voters than U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, who was first elected in 2002 and is now the second-ranking Republican in that body; in that recent UT/TT Poll, more than 30 percent of voters had neither a positive nor negative impression of the senior senator, while less than 20 percent could say the same of Cruz.

Attention draws attention. O'Rourke's fundraising headlines now and in previous reporting periods in which he outraised Cruz draw attention. Donors pay attention to fundraising totals and small contributor counts like those being brandished by the challenger.

Underdogs are big stories. Cruz, whose first election pitted him against a millionaire lieutenant governor, a Dallas mayor and a former football star, knows something about that. His opponents in 2012 complained about the attention given the upstart in their race, but the audacity of his candidacy was a good story.

People in power aren't crazy about underdog tales, but they usually don't have anything to worry about in the end. Incumbents start with deeper organizations, more money and more established brands. Their supporters know them, and so do their opponents and as long as they can keep the balance in their favors — that's the part about not making big messes — they almost always win.

Still, $6.7 million from 141,000 people is a real surprise. With seven months to go before the election, it's enough to make political people ask a question that the college basketball fans have been asking about their underdogs for the last several weeks.

What if?

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Writing haiku can be money-making job

TUMBLEWEED SMITH



My grandson Jackson Lewis majored in creative writing at Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois, where he graduated summa cum laude. Even though he grew up in Dallas, he took to Illinois pretty well.

It's where he met his wife, Erika, and blossomed into maturity. He was president of his fraternity and spoke for his class during graduation ceremonies. I counted a dozen bursts of applause during his short speech that also provided lots of laughs. He is one talented guy.

When he moved to Chicago, he worked a few jobs but found his niche when he was hired by a magazine conglomerate that produces trade publications.

Jackson's articles that have received the most attention are about Wal-Mart, Tesla and Amazon.

Of all the writers in the company, Jackson was selected to go to Seattle and do a piece on the Amazon convenience store that has no checkout counter. He says it's very strange to see the ceiling full of devices that measure your every move.

While in college, Jackson studied Japanese poetry, especially haiku and tanka. Haiku has three lines, while tanka has five.

They both count syllables, not words. The three lines in a haiku has five, seven and five syllables respectively. Tanka is the same but with two more lines of seven syllables each.

"It could be a corporate event, an office party, a wedding reception, someone's birthday, a charity event, any number of things," says Jackson. "A writing friend and I show up dressed in suits and carrying manual portable typewriters from the '50s. People come up to us and tell a story. We write a haiku poem about it, type it on a card and hand it to them. It takes us about one to three minutes to compose a poem."

The host for the event pays the poets. The individuals who get the poems don't pay a thing. At a recent wedding reception, Jackson and another poet wrote about 80 poems for guests.

Haiku Guys and Gals out of New York started haiku events a few years ago and they are spreading across the country. They're looking for poets.

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> **Jackson Lewis,** writer

When Jackson was trying out in front of a representative of Haiku Guys and Gals, he set up his typewriter on a stool in Chicago's Millennium Park.

"I had a sign on my typewriter case that said 'Free Haiku' and complete strangers actually came up, found out what I was doing and said 'Sure I'd love one.' People just kept coming and coming to the point where there was a line waiting for a poem. And this was not a planned event. This was just a try out."

He paid about $100 for his typewriter and says that's his only investment.

His is a Remington Quiet Writer Eleven. He says the typewriters and printing ribbons are easy to find.

You don't have to speak Spanish to be Latino

ESTHER J. CEPEDA

The Washington Post



Way to guilt-trip me about my parenting choices, Pew Research Center!

According to their newest report on language acquisition, 85 percent of Latino parents say they speak Spanish to their children, but only 71 percent of U.S.-born Latino parents with at least one immigrant parent of their own do so.

It's small comfort to know that I'm not alone in dropping the ball by not ensuring that my children learned to speak my native language. And it gets worse: The likelihood of my grandchildren speaking Spanish is bleak.

I'm not merely pessimistic. The share of Latinos speaking to their children in Spanish falls to just 49 percent among third- or higher-generation Latino parents (those born in the U.S. to U.S.-born parents).

My situation, however, fell into this category: Just 55 percent of Latino parents with a non-Latino partner say they speak Spanish to their children.

I bet most of those families, like us, swore they'd raise their kids bilingually.

But let's face it: The normal stresses of infancy, toddlerhood and the early elementary school years are tough enough without layering on the immensely difficult task of having one parent speak in a language that the other parent maybe doesn't even understand.

On this, I can't speak from experience. My husband, a non-Spanish-speaker, and I never got that far.

I nearly died giving birth to an underweight, premature son who had severe developmental delays.

As time passed and he wasn't speaking, the doctors and speech pathologists posited that perhaps our 19-month-old was tongue-tied and needed a frenulectomy.

Yes, American medical professionals suggested surgery to cut the tissue that connected my baby's tongue to the floor of his mouth.

Incidentally, this was not completely unheard of. My husband and I had read about it in "The Woman Warrior: Memoirs of a Girlhood Among Ghosts," by the Chinese-American author Maxine Hong Kingston.

"[M]y mother cut my tongue. She pushed my tongue up and sliced the frenum. Or maybe she snipped it with a pair of nail scissors. I don't remember her doing it, only her telling me about it," Hong Kingston wrote. She explained that her mom, "'cut it so that you would not be tongue-tied. Your tongue would be able to move in any language.'"

We certainly wanted the same for our son, but took a hard pass on cutting his frenulum.

Instead, his first language was American Sign Language, which my husband and I happily learned so we could speak and sign simple words like "girl," "boy," "thank you," "more," "shoes," and the super-fun pulling motion of "milk."

The experts told us not to throw a third language into the mix, and, thankfully, our kid eventually spoke as naturally and fluently as any other.

We were so relieved that it seemed ungrateful for us to rue the fact that he didn't speak Spanish, too.

By the time his brother came along, the good intentions had gone out the window and our whole household, including grandparents, spoke only English.

Eventually, the enthusiastic but failed attempts to grind some Spanish into the kids fell by the wayside in the din of busy family life.

Sigh.

It still makes me sad not to have passed on the Spanish language. Sometimes it feels like, aside from my hair and eye color, my boys have nothing of me; not my surname, not my language.

But that's how the melting pot works — and I can always hope they marry a passionate Spanish speaker who inspires them to learn Spanish for their kids.

In the meantime, take it from me: My children are no less a part of the United States' cultural heritage of Latin American immigrants just because they don't speak Spanish.

So if you meet someone who identifies as Hispanic — or Latino, Latinx, Mexican-American or whatever — but they admit they don't speak Spanish, don't give them a hard time about it.

Look, German is the eighth-most popular language other than English spoken at home in the United States (933,000 people speak it, and about 85 percent of them are bilingual, according to the Migration Policy Institute). But you wouldn't go around looking down on every Bohm, Schneider and Franke for not speaking German, would you?

If you are Hispanic and grew up getting razzed about not speaking Spanish, ignore the haters — you're no less Hispanic for it, and you can always learn the language.

But if you really think you can't learn it or don't want to — don't sweat it, we'll love you anyway.

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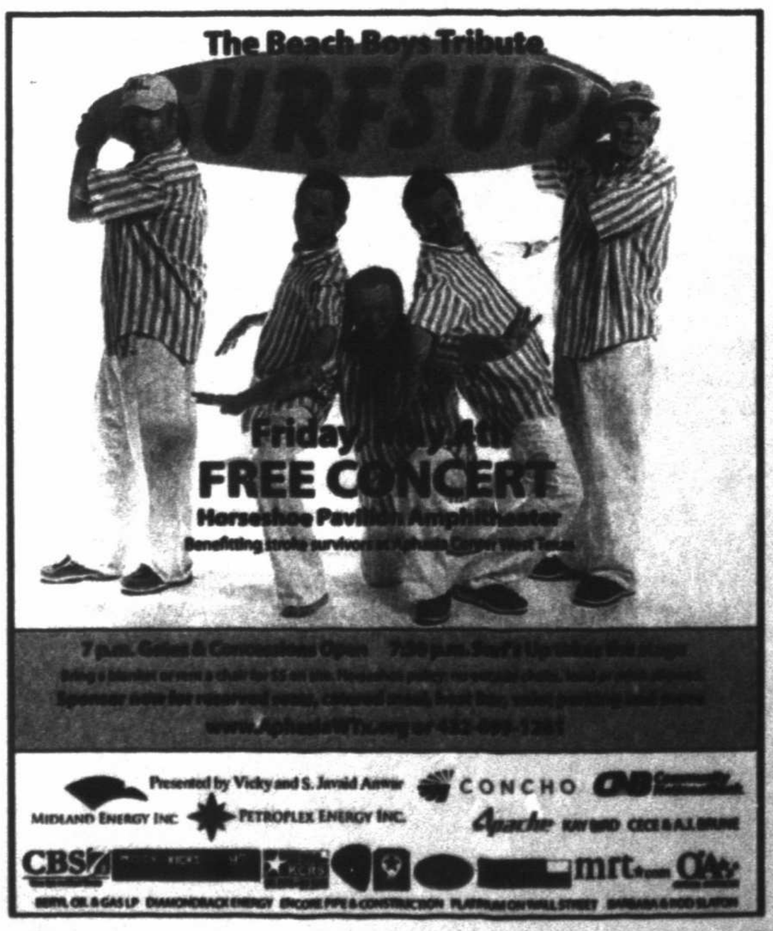
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Because we feel it is important that you know how and where your donations to Helping Hands are spent, here is what was done in the past week:

Electric	5 families	$ 1,387.13
Water	5 families	$ 449.43
Rent	19 families	$19,520.64
Medical	3 families	$ 3,627.67
	TOTAL	$25,034.87

Saint Teresa of Calcutta was once criticized for placing too much emphasis on charity, and not enough on fighting the social injustices that causes many of the poor to be in the situation they face daily. She responded, *"I have said that we take care of one person. Then, if we can, we take care of another. We never cure multitudes. Our vocation is to love each person God brings to us today. Love, tenderness and compassion are real justice. Justice without love is not justice. Love without justice is not love. Often we hear it said that we pamper our poor too much. No one has pampered them except God Himself. It is good that there is at least one religious congregation that pampers the poor. There are more than enough people to pamper the rich."*

We pamper the poor when we treat them with the same measure of respect and dignity that we would reserve for the rich. The elderly couple that is left destitute because of medical bills; the young mother abandoned by her husband and left with no immediate means of support; the man who paid for the crime he committed against society and is now out of prison trying to make amends and straighten out his life; all deserve our love and our compassion. Please join us in helping them, one person at a time.



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Should the U.S. allow Israel to make preemptive strikes against Iran's missile sites?

Israel has a right to prevent its obliteration



JAMES JAY CARAFANO
Tribune News Service

WASHINGTON — Should the U.S. forbid Israel from attacking Iran if it feels the extremist regime in Tehran is about to obliterate it?

Of course not. We have no right to do so, and such a ban would be flatly unenforceable.

Israel's trigger finger has good reason to be itchy.

The Israelis always doubted that President Barack Obama's deal with the mullahs would prevent Iran from becoming a nuclear breakout state, and now even that dicey deal is on the ropes.

The Trump administration has delivered a "fix or nix" ultimatum to our European partners. If they don't work with us to close loopholes that leave Tehran a potential nuclear menace, Trump will pull out of the deal. And if they do close the loopholes, Tehran will likely walk. Either way, the threat of a nuclear Iran remains.

And Iran has done more to put the Israelis on edge. Iran has been "weaponizing" its presence in Syria, using surrogates to press the Israelis on every front.

So what happens if Israel decides to make a preemptive strike on Iran's nuclear facilities? There is no telling how violent the region might get and how far it might spread.

Still, the notion of the U.S. flashing the red card to the Jewish democracy makes no sense.

For starters, Israel is anything but an irresponsible actor. The Israelis have monitored the increasing danger of nuclear attacks for decades.

Twice they have undertaken preventive strikes — once, against a suspected nuclear reactor in Syria in 2007, and once again against Iraq's nuclear program in 1981.

Israel doesn't need a lesson from the U.S. in how to evaluate risks to its national survival.

Further, no nation has the right to constrain Israel's inherent right of self-defense.

While a preventive attack on adversary is not considered an act of just war, a preemptive strike against an enemy, if a nation feels directly threatened, is certainly justifiable.

In addition, an unconstrained Israel is an added deterrent against Iranian aggression. Today, the regime in Tehran regards the U.S. as a faraway power that may or may not step in if they press Israel too much.

But Tehran is under no illusion that Israel will be shy or restrained in defending itself. We should keep things that way.

It greatly lessens the likelihood that Iran will recklessly overstep.

The Israeli deterrent also lessens the pressure on other Arab states — the pressure to get their own nuclear weapons to protect themselves against Tehran.

A strong Israel actually creates an environment that lessens the danger of regional proliferation.

A graduate of the U.S. Army Military Academy at West Point and Georgetown University, James Jay Carafano is a leading expert on national security and foreign policy issues at The Heritage Foundation.

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An Israeli strike risks enlarging the war in the Middle East



FAZLE CHOWDHURY
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WASHINGTON — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, approving a deadly airstrike in Syria on February, pointed out the limits of attacking Syrian leader Bashar Assad's key backer: Iran.

Attacking to defuse Iranian nuclear capability is the easy part; the difficulty lies in the unknown of what comes after.

Relations between the Shia Persian and the Jewish state did exist with economic and military cooperation following Israel's independence in May 14, 1948.

Following Israel's entry in to Lebanon's civil war in 1982, everything changed.

The Shia theocracy gave prominence to Israel's nemesis: Hezbollah.

Since the inception of the Syrian civil war, Iran along with Hezbollah and its nexus of Shia militias in the region has secured southern Syria for Assad, obliterating his opposition, the Free Syrian Army.

Israel uncharacteristically has inched closer to Saudi Arabia, uniting against a common foe. Such alliance is like the toxic scent of what beckons inside a Pandora's box.

Saudi Arabia is surrounded by Shia opposition forces on its borders and even in its own Eastern Province, where much of its oil riches are bound.

The unpredictable alliance of a pro-Israel American Congress is also troubling. Allowing Israel to take out Iran's nuclear capability is a reluctant "no," but that is only for now.

There is no doubt that Israel's capacity to take out key Iranian nuclear installations in Natanz and Fordo is not even remotely a momentous challenge.

Given their successful air raids on Iraq in 1981, Lebanon in 2006 and Syria in 2003, followed by multiple operations in the Syrian civil war, the Israeli Air Force is in a league of its own.

In response, Iran's limited and imprecise 1,000-mile-range ballistic missiles and their MIG-29 fighter jets, and Hamas with its Hezbollah rocket operations, are not remotely a match for Israel's defenses.

But Iran's strength lies in other means. A key one is shutting down the vital oil route at the Strait of Hormuz that could significantly pull the United States into the conflict and further shoot up oil prices.

Fully aware of the inept Security Council that is often sidelined in contemporary wars, Iran would still bring the matter to the U.N., making the argument that Israel's attack is an unnecessary violation of international law.

If Iran is attacked and if there are casualties, it will only strengthen the more hawkish clerics and military generals.

That likely would unite Iranians to give the regime a free hand to expand confrontations while dangerously canceling the much accomplished 2015 nuclear deal between Iran and the west, quickening Iran's path to possessing a real nuclear bomb. Diplomacy would not be an option in the new reality of a nuclear-armed Iran from that point on.

The broad consensus among American defense experts and their European counterparts is that the 2015 nuclear deal is in fact working.

President Hassan Rouhani's administration has responsibly used the capital perks of this deal to bolster the Iranian economy.

Much to the frustration of pro-Rouhani factions, who see the economy faring better, they have had to yield to the opposition of the powerful clerics and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps.

January protests that may have been motivated by such opposition are also a reminder of the limits of Rouhani's leadership.

Blessing Israel to destroy Iran's nuclear capability will not settle the turmoil, but attract far darker forces.

Seven decades of interference in the Middle East has only produced the absence of efficient diplomacy and functional democracy.

Fueling the region are conflicts in Yemen, Lebanon, Iraq, Syria, the awakening of Turkey, a rebellious Qatar, a weakened but active ISIS and a defiant Kurdish movement.

Has Israel considered how much Iran has its fingers in these pockets of realities? More importantly has the U.S. Congress?

Fazle Chowdhury is a scholar at the Global Policy Institute and the author of a new book, "Promises of Betrayals: The History that Shaped the Fears of the Iranian Clerics," that will be released on April 27.

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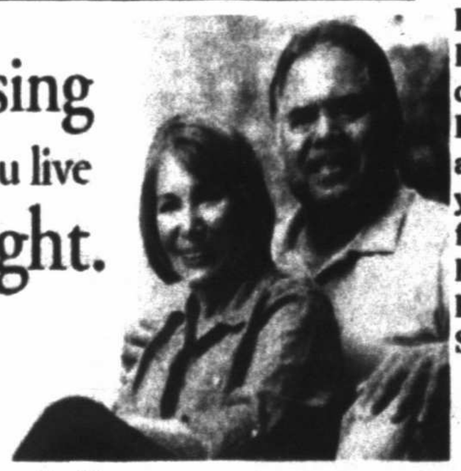
The Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity of the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) administers and enforces federal laws and establishes policies that make sure all Americans have equal access to the housing of their choice. See www.HUD.gov for HUD's fair housing web pages.

A HUD supported fair housing initiative is Fair Housing Accessibility FIRST that is designed to promote compliance with the Fair Housing Act design and construction requirements. The Fair Housing FIRST web site is at http://www.fairhousingfirst.org/. Or, call the Design and Construction Resource Center at 1-888-341-7781 (V/TTY).

The National Fair Housing Alliance is the voice of fair housing. NFHA works to eliminate housing discrimination and to ensure equal housing opportunity for all people through leadership, education, outreach, membership services, public policy initiatives, advocacy and enforcement. NFHA's web site is at http://www.nationalfairhousing.org/.

City of Midland Initiatives

The Community Development Office has also established a local fair housing partnership. Fair housing education and promotion are objectives of the partnership. For more information, contact the Community Development Office. The City's web page on fair housing is http://www.midlandtexas.gov/517/Fair-Housing.



How to Report Housing Discrimination

If you believe you have experienced housing discrimination, you can call **HUD's Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity** toll-free at 1-800-669-9777 (TDD 1-800-927-9275). **Or,** you can file a complaint using HUD's online form at www.HUD.gov. **Or,** send a letter to HUD Southwest Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, 801 Cherry Street, Unit #45, Suite 2500, Fort Worth, Texas 76102 with:

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Or, you can contact the **Texas Workforce Commission Civil Rights Division**, 1117 Trinity St., Room 144-T in Austin, Texas, 78701. You may call the Division office using the toll free number: 1-888-452-4778.

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Trump shouldn't repeat Obama's mistakes

■ The president should maintain a U.S. presence to secure our military's gains, protect our Kurdish allies, keep the Islamic State down and prevent al-Qaida from capitalizing on the Islamic State's demise

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During the 2016 campaign, Donald Trump excoriated President Barack Obama for "the way he got out of Iraq," which Trump said "was the founding of" the Islamic State. As president, Trump reiterated during a meeting with Iraq's prime minister that "we should never ever have left. A vacuum was created."

Trump was right. Obama's withdrawal did create a vacuum the Islamic State quickly filled. So why is Trump now threatening to repeat Obama's mistakes by withdrawing U.S. forces from Syria?

The president recently announced that U.S. troops will be "coming out of Syria ... very soon" because "we were very successful against ISIS" and it is time to "let the other people take care of it now." That is exactly the rationale Obama used when he pulled U.S. forces out of Iraq.

The terrorists had been driven from their strongholds, and, according to then-CIA Director John Brennan, they had just "700-or-so adherents left." So Obama decided, with the Islamic State apparently defeated, that it was time for the United States to come out and let Iraqis "take responsibility for their country." But when Obama took the boot off of the terrorists' necks, it allowed the Islamic State to regroup and reconstitute itself.

Trump corrected this catastrophic mistake when he took the gloves off our military and drove the Islamic State from its physical caliphate. He deserves credit for this achievement. But the Islamic State is not defeated; it has simply reverted into an insurgency and remains a terrorist network with global reach. And it is not the only terrorist threat in Syria. Al-Qaida also has an army there waiting in the wings to replace the Islamic State. According to the Institute for the Study of War and the American Enterprise Institute's Critical Threats Project, "(al-Qaida) ... is more dangerous than ISIS," because although they share "the same aims as ISIS, including the intention of attacking and destroying the West," al-Qaida is less focused on developing a physical caliphate and more on "insinuating itself inside Sunni insurgencies by harnessing popular grievances ... while continuing to build capabilities that could be turned against the West."

If Trump pulls out of Syria now, he will leave behind a haven for al-Qaida. And his withdrawal could also precipitate the comeback of the Islamic State. The Trump administration drove the Islamic State from its strongholds by working with Kurdish proxies despised by Turkey. If the United States leaves, Turkey will go after our Kurdish allies, leaving the Islamic State free to regroup and reconstitute — just as it did after Obama's disastrous withdrawal from Iraq.

That's not all. A U.S. withdrawal would create an Obama-style vacuum that would be filled by Iran, Hezbollah, Russia and the Assad regime. Iran and Syrian President Bashar al-Assad would escalate their brutal campaign of atrocities in Syria — including crossing Trump's red line on the use of poison gas — which would radicalize the Sunni population, driving them into the waiting arms of al-Qaida. This could also create a new refugee crisis, with hundreds of thousands of Syrians fleeing to the West.

An Obama-style withdrawal from Syria could also free Iran to establish a massive military presence in southwestern Syria, which could spark a catastrophic war with Israel. Israel recently shot down an Iranian drone that had infiltrated its airspace from Syria and accused Iran of building sites in Syria to produce precision-guided missiles. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said that Israel "will not allow a regime hell bent on the annihilation of the Jewish state ... to entrench itself militarily in Syria," and warned that if Iran tried to do so, Israel would act "not only against Iranian proxies that are attacking us, but against Iran itself." If our goal is to protect Israel and constrain Iran, withdrawal from Syria would do the opposite.

What should Trump be doing in Syria? He should maintain a U.S. presence to secure our military's gains, protect our Kurdish allies, keep the Islamic State down and prevent al-Qaida from capitalizing on the Islamic State's demise. He should prevent Iran from entrenching itself in Syria, expanding its military presence and threatening Israel. And in the longer run, he should be working to separate the Sunni population from al-Qaida by cultivating Sunni partners in Syria who are allied with the United States against the Salafi-jihadist cause, as well as the growing Iranian-Russian-Assad-Hezbollah alliance.

The temptation to declare victory in Syria and withdraw is understandable. But before he does so, Trump should ask himself:

What would Obama do? Then he should do the opposite.

OPINION EXTRA

'Trump effect' causes panic in the GOP

I believe in the power of panic. And I believe a little productive panic within the GOP is in order.

On Tuesday, Democrats won big in a race for the Wisconsin Supreme Court. It may seem a little off the beaten path and not particularly consequential, but as The Washington Post's Amber Phillips reported, Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker, a Republican, is "outright hitting the panic button for his party." Well, good. The GOP's loss in Wisconsin is a harbinger of what we might face in November.

As I always say, what's supposed to happen tends to happen. And in midterms, the president's party almost always takes a beating — especially when voters have a largely negative opinion of their president. Remember, when a president's job approval is below 50 percent, his party loses, on average, 40 House seats and five Senate seats.

Compounding the issue of a historical midterm bias favoring Democrats this year, Republicans may be victims of their own success. Purple states that overperformed during the Obama era by electing Republican governors, state legislators, U.S. senators and some House members are likely to experience a correction. And in Wisconsin, that correction appears to be underway. Democrats didn't just scrape by to beat Republicans last week. They won by more than 11 points after already winning a special election for the state senate in January in a district that President Donald Trump won by 17 points. It isn't just a red light flashing on the GOP's dashboard — a fire alarm is now audible.

Trump isn't to blame for every GOP loss thus far or every loss that will occur in November. But there is such a thing as the "Trump effect," which is having a negative impact on Republican campaigns — and it isn't fueled by policy disagreements. At the human level, many traditional, center-right voters find Trump ill-suited for the office he holds. They see him as exhausting and insufferable. He is neither a role model nor an inspirational figure. Even among those who think he is the bull in the china shop that we need, few find pride in his performance. Ultimately, it is these sentiments that will suppress turnout among Republican voters and energize the Democrats.

Plenty of Republican and independent voters are more interested in Trump providing real results on the economy, trade and national security issues than seeing his latest tweet or hearing about whom he is going to fire next. But those tweets, firings, rants, rages and tangents motivate Democrats and anti-Trump independents. Turnout in Wisconsin last week was the second-highest for a comparable statewide election since 2000. It is difficult to say whether the "blue wave" will be as bad as some predict, but based on what has happened in Wisconsin, Alabama, Pennsylvania and elsewhere, Republicans are in a position where a little panic couldn't hurt.

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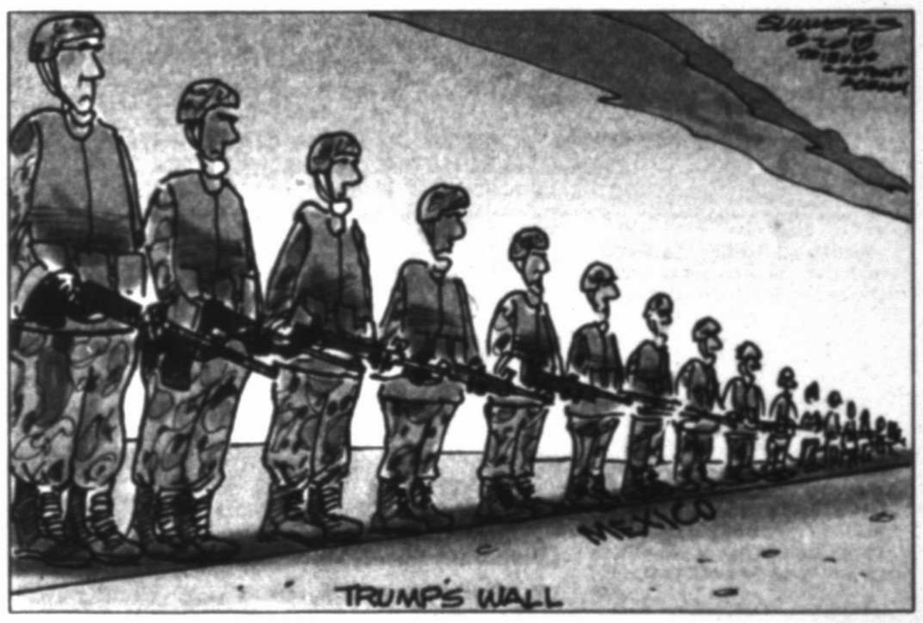
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Don't talk to Mueller, Mr. President

■ He should treat him as an adversary who would certainly be happy to nail him for the slightest misstatement

RICH LOWRY
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The chief threat to Donald Trump at the moment isn't that he'll fire Robert Mueller, but that he'll cooperate too readily.

The president's legal team has been roiled and his White House advisers divided by his determination to sit down for a deposition with Mueller's team of prosecutors. Rarely has someone who is supposed to be feeling the legal net closing in been so eager to run toward the netting.

Trump lawyer John Dowd reportedly quit over the dispute, and he was right. Trump shouldn't walk into the same room with Mueller. He shouldn't say "hello" to him. He shouldn't follow him on Instagram or Twitter. He should treat him as an adversary who, even if he isn't conducting "the witch hunt" that Trump alleges, would certainly be happy to nail him for the slightest misstatement.

Mueller was supposed to be conducting a counterintelligence investigation into Russian meddling, which immediately also became an investigation of obstruction of justice. Trump's attitude should be, "Come and get me, copper -- if you have a case for obstruction, make it, but I'm not incurring any additional legal jeopardy by sitting down and talking to you."

It's not as though Mueller has been shut out. According to a breakdown released by Dowd in January, the special counsel has talked to 20 White House employees and received 20,000 pages of documents.

In the past, Trump has been careful in his depositions, but since his mode of communication is highly dependent on jaw-dropping hyperbole, gross simplifications and misinformed or misleading assertions, it can't be a good idea to put him under oath in any circumstance.

Trump's fearlessness and animal cunning are two of his signature traits, so it makes sense that he sincerely believes that he can win the conversation with Mueller's lawyers.

It also runs counter to the widespread assertion that Trump is "acting guilty," when he may well be acting like Donald Trump — aggrieved, combative, scornful — when he's innocent.

How many guilty parties are so insistent on talking to authorities that they lose their lawyers over it?

But this is a foolish confidence on Trump's part. Even more deft talkers have realized the peril of such situations. Bill Clinton, a master of distinctions so subtle that sometimes only he understood them, resisted a subpoena in the Paula Jones case all the way to the Supreme Court, and for good reason.

Perjury would probably be the closest Mueller could get — absent some unforeseen smoking gun — to a real unambiguous crime. So far, his operation has very often been about catching people in lies to the FBI.

There isn't any upside to counterbalance the downside of talking to Mueller. Trump is not going to explain away everything to his satisfaction such that the special counsel says: "Never mind. The president says his motives were pure."

Trump probably won't even speed up the end of Mueller's investigation. The special counsel presumably is trying to flip Paul Manafort, and the second trial of the former Trump campaign manager doesn't begin until September.

Not sitting down will inevitably prompt a court fight over a subpoena. Success for Trump wouldn't be guaranteed, but he'd have a chance of winning on the basis of executive privilege.

When Mueller's expected report on obstruction becomes public in some form or other, Trump will have plenty of opportunity to forcefully rebut it in the court of public opinion. Until then, he shouldn't voluntarily subject himself to a process suited to create an impeachable offense where there wasn't one before.

But what do I know? If Trump's going to throw caution to the wind, go all the way. Insist that the deposition be broadcast on live TV for everyone to see for themselves and make up their minds in real time. And if it doesn't go well, fire Mueller in front of the cameras from an impressively mahogany conference table.

Would there be any more appropriate way for all this to end?

That's what a good teacher would say, and we should all listen.

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From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stormwater tax is unfair

When I find out whose hair-brained idea it is to collect a fee/tax from the residents of Midland for the poor drainage, he will most certainly not get my vote in the next election. Drainage is a problem that should have been addressed many years ago, now the City Council wants to penalize existing residents to pay for something the developers/builders need to have the responsibility of addressing. Certainly developers/builders of new developments must be responsible for that area.

I will gladly pay the fee/tax only if the city of Midland is liable should my house flood. I'm sure that many more residents feel the same. If the city is going to tax us, they (the city) should be accountable. Shame on you council members for this unfair taxation.

This is like a sign my husband has in his office: "Poor planning on your part does NOT constitute an emergency for me." There are other ways to address the drainage problem without an additional tax on the residents. A poor budget for drainage is not the residents fault, as drainage affects everyone, especially when many thousands are being spent on a park, used by a few!

Jackie Ward

ELECTION LETTER
(election letters must be 200 words or less)

COUNTY JUDGE

Beauchamp is right man for county judge

I want to express my support for James Beauchamp in the May 22nd Republican run-off election for county judge. He brings qualifications to the office that are important to do this job.

First, the county judge is the budget officer for the county. James has served as a commissioner for the State Commission on Emergency Communications, the head of a local organization, and as a board member of a credit union. He has experience in dealing with large budgets and has brought transparency to that process.

He has also worked to improve emergency responses and roads throughout the Permian Basin by increasing state investment in our area, rather than simply expecting local taxpayers to shoulder the burden. Between the past and continued growth our area has experienced, his ability to leverage outside dollars is the only way we will ever realistically meet any of our long-term needs.

As someone who considers James a friend, I can tell you he doesn't want to sit around and talk about problems, he wants to find common sense solutions, and solve them.

I hope you will join me and vote for James Beauchamp as county judge in the May 22nd runoff.

Jack Ladd, Jr.



MITCHELL SCHNURMAN
The Dallas Morning News

How to make Texas oil money last? Don't 'bury it in the Capitol lawn'

Texas' oil and gas won't flow forever, even with the fracking boom. But there may be a way to make the money last.

That's the idea behind creating a sovereign wealth fund fueled by natural resources.

Several states and nations have put billions of dollars from oil, gas and coal into investments that grow the principal and throw off earnings along the way. But not Texas, although this is an opportune time to consider a move — and the comptroller is pushing for it.

Oil production is booming, natural gas fields are abundant and the state's rainy day fund, which bolsters the budget in a downturn, is overflowing.

Texas has nearly $11 billion in the Economic Stabilization Fund, primarily from oil and gas taxes. That's roughly three times more than the state has withdrawn in a two-year period. Most of the dollars are invested in near-liquid securities that don't earn enough to keep up with inflation.

"It's like taking money and just burying it in the Capitol lawn," Comptroller Glenn Hegar told a Senate Finance Committee two weeks ago.

At least $3 billion could be spun out as a separate endowment, he said, and the fund could continue to grow from investment earnings and excess oil and gas taxes. This so-called legacy fund could generate $1 billion annually by 2030 and over $3 billion a year a decade later, Hegar estimated.

That revenue stream could be used to shore up state pensions and retiree health care plans, he said. One senator suggested pay increases for teachers while others talked about lowering property taxes. A senator from the Permian Basin, where oil production is soaring, said the money might be best left to drillers who could put it to even more productive use.

"The luxury we have today is asking, 'When is enough, enough?'" Dale Craymer, president of the Texas Taxpayers and Research Association, told the senators.

Craymer was a House staffer on the rainy day bill in 1987, and voters approved the measure as a constitutional amendment the next year. At the time, Texas was reeling from an oil bust and recession, and the Legislature passed the largest tax increase in state history.

Initially, the fund was to be capped at 5 percent of general revenue, he told senators. But it was raised to 10 percent in the 11th hour.

Neither cap was a factor until the fracking boom. From 1990 to 2005, oil taxes contributed $118 million to the rainy day fund; since then, they've topped $8 billion.

Combined with natural gas taxes and a budget surplus in 2008, deposits have totaled almost $21 billion. Eight times, the Texas Legislature has tapped the fund and withdrawn about half the contributions.

Forty-eight states have rainy day funds and Texas' balance, approaching $11 billion, is the largest, said Robert Zahradnik of Pew Charitable Trusts.

"This raises important questions about how much of this is required for budget stabilization purposes, and whether some of the balance could be set aside for a longer-term legacy fund," he told the senators.

The biggest withdrawals in a two-year period were $3 billion to $4 billion, officials said. Perhaps one-and-a-half times that amount would be enough, several suggested, and the remainder could be invested more aggressively.

They're not talking about the kind of over-the-top investments that damaged the Dallas Police and Fire Pension. Hegar suggested an endowment-like strategy that the state currently uses through the Texas Trust Co. By his estimate, the legacy fund would earn a median return of 6.4 percent annually.

"It's not shooting the lights out," said Paul Ballard, chief investment officer for the Texas Trust. "It's risk managed."

He pointed to the tobacco settlement the state received in the early 2000s. About $1.7 billion was put into an endowment that has paid out almost $1 billion to hospital districts and now totals $2.6 billion, Ballard said.

One Texas senator asked how liquid the assets would be, just in case of a severe downturn. Hegar said the point of the legacy fund was to let the principal grow and tap the earnings. A smaller rainy day fund could handle budget shortfalls.

Most sovereign wealth funds are trying to preserve wealth from today's finite resources. In North Dakota, which created a fund in 2010, "It's for future generations," a state senator said.

Norway established an oil fund in 1998, and it had accumulated nearly $900 billion in assets by 2016, according to a Pew report.

"One day the oil will run out, but the return on the fund will continue to benefit the Norwegian population," the fund's website said.

In Wyoming, earnings from the mineral trust fund accounted for 15 percent of the state's general revenue in 2016, Pew said.

One Texas senator mused that he wished this would have happened in 2009, when oil and gas taxes were climbing and the stock market was about to take off. Hegar noted that if the Legislature doesn't act in 2019, the opportunity will be lost for another biennium.

Among the nine states that rely on natural resources for major tax revenue, only Texas and Oklahoma don't have a sovereign wealth fund, according to Pew. Both West Virginia and Louisiana created them in the past three years.

"If they can figure it out, we can figure it out," Hegar said.

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A No.1 ranking Texas doesn't need has to do with clean water

BRIAN ZABCIK
Clean Water Advocate

Texans treasure our natural waters, whether it's swimming in our springs, fishing in our rivers, sailing on our bays, or vacationing at our beaches. In addition, these natural resources provide us with much of our drinking water and support a range of wildlife. Unfortunately, they're also polluted.

The Texas Commission for Environmental Quality (TCEQ) regularly compiles a list of of water bodies that are too impaired for their primary use. According to TCEQ's latest inventory, more than 9,400 miles of streams, 638,000 acres of lakes, and 774,000 acres of bays are classified as impaired — meaning that in many instances, they're too unsafe for swimming or fishing.

Our state's waters are polluted by a variety of sources, but industrial waste discharges are one of the most significant. Environment Texas recently reviewed data on how often the state's 269 major industrial facilities failed to stay within the limits set by their pollution permits. Our "Troubled Waters" report found that from January 2016 to September 2017, Texas facilities exceeded their permit limits 938 times. In fact, our state ranked number one in the country for most exceedances.

We also found that 49 percent of Texas's facilities exceeded their permit limits at least once during the 21-month study period, and that 36 percent did so repeatedly. In fact, the state ranked first in the country for facilities with multiple exceedances. Even more alarming, 6 facilities had exceedances that were 500 percent above their permit limit. Not surprisingly, the majority of exceedances happened at plants in the state's major industrial hubs — the Beaumont, Houston, and Corpus Christi metro areas, as well as East Texas — but our study lists exceedances across Texas, including facilities near Austin, San Antonio, and Waco.

Texas additionally ranked third in the country for having the most excess discharges into waterways already classified as impaired. Our study lists 304 exceedances into impaired waters, including excess discharges by a LyondellBasell plant in La Porte, a Formosa Plastics factory on Lavaca Bay, a Motiva Enterprises plant in Port Arthur, and two Phillips 66 refineries, one in the Panhandle near Borger and another on the coast near Brazoria.

What were Texas's industrial facilities dumping into our waters? A wide variety of pollutants, including E. coli and enterococci bacteria, which indicate the presence of other disease-causing pathogens; metals like aluminum, copper, nickel, and zinc; nitrogen and ammonia; oil and grease; and solid waste.

Unfortunately, the vast majority of exceedances go unpunished. Nationwide, less than 3 percent of all non-compliant facilities faced EPA enforcement actions in 2016. Even when fines were issued, they were often lower than what would be needed to discourage polluters. In 2017, the median fine issued by the EPA was lower than it had been any year since 2011.

In the 21st century, we know how to produce things without pollution. Industrial discharges can be reduced by stronger enforcement of the federal Clean Water Act. This means tightening pollution permit limits, performing more on-site facility inspections, and ensuring that citizens can bring enforcement lawsuits when agencies don't do their job. This also means ensuring that the Clean Water Act applies to all waterways as laid out in the Clean Water Rule, which restored protections to more than 143,000 miles of Texas streams.

When the Clean Water Act was passed 45 years ago, Congress declared that all of our waterways would be clean by 1983 and that all direct discharge of pollutants would cease by 1985. Decades later, 40 percent of our nation's rivers, lakes, and streams are still polluted. It's time for Texans to speak up and tell our officials that we want clean water now.

Brian Zabcik is the Clean Water Advocate at Environment Texas.

OPINION EXTRA

Pay it forward, Texas, so future generations can enjoy the oil boom, too

The Dallas Morning News

We believe in miracles, even the one about Texas' economic transformation. But even in these boom times, there are cracks in the economic foundation of the state. So it is refreshing to see a statewide Republican leader acknowledge the cracks and offer an idea on how to patch 'em: creating a new endowment out of a portion of the surplus in Texas' rainy day fund.

By 2030, this separate investment — think of it as Texas' own sovereign wealth fund — could generate close to $1 billion in annual earnings with the principal continuing to grow, according to the state comptroller.

That wouldn't solve all the state's spending challenges, but it is good money that could be put to good use. It also would create an economic legacy that would sustain us through the ups and downs of the oil and gas markets.

That's how to pay it forward, Tex.

This opportunity has fallen into our lap thanks to the hydraulic fracturing boom. Taxes on oil and gas production account for most of the rainy day fund, and the balance has soared. In 2005, after money was withdrawn primarily for education, the fund had $7 million. Today, its value approaches $11 billion, easily the highest of any state.

Most of the billions are invested in near-liquid securities that earned just 1.09 percent last year. For the rest, the goal is to merely match inflation.

"It's like taking the money and just burying it in the Capitol lawn," Comptroller Glenn Hegar told the Senate Finance Committee last month.

He encouraged lawmakers to break off $3 billion for a legacy fund that would invest more aggressively. No risky bets like the Dallas Police and Fire Pension System, but a lot like the endowments already managed by the state.

Higher returns, along with future oil and gas contributions, would convert a volatile commodity into a source of sustained revenue.

Meanwhile, the rainy day fund would remain a vital backstop, albeit a smaller one. How small? Our history of withdrawals, including $3.2 billion in the wake of the Great Recession, suggests it could be half the current size.

Lawmakers created the rainy day fund bill in 1987, after an oil bust and recession led to the biggest tax hike in state history. It's worked better than advertised. As one expert told the senators, now we have the luxury of asking, "When is enough, enough?"

A tougher question looms: How to balance the growing demand for public services with the rare chance to build a recurring revenue stream? Our preference is to try to do both and make the most of the wealth we're inheriting.

In Texas, we also must worry about today. Despite a booming economy, as the state's comptroller has pointed out, Texas has long-term obligations that threaten its top credit rating.

Pensions, health care, education and infrastructure are among the pressing needs that surpass our revenue and could lead to a credit downgrade.

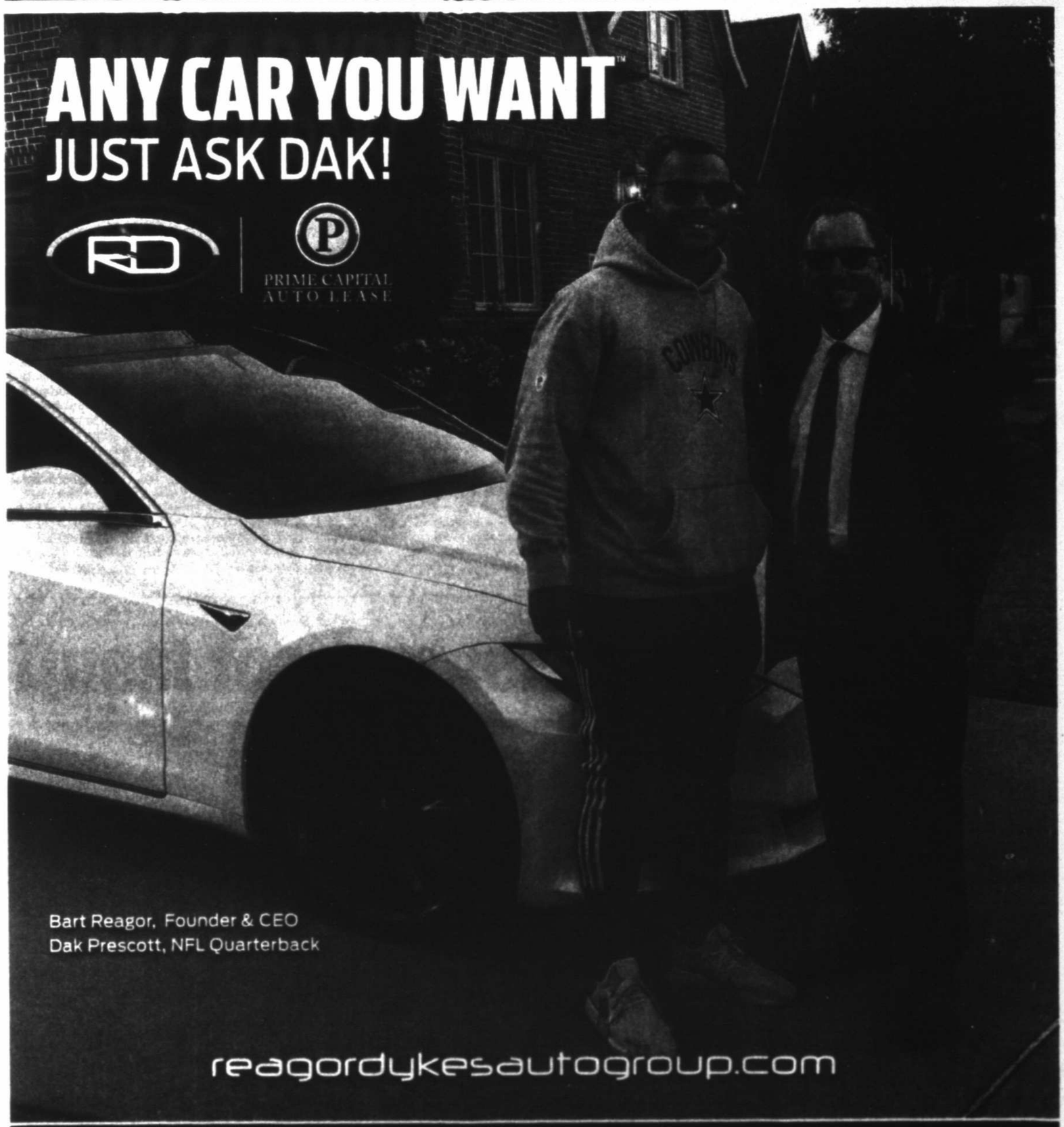
As the state's comptroller has said, those underfunded obligations are "hard to match up with the Texas miracle." One step to matching our future needs with state revenues is to create funding sources that will remain stable over a long period of time.

A legacy fund could help keep the Texas miracle alive for a new generation.

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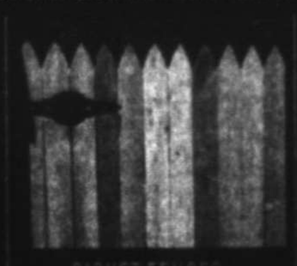
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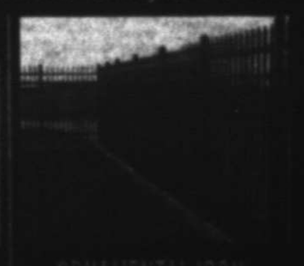
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Every time Tomas "El Norteno" Villa stepped into the ring, he knew how to electrify the crowd.

He would arrive to the ring, dressed usually in black trunks, a black cowboy hat and a black robe with norteno music blaring, which only fueled the mostly Hispanic fans even more.

Standing just 5-foot-6, the little dynamo could pack a punch with the best of them.

There was rarely a dull moment when Villa, the Midland High grad and native of Ojinaga, Mexico, would fight.

Sadly this week, Villa was killed in a traffic accident. He was 34.

Although he stopped boxing in 2011, Villa left his mark in the Permian Basin boxing world.

He retired with a record of 23-8 with five draws with 14 of those wins coming by knockout. He won the IBA Featherweight title in 2008, the WBC Continental Americas Super Bantamweight title, the WBA-NABA Super Bantamweight title and also the USA Texas Featherweight Title in 2005, plus he also took the USA Texas State Featherweight title in 2004.

Wherever Villa went he was admired and loved.

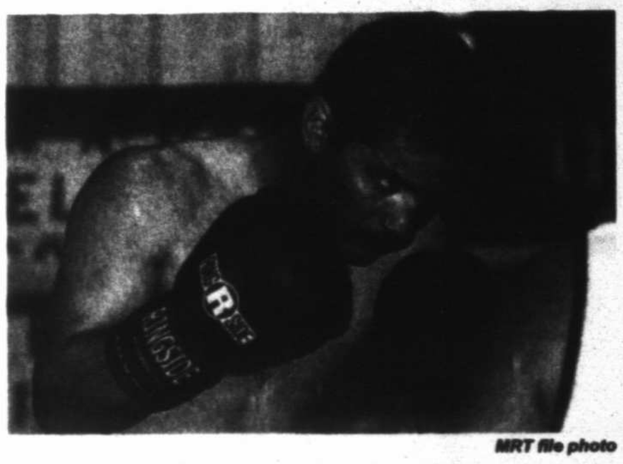
Too many times, folks look to their sports heroes to be role models and Villa tried his best to be one for whoever was watching.

Every time he fought in the Permian Basin, whether it was the Ector County Coliseum, Odessa's Far West Event Center or the old Midland Center, Villa was the best show in town.

And you can bet that every time he fought in the area, there were tons of relatives and friends ready to cheer him on.

I remember one time in front of a few thousand at the Ector County Coliseum, the fight was declared a draw. That drew the ire of many in attendance. They

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Local boxer Tomas Villa is shown here in training in 2010.

Quest for a green jacket



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Patrick Reed hits from the 1st fairway during the third round of the Masters Tournament on Saturday at Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga.

Reed builds 3-shot lead over McIlroy at Masters

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Patrick Reed and Rory McIlroy meet again, this time for a green jacket instead of a gold Ryder Cup trophy.

Reed seized control of the Masters on a wet Saturday at Augusta National with a pair of eagles on the back nine and a 5-under 67 that gave him a three-shot lead. McIlroy, who chipped in for eagle on the front nine to briefly tie for the lead, made an 18-foot birdie on the final hole for a 65 to nudge a little closer.

This is not match play as it was for their singles match in Ryder Cup at Hazeltine.

It sure feels like it.

And it sounded about as loud, too, especially with players taking advantage of greens slightly softened by the rain.

Reed ran off three straight birdies around the turn, and he stretched his lead to as many as five shots with his eagles.

He made a 15-foot eagle putt on the 13th, and then he showed he was not in the mood to play it safe on the 15th. From just under 270 yards, as the rain made the air heavy, Reed hit 3-wood just over the water and short of the bunker, and his chip from 80 feet slammed against the pin and dropped. Reed pumped his fist, the kind of emotion he typically saves for the Ryder Cup.

He narrowly missed a 10-foot birdie putt at the end and was at 14-under 202.

McIlroy can only hope he didn't use up all his luck.

A chip that likely would have gone off the green at the par-5 eighth banged into the pin and dropped for eagle. He managed to find his second shot among the azaleas on the 13th to escape with par. And he got into the final group, an ideal position as he goes after the final leg of the career Grand Slam.

"There's a lot more players in this tournament than just Patrick and I," McIlroy said. "It won't be quite as intense, but we'll still be feeling it. Patrick is going for his first (major), and I'm going for ... something else."

He paused to smile when he heard a few chuckles. That "something else" is a collection of four majors that only five other players can claim.

"It's going to be good fun," McIlroy said.

Rickie Fowler made eagle on the par-5 second and was 5 under through eight holes. He cooled until the end of his round, when a pair of birdies over the last two holes gave him a 65 and left him five shots behind. Jon Rahm of Spain also chipped in for eagle on No. 8 and saved par on the 13th after hitting into the creek in his round of 65. He was at 8-under 208.

Tiger Woods had to significantly lower his goal this week. He shot 72, was 18 shots behind and now hopes to finish the tournament under par.

So many others who started the third round with a chance didn't do nearly enough to stay even remotely close to

Please see **MASTERS**/4C

Sensational start for Stewart-Haas, including 1-2-3 at Texas

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Kurt Busch is on the pole, Clint Bowyer is coming off his first victory in six years and Kevin Harvick has won half of the races so far on the NASCAR Cup Series schedule.

Aric Almirola, the newcomer to the team, has been steady, too, finishing 14th or better in every race.

With Stewart-Haas Racing already off to a sensational start this season, the decade-old team will now have the top three starters in a race for the first time Sunday. Busch, Harvick and Bowyer qualified their Fords 1-2-3 at Texas Motor Speedway, while Almirola was 12th at the 1½-mile track.

"We unloaded off the truck here and went right back to the top of the board. That is pretty cool," said Bowyer, whose victory at Martinsville before the Easter break ended his 190-race winless streak.

"It is crazy how you can get your cars with a good balance on them and really roll them through the corners good," he said. "It seems if they are fast at one track they are going to be fast at the next."

All four Stewart-Haas cars are in the top 11 in season points through the first six races. Harvick is seventh, followed by Bowyer at eighth, Busch 10th and Almirola 11th.

Hendrick Motorsports also has all four of its drivers in the top 20. But

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Larry Papke/Associated Press

Kurt Busch reaches into his car in the garage area during a practice session for a NASCAR Cup series auto race on Saturday in Fort Worth.

Padres 1B Hosmer overruns popup in 10th, Astros win 1-0

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Four-time Gold Glove first baseman Eric Hosmer overran a towering popup with two outs in the 10th inning Saturday night, allowing the ball to fall without being touched and giving the Houston Astros a bizarre 1-0 win over the San Diego Padres.

A single by Brian McCann and a steal by pinch runner Derek Fisher — ruled safe after a video review flipped the call — set up the unusual ending.

Alex Bregman hit the pop and Hosmer, signed to a rich free agent deal by the Padres, ran in to make the play.

But with reliever Phil Maton and third baseman Christian Villanueva staying out of the way, Hosmer suddenly realized he was in trouble and had no chance to catch it. The ball plopped onto the grass a few feet behind him, between the plate, mound and first base.

Fisher scored without a throw on what was scored as a single. Last October at the same park, Bregman lined a single that scored the pinch running Fisher from second in the 10th inning to lift the Houston over the Los Angeles Dodgers in Game 5 of the World Series.

Chris Devenski (1-0) pitched 1 1/3 innings for the win. Robbie Erlin (0-1) took the loss.

Gerrit Cole struck out 11 in seven sharp innings for Houston, giving up five hits and walking none. Since being acquired by the champion Astros, he has given up one run in 14 innings and fanned 22, a franchise record for the most strikeouts through the first two starts.

Padres starter Bryan Mitchell worked out six walks in 5 2/3 innings, allowing three hits. The Astros loaded the bases in the fifth, but Bregman flied out to end the threat.

Trainer's room

Padres: Reliever Kirby Yates exited the game after throwing just one pitch in the eighth. ... RHP Dinelson Lamet played catch up to 90 feet and will likely do the same again on Sunday as

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Melissa Phillip / Houston Chronicle

Houston Astros Jake Marisnick and Alex Bregman celebrate Bregman's single during the tenth inning in a 1-0 win over the San Diego Padres at Minute Maid Park on Saturday in Houston.

'HOUNDSWATCH

SATURDAY'S SCORE
Midland 10, Springfield 1

TODAY'S GAME
Tulsa vs Midland, 4 p.m.

INTERNET
www.milb.com

RECORDS
Midland 3-0
Springfield 0-3

Saturday	Today	Monday	Tuesday	Thursday
Midland 10 Springfield 1	Tulsa at Midland, 4 p.m.	Tulsa at Midland, 6:30 p.m.	Tulsa at Midland, 6:30 p.m.	Midland at Springfield 7:05

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

College Baseball
Baylor at Texas, 1:30 p.m., LHN
Oklahoma at TCU, 3 p.m., FSSW, FCSA

College Softball
Samford at Texas, 11 a.m., LHN
Mississippi State at Texas A&M, 2 p.m., SEC

Golf
Masters, Final Round, 1 p.m., CBS

High School Basketball
Jordan Brand Classic, 4 p.m., ESPN2

Major League Baseball
Tampa Bay at Boston, Noon, MLB
San Diego at Houston, 1 p.m., ATTSW
Toronto at Texas, 2 p.m., FSSW+
NY Mets at Washington, 7 p.m., ESPN, ESPNDEP

Men's Soccer
PL: Arsenal vs. Southampton, 8 a.m., NBCSN
Bundesliga: Borussia Dortmund vs. VfB Stuttgart, 8:30 a.m., FS1, UDN
PL: Chelsea vs. West Ham United, 10:30 a.m., NBCSN, TELE
Bundesliga: Eintracht Frankfurt vs. TSG 1899 Hoffenheim, 11 a.m., FS2, FXDEP
MLS: Orlando City SC vs. Portland Timbers, 3 p.m., ESPN
MLS: LA Galaxy vs. Sporting Kansas City, 8 p.m., FS1, FXDEP

Motorsports
F1: Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix, 10:05 a.m., ESPN2, GALA
Monster Energy Cup Series: O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, 1 p.m., FS1, FXDEP

National Basketball Association
Dallas at Philadelphia, Noon, FSSW
Detroit at Memphis, 2:30 p.m., NBAtv
Orlando at Toronto, 5 p.m., NBAtv
Golden State at Phoenix, 8 p.m., NBAtv

National Hockey League
Florida at Boston, 6:30 p.m., NHL

Women's Soccer
Friendly: USA vs. Mexico, 1 p.m,. FOX

RADIO

Major League Baseball
San Diego at Houston, 1 p.m., KBYG 106.1 FM/1400 AM (Big Spring)
Toronto at Texas, 2 p.m., KBEST 95.5 FM (Big Spring), KPET 105.1 FM/690 AM (Lamesa)

National Basketball Association
Dallas at Philadelphia, Noon, KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

Texas League Baseball
Tulsa at Midland, 4:30 p.m., KCRS 95.5 FM/97.5 FM/550 AM

HS TENNIS

MCS SENDING TWO BOYS DOUBLES TEAMS TO STATE

WACO – The Midland Christian boys doubles tennis team of Joshua Ramos-Jonathan Cheatham won the TAPPS 1-5A district championship on Saturday at Waco Regional Tennis Center.

The duo advanced to the TAPPS State Tournament, which will be held April 16-17 back at Waco's Regional Tennis Center.

Ramos-Cheatham defeated a team from Fort Worth Christian, 7-6 (3), 6-3 in Saturday's finals. On Friday, they won their quarterfinal match, 6-2, 6-1 against Austin Hyde Park and their semifinal match, 6-4, 6-1 against Austin St. Michael's.

The MCS boys doubles team of Garrett Bushman-Sterling Armstrong will also be headed to the state tournament after defeating a team from St. Michael's in Saturday's third place match.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Placed OF Colby Rasmus on the 10-day DL. Recalled RHP Jimmy Yacabonis from Norfolk (IL).
LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Assigned C Juan Graterol outright to Salt Lake (PCL). Optioned INF Nolan Fontana and RHP Parker Bedrosil to Salt Lake. Recalled INF Ryan Schimpf and RHP Akeel Morris from Salt Lake. Sent LHP Andrew Heaney to Inland Empire (Cal) for a rehab assignment.
NEW YORK YANKEES — Placed 3B Brandon Drury and LHP CC Sabathia on the 10-day DL. Optioned RHP Jonathan Holder to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL). Recalled RHPs Domingo Germon and Luis Cessa from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre. Selected the contract of 2B Jace Peterson from Scranton/Wilkes-Barre.
National League
ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Designated OF Jeremy Hazelbaker for assignment. Claimed RHP Troy Scribner off waivers from the L.A. Angels and optioned him to Reno (PCL).
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Assigned RHP Zach Neal outright to Oklahoma City (PCL).
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Placed C Miguel Montero on paternity leave. Designated LHP Enny Romero for assignment. Selected the contract of C Jhonatan Solano from Syracuse (IL). Recalled 3B Matt Reynolds from Syracuse.
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
ATLANTA HAWKS — Transferred G Josh Magette and F Andrew White III from Erie (NBAGL). Recalled Fs Tyler Cavanaugh and Jeremy Evans from Erie.
FOOTBALL
National Football League
CHICAGO BEARS — Re-signed DL John Jenkins to a one-year contract.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

BIG 12
Texas 2, Baylor 0
Texas Tech 10, Kansas 0
Oklahoma State 6, Kansas State 3

SEC
Texas A&M 3, LSU 1

NBA GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Toronto	57	22	.722	—
x-Boston	54	25	.684	3
x-Philadelphia	49	30	.620	8
New York	28	52	.350	29½
Brooklyn	27	53	.338	30½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Miami	43	37	.538	—
x-Washington	42	38	.525	1
Charlotte	35	46	.438	8
Orlando	24	56	.304	18½
Atlanta	23	57	.288	20

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Cleveland	49	31	.613	—
x-Indiana	47	33	.588	2
x-Milwaukee	43	37	.538	6
Detroit	38	41	.481	10½
Chicago	27	53	.338	22

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Houston	64	16	.800	—
San Antonio	46	34	.575	18
New Orleans	46	34	.575	18
Dallas	34	58	.500	40
Memphis	21	59	.288	42½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Portland	46	32	.600	—
Utah	46	33	.582	1½
Oklahoma City	46	34	.575	2
Minnesota	45	35	.563	3
Denver	45	35	.563	3

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Golden State	57	23	.713	—
L.A. Clippers	42	38	.525	15
L.A. Lakers	34	45	.430	22½
Sacramento	28	54	.325	31
Phoenix	20	60	.250	37

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

Saturday's Scores
Denver 134, L.A. Clippers 115
Milwaukee 115, New York 102
Brooklyn 124, Chicago 96
New Orleans 126, Golden State 120
Oklahoma City 105, Houston 102
San Antonio 116, Portland 105

Sunday's Games
Atlanta at Boston, Noon
Dallas at Philadelphia, Noon
Indiana at Charlotte, Noon
Detroit at Memphis, 2:30 p.m.
Orlando at Toronto, 5 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 5 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Tampa Bay	82	54	23	5	113	295	239
x-Boston	81	50	19	12	112	265	210
x-Toronto	82	49	26	7	105	277	232
Florida	81	43	29	9	94	244	244
Detroit	82	39	30	13	73	217	255
Montreal	82	29	40	13	71	209	264
Ottawa	82	28	43	11	67	221	291
Buffalo	82	25	45	12	62	189	280

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Washington	82	49	25	7	105	259	220
x-Pittsburgh	82	47	29	6	100	272	230
x-Philadelphia	82	42	33	14	98	251	243
x-Columbus	82	45	33	7	97	248	228
x-New Jersey	82	44	29	9	97	249	222
Carolina	82	36	33	13	85	246	255
N.Y. Islanders	82	35	37	10	80	234	265
N.Y. Rangers	82	34	39	9	77	231	268

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
z-Nashville	82	55	18	11	117	257	211
x-Winnipeg	82	52	20	10	114	277	210
x-Minnesota	81	44	25	11	99	247	223
St. Louis	81	44	31	6	94	224	217
Colorado	81	43	30	8	94	252	235
Dallas	81	41	32	8	90	231	223
Chicago	82	39	33	10	70	229	256

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Vegas	81	51	23	7	109	271	221
x-San Jose	81	46	28	10	100	249	223
x-Anaheim	81	43	25	13	99	232	216
x-Los Angeles	81	45	29	8	98	237	199
Calgary	81	35	35	10	80	211	247
Edmonton	81	35	40	6	76	231	281
Vancouver	81	31	40	10	72	215	251
Arizona	81	29	40	12	70	208	253

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Saturday's Scores
Philadelphia 5, N.Y. Rangers 0
N.Y. Islanders 4, Detroit 3, OT
Washington 5, New Jersey 3
Winnipeg 4, Chicago 1
Carolina 5, Tampa Bay 2, OT
Boston 5, Ottawa 2
Toronto 4, Montreal 2
Florida 4, Buffalo 3
Nashville 4, Columbus 2
St. Louis at Colorado, late
Anaheim at Arizona, late
Vancouver at Edmonton, late
Vegas at Calgary, late
Dallas at Los Angeles, late
Minnesota at San Jose, late

Today's Games
Florida at Boston, 6:30 p.m.

MHS' Stewart wins District 2-6A singles title

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO – Midland High senior Allison Stewart defeated Wolfforth Frenship's Lauren Brown, 6-0, 6-1 to win the District 2-6A girls singles title, Saturday at Tut Bartzen Tennis Center and Bentwood Country Club.

With her victory, Stewart advanced to the Region I-6A Tournament to be held April 18-19 at UT Arlington's Tennis Center. In Friday's first round, Stewart swept Odessa High's Azaria Quezado, 6-0, 6-0 in the quarterfinal and Amarillo Tascosa's Amber Hands, 6-0, 6-0 in the semifinal to reach the championship match.


Stewart

Joining Stewart on a ticket to regionals is younger brother Tyler, a freshman, who finished second in the boys singles competition after falling to Amarillo Tascosa's Avery Zavala, 6-4, 6-2 in the boys single championship.

Additionally, the MHS mixed doubles team of Cole Carriger and Camille Courtney will be heading regionals after taking second place in their field. The pair lost in the final to a team from Frenship, 6-4, 6-1.

HS BASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

BASEBALL
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 7
GRAPEVINE FAITH CHRSTIAN 5

The Midland Christian baseball team scored early and staved off a late rally to top Grapevine Faith Christian in a TAPPS Division II District I contest, Saturday at Christensen Stadium.

The Mustangs (13-8-1, 6-2) fell behind 1-0 in the first inning, but bounced back for three runs in the second via a Cody Grebeck groundout and a two-run double by Hunter Robertson.

MCS then added two runs in both the fourth and fifth frames to build a 7-2 lead.

Carter Eckles got the start for MCS and pitched six innings, allowing four earned runs on five hits while striking out six and walking five.

At the plate, Robertson went 2-for-3 with the double, three RBI and a walk for the Mustangs. Teammate Gage Jordan was 1-for-3 with two runs, an RBI, a walk and two stolen bases.

Matt Halverson went 2-for-3 with two doubles, an RBI and a run for GFC.

MCS 7, GRAPEVINE FAITH CHRISTIAN 5

GFC	100	011	2	–5	6	2
MCS	030	220	x	–7	7	0

Trennor O'Donnell, Matt Halverson (5), Henry Harris (6), Luke Blevins (6) and Michael Spellar. Carter Eckles, Jake Richeson (7) and Zac Tillon. W – Eckles. L – Halverson. 2B – GFC: Halverson 2; MCS: Quinn Kenney, Hunter Robertson.

Records: MCS 13-8-1, 6-2 in TAPPS Division II District I

Next: Midland Christian at Big Spring, 7 p.m. Tuesday

SOFTBALL
FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 13
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 3

Fort Worth Christian took advantage of six Midland Christian errors to run past MCS in a TAPPS Division II District I game, Saturday at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

FWC reeled off eight runs in the first inning and then added five more in the fourth to build a 13-1 lead.

The Lady Mustangs plated a pair of runs in bottom of the fifth and were out-hit, 11-8 in the loss.

Zaitha Suarez paced MCS by going 3-for-3 with a home run, a double, an RBI and two runs scored. Teammate Shyenn Taylor was 2-for-2 with an RBI and Aubrea Hall was 2-for-3 with a double and a run.

FORT WORTH CHRISTIAN 13, MCS 3, 5 INNINGS

FWC	521	50	–	13	11	0
MCS	100	02	–	3	8	6

Shahan and Wise. Taylor Debose and Bailey Templeton. W – Shahan. L – Debose. 2B – FWC: Ortiz, Wise, Heredia; MCS: Zaitha Suarez. 3B – MCS: Aubrea Hall. HR – FWC: Hooper; MCS: Zaitha Suarez.

Next: Lubbock Christian at MCS, 5 p.m. Tuesday

MC BASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

BASEBALL
CHAPS SWEEP
EL PASO CC

EL PASO – The Midland College baseball team rallied late in the first game and then overwhelmed early in the second to pick up a Western Junior College Athletic Conference doubleheader sweep against El Paso Community College on Saturday.

The Chaps won the four-game weekend series, 3-1.

In the first game, MC (24-13, 16-4 in WJCAC) fell behind 4-1 after the first three innings. But the Chaps woke up their bats in time, scoring three runs in the fourth, two in the fifth and three in the sixth to squeak out the victory.

In the second game, MC exploded for eight runs in the first inning and two more in the third. That outburst supported starter Noel Solis, who limited EPCC to one earned run on seven hits over five innings while striking out three.

For the afternoon, MHS grad Ethan Barker went 3-for-6 with a double, a triple, two RBI, two runs and two walks; Cade Bullinger was 3-for-4 with two RBI, two runs and two walks; Benton Rogers was 1-for-3 with a grand slam.

Game 1
MIDLAND COLLEGE 9, EL PASO CC 8

Midland	001	303	0	–9	10	3
EPCC	130	200	2	–8	9	1

Chandler Eaton, Justin Lewis (5) and Garrett Wilkinson; Nicholas Carrillo, Luis Marquez (3), Abel Rosario (3), Joseph Zubia (4), Christian Adame (5), Jacob Carrillo (6), Isaac Corral (6), Edgar Martinez (8), Joey Castaneda (7) and Brock Grabenhorst. W – Lewis. L – Adame. 2B – Midland: Cade Bullinger, Tommy Gilman; EPCC: Alejandro Moreno, Luis Bravo. 3B – Midland: Ethan Barker. HR – Midland: Jordan Billups; EPCC: Joel Barraza.

Game 2
MIDLAND COLLEGE 12, EL PASO CC 1, 5 INNINGS

Midland	002	20	–	12	7	1
EPCC	000	01	–	1	7	1

Noel Solis and Garrett Wilkinson, Gonzalo Baeza, Noah Dominguez (1), Jacob Carrillo (3) and Brock Grabenhorst. W – Solis. L – Baeza. 2B – Midland: Ethan Barker; EPCC: Luis Bravo, Brock Grabenhorst, Isaac Corral. 3B – Midland: Tommy Gilman. HR – Midland: Blake Perdue, Benton Rogers, Garrett Wilkinson.

Records: Midland 24-13, 16-4 in WJCAC; El Paso CC 8-34, 2-18 in WJCAC

Next: Midland College at New Mexico JC, 2 p.m. Wednesday

SOFTBALL
KISTNER, LADY CHAPS SPLIT WITH OC

ODESSA – Thanks to an eight-strikeout one-hitter from ace Crystine Kistner in game 1, the Midland College softball team split a Western Junior College Athletic Conference doubleheader against Odessa College Saturday.

Behind Kistner's stellar performance, MC (28-16, 11-5 in WJCAC) edged OC, 2-0 in the first game. Mackenzie Hoots went 3-for-3 with a run scored in the win for the Lady Chaps, while teammate Rocio Barajas was 2-for-3 with a pair of doubles.

In the second game, the Lady Chaps grabbed a 1-0 lead in the first inning. But the Lady Wranglers (27-8, 11-5 responded with a two runs in the home half and another in the third for a 3-1 advantage.

OC put the game away with a run in the sixth and out-hit MC, 9-5 in the victory.

Barajas was 2-for-3 with an RBI and a run scored for the Lady Chaps in the second game. Midland High grad Brooke Ryan was 3-for-4 with a home run, a double, three RBI and a run scored for Odessa High.

Game 1
MIDLAND COLLEGE 2, ODESSA COLLEGE 0

Midland	000	200	0	–2	7	1
Odessa	000	000	0	–0	1	0

Crystine Kistner and Mackenzie Hoots, DeAndra Allen (6), Brittany Rannolt and Crystal Carrillo, Lauren Young (6). W – Kistner. L – Rannolt. 2B – Midland: Rocio Barajas 2.

Game 2
ODESSA COLLEGE 4, MIDLAND COLLEGE 2

Midland	100	001	0	–2	5	0
Odessa	201	001	x	–4	9	1

Crystine Kistner, Rayla Jacobs-Hiss (3), Taylor Laing (4) and Mackenzie Hoots, Hope Schoeneman and Crystal Carrillo. W – Schoeneman. L – Kistner. 2B – Midland: Shaye Simms; Odessa: Crystal Carrillo, Jalyssa Hernandez, Mikayla Klauss. 3B – Odessa: Brooke Ryan. HR – Odessa: Brooke Ryan.

Records: Midland 28-16, 11-5 in WJCAC; Odessa 27-8, 11-5 in WJCAC

Next: Western Texas College at Midland College (DH), 1 p.m. Friday; Howard College at Odessa College (DH), 1 p.m. Friday

HS TRACK RESULTS

District 4-4A Track and Field Championships
Mustang Stadium, Andrews
Thursday-Friday
Top 4 advance to the area meet, April 19 in Pecos

Boys

Team standings – 1. Andrews 215, 2. Greenwood 138.6, 3. Monahans 114, 4. Fort Stockton 97.3, 5. Pecos 42

100 meters – 1. Jalen Graham, Andrews, 11.43 seconds; 2. Ulisses Martinez, Greenwood, 11.81; 3. Matthew Cano, Fort Stockton, 11.74; 4. Cadence Cooke, Fort Stockton, 11.83

200 – 1. Brett Lilea, Greenwood, 23.17; 2. Peyton Adams, Monahans, 23.24; 3. Elizar Lopez, Fort Stockton, 23.30; 4. Ramiro DeLeon, Andrews, 23.53

400 – 1. Mario Garcia, Andrews, 49.99; 2. Fernando Esquivel, Fort Stockton, 50.85; 3. Ray David Musik, Pecos, 52.08; 4. Jonathan Ramirez, Andrews, 52.84

800 – 1. Jaxson Marquez, Andrews, 2:05.15; 2. Raymond Barajas, Monahans, 2:06.97; 3. Alvaro Hernandez, Andrews, 2:08.48; 4. Ryan Corrales, Monahans, 2:09.59

1,600 – 1. Marquez, Andrews, 4:51.93; 2. Corrales, Monahans, 5:00.04; 3. Adrian Montoya, Andrews, 5:00.94; 4. Matthew Villarreal, Andrews, 5:09.84

3,200 – 1. Marquez, Andrews, 10:51.37; 2. Villarreal, Andrews, 11:07.178; 3. Johnny McCracken, Monahans, 11:22.67; 4. Dylan Jeter, Fort Stockton, 11:28.10

110 hurdles – 1. Trey Cross, Greenwood, 16.42; 2. Ethan Morgan, Andrews, 16.51; 3. J.J. Vargas, Monahans, 17.34; 4. Chase Leatherwood, Greenwood, 17.74

300 hurdles – 1. Morgan, Andrews, 41.71; 2. Cody Moore, Andrews, 42.39; 3. Leatherwood, Greenwood, 43.07; 4. Jake Somers, Greenwood, 43.23

400 relay – 1. Greenwood (Martinez, Caleb Garza, Lilea, Cross) 43.61; 2. Fort Stockton 44.44; 3. Andrews 44.46; 4. Monahans 45.44

800 relay – 1. Greenwood (Lilea, Emiliano Estrada, Hayden Littell, Garza) 1:31.48; 2. Andrews 1:33.09; 3. Monahans 1:33.89; 4. Fort Stockton 1:34.09

1,600 relay – Andrews (Ramirez, Dylan Nino, Hernandez, Garcia) 3:25.39; 2. Greenwood 3:27.34; 3. Fort Stockton 3:30.53; 4. Pecos 3:34.17

Long jump – 1. Markease Lawrence, Andrews, 21 feet, 8 ½ inches; 2. Johnathan Garcia, Pecos, 20-5 ½; 3. Nikolas Johnson, Fort Stockton, 20-5 ½; 4. Brian Garcia, Andrews, 20-2 ½

Shot put – 1. Chris Samaniego, Monahans, 50-8; 2. Paxton Hair, Andrews, 47-9; 3. Christopher Kelly, Andrews, 46-4; 4. Reece Azam, Andrews, 44-8 ½

Discus – 1. Hair, Andrews, 161-10; 2. Jacob Murillo, Andrews, 151-5; 3. Samaniego, Monahans, 139-2; 4. Isom Chandler, Monahans, 138-2

Triple jump – 1. Littell, Greenwood, 41-1; 2. Garcia, Pecos, 40-2; 3. Cross, Greenwood, 39-9; 4. Jesse Franco, Fort Stockton, 39-6 ½

High jump – 1. Adams, Monahans, 6-4; 2. Andric Herrera, Fort Stockton, 6-4; 3. Jovanni Waite, Fort Stockton, 6-2; 4. Sloan Stephens, Greenwood, 5-8

Pole vault – 1. Marcos Ramirez, Monahans, 11-6; 2. Jayden Alviett, Greenwood, 11-0; 3. Jeremias Ortega, Monahans, 10-6

Girls

Team standings – 1. Andrews 272, 2. Greenwood 127, 3. Fort Stockton 89, 4. Monahans 76, 5. Pecos 36

100 meters – 1. Phoebe Rosado, Fort Stockton, 12.97 seconds; 2. Reb. Rodriguez, Fort Stockton, 13.24; 3. Natalie Estrada, Pecos, 13.40; 4. Laura Maddox, Andrews, 13.69

200 – 1. Alyssa Lujan, Andrews, 27.59; 2. Jessica McClain, Monahans, 27.84; 3. Estrada, Pecos, 27.89; 4. Diaz, Fort Stockton, 27.90

400 – 1. Natalee Salcido, Andrews, 1:01.55; 2. Jazee Carrasco, Andrews, 1:02.17; 3. Kelle Salmon, Fort Stockton, 1:03.44; 4. Jacqueline Mendoza, Andrews, 1:04.49

800 – 1. Samantha Jones, Andrews, 2:30.71; 2. Kassidy Epperson, Andrews, 2:35.09; 3. Evelyn Vasquez, Andrews, 2:36.39; 4. Elizabeth Mata, Fort Stockton, 2:39.09

1,600 – 1. Catherine Lopez, Andrews, 5:55.59; 2. Elizabeth Garcia, Andrews, 6:00.32; 3. Vasquez, Andrews, 6:03.40; 4. Hope Shaw, Pecos, 6:08.85

3,200 – 1. Lopez, Andrews, 12:56.72; 2. Garcia, Andrews, 13:05.09; 3. Angelina Lewis, Andrews, 13:28.19; 4. Ebony Hall, Monahans, 13:38.594

100 hurdles – 1. Reserve Johnson, Andrews, 15.99; 2. Raquel Bansal, Fort Stockton, 16.39; 3. Madison Hartman, Greenwood, 16.62; 4. Kyandie Adkins, Andrews, 17.42

300 hurdles – 1. Bansal, Fort Stockton, 48.69; 2. Hartman, Greenwood, 50.25; 3. Johnson, Andrews, 50.89; 4. Victoria Villavicencio, Andrews, 51.89

400 relay – 1. Fort Stockton (Diaz, R. Rodriguez, Daniela Rodriguez, Rosado) 52.11; 2. Greenwood 52.29; 3. Andrews 52.85; 4. Monahans 53.02

800 relay – 1. Greenwood (Elana Archuleta, Caitlynn Payne, Blake Thompson, Regan Royal) 1:50.37; 2. Andrews 1:50.57; 3. Fort Stockton 1:52.13; 4. Pecos 2:00.20

1,600 relay – 1. Andrews (Carrasco, Samantha Jones, Mendoza, Salcido) 4:09.79; 2. Greenwood 4:23.44; 3. Fort Stockton 4:27.11; 4. Monahans 4:32.84

Long jump – 1. Payne, Greenwood, 16 feet, 7 ½ inches; 2. Reserve Johnson, Andrews, 16-4 ½; 3. Madison Utah, Greenwood, 16-3 ½; 4. Jaslyn Johnson, Andrews, 15-11 ½

Shot put – 1. Maci Isom, Monahans, 34-8 ½; 2. Cheyenne Lott, Greenwood, 31-1; 3. Makria Mann, Andrews, 30-7 ½; 4. Whitney Tucker, Andrews, 30-4 ½

Discus – 1. Kassidy Epperson, Andrews, 109-7; 2. Deandra Lujan, Andrews, 105-11; 3. Farah Guajardo, Andrews, 105-4; 4. Lott, Greenwood, 99-10

Triple jump – 1. Johnson, Andrews, 34-0; 2. Utah, Greenwood, 33-1 ½; 3. Jaselly Leyva, Monahans, 31-7 ½; 4. Abbi Mayfield, Andrews, 30-11 ½

High jump – 1. Thompson, Greenwood, 5-2; 2. Miriam Mendiola, Monahans, 5-0; 3. Avery Jones, Andrews, 4-10; 4. (tie) Alyssa Chavez, Fort Stockton, 4-8; Alissa Garcia, Andrews, 4-8

Pole vault – 1. Jasmine Cordova, Monahans, 9-0; 2. Victoria Valenzuela, Andrews, 7-6; 3. K. Munoz Ramirez, Andrews, 7-6

District 14-4A Track and Field Championships
Friday's late results
Sterling City High School
Top 4 advance to the area meet, April 7, 2018

Boys

Team standings – 1. Sterling City 178; 2. Garden City 159; 3. Water Valley 108; 4. Blackwell 76; 5. Verbeat 60; 6. Robert Lee 49; Borden 37

100 meters – 1. John Alagia, Garden City, 11.70; 2. Tavarn Payne, Sterling City 11.74; 3. Isaac Oviedo, Verbeat 11.88; 4. Tee Joel, Garden City 11.89

200 meters – 1. Jadaon Jarvey, Water Valley 23.13; 2. Zach Jackson, Borden 23.60; 3. Eric Sharp, Water Valley 23.66; 4. Amando Alagia, Garden City 23.89

400 meters – 1. Raul Almazan, Garden City 55.40; 2. Cross Kritkil, Sterling City 56.54; 3. Devin Clowse, Blackwell 59.17; 4. Jarrell Justice, Sterling City 59.49

800 meters – 1. Jason Churchill, Borden 2:05.51; 2. Justin Mireles, Verbeat 2:10.33; 3. Jesse Gutierrez, Garden City 2:11.15; 4. Jorge Salinas, Water Valley 2:13.17

1,600 meters – 1. Dalton Billig, Verbeat 5:14.69; 2. Jacob Veraza, Sterling City 5:24.65; 3. Sergio Mata, Sterling City 5:29.93; 4. Josh Rivera, Sterling City 5:35.76

3,200 meters – 1. Josh Rivera, Sterling City 11:54.62; 2. Jacob Veraza, Sterling City 12:05.31; 3. Braden Richardson, Robert Lee 12:36.68; 4. Luke Chappell, Water Valley 12:46.84

110 hurdles – 1. Hunter Clark, Blackwell 16.28; 2. Cesar Chavez, Garden City 16.40; 3. Brenden Brinkman, Blackwell 16.69; 4. Nathaniel Shipman, Blackwell 16.48

300 hurdles – 1. Brenden Brinkman, Blackwell 43.69; 2. Cesar Chavez, Garden City 45.61; 3. Devon Lopez, Garden City 46.69; 4. Lane Rivera, Robert Lee 47.20

400 relay – 1. Dominguez-Sharp-Hanley-Jackson, Water Valley 44.59; 2. Jost-Alagia-Mar-Alagia, Garden City 45.53; 3. Bean-Middleton-Rodriguez-Calderon, Sterling City 46.69; 4. Brinkman-Clark-Soto-Calderon, Blackwell 47.29

800 relay – 1. Dominguez-Sharp-Hanley-Jackson, Water Valley 1:33.22; 2. Calderon-Middleton-Pruitt-Reyes, Sterling City 1:39.59; 3. Almazan-Alagia-Mar-Chavez, Garden City 1:37.49; 4. Warren-Briley-Marquez-Moreno 1:39.10

1,600 relay – 1. Calderon-Reyes-Middleton-Pruitt, Sterling City 3:39.47; 2. Calderon-Jost-Almazan-Alagia, Garden City 3:41.72; 3. Mireles-Churchill-Bennett-Jackson, Borden 3:45.54; 4. Moreno-Oviedo-Briley-Marquez, Verbeat 3:57.29

Long jump – 1. McMullen, Sterling City 20-0; 2. Kamden Pruitt, Sterling City 19-10; 3. Tavarn Raynor, Sterling City 19-5 1/2 ; 4. Hunter Clark, Blackwell 19-5 ½

Shot put – 1. Hunter Sturgeon, Water Valley 39-9 ½; 2. James Bluelight, Robert Lee 39-4 3/4 ; 3. Tavarn Raynor, Sterling City 37-7 ½; 4. Jonathan Skipworth, Robert Lee 37-5 ½

Discus – 1. Hunter Sturgeon, Water Valley 137-3; 2. Jonathan Skipworth, Robert Lee 117-5; 3. Levi Smith, Water Valley 107-11; 4. Zach Bain, Verbeat 107-10

Triple jump – 1. Amando Alagia, Garden City 40-5 ½; 2. Hunter Clark, Blackwell 39-1; 3. Eric Sharp, Water Valley 39-0 ½; 4. Ragan Lowery, Garden City 38-4

High jump – 1. Jason Churchill, Borden 6-0; 2. Justin Riley, Water Valley 5-10; 3. Peyton Hinckley, Blackwell 5-8; 4. Kamden Pruitt, Sterling City 5-8

Pole vault – 1. McMullen, Sterling City 12-0; 2. Kedon Johnson, Sterling City 11-6; 3. Hunter McMillan, Garden City 11-6; Wyatt Bass, Sterling City 10-6

Girls

Team standings – 1. Garden City 174; 2. Blackwell 144; 3. Water Valley 98; 4. Sterling City 82; 5. Robert Lee 59; 6. Verbeat 39; 7. Borden 25

100 meters – 1. Ashtin Kritkil, Sterling City 13.17; 2. Jadyn Fallshaw, Blackwell 13.62; 3. Cayce Jackson, Water Valley 13.76; 4. Rita Flores, Garden City 13.89

200 meters – 1. Kenzie Jordan, Water Valley 29.39; 2. Ashtin Kritkil, Sterling City 27.39; 3. Kristyn Gresham, Water Valley 29.12; 4. Bella Hallmann, Verbeat 29.97

400 meters – 1. Riley Cummings, Blackwell 1:01.45; 2. Ashtin Kritkil, Sterling City 1:01.62; 3. Caitlyn Ward, Verbeat 1:06.39; 4. Kiely Johnson, Sterling City 1:09.71

800 meters – Kenzie Schuster, Garden City 2:23.71; 2. Riley Cummings, Blackwell 2:32.15; 3. Caitlyn Ward, Verbeat 2:42.27; 4. Avery Jost, Garden City 2:45.68

1,600 meters – 1. Brooke Roach, Sterling City 5:51.39; 2. Kaleb Ramos, Sterling City 6:10.10; 3. Avery Jost, Garden City 6:28.54; 4. Kameron Salcido, Verbeat 6:31.18

3,200 meters – 1. Brooke Roach, Sterling City 12:46; 2. Kaleb Ramos, Sterling City 13:09; 3. Madison Solis, Blackwell 13:40; 4. Raquel Cardenas, Garden City 15:17

100 hurdles – 1. Jadon Drive, Garden City 16.47; 2. Angelina Munguia, Garden City 17.44; 3. Kylie Seidenberger, Garden City 17.81; 4. Denton Harvey, Blackwell 18.46

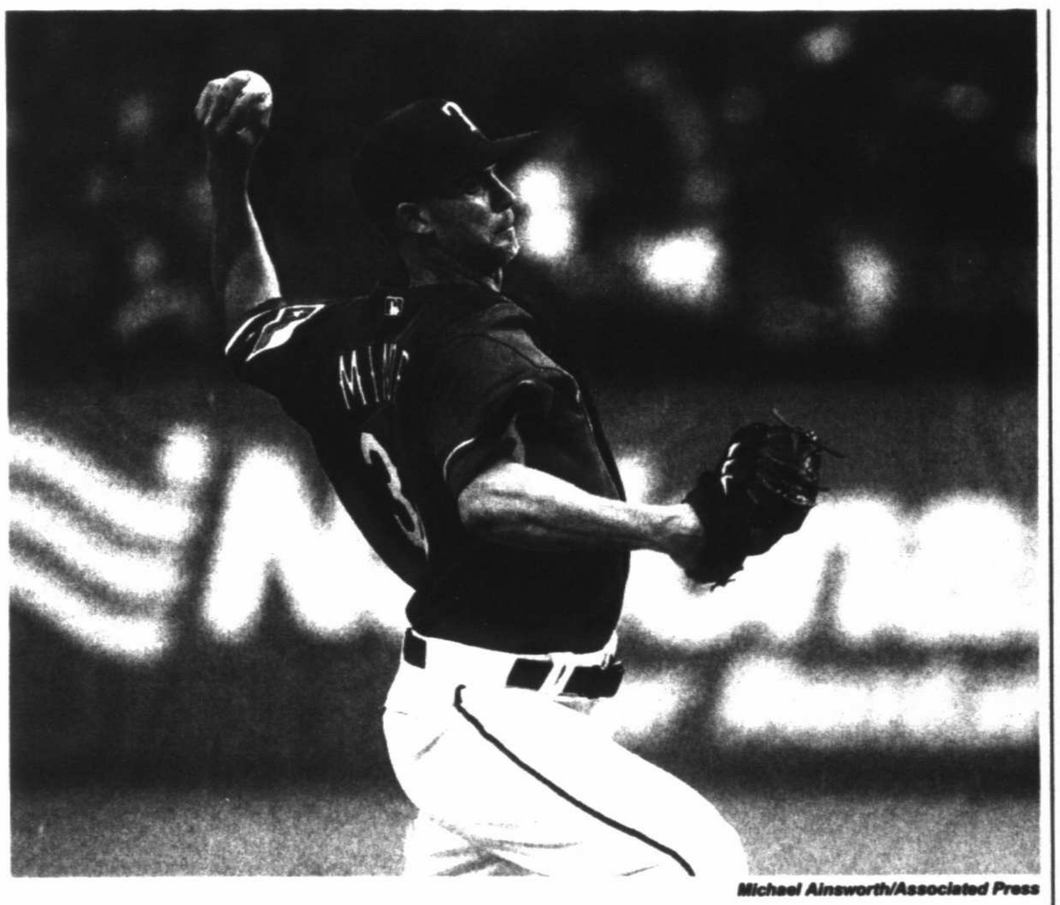
300 hurdles – 1. Angelina Munguia, Garden City 50.70; 2. Jalissa Urena, Robert Lee 50.71; 3. Kylie Seidenberger, Garden City 52.22; 4. Jadon Drive, Garden City 52.37

400 relay – 1. Gresham-Jackson-Minton-Holland-Jordan, Water Valley 51.19; 2. Drive-Solano-Walker-Flores, Garden City 52.84; 3. Jones-Davis-Powers-Fishburn, Blackwell 53.07; 4. Puente-Mendoza-Thomas-Urena, Robert Lee 54.32

800 relay – 1. Gresham-Jackson-Minton-Holland-Jordan, Water Valley 1:49.39; 2. Walker-Schaefer-Flores-Solano, Garden City 1:51.74; 3. Soto-Davis-Powers-Fishburn, Blackwell 1:53.67; 4. Spacey-Davis-Minjares-Watkins, Borden 1:57.39

1,600 relay – 1. Hallmann-Walker-Solano-Schaefer, Garden City 4:22.17; 2. Gober-Soto-Davis-Cummings, Blackwell 4:24.69; 3. Glass-Paiga-Cooke-Johnson, Sterling City 4:43.43; 4. Minjares-Davis-Watkins-Spacey, Borden 4:45.84

Long jump – 1. Caitlin Largo



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Texas Rangers starting pitcher Mike Minor (36) pitches against the Toronto Blue Jays during the first inning on Saturday in Arlington.

Mike Minor freezes Jays for 1st win as starter since '14

Associated Press

ARLINGTON — Mike Minor pitched two-hit ball over six innings to win a start for the first time since 2014 and the Texas Rangers beat the Toronto Blue Jays 5-1 Saturday night in one of the coldest games ever at Globe Life Park.

It was 42 degrees when Minor threw the first pitch, and he froze up Toronto's hitters throughout the game. Minor (1-1) took a no-hitter into the fifth before allowing a one-out triple to Kevin Pillar. Steve Pearce homered an inning later for Toronto's final hit of the game. Minor had seven strikeouts and two walks.

Texas scored four two-out runs in the fifth inning, all charged to Toronto starter Marcus Stroman (0-1). Joey Gallo pulled a two-run double past first base, then scored when Jurickson Profar doubled to right in the next at-bat. Juan Centeno singled to right to break open what had been a 1-0 game.

Minor's previous win as a starter came on Aug. 28, 2014 with the Atlanta Braves against the New York Mets. He missed the 2015 and '16 seasons with a torn labrum and was a reliever last season with the Kansas City Royals.

Stroman allowed five runs, six hits and five walks.

The coldest start to a game at Globe Life Park was 38 degrees on April 7, 2007, when Texas beat the Boston Red Sox 8-4.

It was chilly enough Saturday for Rangers manager Jeff Banister to hold Adrian Beltre out of the lineup on his 39th birthday. On Friday night, Beltre got three hits and moved into 24th place on the career list with 3,058.

Kevin Jepsen and Jake Diekman closed out the game for Texas by combining for three hitless innings.

Trainer's room

Blue Jays: SS Aledmys Diaz (back) played the entire game after leaving Tuesday's game.

Rangers: RHP Tony Barnette (back) returned to the club after making back-to-back rehab appearances Thursday and Friday with Double-A Frisco. He is eligible to be activated at any time.

Up next

Blue Jays: LHP Jaime Garcia (0-0, 1.50 ERA) allowed one earned run in six innings in his season debut Monday against the White Sox.

Rangers: LHP Cole Hamels (1-1, 3.38) has 18 strikeouts, which led the American League going into Saturday's play.

ROCKHOUNDS REPORT

ROCKHOUNDS 10, CARDINALS 1
At Security Bank Ballpark

TOP HITTERS: Midland first baseman Seth Brown was 2-for-4 with two home runs, four RBI, three runs scored and a walk. ... Teammate Mikey White was 2-for-4 with a pair of doubles and three RBI. ... Tyler Ramirez and Tyler Marincov each collected two hits for the RockHounds. ... Chris Chinea was 1-for-4 with a home run for Springfield.

TOP PITCHERS: Midland starter Ben Bracewell was sharp over five innings, as he allowed one earned run on three hits while striking out three and walking two. ... RockHounds relievers – John Gorman and Jarret Martin – combined to strike out four Cardinal batters and allow only one hit over four scoreless innings.

HIGHLIGHTS: Springfield took a 1-0 lead in the top of the second on a solo home run by Chris Chinea. ... Midland scored three in the home second on a bases-clearing double by Mikey White. ... Seth Brown made it 5-1 RockHounds with a two-run blast in the third and then Midland added four more runs in the fourth, highlighted by Brown's second home run.

NOTES: The RockHounds swept their series with Springfield to improve to 3-0 on the season. ... Midland outscored the Cardinals, 22-9 over the three games. RockHounds starting pitchers yielded only six earned runs over 15 innings during the sweep. ... Midland's season opening, six-game home stand continues at 4 p.m. today at Security Bank Ballpark.

TODAY'S PROBABLES:

Tulsa – LHP Devin Smeltzer (0-0, 0.00); **Midland** – RHP Norge Ruiz (0-0, 0.00)

TL standings

First Half
North Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Tulsa (Dodgers)	2	1	.667	—
Arkansas (Mariners)	1	1	.500	½
Northwest Arkansas (Royals)	1	2	.333	1
Springfield (Cardinals)	0	3	.000	2

South Division

Team	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland (Athletics)	3	0	1.000	—
Corpus Christi (Astros)	2	1	.667	1
San Antonio (Padres)	1	1	.500	1½
Frisco (Rangers)	1	2	.333	2

Saturday's Scores
Corpus Christi 9, Northwest Arkansas 8
San Antonio 6, Arkansas 2
Midland 10, Springfield 1
Tulsa 5, Frisco 0
San Antonio at Arkansas, late

Today's Games
Corpus Christi at Arkansas, 2:10 p.m.
Tulsa at Midland, 4 p.m.
San Antonio at Northwest Arkansas, 4:05 p.m.
Springfield at Frisco, 4:05 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 10, CARDINALS 1

Springfield	ab	r	h	bi	Midland	ab	r	h	bi
Edman ss	4	0	0	0	Bell rf	4	0	0	0
Saforina 2b	4	0	0	0	Mercedes ss	5	1	1	0
Thomas cf	4	0	1	0	Ramirez lf	4	2	2	0
Chinea 1b	4	1	1	1	Marincov dh	4	1	2	1
Dykstra 2b	4	0	1	0	Brown 1b	4	3	2	4
Goetzman rf	3	0	0	0	Murphy c	4	1	0	0
Roache dh	4	0	0	0	Siddall rf	4	1	1	0
Martinez c	2	0	1	0	White 3b	4	0	2	3
Spitz lf	2	0	0	0	Sportman 2b	3	1	1	0
Totals	31	1	4	1	Totals	39	10	11	8

Springfield ..... 010 000 000 — 1
Midland ..... 032 410 00x — 10

E – Dykstra (1), Saforina 2 (2), Brown (1), M.White 2 (2). DP – Springfield 1, Midland 3. LOB – Springfield 6, Midland 8. 2B – Thomas (2), M.White 2 (2), Marincov (1). 3B – Sportman (1). HR – Chinea (1), Brown 2 (2). SB – Mercedes (1). SF – Marincov.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Springfield						
Greene L, 0-1	1.2	3	3	3	2	2
Gray	1.2	3	4	2	0	1
Evans	1.2	2	3	0	1	1
Arias	2.0	1	0	0	0	2
Brown	1.0	2	0	0	0	1
Midland						
Bracewell W, 1-0	5.0	3	1	1	2	3
Gorman	2.0	0	0	0	0	2
Martin	2.0	1	0	0	0	2

HBP – By Bracewell (Spitz); by Greene (Murphy). WP – Evans; Bracewell.
T – 2:45. A – 4,002.

MLB GLANCE

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Standings

	W	L	Pct	GB
American League				
East Division				
Boston	7	1	.875	—
New York	5	4	.556	2½
Toronto	5	4	.556	2½
Baltimore	3	6	.333	4½
Tampa Bay	1	7	.125	6
Central Division				
Minnesota	4	3	.571	—
Chicago	3	4	.429	1
Detroit	3	4	.429	1
Cleveland	3	5	.375	1½
Kansas City	2	4	.333	1½
West Division				
Houston	7	2	.778	—
Los Angeles	6	2	.750	½
Seattle	4	3	.571	2
Texas	4	5	.444	3½
Oakland	3	6	.333	4
National League				
East Division				
New York	6	1	.857	—
Atlanta	5	3	.625	1½
Washington	4	4	.500	2½
Philadelphia	3	4	.429	3
Miami	2	6	.250	4½
Central Division				
Pittsburgh	6	2	.750	—
Milwaukee	5	4	.556	1½
Chicago	4	4	.500	2
St. Louis	4	4	.500	2
Cincinnati	2	5	.286	3½
West Division				
Arizona	6	2	.750	—
San Francisco	4	3	.571	1½
Colorado	5	4	.556	1½
Los Angeles	2	6	.250	4
San Diego	2	7	.222	4½

American League
Saturday's Scores
N.Y. Yankees 8, Baltimore 3
Boston 10, Tampa Bay 3
Detroit 6, Chicago White Sox 1
Seattle 11, Minnesota 4
Kansas City 1, Cleveland 0
Houston 1, San Diego 0, 10 innings
Texas 5, Toronto 1
Oakland at L.A. Angels, late

Today's Games
Baltimore (Wright Jr. 0-0) at N.Y. Yankees (Montgomery 0-0), 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Kittredge 0-2) at Boston (Pomeranz 0-0), 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Hammel 0-1) at Cleveland (Clevinger 1-0), 12:10 p.m.
Detroit (Fiers 0-0) at Chicago White Sox (Lopez 0-0), 1:10 p.m.
San Diego (Perez 1-0) at Houston (Morton 1-0), 1:10 p.m.
Seattle (Gonzales 1-0) at Minnesota (Lynn 0-1), 1:10 p.m.
Toronto (Sanchez 0-0) at Texas (Hamels 1-1), 2:05 p.m.
Oakland (Graveman 0-1) at L.A. Angels (Ohtani 1-0), 3:07 p.m.

Saturday's Scores
N.Y. Mets 3, Washington 2
St. Louis 5, Arizona 3
Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 2
Philadelphia 20, Miami 1
San Francisco 7, L.A. Dodgers 5, 14 innings
Cincinnati 7, Pittsburgh 4
Houston 1, San Diego 0, 10 innings
Colorado 5, Atlanta 3, 10 innings

Sunday's Games
Cincinnati (Mahle 1-0) at Pittsburgh (Taillon 1-0), 12:05 p.m.
Miami (Richards 0-1) at Philadelphia (Arrieta 0-0), 12:35 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Quintana 0-1) at Milwaukee (Anderson 0-0), 2:10 p.m.
San Diego (Perez 1-0) at Houston (Morton 1-0), 1:10 p.m.
Arizona (Miller 0-0) at St. Louis (Weaver 1-0), 1:15 p.m.
Atlanta (Newcomb 0-1) at Colorado (Freeland 0-1), 2:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 0-0) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 1-0), 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Harvey 0-0) at Washington (Roark 1-0), 7:05 p.m.

Texas boxes

RANGERS 5, BLUE JAYS 1

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	hbi
Pearce lf	3	1	1	1	Choo dh	3	1	1	0
Goins dh	4	0	0	0	Odor 2b	3	1	0	0
Smoak 1b	3	0	0	0	Andrus ss	4	0	2	0
Solarte 3b	2	0	0	0	Mazara rf	4	0	0	0
R.Hill lf-e	3	0	0	0	Gallo 1b	3	2	1	2
Pillar cf	3	0	1	0	Profar lf	3	1	2	1
A.Diaz ss	3	0	0	0	Centeno c	3	0	1	1
Gaston rf	3	0	0	0	Rua lf	3	0	1	1
D.Davis 1b	3	0	0	0	Kiner-Falefa ss	4	0	0	0
Totals	27	1	2	1	Totals	30	5	8	5

Toronto ..... 000 001 000 — 1
Texas ..... 010 040 00x — 5

DP – Toronto 1, Texas 2. LOB – Toronto 8, Texas 7. 2B – Goins (2), Profar (1). 3B – Pillar (1). HR – Pearce (1), Choo (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Stroman L, 0-1	4.0	6	5	5	3	3
Burnett	1.1	1	0	0	0	2
Clippard	1	0	0	0	0	0
Axford	1	1	0	0	0	1
Texas						
Minor W, 1-1	6	2	1	1	2	7
Jepsen	2	0	0	0	1	1
Diekman	1	0	0	0	0	1

Umpires – Home, Todd Tichenor; First, Jim Reynolds; Second, Mike Estabrook; Third, John Tumpane.
T – 2:37. A – 49,539 (48,114).

ASTROS 5, PADRES 0, 10 INNINGS

San Diego	ab	r	hbi	Houston	ab	r	hbi
Pirela lf	5	0	0	0	Springer rf	4	0	0	0
Galvis ss	5	0	0	0	Bregman 3b	5	0	2	1
Hosmer 1b	4	0	2	0	Altuve 2b	2	0	1	0
Villanueva 3b	4	0	1	0	Correa ss	4	0	0	0
Asuaje 2b	4	0	1	0	Reddick lf	3	0	0	0
Renfroe rf	4	0	0	0	Ma.Gnzlz 1b	2	0	0	0
Spngnbrg dh	4	0	1	0	Gattis dh	4	0	0	0
Ellis c	3	0	1	0	B.McCnn c	4	0	2	0
Margot cf	4	0	0	0	Fisher pr	0	1	0	0
Mrnick cf	4	0	1	0					
Totals	39	0	8	0	Totals	32	1	6	1

San Diego ..... 000 000 0000—0
Houston ..... 000 000 0001—1

E—Margot (1). DP—San Diego 3. LOB—San Diego 7, Houston 8. 2B—Hosmer (6), Villanueva (2), Spangenberg (2). SB—Fisher (2), Mrnick (2). S—Ellis (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Mitchell	5.2-3	3	0	0	0	1
Stammen	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	3
Yates	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maples	1	1	0	0	0	1
Erlin L,0-1	1.2-3	1	1	1	0	3
Maton	0	1	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Cole	7	5	0	0	0	11
Harris	1	0	0	0	1	1
Giles	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Devenski W,1-0	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2

Yates pitched to 0 batter in the 9th
WP—Cole.
Umpires—Home, Sam Holbrook; First, Ryan Blakney; Second, Jim Wolf; Third, D.J. Reyburn.
T—3:27. A—42,309 (41,168).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
RED SOX 10, RAYS 3
Tampa Bay ..... 200 000 010— 3 6 0
Boston ..... 440 000 20x— 10 9 0
Faria, Pruitt (2), Roe (7), Romo (7), Dan. Robertson (8) and W.Ramos; Porcello, Walden (6) and Leon. W—Porcello 2-0. L—Faria 0-1. HRs—Boston, Bogaerts (2), Martinez (1), Devers (1).

YANKEES 8, ORIOLES 3
Baltimore ..... 002 100 000—3 6 0
New York ..... 020 012 30x—8 11 1
Tillman, Bleier (6), Vasquez (7), Cortes Jr. (8) and Sisco; Gray, Warren (7), Dan.Robertson (7), Cessa (8) and Au.Romine. W—Gray 1-0. L—Tillman 0-2.

MARINERS 11, TWINS 4
Seattle ..... 000 320001— 11 12 0
Minnesota ..... 000 003001— 4 9 2
Leake, Rzepczynski (6), Altavilla (8), Vincent (7), Nicasio (7), Pazos (8) and Marjama; Berrios, May (5), Pressly (7), Duke (8), Hildenberger (8), Kinley (9) and Castro. W—Leake 2-0. L—Berrios 1-1. 3Hrs—Seattle, Heredia (1), Seager (1).

TIGERS 6, WHITE SOX 1
Detroit ..... 002 012 001—6 8 1
Chicago ..... 000 000 100—1 8 0
Fulmer, Wilson (6), Alvarez (8), Stumpf (9), Farmer (9) and McCann; Giolito, Santiago (6), Minaya (8), Morris (9) and Castillo. W—Fulmer 1-1. L—Giolito 0-1.

ROYALS 1, INDIANS 0
Kansas City ..... 000 000 100—1 3 1
Cleveland ..... 000 000 000—0 6 1
Kennedy, Boyer (7), Cohen (8), Peterson (9) and Dyson; Bauer, Olson (9) and Perez. W—Kennedy 1-0. L—Bauer 0-1. Sv—Hoerner (2). HRs—Kansas City, Duda (2).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
METS 3, NATIONALS 2
New York ..... 000 001 200—3 9 1
Washington ..... 000 011 000—2 5 1
Matz, Robles (6), A.Ramos (7), Rivera (8), Blevins (8), Familia (9) and d'Arnaud; G.Gonzalez, Cosart (6), Kintzler (7), Madson (8), Doolittle (9) and Severino. W—Robles 1-0. L—Kintzler 0-1. Sv—Familia (4). HRs—Washington, Harper (2).

CARDINALS 5, DIAMONDBACKS 3
Arizona ..... 101 000 010—3 5 0
St. Louis ..... 104 000 00x—5 10 1
Godley, Nash (6), Soto (8) and Mathis; Wacha, Leone (6), Stevenson (7), Hicks (8), Rosenthal (9) and Molina. W—Wacha 1-1. L—Godley 0-1. Sv—Rosenthal (1). HRs—St. Louis, Martinez (2).

CUBS 5, BREWERS 2
Chicago ..... 000 001 004—5 9 0
Milwaukee ..... 000 100 010—2 4 2
Darvish, Damron (7), Cishek (7), Strop (8), Morrow (9) and Contreras; Davies, Suter (7), Jeffress (8), Jennings (8), Barnes (8), Hoover (9) and Shaw. W—Strop 2-0. L—Barnes 0-1. Sv—Hoover (1). HRs—Chicago, Bryant (2), Milwaukee, Thames (2).

PHILLIES 20, MARLINS 1
Miami ..... 100 000 000— 1 6 0
Philadelphia ..... 204 002 10x— 20 20 1
Peltzer, J.Torres (3), O'Grady (4), Guerrero (5), Tarnow (7), Hensley (8) and Wallach; Yohe, Velazquez, Thompson (7) and Alfaro. W—Velazquez 1-1. L—Peltzer 1-1. Sv—Thompson (1). HRs—Philadelphia, Franco (2), Altherr (1), Santana (2), Altherr (1).

REDS 7, PIRATES 4
Cincinnati ..... 201 012 000—711 1
Pittsburgh ..... 220 000 000—4 8 0
Romano, Castellanos (6), McFarland (7), R.Iglesias (8) and Barnhart; Kuhl, Vanasco (4), Feliz (7), Vazquez (8), Glasnow (8) and Diaz. W—McFarland 1-0. L—Kuhl 0-1. Sv—R.Iglesias (2). HRs—Cincinnati, Duvall (2).

GIANTS 7, DODGERS 5 (14 innings)
Los Angeles ..... 031 000 100 000 0—5 12 0
San Francisco ..... 100 201 000 000 03—7 11 1
Hill, Pilkington (5), Clayton (6), Kintzler (7), Shipping (8), Ciantgelo (9), Feliz (11), Jansen (12), Alexander (13), Ferrell (14) and A.Barrera; Samardzija, Gearrin (6), Suarez (8), Dyson (7), Watson (7), Strickland (8), Johnson (10), Blanks (12), Cueto (14) and Posey. W—Suarez 1-0. L—Feliz 0-2. HRs—Los Angeles, Utley (1), San Francisco, McCutchen (1), Posey (1).

Transactions

ASTROS 1, PADRES 0, 10 innings

San Diego	ab	r	hbi	Houston	ab	r	hbi
Pirela lf	5	0	0	0	Springer rf	4	0	0	0
Galvis ss	5	0	0	0	Bregman 3b	5	0	2	1

Hosmer 1b 4 0 2 0 Altuve 2b 2 0 1 0
Villanueva 3b 4 0 1 0 Correa ss 4 0 0 0
Asuaje 2b 4 0 1 0 Reddick lf 3 0 0 0
Renfroe rf 4 0 0 0 Ma.Gnzlz 1b 2 0 0 0
Spngnbrg dh 4 0 1 0 Gattis dh 4 0 0 0
Ellis c 3 0 1 0 B.McCnn c 4 0 2 0
Margot cf 4 0 0 0 Fisher pr 0 1 0 0
Mrnick cf 4 0 1 0
Totals 39 0 8 0 Totals 32 1 6 1

San Diego ..... 000 000 0000—0
Houston ..... 000 000 0001—1

E—Margot (1). DP—San Diego 3. LOB—San Diego 7, Houston 8. 2B—Hosmer (6), Villanueva (2), Spangenberg (2). SB—Fisher (2), Mrnick (2). S—Ellis (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
San Diego						
Mitchell	5.2-3	3	0	0	0	1
Stammen	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	3
Yates	0	0	0	0	0	0
Maples	1	1	0	0	0	1
Erlin L,0-1	1.2-3	1	1	1	0	3
Maton	0	1	0	0	0	0
Houston						
Cole	7	5	0	0	0	11
Harris	1	0	0	0	1	1
Giles	2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Devenski W,1-0	1 1-3	0	0	0	0	2

Yates pitched to 0 batter in the 9th
WP—Cole.
Umpires—Home, Sam Holbrook; First, Ryan Blakney; Second, Jim Wolf; Third, D.J. Reyburn.
T—3:27. A—42,309 (41,168).

Linescores

AMERICAN LEAGUE
RED SOX 10, RAYS 3
Tampa Bay ..... 200 000 010— 3 6 0
Boston ..... 440 000 20x— 10 9 0
Faria, Pruitt (2), Roe (7), Romo (7), Dan. Robertson (8) and W.Ramos; Porcello, Walden (6) and Leon. W—Porcello 2-0. L—Faria 0-1. HRs—Boston, Bogaerts (2), Martinez (1), Devers (1).

YANKEES 8, ORIOLES 3
Baltimore ..... 002 100 000—3 6 0
New York ..... 020 012 30x—8 11 1
Tillman, Bleier (6), Vasquez (7), Cortes Jr. (8) and Sisco; Gray, Warren (7), Dan.Robertson (7), Cessa (8) and Au.Romine. W—Gray 1-0. L—Tillman 0-2.

MARINERS 11, TWINS 4
Seattle ..... 000 320001— 11 12 0
Minnesota ..... 000 003001— 4 9 2
Leake, Rzepczynski (6), Altavilla (8), Vincent (7), Nicasio (7), Pazos (8) and Marjama; Berrios, May (5), Pressly (7), Duke (8), Hildenberger (8), Kinley (9) and Castro. W—Leake 2-0. L—Berrios 1-1. 3Hrs—Seattle, Heredia (1), Seager (1).

TIGERS 6, WHITE SOX 1
Detroit ..... 002 012 001—6 8 1
Chicago ..... 000 000 100—1 8 0
Fulmer, Wilson (6), Alvarez (8), Stumpf (9), Farmer (9) and McCann; Giolito, Santiago (6), Minaya (8), Morris (9) and Castillo. W—Fulmer 1-1. L—Giolito 0-1.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE
METS 3, NATIONALS 2
New York ..... 000 001 200—3 9 1
Washington ..... 000 011 000—2 5 1
Matz, Robles (6), A.Ramos (7), Rivera (8), Blevins (8), Familia (9) and d'Arnaud; G.Gonzalez, Cosart (6), Kintzler (7), Madson (8), Doolittle (9) and Severino. W—Robles 1-0. L—Kintzler 0-1. Sv—Familia (4). HRs—Washington, Harper (2).

CARDINALS 5, DIAMONDBACKS 3
Arizona ..... 101 000 010—3 5 0
St. Louis ..... 104 000 00x—5 10 1
Godley, Nash (6), Soto (8) and Mathis; Wacha, Leone (6), Stevenson (7), Hicks (8), Rosenthal (9) and Molina. W—Wacha 1-1. L—Godley 0-1. Sv—Rosenthal (1). HRs—St. Louis, Martinez (2).

CUBS 5, BREWERS 2
Chicago ..... 000 001 004—5 9 0
Milwaukee ..... 000 100 010—2 4 2
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MLB ROUNDUP

Associated Press

RED SOX 10
RAYS 3

BOSTON — Xander Bogaerts hit the first grand slam for Boston since the end of the 2016 season and drove in a career-best six runs to carry the Red Sox to a 10-3 win over the Tampa Bay Rays on Saturday for their seventh straight victory.

J.D. Martinez and Rafael Devers homered for Boston, and Rick Porcello (2-0) pitched into the eighth inning.

This is just the second time in franchise history that the Red Sox have lost their season opener and won the next seven. The other came in 1904 when Boston captured the AL pennant.

The Rays have lost seven straight and are off to their worst start ever after rallying for a win at home over the Red Sox on opening day.

Bogaerts hit a two-run double in Boston's four-run first. In the second, his second career slam completely left Fenway Park over the Green Monster and came after Jake Faria (0-1) walked the bases full.

PHILLIES 20
MARLINS 1

PHILADELPHIA — Maikel Franco and Aaron Altherr each hit a grand slam and Carlos Santana and Jorge Alfaro also went deep as Philadelphia routed Miami.

Vince Velasquez (1-1) allowed one run and four hits, striking out six in six innings.

Franco finished with six RBIs after just missing another homer when his two-run double hit high off the left-center field wall. He has driven in 10 runs in the past two games.

Santana's shot to deep right field was his 1,000th career hit.

Marlins left-hander Dillon Peters (1-1) gave up nine runs and nine hits in 2 2/3 innings. Miami catcher Bryan Holaday tossed a perfect eighth, fanning cleanup hitter Rhys Hoskins on a 62 mph pitch to end the inning and earn smiles from teammates in the dugout.

METS 3
NATIONALS 2

WASHINGTON — Asdrubal Cabrera hit an RBI double and scored the go-ahead run in the seventh inning, helping the Mets beat the Nationals for their fourth straight win despite Bryce Harper's fifth homer.

Dave Martinez was ejected for the first time as a manager as the NL East champions lost their fourth consecutive game to fall to 4-4. Washington's rookie skipper put on quite an old-school show, too, throwing his cap and kicking at the dirt near home plate when he was tossed by umpire Marty Foster in the third.

Harper gave Washington a 2-1 lead with a leadoff drive against Hansel Robles (1-0) in the sixth. But the Mets responded with two in the seventh against Brandon Kintzler (0-1).

Jeurys Familia, New York's sixth pitcher, recorded five outs for his fourth save.

CARDINALS 5
DIAMONDBACKS 3

ST. LOUIS — In the coldest home start in Cardinals history, Jose Martinez homered and drove in four runs as St. Louis stopped Arizona's four-game winning streak.

It was 37 degrees at game time with a wind chill of 29. The previous recorded low in St. Louis was 38 degrees for the first pitch on April 16, 1961, against Cincinnati.

Michael Wacha (1-1) outpitched Zack Greinke (1-1) despite matching a career high with five walks in the chilly weather. Four of Wacha's walks came in the first two innings.

Both starters went five innings. Bud Norris struck out the side to earn his first save of the season.

CUBS 5
BREWERS 2

MILWAUKEE — Ian Happ hit a tie-breaking two-run single during Chicago's four-run ninth.

Happ struck out three more times, running his team-high total to a whopping 17 in seven games, before coming with a clutch swing in his final at-bat. With one out and the bases loaded, he dumped a 0-1 pitch from Jacob Barnes into left-center to give the Cubs a 4-2 lead.

Barnes (0-1), who was filling in for injured closer Corey Knebel, was charged with four runs, two earned. He was hurt by errors on shortstop Orlando Arcia and third baseman Travis Shaw.

Pedro Strop (2-0) got two outs for the win and Brandon Morrow worked the ninth for his first save since signing with the Cubs in the offseason.

YANKEES 8
ORIOLES 3

NEW YORK — Sonny Gray pitched six effective innings and rookie Miguel Andujar hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly, leading the Yankees to the win.

New York broke a 3-all tie in the sixth on Andujar's sacrifice fly, scoring Didi Gregorius with his first RBI of the season.

Austin Romine hit a soft pop to shallow right later in the inning that bounced out of first baseman Chris Davis' glove, allowing Tyler Austin to score and chasing Chris Tillman (0-2).

The day after the Yankees used eight pitchers in an extra-inning marathon, Gray (1-0) gave his team some much-needed length. He was charged with three runs and four hits.

ROYALS 1
INDIANS 0

CLEVELAND — Lucas Duda homered off Trevor Bauer for the game's only run, and Ian Kennedy pitched six shutout innings for the Royals.

Duda's shot in the seventh off Bauer (0-1) was one of only three hits by Kansas City and a rare highlight as the teams survived nine innings with the temperature hovering around freezing.

Kennedy (1-0) allowed four hits, walked none and struck out eight. Kelvin Herrera worked a perfect ninth for his second save.

The temperature was 34 at game time, one degree above the coldest start to a game in the 25-year history of Progressive Field.

MARINERS 11
TWINS 4

MINNEAPOLIS — Playing in a Twins-record low of 27 degrees, the Mariners got homers from Kyle Seager and Guillermo Heredia in a runaway victory.

The first-pitch temperature at Target Field beat the Minnesota mark of 31 degrees for a game in 2014. Coors Field in Denver holds the major league low with a 23-degree day in April 2013 when Atlanta visited the Rockies.

Ryon Healy drove in three runs for Seattle, and Mike Leake (2-0) pitched five innings of three-hit ball.

Twins starter Jose Berrios (1-1) allowed five runs and six hits in 4 2/3 innings.

TIGERS 6
WHITE SOX 1

CHICAGO — Miguel Cabrera drove in three runs and Michael Fulmer pitched shutout ball into the sixth inning, leading Detroit to a chilly road win.

Cabrera hit a two-run single in the third and an RBI groundout in the fifth after leaving Thursday's game because of left hip flexor tightness. Dixon Machado had two hits and chased Lucas Giolito (0-1) with a two-run double in the sixth that made it 5-0, sending the Tigers to their second straight win after a 1-4 start.

Both starters struggled with their control on a day when the game-time temperature was 32 degrees. But Fulmer (1-1) pitched well enough, scattering six hits and walking three in 5 1/3 innings.

ASTROS

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he continues to make progress in his recovery from elbow soreness that started in late March.

Astros: Houston activated RP James Hoyt from the disabled list and optioned him to Triple-A Fresno. ... 1B Yuli Gurriel, on the disabled list after breaking his hand in February, was given an off day but will play the next three games on his rehabilitation assignment with Double-A Corpus Christi.

Up next

Padres: Tyson Ross (1-0, 4.50 ERA) will start for San Diego in the final game of the three-game set. He earned a win in an 8-4 victory over Colorado this week.

Astros: Charlie Morton (1-0, 0.00) allowed just three hits and two walks in a strong season debut where he blanked the Orioles in six innings. He's 5-1 with a 2.34 ERA in eight starts against San Diego.

Fowler tries to stay in the moment at the Masters

By Tim Dahlberg
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — He's been trying his best to stay in the moment, something that hasn't always come easy for Rickie Fowler.

His friends have won major championships, and he's celebrated with them, genuinely happy for their success. The sight of Fowler waiting by the 18th green to trade high-fives and hugs with players like Bubba Watson and Sergio Garcia is a familiar one to golf fans.

But when he starts thinking about winning one himself, things often quickly go south.

That didn't happen on Saturday, when Fowler didn't make a bogey on his way to a 7-under 65 that put him in third place in the Masters. Though he's five shots behind Patrick Reed, only Rory McIlroy stands between him and the leader.

Close enough to start to think just a little bit ahead, if only for a moment.

"Obviously it's been everyone's dream to win the Masters," Fowler said. "Growing up, to be able to have that chance to walk up 18 with a chance to win or maybe you have it closed out and that's your walk to victory. We did a great job today of giving ourselves a chance for tomorrow. "

The player everyone in golf seems to love is also the player many have trouble figuring out. Fowler drives the ball long and straight, and his touch with a putter can be magical.

Oh, and he dresses well, too.

But while Fowler has posted a few wins and put up numbers in his eight years as a touring pro he hasn't been able to pull off a win in a major even though he's had his chances.

For that to change on Sunday, his mind can't wander.

Not at Augusta National, where every shot involves some sort of peril. Not in this Masters, where Reed has shown no signs of folding and McIlroy is playing with the confidence of a guy trying to become just the sixth player to win the career Grand Slam.

"It's just a matter of him focusing a little better and getting his mind more set on what he wants to do instead of racing ahead and thinking of winning the tournament," his swing coach, Butch Harmon, said.

Fowler will tee off a group behind the leaders Sunday afternoon, a position he's more than familiar with. It was in that group last year that he faded on the back nine for a disappointing final round 76, yet still hung around to congratulate Garcia on his breakthrough win.

It's not that he doesn't know how to go low in a final round — he shot 61 in December to come from behind and win Tiger Woods's tournament — but that he hasn't been able to do it at the majors when it counts most.

"Last year, at times I may have gotten maybe too defensive or too aggressive, and, you know, you learn from that and move on," Fowler said. "I mean, it wasn't the finish that I wanted last year; it would have been nice to take advantage of the position we were in, making the turn and only being a few back, but we didn't."

Fowler came to the Masters with high hopes, despite fading with a pair of 73s on the weekend to fall from contention at the Houston Open. On the range Tuesday, he worked with Harmon fine tuning a few things but was happy with both his ball striking and his putting.

Both were pure Saturday on a day when Fowler desperately needed a low score to even think about winning the green jacket.

"If I didn't put together a good round of golf, then we weren't going to have a shot," he said.

The round was helped by a par from out of the trees on the tough 11th, and another par after putting a ball into the creek on No. 13. He was first in the field with five strokes gained putting, and relishes the chance to use the flat stick to come from behind in the final round.

"Give me that putter," Fowler said, "and we'll go have some fun."

Confident or not, it's still a tall order. But, as Fowler reminded reporters afterward, he believes the old axiom that the Masters doesn't really begin until the back nine on Sunday.

By then, he hopes to have cut into the lead. And then, history tells us, anything can happen.

The plan is solid, and the putter is hot. For Fowler, though, it still all revolves around staying in the moment. Hard not to dream about what might be.

And hard not to root for a nice guy to finish first.



David Goldman/Associated Press

Rickie Fowler hits a shot on the forth hole during the third round at the Masters golf tournament on Saturday in Augusta, Ga.

MASTERS

From 1C

Reed. Justin Thomas (70), Jordan Spieth (71) and Dustin Johnson (71) all are at least nine shots behind.

Reed and McIlroy are linked so indelibly to that singles match at Hazeltine in 2016 when they produced the highest quality of golf amid ear-splitting cheers, making big putts on top of the other. Reed prevailed on the 18th hole in a rare U.S. victory at the Ryder Cup.

Now it's about stroke play. Now it's about history of their own, not a trophy they share.

"All the pressure is on him," McIlroy said. "He went to Augusta State. He's got a lot of support here. I'm hoping to come in and spoil the party."

McIlroy has plenty on him, too.

The Masters is where he threw away a four-shot lead in the final round, and now it's the missing piece of a career slam.

"Hopefully, all I did learn seven years ago, I can put into practice," McIlroy said. "I've been waiting for this chance."

Reed doesn't have a major. He doesn't have experience of a big stage, a big crowd and enormous pressure. That came from Hazeltine and a match described as "one of the best we ever played."

"The biggest thing I can pull from it is going head-to-head with Rory and I was able to put together a good round," he said.

But he shrugged off any other comparisons, starting with the decorum outside the ropes at Augusta National compared with a flag-waving crowd at the Ryder Cup.

Reed also doesn't buy into the idea that the pressure is all on him.

"I am leading," he said. "At the same time, he's going for the career Grand Slam."

Third Round
e-denotes amateur

Patrick Reed	69-66-67—202
Rory McIlroy	69-71-65—205
Rickie Fowler	70-72-65—207
Jon Rahm	75-68-65—208
Henrik Stenson	69-70-70—209
Tommy Fleetwood	73-72-66—210
Bubba Watson	73-68-69—210
Marc Leishman	70-67-73—210
Justin Thomas	74-67-70—211
Jordan Spieth	66-74-71—211
Dustin Johnson	73-68-71—212
Cameron Smith	71-72-70—213
Justin Rose	72-70-71—213
Louis Oosthuizen	71-71-71—213
Jason Day	75-71-69—215
Jimmy Walker	73-71-71—215
Bernd Wiesberger	70-73-72—215
Matt Kuchar	69-75-72—216
Charley Hoffman	69-73-73—215
Tony Finau	69-74-73—216
Matthew Fitzpatrick	75-74-67—216
Si Woo Kim	73-73-69—215
Kevin Kisner	72-75-69—216
Francesco Molinari	72-76-70—218
Satoshi Kodaira	71-74-71—216
Russell Henley	73-72-71—216
Adam Hadwin	69-76-72—217
Hideki Matsuyama	73-71-73—217
Haotong Li	69-76-72—217
Paul Casey	74-75-68—217
Adam Scott	75-73-70—218
Daniel Berger	73-74-71—218
Ryan Moore	74-72-72—218
Jhonattan Vegas	77-69-72—218
Zach Johnson	76-74-74—224
Webb Simpson	76-73-70—219
Bernhard Langer	74-74-71—219
Fred Couples	72-74-73—219
Rafa Cabrera Bello	69-76-74—219
Tiger Woods	73-75-72—220
Bryson DeChambeau	74-74-72—220
Brandon Grace	73-73-74—220
Kiradech Aphibarnrat	76-70-73—221
Xander Schauffele	71-78-72—221
Martin Kaymer	74-73-74—221
Kyle Stanley	72-74-75—221
Tyrrell Hatton	74-75-73—222
a-Doug Ghim	72-76-74—222
Chez Reavie	76-71-75—222
Phil Mickelson	76-79-74—223
Ian Poulter	74-75-74—223
Brian Harman	73-74-76—223
Vijay Singh	71-74-79—224

Weather Scores
Saturday
At Augusta National Golf Club
Augusta, Ga.
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Yardage: 7,435; Par 72

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wanted one of their own to be rewarded.

It may not have happened that night but he would get his rewards in his boxing career.

He not only fought locally, but he fought all over the state, he fought in Arizona, California, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and in his last fight against Jhonny Gonzalez for the WBC World Featherweight title, he fought in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in front of a national television audience.

Although he was stopped by Gonzalez in the fourth round, the fight was a proud moment for Villa even though he was just short of reaching the ultimate pinnacle of his boxing career.

Despite the adoration and the accolades that came his way, Villa remained soft-spoken and humble. Every time I interviewed him, he always went out of his way to thank his supporters.

And throughout his boxing career, in addition to a rigorous training schedule, he worked a full-time job in the oil fields as he had a family to support. He worked hard and I'm sure there were plenty of blood, sweat and tears to have the kind of career that most boxers would dream of.

Villa came from a boxing family. His dad Jesus was a boxer in his native Mexico and brothers Francisco or and Jaime were also known in the boxing community. They would usually train together with dad keeping a watchful eye in the background.

Throughout it all, Villa made countless of fans and friends along the way and he inspired countless of young local boxers to be just like him.

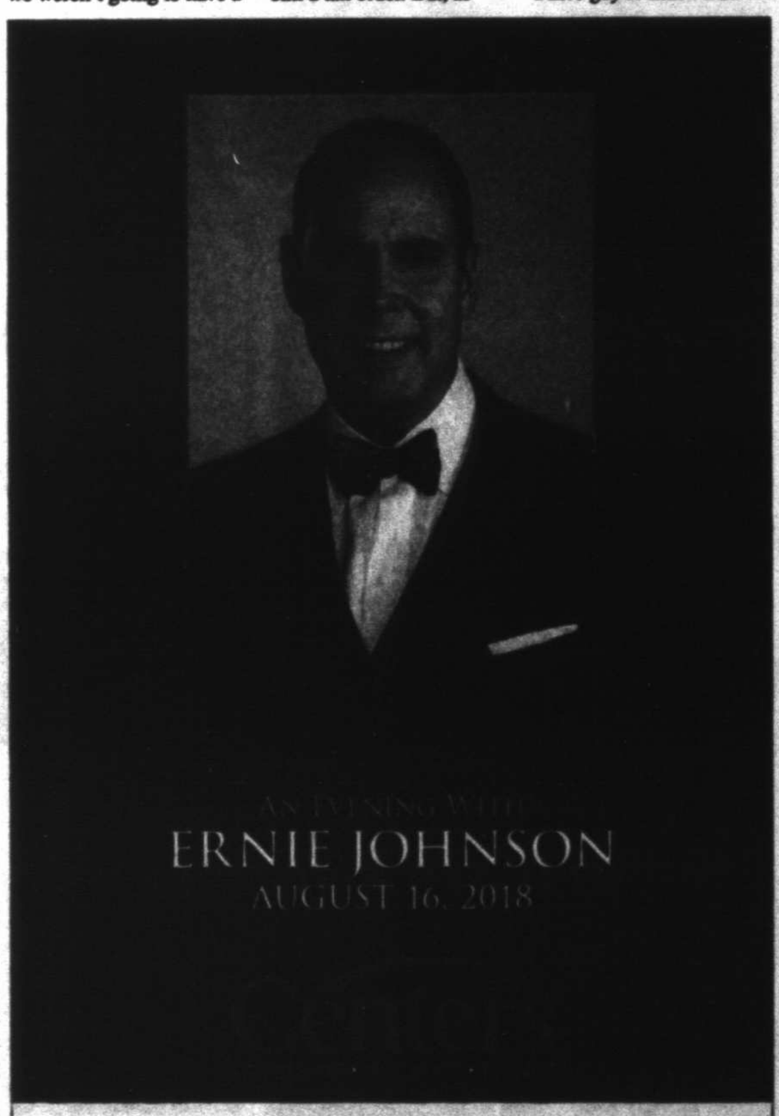
The social media reactions following his death showed how much he was beloved in this community.

Count me as one of his admirers.

Rest in peace Tomas.

Rest in peace champ.

Follow Oscar on Twitter: @OLeRoy_MRT



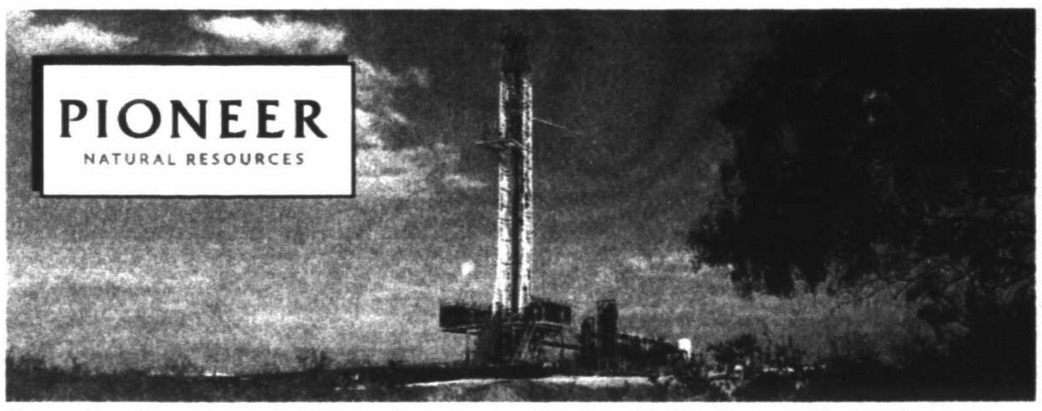
Ernie Johnson is host of TNT's "Inside the NBA," CBS's NCAA Division 1 Men's Basketball Championship coverage and lead play-by-play announcer for Major League Baseball. In addition to his professional accolades, he is a three-time Sports Emmy Award winner and received the first-ever John Wooden Keys to Life Award both of which salute characteristics such as integrity, faith and good sportsmanship. He and his wife, Cheryl, have six children, four of whom are adopted.

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HOW DO YOU MANAGE YOUR UNEMPLOYMENT STATUS IN LINKEDIN?



By Alex Thompson

Using LinkedIn in your job search is a smart move not only because the majority of recruiters use it in identifying talent, rather it helps you effectively use the greatest job search tool of them all — networking.

The six degrees of separation philosophy fuels LinkedIn's successful networking platform that provides you with multiple contacts within your reach. The dilemma when you are between jobs is how to present your unemployment status or if you should mention it at all. https://www.thebalance.com/what-to-put-on-linkedin-when-you-re-unemployed-2062318

What you present on your profile page can send different signals to those in your database. The main issue with mentioning your unemployment status is trying to second guess reactions when you aren't there to respond.

Using your employment status as an introduction can easily steer a lively conversation to a stand-end if you aren't careful. A couple of weeks ago, I was listening to a job candidate talk about their networking activities and how surprised they were at some of the reactions from others.

On one occasion they recalled literally watching the facial expression of a person they just met turn from a smile to a solemn look when they described themselves as unemployed. They felt the energy of their conversation change the minute they mentioned looking for a job, from a willingness to "get to know you" attitude to one of "I don't know of any jobs".

There are a couple of schools of thought in talking about your employment status when introducing yourself to others in person and through social media. Should you say, "you are unemployed or describe your skills and the industry you are targeting". In both cases, being genuine is always the best option to take when reaching out to others. https://www.recruiter.com/i/4-ways-to-talk-about-your-unemployment-on-linkedin/

The key is how you introduce looking for opportunities without sending a desperation signal or the vibes you are looking for anything that spells "job."

I don't have an issue with candidates using their employment status as part of their LinkedIn profile or introduction, it's the way in which you mention it that sends different perceptions to your audience.

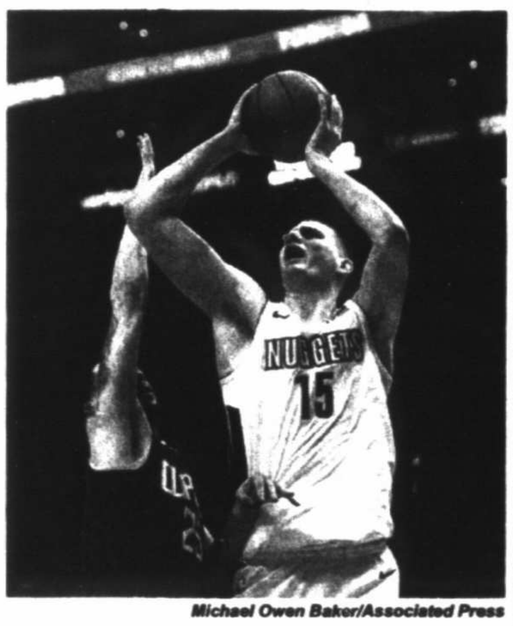
It's difficult not to personalize reactions to person, like the networker who watched facial expressions change, but they used the incident to make them more sensitive to their listener and learned a significant point when it comes to a job search. Your unemployment status does not describe who you are.

There are numerous ways to let others know you're between jobs rather than using your unemployment status as way to introduce your current activity in both social media and in person. For example, in LinkedIn you could say that you are accepting new assignments or looking for opportunities in specific industries. To say that you are looking for immediate employment or are currently unemployed looking for a full-time position can send a desperate perception that doesn't really say anything about you.

Another factor to consider is that recruiters and managers are often drawn to candidates who are working or active and when they see an unemployed status without recent activity they are more likely to go to the next candidate who shows they are currently employed. Contract positions, project work, going back to school or supporting shut-in/out activity is better than just talking about your employment status.

What are your strategies? Identify you describe yourself as unemployed or how you identify your skills, talent and are currently pursuing, professionally or personally?

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Denver Nuggets center Nikola Jokic (15) shoots over Los Angeles Clippers guard Austin Rivers during the first half on Saturday, in Los Angeles.

NBA ROUNDUP

Associated Press

THUNDER 108, ROCKETS 102

HOUSTON — Russell Westbrook and Paul George each scored 24 points, and the Oklahoma City Thunder used a timely fourth-quarter run to pull away for a 108-102 win over the Houston Rockets on Saturday night.

The Thunder were down one with about seven minutes left before scoring the next 11 points.

Oklahoma City is vying with several teams for the final playoff spots in the loaded Western Conference. The victory gives the Thunder a 2-1 win in the season series and snaps the Rockets' 20-game home winning streak.

James Harden had 26 points for Houston, and Chris Paul added 17.

Paul hit a step-back jumper and Gerald Green scored to give the Rockets a 92-91 lead with 7:09 left. But Westbrook scored five quick points to start an 11-0 run by Oklahoma City that made it 102-92 with about four minutes remaining.

Houston went scoreless for more than four minutes, missing seven shots and committing three turnovers as Oklahoma City pulled away. The Thunder also blocked three shots in that span.

The Rockets scored five straight points with less than a minute left to get within five, but George made two free throws to help secure the win.

Carmelo Anthony scored 22 points for Oklahoma City, including three of the Thunder's 10 3-pointers.

The Thunder led by as many as 11 in the first half, but Houston used a 5-1 spurt take a 62-61 lead at halftime.

SPURS 116 BLAZERS 105

SAN ANTONIO — LaMarcus Aldridge scored 28 points to help the San Antonio Spurs beat Damian Lillard and the Portland Trail Blazers 116-105 on Saturday night.

The Spurs (46-34) snapped a two-game losing streak. They are tied with Oklahoma City and New Orleans for fifth in the Western Conference, a half-game back of idle Utah.

San Antonio can clinch a playoff spot with a victory over visiting Sacramento on Monday.

Portland (48-32) dropped its third consecutive game and missed out on an opportunity to clinch home-court advantage in the first round. Lillard had 33 points for the Trail Blazers, and Evan Turner finished with 18.

Former All-Star teammates Aldridge and Lillard dueled on a night when both teams shot well from the field.

Lillard was 11 for 22, including 6 for 12 from beyond the arc.

Aldridge made his first five shots, including a left-handed runner he seemed to throw up to rebound against the smaller double-team on him. He finished 13 for 22.

Manu Ginobili gave San Antonio a needed boost, scoring 17 points on 7-for-7 shooting. Ginobili had back-to-back 3-pointers followed by a right-handed layup against Al-Farouq Aminu to turn a four-point game into a 101-89 lead.

Dejounte Murray finished with 17 points and 10 rebounds for San Antonio.

The Spurs outscored the Blazers 12-5 in the opening 5 minutes of the second half.

Turner departed in the final minute with a cut along his right brow caused by an inadvertent blow by Murray on a rebound.

C.J. McCollum added 17 points for the Blazers, who have lost three straight.

NUGGETS 134, CLIPPERS 115

LOS ANGELES — After four games with their defense leading the way, the Denver Nuggets turned to their offense Saturday and regained control of their playoff destiny.

The Nuggets made 10 of their first 12 shots and they ran off to a 134-115 victory over the Los Angeles Clippers on Saturday.

They will reach the postseason if they win their last two games.

"At this time of the year, it's all about finding a way to get wins," Nuggets coach Mike Malone said.

"We're playing 'Get-It-Done' basketball. We're getting it done. Going into tonight, we'd been playing good defense. We controlled the game, won all four quarters, another big step in the right direction."

Will Barton scored 31 points and Nikola Jokic added 23 points, 11 rebounds and 11 assists as the Nuggets posted their fifth straight win to pull into a tie with the Minnesota Timberwolves for eighth place in the Western Conference with two games to play. Both teams are 45-35.

The Nuggets finish the regular season at home against Portland on Monday night.

PELICANS 126 WARRIORS 120

OAKLAND, Calif. — The New Orleans Pelicans are fighting for their playoff lives. The Golden State Warriors just want to get back to full strength and defend their championship.

"Tonight we're playing a team that desperately needs to win," Warriors coach Steve Kerr said. "You can tell the teams around the league that have to win. They're getting after it. They're playing for their season. Our season begins next week."

Anthony Davis outdueled Kevin Durant down the stretch on the way to 34 points, and the Pelicans snapped a 10-game losing streak to Golden State with a 126-120 win over the Warriors on Saturday night.

Durant scored 19 of his 41 points in the third quarter to go with 10 rebounds and five assists. He made big 3-pointers with 6:39 remaining and at the 4:52 mark that got Golden State to 112-111, but the Pelicans kept answering.

The NBA Finals MVP made things more difficult after halftime on Davis, who also had 12 rebounds for the Pelicans while having his way with the Warriors' defense from the start.

The Pelicans beat the Warriors for the first time since April 7, 2015, in New Orleans, and at Oracle Arena for the first time since April 24, 2012.

"I just thought we played about as perfect as you have to play to beat them," Pelicans coach Alvin Gentry said. "They're just such a great team. They just keep coming at you. We were never comfortable."

Durant also committed a costly late turnover that led to E'Twaun Moore's pullup jumper with 23.5 seconds left.

Gary Trent Jr. leaving Duke after 1 season for NBA draft

Associated Press

DURHAM, N.C. — Gary Trent Jr. says he's leaving Duke after one year for the NBA draft.

Trent announced his decision Saturday through the school, and team spokesman Mike DeGeorge says the freshman guard is in the process of hiring an agent.

The son of NBA veteran Gary Trent became the third member of the Blue Devils' freshman class to enter the draft, joining Marvin Bagley III and Trevon Duval. A fourth, Wendell Carter Jr., has yet to announce his decision. Trent is the 15th one-and-done freshman in the program history.

His 97 3-pointers were a program record for freshmen, breaking J.J. Redick's previous mark by two. Trent made 40.2 percent of his 3s, and coach Mike Krzyzewski called him "the best 3-point shooter in the ACC."



Jonathan Hayward/The Canadian Press via AP

Emergency personnel work at the scene of a fatal crash outside of Tisdale, Saskatchewan, Canada, on Saturday. A bus, top, en route to Nipawin carrying the Humbolt Broncos junior hockey team crashed into a truck Friday night, killing 14 and sending over a dozen more to the hospital.

15 die when truck collides with hockey team's bus in Canada

Associated Press

NIPAWIN, Saskatchewan — A semi-trailer slammed into a bus carrying a youth hockey team in western Canada, killing 15 people and injuring 14 in a catastrophic collision that a doctor compared to an airstrike and left the vehicles obliterated in the snow. The crash sent shockwaves through the team's small hometown and a country united by the national sport.

Canadians were moved to tears on Saturday as they learned of the identities of the deceased on the bus that was driving the Humboldt Broncos hockey team to a crucial playoff game Friday against the Nipawin Hawks.

"An entire country is in shock and mourning," Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said. "This is every parent's worst nightmare. No one should ever have to see their child leave to play the sport they love and never come back."

The bus had 29 passengers, including the driver, when it crashed at about 5 p.m. on Highway 35, police said. Among the dead are Broncos head coach Darcy Haugan, team captain Logan Schatz and radio announcer Tyler Bieber. Authorities earlier said three were in critical but later provided an update to say that 15 have now died.

Canadian police said the truck driver was initially detained but has since been released and provided with mental health assistance. Royal Canadian Mounted Police Assistant Commissioner Curtis Zablocki said it's too early to state a cause for the crash.

In a tweet, U.S. President Donald Trump said he called Trudeau to offer his condolences to the families of victims.

Darren Opp, president of the Nipawin Hawks, who the Broncos were set to play against, said a semi T-boned the players' bus — an account police confirmed.

"It's a horrible accident, my God," Opp said.

Hassan Masri, an emergency room doctor at Saskatoon's Royal University Hospital who has done work in war-torn Syria, said the crash reminded him of an airstrike. Photographs of the wreckage showed the twisted trailer with most of its wheels in the air and the bus on its side and its back portion destroyed.

Kelly Schatz, Logan's father, says his 20-year-old son played for the Broncos for just over four years and had served as team captain for the past 2 ½ years. Meanwhile, tributes poured in online for coach Haugan, a father of two who was described as an amazing mentor to young players.

The names of others killed have not been confirmed. STARS air ambulance said it sent three helicopters to the scene.

The tragedy brought to mind an accident in 1986, when the Swift Current Broncos team bus slid off an icy highway and crashed in late December, killing four players.

The Humboldt Broncos are a close-knit team from the small city of Humboldt, Saskatchewan, which has a population of about 6,000. Many gathered at the community center at the hockey arena there after word of the horrific crash began to circulate.

Humboldt Mayor Rob Muench, wearing a green and yellow Broncos team jersey, hugged people Saturday morning as they came to the Elger Petersen Arena in the Saskatchewan town to comfort each other and learn more.

"It's overwhelming. It's been tough on everybody," Muench said in a phone interview. "We're a small community; some of those kids have been on the team for a number of years. A lot grew up in the community and everybody knows each other."

The team was on its way to play in Game 5 of a semi-final against the Nipawin Hawks.

"Hockey was what brought us all together and we had two communities that were rivals in the rink. To find out that it was their first responders that aided our boys just warms your heart," the mayor said as his voice cracked.

Multiple crisis workers were assisting relatives and friends.

"Everybody is just so devastated. These poor young boys," said Penny Lee, the communications manager for the town of Humboldt.

The Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League is a junior 'A' hockey league under Hockey Canada, which is part of the Canadian Junior Hockey League. It's open to North American-born players between the ages of 16 and 20.

Team President Kevin Garinger said parents from across western Canada were struggling to cope with the tragedy and were rushing to the scene.

"Our whole community is in shock, we are grieving and we will continue to grieve throughout this ordeal as we try to work toward supporting each other," he said.

Michelle Straschnitzki, who lives in Airdrie, Alberta, said her 18-year old son Ryan was transported to a hospital in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

"We talked to him, but he said he couldn't feel his lower extremities so I don't know what's going on," she said. "I am freaking out. I am so sad for all of the teammates and I am losing my mind."

Garinger said he still didn't know the fate of one of the players living in his home.

"We just need to try to support each other as we deal with this incredible loss to our community, to our province, to our hockey world."

Kevin Henry, a coach who runs a hockey school in Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, said he knows players on the team.

"This is I would think one of the darkest days in the history of Saskatchewan, especially because hockey is so ingrained in how we grow up here," he said.

Much of the hockey world issued messages of condolences, including Saskatchewan native Mike Babcock, who is the Toronto Maple Leafs coach.

Babcock, fighting back tears, said that "it's got to rip the heart out of your chest."

Devils, Blue Jackets sit top players for rest in Game 82

By Stephen Whyno
Associated Press

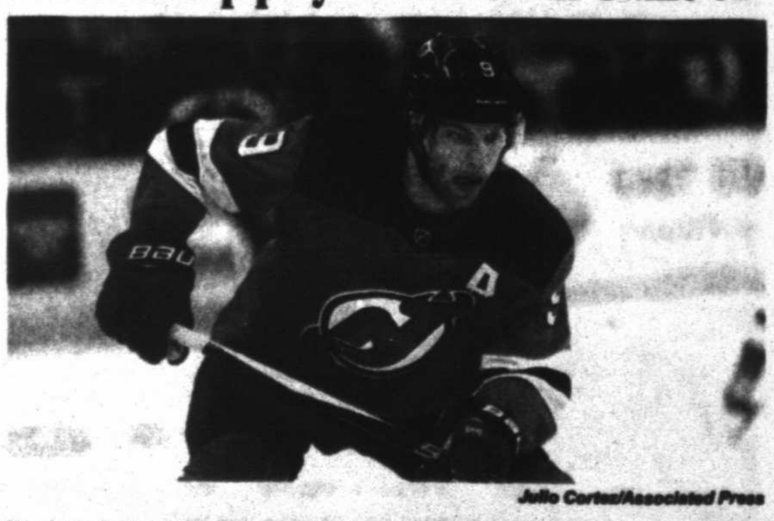
Being healthy in the playoffs is taking priority over seeding, with a few teams sitting their top players Saturday in the final game of the regular season.

MVP front-runner Taylor Hall will sit out the New Jersey Devils' regular-season finale after the team clinched a playoff spot but can still move up the standings.

New Jersey is resting Hall, fellow forwards Kyle Palmieri and Travis Zajac, and defenseman Sami Vatanen in Game 82 at Washington, and it isn't alone in taking precautions. The Columbus Blue Jackets won't play stars Artemi Panarin, Seth Jones, Zach Werenski and two-time Vezina Trophy-winning goaltender Sergei Bobrovsky in their final regular-season game at Nashville.

Columbus coach John Tortorella told reporters he was "absolutely not" trying to avoid facing the two-time defending Stanley Cup-champion Pittsburgh Penguins in the first round. New Jersey coach John Hynes similarly answered that giving Hall a break is more important after a grueling push to clinch the franchise's first playoff berth since 2012.

"We're not looking to get in the playoffs and just be a Cinderella story," Hynes said before his Devils faced the Metropolitan Division-champion Capitals on Saturday night. "We're looking to get in the playoffs and win, and (Hall is) a big part of that."



Julio Cortez/Associated Press

New Jersey Devils left wing Taylor Hall skates against the Toronto Maple Leafs during the second period on Thursday in Newark, N.J.

Hall, who is one goal short of reaching 40 for the first time in his career, said he's cool with the decision to rest instead of taking a chance on the eve of the playoffs.

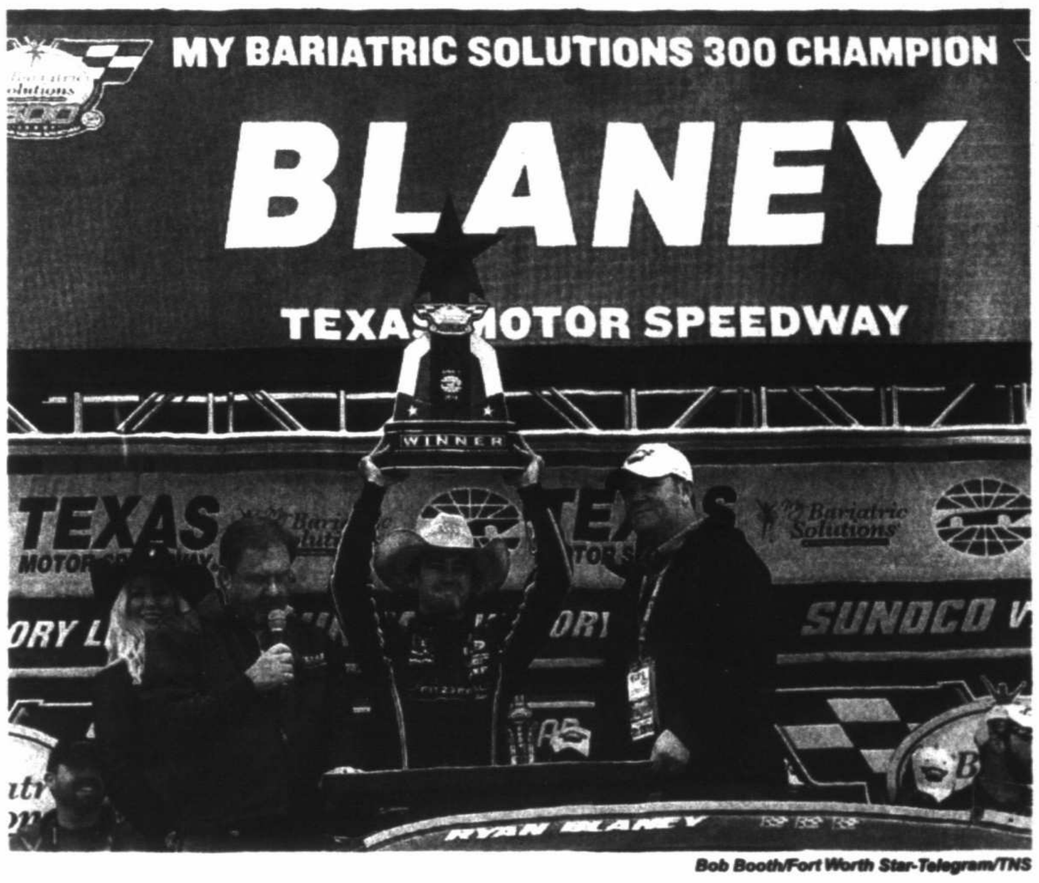
"It's a good time to get some rest and recuperate a little bit," said Hall, who has 93 points in 76 games and is expected to be a finalist for the Hart Trophy. "We've played a lot of hockey lately, and a lot of the stuff in the standings is out of our hands other than our game."

No Eastern Conference first-round matchups have been determined going into the final weekend of the season. The only series that's set is the Winnipeg Jets facing the Minnesota Wild out West as the second- and third-place teams in the Central Division.

There are still numerous combinations of matchups among the seven teams in the East that have clinched, with the Philadelphia Flyers and Florida Panthers still in the running for the final spot. Matchups can make a big difference in how the playoffs go, but players and coaches are careful not to look like they're favoring one opponent over another.

"I learned a long time ago that you don't wish for certain opponents," Devils defenseman Ben Lovejoy said. "It can backfire very quickly."

The Tampa Bay Lightning certainly aren't playing that game. With a chance to clinch first place in the Atlantic Division and avoid facing the Toronto Maple Leafs in the first round, the Lightning are expected to start backup Louis Domingue in net at Carolina instead of Andrei Vasilevskiy, who leads the NHL in wins.



Bob Booth/Fort Worth Star-Telegram/TNS

Ryan Blaney (22) celebrates after winning the Xfinity Series My Bariatric Solutions 300 at Texas Motor Speedway on Saturday in Fort Worth.

Blaney 3rd straight driver to win Xfinity race in No. 20

By Stephen Hawkins
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — Three Xfinity Series races, three different drivers and three consecutive wins for the No. 22 car.

Ryan Blaney became the third different Cup Series regular in a row to win an Xfinity race in the Team Penske Ford. He was the pole sitter and led 132 of 200 laps on an unseasonably chilly Saturday at Texas Motor Speedway.

"You never want to be the person who breaks the streak of wins, especially when a car's been so fast," Blaney said. "There was that reminder in the back of my head to try to get this one."

Especially from the drivers that won the previous two before the Xfinity Series had a two-week break. Joey Logano won in the No. 22 car at California, a week after Brad Keselowski went to Victory Lane in Phoenix.

"Brad and Joey, they definitely reminded me that this week," Blaney said.

Joe Gibbs Racing is the only other team in the series to win three straight races with the same car and different drivers. Kyle Busch, Tony Stewart and Denny Hamlin won consecutive races in their team's No. 20 Toyota in 2008. That car actually made it four victories in a row when Stewart won again.

Christopher Bell finished 2.327 seconds behind Blaney in second place. Bell led twice for 10 laps, but isn't sure if a pit penalty that put him at the tail end on a restart after a caution had a big impact on his outcome.

"I don't know. There's been a lot of people that have run second to the 22 here recently, so they obviously have something figured out," Bell said. "It doesn't matter who's driving that thing, it goes really fast."

It was the seventh career Xfinity victory for Blaney, who qualified fourth for Sunday's Cup Series race at the 1½-mile Texas track.

Blaney had finished in the top eight in each of his first five Xfinity starts at Texas, where he was a three-time runner-up — including both races last year.

Some other things to know about the Xfinity Series race in Texas:

Cold cars

When the green flag waved, it was 34 degrees and cloudy.

Texas Motor Speedway officials said it was the coldest start for a NASCAR race at the track. The previous low was 47 degrees for an Xfinity race on April 14, 2007.

The temperature was about 50 degrees cooler than Friday, when it was near the mid-80s during the day for practice. Cold weather and misty conditions earlier Saturday cut qualifying to one round, instead of the usual three.

Dash for cash

Xfinity drivers Cole Custer, Ryan Preece, Bell and Daniel Hemric qualified for next week's $100,000 Dash For Cash at Bristol, a race which under new rules won't include any drivers running who are running for the Cup Series tile.

Rare start

Morgan Shepherd made his 1,000th start in a NASCAR national series race, becoming only the eighth driver to reach that milestone.

The 76-year-old Shepherd made his 426th start in the Xfinity Series, and also has 517 Cup Series starts and 57 Truck Series starts in a NASCAR career that dates back to 1970.

Shepherd finished 38th in the 40-car field after completing only 33 laps. It was his 78th consecutive start in which he didn't finish the race (75 Xfinity races, two Cup Series and one Truck Series). The last time he was running at the end was an Xfinity race at Dover in September 2013.

NASCAR XFINITY-My Bariatric Solutions 300 Results
Saturday
At Texas Motor Speedway
Fort Worth, Texas
Lap length: 1.69 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (1) Ryan Blaney, Ford, 200 laps, 0 rating, 0 points.
2. (15) Christopher Bell, Toyota, 200, 0, 35.
3. (20) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 34.
4. (10) Cole Custer, Ford, 200, 0, 37.
5. (13) Ryan Preece, Toyota, 200, 0, 39.
6. (26) Matt Tifft, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 33.
7. (0) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 0.
8. (24) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 29.
9. (16) Austin Cindric, Ford, 200, 0, 28.
10. (14) Spencer Gallagher, Chevrolet, 200, 0, 31.
11. (21) Chase Briscoe, Ford, 199, 0, 26.
12. (7) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 199, 0, 0.
13. (2) Ryan Truex, Chevrolet, 199, 0, 39.
14. (4) Ryan Reed, Ford, 199, 0, 24.
15. (29) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 199, 0, 24.
16. (12) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 198, 0, 22.
17. (24) Dylan Lupton, Ford, 198, 0, 20.
18. (11) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 198, 0, 27.
19. (40) Kevin Harvick, Ford, 198, 0, 0.
20. (27) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 17.
21. (32) David Starr, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 16.
22. (39) Bayley Currey, Chevrolet, 196, 0, 0.
23. (6) Tyler Reddick, Chevrolet, 195, 0, 22.
24. (30) Josh Bilicki, Toyota, 193, 0, 13.
25. (28) Spencer Boyd, Chevrolet, 193, 0, 12.
26. (37) Kaz Grala, Ford, 188, 0, 11.
27. (19) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, fuel pump, 186, 0, 13.
28. (15) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, rear gear, 147, 0, 16.
29. (17) BJ McLeod, Chevrolet, clutch, 137, 0, 0.
30. (38) Josh Williams, Chevrolet, suspension, 112, 0, 7.
31. (9) JJ Yeley, Chevrolet, engine, 109, 0, 11.
32. (22) Alex Labbe, Chevrolet, accident, 104, 0, 5.
33. (3) Brandon Jones, Toyota, accident, 99, 0, 23.
34. (28) Chad Finchum, Chevrolet, accident, 77, 0, 3.
35. (8) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, engine, 70, 0, 2.
36. (23) Timmy Hill, Dodge, fuel pump, 54, 0, 1.
37. (25) Stephen Leicht, Toyota, electrical, 53, 0, 1.
38. (31) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, suspension, 33, 0, 1.
39. (33) Vinnie Miller, Chevrolet, accident, 15, 0, 1.
40. (29) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, electrical, 13, 0, 1.

Spurrier hired as Alliance league's first head coach

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Steve Spurrier plans to be back on the sideline if a proposed new professional league gets off the ground.

The Orlando Alliance announced Saturday that it has hired Spurrier as its first head coach. Spurrier will coach in the planned Alliance of American Football.

The Alliance is the creation of Pro Football Hall of Famer Bill Polian and longtime TV and film producer Charlie Ebersol. The league plans to have eight teams and will play a 12-week season Feb. 9, 2019, and will be broadcast on CBS.

Orlando is the first planned team site, and Spurrier is the first coach.

The 72-year-old Spurrier says he's "fired up and ready to go."

He is the fourth person to be inducted to the College Football Hall of Fame as both a player and a coach.

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Alex Bowman, Jimmie Johnson, Chase Elliott and William Byron are all below the Stewart-Haas drivers in the standings.

Busch is the first three-time Cup pole sitter in Texas, where he and Harvick will make their track-record 31st starts. TMS, which opened in 1997, is hosting its 35th race. Both have one win there.

When asked why Stewart-Haas is having so much success this season, Busch was admittedly biased in his assessment. Tony Gibson, his former crew chief including for the 2017 Daytona 500 win, is now off the road in what the driver calls "a perfect role" for Gibson, who is involved in building the cars for all four teams.

"If you go ask him now, he will say it is all about the people and process around him," Busch said. "But he has found some good people, rearranged them into different positions and I think that our team is doing a really good job of creating continuity between the four cars."

Harvick won at Texas last November, and this season has won the only two races on 1½-mile tracks , at Atlanta and Las Vegas, during his three-race winning streak.

This is only Stewart-Haas Racing's second season with Ford, after the team switched from Chevrolet.

"When you see what Stewart-Haas Racing has done with Ford, we still haven't reached the potential of where we can be," Harvick said. "We have, in my opinion, the most stable team in the garage. When you have the most stable team in the garage from a financial standpoint and manufacturer standpoint, that attracts good people. ... We are the drivers lucky enough to be in a position of where Stewart-Haas racing is right now. We have a very solid foundation."

Three-time Cup champion Tony Stewart was still driving with Joe Gibbs Racing in 2008 when he announced he would join forces with Cup owner Gene Haas to form Stewart-Haas Racing. The team made its debut in 2009 and is in its 10th season, marking 1,000 starts in the top series when all four drivers take the green flag in Texas.

Bowyer describes the team as feeling like family and at ease. He believes Stewart-Haas is even more stable now than it was when he joined last year.

"Everybody had the confidence in a champion going over there," Bowyer said, when asked if that stability was a credit to Stewart. "You can't leave out the boss, Gene Haas Everybody knows that he steps up whenever needed. The conversation with Gene is: 'When are you going to win? How are going to win? What do you need to win more?' It's never anything about anything other than that."

Manziel attempts comeback in Spring League

By Mark Rosner
Associated Press

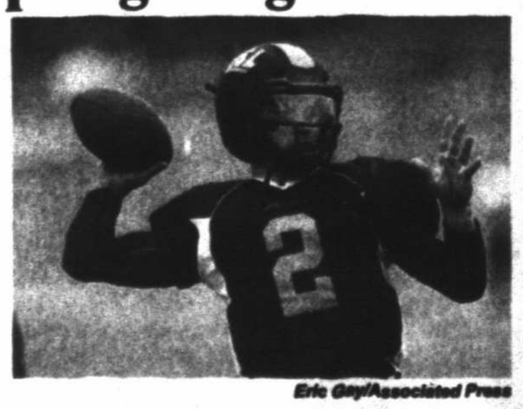
AUSTIN — Johnny Manziel's attempt to restart his football career brought him to a game on Saturday in a high school stadium that was largely empty.

Manziel, 25, and two seasons removed from the sport, prefers a return to the NFL, would settle for the Canadian Football League, but has landed for now in The Spring League.

It's a four-team showcase of practices and two games designed as an audition for pro scouts.

On Saturday, Manziel played about two quarters, completing 8 of 16 passes for 79 yards and a touchdown in windy, unseasonably cold conditions — temperatures in the low 40s — with a few hundred fans watching, many of them cheering for him.

Manziel was sacked four times, fumbled once, an issue he mentioned as a problem he had in the NFL, and could not lead his team in the final two minutes to a touchdown that would have won the game.



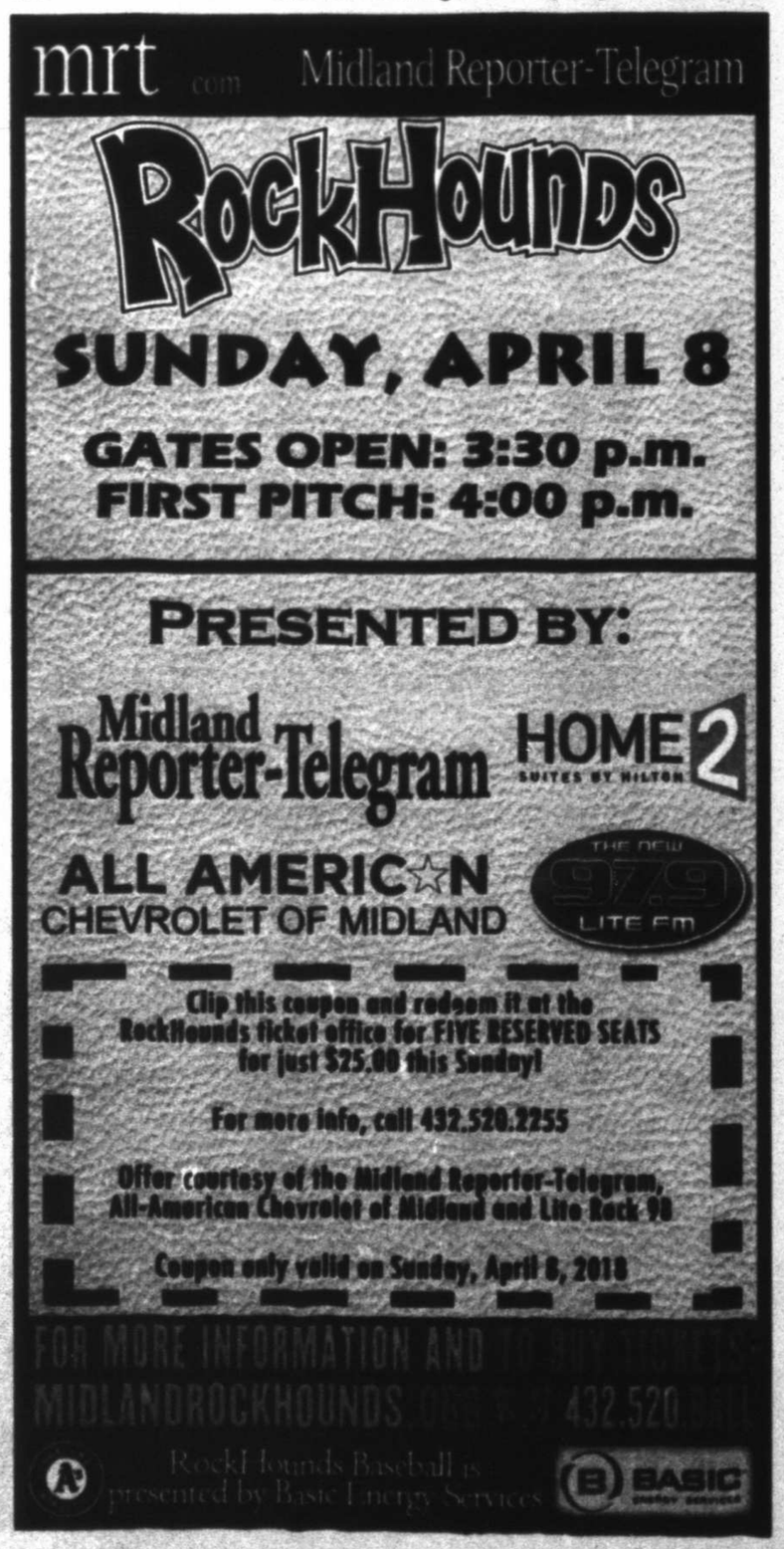
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Former Heisman Trophy-winning quarterback Johnny Manziel (2) prepares for a developmental Spring League game on Saturday, in Austin.

Manziel said he was frustrated by the final drive but added, "It's good to be back on the field. I'm healthy. I had fun. This is a huge step for me."

As Manziel angles for a return to the NFL, the 2012 Heisman Trophy winner wants to distance himself from the personal issues that hurt him in the past.

Selected out of Texas A&M by Cleveland in the first round of the 2014 NFL draft — No. 22 overall — Manziel threw as many interceptions (seven) as touchdown passes with the Browns during two seasons.



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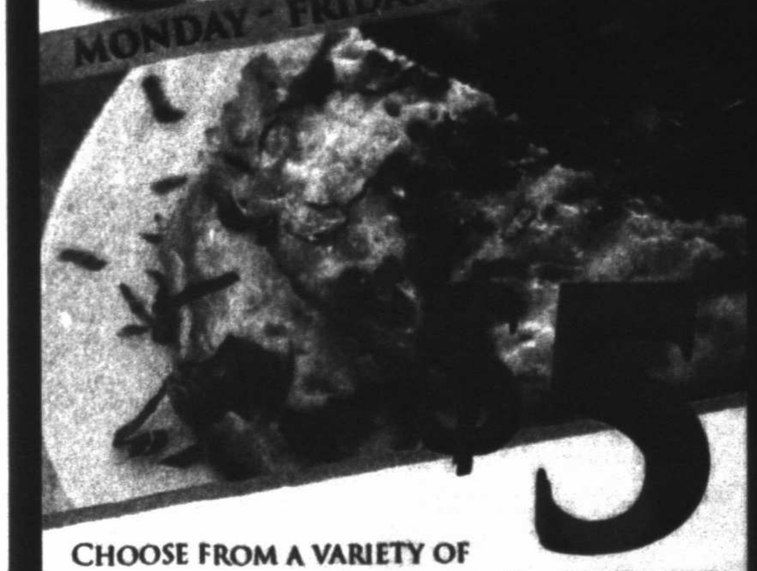
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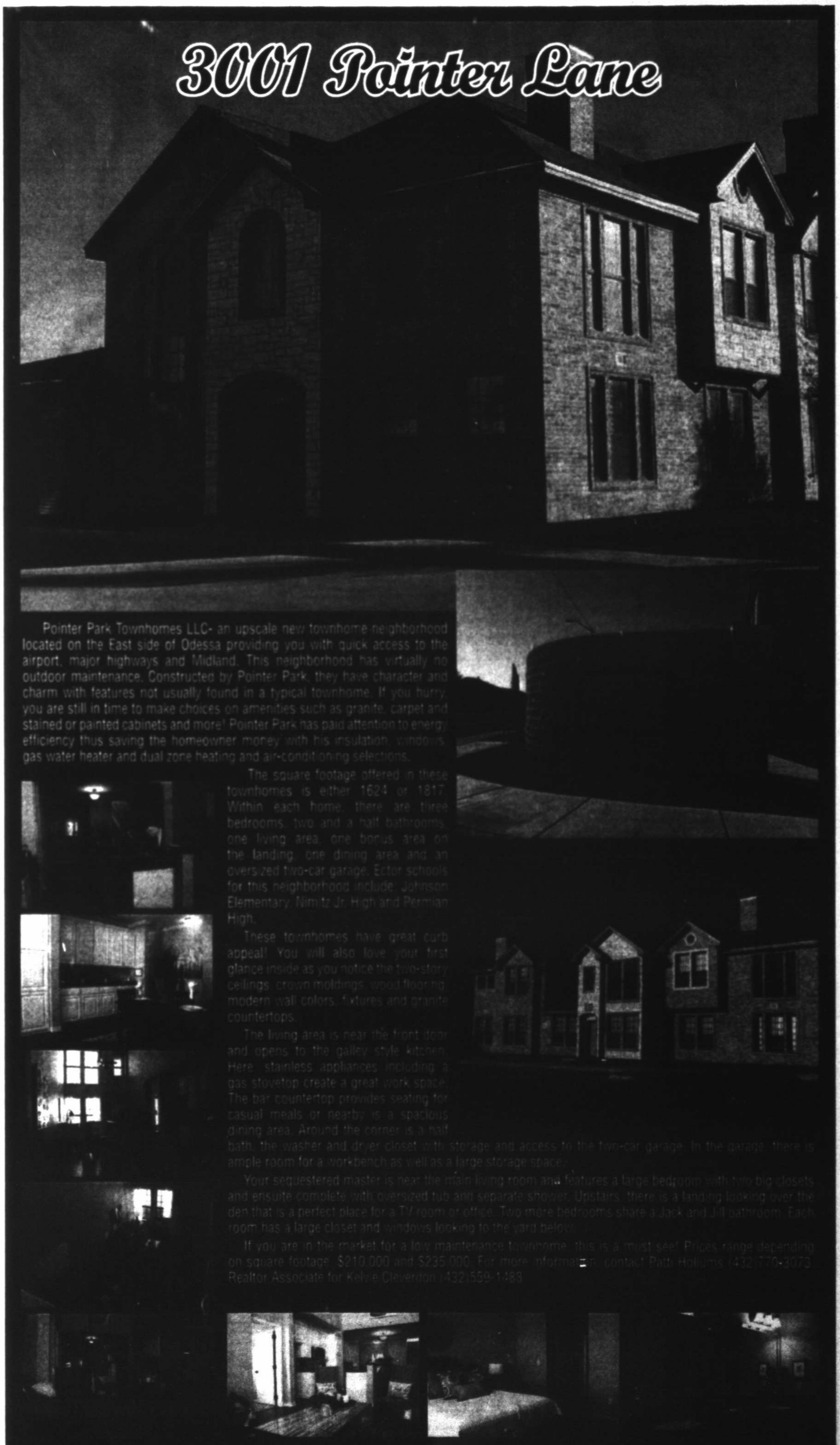
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GIS Manager

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BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Manages the GIS Division budget and recommends budget request for new hardware and software as appropriate.

Job Duties:
•Supervises all phases and implementation of the City Enterprise GIS.
-Supervises GIS Division staff.
-Provides planning and direction for GIS growth to serve the City and Public.
-Provides general customer service; responds to concerns and inquiries related to -Division services.
-Negotiates and reviews contracts provided by consultants for GIS services, e.g. - LiDAR, ortho-mosaic imagery, Cityworks, etc.
-Develops policies and standards for the GIS Division.
-Manages the setting of priorities for projects, software, database, and application development.
-Oversees development of GIS applications, web services, and tools to ensure they are current and within industry standards and practices.
-Oversees the GIS Division in managing ArcGIS Server installation, maintenance, upgrades and use.
-Provides recommendations to the Director of Engineering Services regarding annual GIS Division budget, priorities for projects, and resources required to complete them.
•Provides user-training services, as requested.
• Independently prepares and delivers reports and presentations to City Councilmembers, City Management, and outside agency officials. Serves as representative of GIS (or the City) to other departments and outside agencies.
•Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with employees within and outside the department, and with outside agencies; and to respond to questions from Councilmembers, City Management, constituents, vendors, businesses, and other governmental agencies or staff.

Proven ability to plan, organize and manage multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Willingness to work in a team environment and learn new skills to help improve systems and procedures. Ability to supervise and manage other staff with a variety of skills and abilities.

Demonstrated proficiency in the use of Esri ArcGIS software (ArcGISDesktop, ArcGISOnline, ArcGISPro). Solid understanding of database design/management and programming is desirable.

Knowledge of land surveying, municipal governmental operations, acquisitions and procedures is desirable.

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Manages Planning Division office including professional planners, technicians, and secretarial staff. Reviews items for consideration by appointed boards and commissions and elected officials.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Prepares and administers the annual division budget. Monitors expenditures during the year and makes recommendations for budget modifications.

Job Duties:
•Reviews staff work including reports, maps and special studies for presentation to Planning Commission and City Council.
•Coordinates, supervises and manages staff time.
•Prepares, administers and monitors annual budget.
•Presents information at public meetings. Participates with other staff members concerning interrelated projects.
•Answers various questions from general public and developers concerning city ordinances, development trends, and population.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group. Communication with the general public, developers, outside agencies and other departments within the organization is required.

Knowledge of planning and zoning process. Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in writing and interpreting budgets. Ability to write and review reports, memos and other correspondence. Ability to supervise and communicate with employees. Basic comprehension of computer use. Valid Texas Driver License.

Bachelor's degree or equivalent in geography, planning or related field required. Graduate work or advanced degree in planning preferred. Three to five years experience in a related field required, preferably including supervisory experience.

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Budgetary Responsibilities:

Assist management staff with recommendations and budget data for potential right-of-way and easement acquisitions for public improvements.

Job Duties:
•Develops policies and procedures for standardization of third-party use of City rights-of-way and property.
•Manages the distribution of surface damages for City rights-of-way and other real property owned by the City; including 47,000+/-acres of City-owned parcels.
•Develops and negotiates Surface Use Agreements, Right-of-Way License Agreements, Seismic Agreements, for third-party users of City-owned parcels or rights-of-way, and coordinates with appropriate City Departments or Management.
•Prepares and presents reports to City officials, Council members, and representatives of outside agencies.
•Obtains Appraisals, Title Work, and coordinates Closings on tracts of interest.
•Coordinates and processes public easements for City projects.
•Coordinates departmental actions related to acquisition of real property to ensure compliance with City policies, and legal and regulatory guidelines.
•Coordinates preparation of offers to purchase, leases, deeds, exchange agreements, easements, releases, and related property transaction documents.
•Coordinates with others and utilizes engineering plans and plats to determine accuracy of property legal descriptions and boundaries, title histories, etc.
•Other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Proven ability to plan, organize and manage multiple concurrent projects with minimal supervision. Willingness to work in a team environment and learn new skills to help improve systems and procedures.

Knowledge of land surveying, oil drilling and pipeline operations, and typical petroleum industry practices related to land use and acquisition is desirable. Knowledge of municipal governmental operations, acquisitions and procedures is helpful.

Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing, with employees within and outside the department, and with outside agencies; and to respond to questions from Council members, constituents, vendors, businesses, and other governmental agencies or staff.

Demonstrated proficiency in the use of Esri ArcGIS software is desirable.

Bachelor's degree required. Minimum of five years' experience in real estate, land acquisition, or a similar field. Valid Texas driver's license required.

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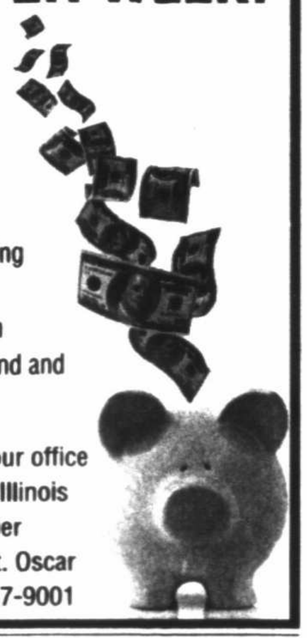
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•Prepares statistical reports such as annual population estimates.
•Reviews requests and prepares written reports for zone change and proposed subdivision plat applications and special studies.
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•Researches, compiles and analyzes land use and related data.
•Works with the public and developers in answering questions and providing information.
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Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with developers and citizens in order to provide information and guidance on planning and zoning issues. Ability to work in conjunction with employees from different departments.

Knowledge of current planning processes and procedures. Ability to read and understand technical materials, reports and journals. Skill in developing related reports and ability to analyze and present data on land use applications and planning. Ability to effectively communicate, both orally and in writing, to citizens and other government officials.

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Qualifications:
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- Safely using pipe wrenches, crescent wrenches and other hand tools
- Immediate reporting and cleaning of any spills during shift
- Maintain professionalism through working courteously with supervisors, despatchers, fellow co-workers and customers
- All other duties as assigned

Minimum Qualifications:
- Ability to work in a fast-paced environment
- Proven capability to work both independently and collaboratively with different levels of management and individual contributors
- Demonstrated ability to manage work in stressful situations
- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's License is required
- Experience working on Frac site or similar responsibilities is preferred

Work Environment:
Work is often outdoors. Working conditions range from frigid to hot temps, high winds, flying dust, slipping hazards and conditions and frequently exposed to loud noise from heavy equipment and machinery.

Physical Demands:
Ability to sit, stand, walk, reach with hand and arms, climb, squat, kneel, bend, and occasionally lift /carry/push/pull/move/drag up to 60 lbs.

Position type and expected hours of work:
This is a full-time position.

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Endeavor Energy Resources

DOT Driver II

JOB DESCRIPTION: Job responsibilities include local (within Midland City and County) transportation by truck for Endeavor Energy completions or production crews. Cargo transport varies depending on driver's licensing.

Essential Functions:
- Follow instructions, and maintain compliance with all DOT, company and customer safety and operational policies and procedures
- Properly load and unload product at various customer locations in a professional, courteous, timely, safe, and efficient manner
- Connect and disconnect hoses, operating pumps and valves for loading and unloading
- Complete all paperwork accurately and timely, if applicable
- Complete other related tasks as assigned by manager

Minimum Requirements:
- High school diploma or GED required, must be at least 18 years of age
- Ability to read, write and communicate effectively required
- Computer proficiency is required
- Valid Texas Driver's license is required
- Class A CDL and Haz Mat is preferred but not required
- Must be able to pass background screening including MVR and criminal
- Must be able to work nights, weekends, and an extended workweek.
- Strong customer service skills, and the ability to effectively prioritize, multi-task, manage time, organize and execute tasks in a high-pressure environment

Supervisory Responsibilities:
No supervisory responsibilities are associated with this position.

Work Environment:
Work is often outdoors. Working conditions range from frigid to hot temps, high winds, flying dust, slipping hazards and conditions and frequently exposed to loud noise from heavy equipment and machinery.

Physical Demands:
Ability to sit, stand, walk, reach with hand and arms, climb, squat, kneel, and bend is required. Must also be able to occasionally lift, carry, push, pull, move, and drag up to 50 lbs.

Position type and expected hours of work:
This is a full-time position. The ability to work overtime is a requirement to performing this job.

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MIDLAND Texas

NOW HIRING

Recycle Supervisor

Supervises and monitors Citizens Collection Station and recycle drivers in day to day operations and projects. Works as a service attendant at the Citizens Collection Station as needed. Acts as a Solid Waste Supervisor as needed.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Provides input as to needed equipment and employment positions. Monitors supplies and equipment at the Citizens Collection Station.

Job Duties:
•Schedules and monitors the work of subordinate employees.
•Instructs employees in the use, care, and preventive maintenance of equipment and machinery.
•Reads schematics, manuals, and other specifications in order to determine and make necessary repairs and maintenance.
•Maintains equipment in good working order and keeps records of work performed.
•Ensures the cleanliness and maintenance of facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
•Acts as the customer service representative of the Recycle Division at the Citizens Collection Station and on recycle issues.
•Keeps records and reports readily available.
•Coordinates efforts with Solid Waste operations
•Serve as service attendant when necessary.
•Serves as a Solid Waste Supervisor when necessary.
•Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and to receive work orders or instructions for any project. Interacts frequently with the public, vendors, and government agency representatives.

Ability to read, interpret, and understand local, state, and federal regulations related to disposal of refuse. Knowledge of processes used in the disposal of solid waste. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities. Ability to train others in safe operation of equipment. Ability to work with cash and adhere to cash-handling policies. Ability to properly evaluate activities and make recommendations for improvement. Good public relation skills as well as verbal and written communications skills.

High school diploma or general education degree required and some college preferred. One to three years of experience in Solid Waste and/or supervising and evaluating the work of others preferred. Must possess a valid Texas Driver's License and possess or acquire a valid Texas Class 'B' Municipal Solid Waste Operator License within two years of hire date.

Benefits:
• Health care Plans
• Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
• Paid Holidays
• Employee Wellness Program
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RETAIL JOBS

Retail Professional
Julian Gold, Midland's premier women's fashion store, is seeking a full time retail professional to join our sales team. The ideal candidate will have fashion retail experience and be eager to grow in our fast paced environment.
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SALES JOBS

Digital Media Account Executive

"We must be alarmingly enterprising and startlingly original. We must be honest and fearless. And we must spark a revolution."
William Randolph Hearst, 1887

The Midland Reporter-Telegram, part of Hearst Communications, is excited to announce that due to our continued growth in the Midland, TX market, we are seeking a Digital Media Account Executive just like you to join our team! Our industry is changing into a digital world, and we are looking for experienced professionals who are eager to facilitate our innovative efforts.

Join Midland's leading media company and become part of the winning sales team that offers advertisers a robust suite of digital and print products to help them achieve their business objectives. We are seeking digital savvy, highly motivated sales professionals to sell our marketing solutions to local businesses. Our ideal candidate will be goal oriented, is a relentless hunter, driving to win new businesses, and has a track record of exceeding monthly goals.

As a Digital Media Account Executive, you can expect the following:
- Drive digital product sales.
- Be the Digital Media Guru with a solid understanding of Digital Media, Marketing and Advertising.
- Ability to conduct sales calls with SMB owners.
- Be in the field and on sales calls, leading by example, to sell our various digital products using the current and evolving sales process.
- Consult and educate clients in Digital Advertising and Marketing.
- Assist sales and marketing in promoting the entire line of digital products.
- Develop coaching plans and track results through sales management team.
- Identify trends, quantify impact, and communicate improvement opportunities to the product team
- Primary source of sales pitch and strategy development and implementation for digital products.

Requirements:
- Highly knowledgeable with digital media, SEO, SEM, Digital Advertising.
- Confidence in pitching and closing business.
- Strong focus on teamwork and ability to manage relationships across multiple departments
- Ability to multi-task, meet deadlines, and thrive in a fast-paced, deadline-oriented environment
- Bachelor's Degree preferred
- Valid US driver's license and reliable transportation.

The perks:
- A great work environment it's never boring here!
- Paid in-depth sales and product training.
- Competitive base salary, uncapped commissions for unlimited earning potential, and significant opportunity for advancement within the company
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OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

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 occassionally. We will train the right person.
$11.00 per hour

These positions require some physical lifting 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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OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN ITS 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.
$11.00 per hour

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SKILLED LABOR

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NOW HIRING
Code Enforcement Officer

Performs inspections of private and public properties to ensure compliance with municipal ordinances, zoning and land use regulations which govern the maintenance of property, grounds and structures.

Job Duties:
- Visually inspects properties for code violations as initiated by a complaint or routine inspection.
- Enters data into the computer to generate notice of violations to property owners or to record inspections.
- Responds to citizen calls regarding code violations, mail information regarding zoning or city regulations.
- Researches planned districts, nonconforming uses, plats and illegal uses of property for the department.
- Manages city contracts for the clearing of lots, to include bidding projects, preparing contracts, awarding contracts and preparing payments to contractors.
- Conducts inspections to ensure proper environmental compliance in response to complaints.
- Provides information to the public and contractors regarding the requirements of zoning and related code and city requirements.
- Conducts field inspections of junked and abandoned vehicles, abandoned structures and other properties for compliance with city codes.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with developers, citizens and other employees in order to provide information regarding city codes and possible violations.

Ability to read and understand materials including City Ordinances, professional literature,plans, correspondence and manuals. Ability to write reports and correspondence. Skills in math. Skills to communicate both orally and in writing. Knowledge of office equipment including personal computer.

High school diploma or equivalent and a valid Texas driver's license required. Certification through Texas Department Health as a Certified Code Enforcement Officer, or ability to obtain after one year of training. Certification as Property Maintenance and Housing Inspector, or ability to obtain within one year.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
- Paid Holidays
- Employee Wellness Program
- Tuition Reimbursement

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SALES JOBS

Employment Account Executive

The Midland Reporter-Telegram, part of Hearst Communications, is excited to announce that due to our continued growth in the Midland, TX market, we are seeking an Employment Account Executive just like you to join our team! We are looking for an experienced Human Resources executive that wants to help hiring managers in Midland and West Texas utilize our advanced hiring platform - TexasBackToWork.com. This platform allows hiring managers to access the largest pool of potential job candidates and track them through the recruitment process.

Join Midland's leading media company and become part of the winning sales team that offers advertisers a robust suite of digital and print products to help them achieve hiring needs. We are seeking digital savvy, highly motivated sales professionals to sell our marketing solutions to local businesses. Our ideal candidate will be goal oriented, is a relentless hunter, driving to win new businesses, and has a track record of exceeding monthly goals.

The ideal candidate will have experience in the Human Resources area and will maximize advertising sales potential, through the development of quality business relationships with hiring managers. This position requires a heavy amount of prospecting and lead-development with local and regional businesses. We pride ourselves on simplifying the hiring process for our customers. You will be selling a digital hiring solution to your customers with a regional, statewide and national footprint.

Responsibilities include:

· Consistently meets/exceeds revenue goals.

· Develops relationships with HR departments throughout West Texas to sell and promote Texas Back to Work.

· Delivering customized sales presentations in person, or by phone/web-demos

· Be the face of the Midland Reporter-Telegram and ensure a superior customer experience

The Ideal Candidate:

· Experience within Human Resources or Employment Agency is preferred.

· You have an outgoing, resilient personality

· You enjoy the thrill of the hunt by bringing in new business

· You're confident and not willing to accept average

Required Skills & Experience:

· Passion to succeed and close deals

· Exceptional communication and presentation skills

· Strong computer skills, Digital Sales experience a plus

· Bachelor's degree preferred

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Systems Administrator

Performs network and system support functions on segments of the computer environment, including planned and emergency maintenance; performance and security analysis; and monitoring, tuning, and implementing new products and procedures. Analyzes emerging technology and makes recommendations for constant improvements to network and infrastructure services and capabilities.

Job Duties:
- Designs and coordinates segments of the IT architecture
- Manages server applications, including but not limited to social media, Active Directory, operating systems, and email.
- Produces and maintains IT design, architectural, and specifications documentation, as identified.
- Monitors information storage systems, schedules, and tests, including backup and recovery tasks, as identified.
- Provides research, development, and planning of the IT infrastructure.
- Is responsible for the validating, building, and testing IT solutions; analyzing IT infrastructure technical issues; and supporting the design, planning, building, and testing of new IT solutions, as assigned.
- Performs related duties as assigned.
- Subject to recall 24/7

Qualifications:
- Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science plus two years of experience in a related field is required.
- Four years experience may be substituted for the Bachelor's degree requirement.
- Valid Texas Driver's License

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
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Fleet Technician

Diagnoses, repairs and maintains city trucks and heavy equipment.

Job Duties:
- Diagnoses equipment and vehicle malfunctions such as ignition, steering, emission control, electrical, and heating and air conditioning. Estimates costs and rebuilds to specifications.
- Determines the appropriateness of off-site repairs such as oil and filter changes, tires and mufflers.
- Inspects vehicles for state stickers.
- Determines readiness and fitness of new vehicles. Installs special equipment.
- Employee must provide own hand tools. City supplies major equipment including power tools, computerized analyzer, and other diagnostic equipment.
- Reads blue prints, electrical diagrams, manuals and other specifications in order to make repairs.
- Performs emergency repairs for various departments.
- Maintains records of work performed such as work orders, logs, historical information, and special written requests.

Qualifications:
- High School graduate or GED
- Knowledge of proper tools used in welding and fabrication
- Three years training as a mechanic or in a related field
- Valid Texas Class A CDL Driver's License within one year of employment
- Texas Department of Public Safety Inspector Certificate required within one year of employment.

Benefits:
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Instrumentation & Electrical Technician

Maintains all electrical equipment used to monitor and control all well services equipment. Home nightly.

Qualifications:
- High school education or equivalent.
- 6 months experience maintaining and repairing electronic instrumentation and automation equipment.
- Valid operator's license with clean driving record.

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Customer Service (Field Work)

Performs field work regarding current or past water service.

Job Duties:
- Turns water on for new customers, disconnects water for customers leaving or reconnects service that had been disconnected. Obtains new or current readings due to new service or broken lines.
- Sets meters to establish or re-establish service.
- Pulls meters should instances occur when customer fails to set up service.
- Collects past due utilities bills so that water can be connected.
- Changes our broken meter stop valves and meter box lids.
- Verifies or re-reads meter information when complaints are filed.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with citizens, other departments and employees in order to provide information on current repairs or the reading of meters.

Ability to read work orders and maps in order to find street locations. Skill in math in determining amount of water utilized. Skill in the use of variety of hand tools such as shovels, meter wrenches and meter keys.

Valid Texas Driver's License required. Employee must be bondable.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
- Paid Vacation/ Sick Leave
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Effluent Distribution Technician

Maintains pivots in good working order and prevents holding ponds from overflowing.

Job Duties:
- Determines which pump units to operate and maintains center pivots in good working order. Repairs and services when necessary.
- Operates gates and lagoon system in order to store water without allowing holding ponds to overflow. Determines where and when to store water.
- Monitors operations in order to apply the proper amount of water.
- Repairs water line leaks and breaks.
- Uses equipment such as loaders and backhoes in order to fill gullies caused by operations.
- Maintains and repairs electrical systems on central pivot units.
- Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders in order to maintain or repair motors or parts. Skill in writing to record results.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus six months to one year of experience. C Operator's certification from the TNRCC. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
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Equipment Operator - Water and Wastewater

Performs manual and unskilled labor of more than ordinary difficulty, which often involves the use of acquired skills and operates several types of light vehicles and equipment. Does related work and training as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to water and sewer system maintenance. Knowledge of the processes used in utility maintenance. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools. Skill in the use of heavy equipment utilized in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and jet truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas CDL Class A driver's license required or must be obtained within 6 months of employment. Must possess or be able to obtain Wastewater Certification Class I and Water Distribution D Certificate with in a reasonable length of time.

Benefits:
- Health care Plans
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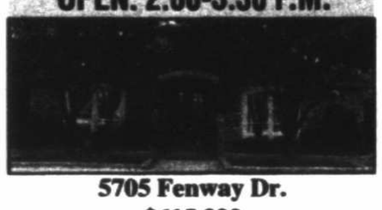
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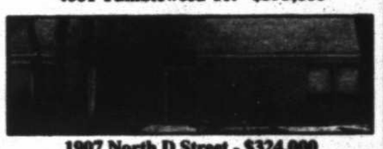
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4001 Tumbleweed Tr. - $595,000



6833 Island Circle - $2,500,000



1907 North D Street - $324,000

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New and Reduced Listings

6833 Island Circle-Amazing property on the golf course in Green Tree North. Smart house w/Crestron system. All AV equipment including TVs remain. Pool w/spa. Outdoor kitchen. Outdoor living w/heaters and screens. Golf simulator addition. Much of the furniture and furnishings available!! $2,500,000

5705 Fenway Dr.-Lovely custom in coveted Grandridge Estates- rare 4th BR or 2nd LA plan.Open plan w/large windows, high ceilings, granite & stainless kitchen w/tall wrap around bar + brkfast & formal! 4 car garage, Real staircase to Xmas closet! Move in ready!..... $615,000

4001 Tumbleweed Tr.- Spacious 4BR/4BA home w/3LA on 2.059 acres w/city water and water well for yards. 40x60 workshop, newer 20x40 2 car garage and man-cave is located close to the above ground pool, A Must See!! $595,000

1907 North D Street.- Chic and Monochromatic 2/2 townhome w/office or bonus room. Immaculate and architectural interesting. $324,000

One Bedrooms

501 Scharbauer Dr -Nice large 1BR/1BA townhome. Updated kitchen. New HVAC unit. Complete w/Refrigerator & stove. Several Large closets. small fenced area just steps from assigned carport ..... SOLD...$80,000

Two Bedrooms

12 Oaktown Park - Lovely Oaktown Park condo/patio home. Beautifully maintained and updated home w/spacious rooms, lots of windows, storage, and 4 car garage. Lovely, open patios $205,000

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801 George St -Spacious well maintained 2BR/2.5BA Townhome w/downstairs 1/2 bath. Low maintenance, small patio and amazing pool, plus covered assigned parking ..... SOLD...$99,000

4700 NW Boulder Dr #1005- Remodeled 2 story unit w/fenced yard. Kitchen cabinets, counter tops, tile flooring all updated .. U/C...$94,000

Three Bedrooms

3 Lakes-Charming Charleston Masterpiece designed by Frank Welch w/3BR/3.5 BA, study plus office. Great terraces, and beautiful views of Lake on the banks of Saddle Club Lakes $949,000

5317 Quicksand Cove- Another fabulous Glenn Miller home on quiet cul de sac ! As of 12/11/17 house is expected to complete late April to early May . Now is the time to pick granite, paint , tile and carpet $559,000

27 Oaktown Park-Beautiful neighborhood in park-like setting! Open floor plan w/high ceilings and so many updates! Shady and lush private patio! ..... SOLD...$495,000

2291 S County Rd 1044-Country living at its finest! 9.11 sought after GREENWOOD acres, custom farmhouse w/open floorplan, wrap around porch & TONS of storage ..... U/C...$414,900

3005 Seville St - Top quality workmanship! Custom finishes! Beautiful granite selection, chef's kitchen w/great work space & pantry. Extra storage! Plus so much more!..Odessa $309,900

2611 Bluewell Dr-Expect to be impressed with this wonderful home in central Midland...close to everything. Open plan, lots of windows, large bedrooms spacious living area, formal dining, tons of storage and a bonus room. Wonderful courtyard..... U/C...$344,900

3210 Stutz Dr- Wow just like new! Wood look tiled flooring, granite in kitchen/RB baths, new windows, 14 seer Ac, soffit lighting on timer, recent paint, crown molding, fixtures and much more! $289,900

2208 Bluffside Ave-Charming 3BR/2BA Old Midland home in Berkshire Place with beaming hardwood floors and 5 sets of french doors ..... SOLD...$298,900

3001 Pelotar Ln-(Bldg. 5 Unit B and Bldg. 9 Unit B) - Quality constructed, brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa. LOW MAINTENANCE, with sky high ceilings, granite, hardwood floors, downstairs master with dual sinks and a HUGE 2 car garage. Too many amenities to list - come and take a look! ..... Each Unit $235,000

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3001 Pelotar Ln- (Bldg. 5, Unit A and C and Bldg. 9 Unit A)--Under Construction completion date est.9/2018. Superior quality, high-end amenities: BEAUTIFUL Townhomes on the far East side of Odessa off of Billy Hext. ..... Each Unit $210,000

Three Bedrooms

3001 Pelotar Ln -Brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext.. LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes!.. Bldg 4- Unit A and Unit D for ..... Each Unit $199,900

2100 W Wadley Ave #35-Spacious condo w/3 large bedrooms Small gated back patio and open front patio/yard within walking distance of the pool. So many updates throughout ..... U/C...$100,900

Four Bedrooms

6833 Island Circle- Amazing property on the golf course in Green Tree North. Smart house w/Crestron system. All AV equipment including TVs remain. Pool w/spa. Outdoor kitchen. Outdoor living w/heaters and screens. Golf simulator addition. Much of the furniture and furnishings available!! $2,500,000

6824 Island Circle - Beautiful w/many waterfront views, fabulous Great Room, Sun room with telescoping glass walls that open to patio, Beautiful infinity pool! hardwoods, granite! You'll love it!! ..... U/C...$950,000

2 Longwood-Lovely 4 bedroom/2.5 Bath on quiet Cul-de-Sac! Must see! ..... U/C...$660,000

5301 Ridgfield Ct- Beautiful, updated, 4 bdr plus bonus room home in GTCC North. Recent updates are hardwood floors, granite counters, bathrooms, carpet, kitchen appliances, pool (2014), fence, paint, HVAC system. Don't miss it!...$602,900

1102 Castle Rock Cir.-Fabulous 4BR/2BA Mark Payne resale. Wonderful open floor plan! 2 dining areas, game room, large utility room, 2 car garage. Just a few steps away from the walking trail area in Wadland Park. Simply terrific!! U/C...$602,000

6705 Fenway Dr.-Lovely custom in coveted Grandridge Estates- rare 4th BR or 2nd LA plan.Open plan w/large windows, high ceilings, granite & stainless kitchen w/tall wrap around bar + brkfast & formal! 4 car garage, Real staircase to Xmas closet! Move in ready! $615,000

4001 Tumbleweed Tr.- Spacious 4BR/4BA home w/3LA on 2.059 acres w/city water and water well for yards. 40x60 workshop, newer 20x40 2 car garage and man-cave is located close to the above ground pool, A Must See!! $595,000

10302 County Rd 105-Perfect Greenwood property, close to school nestled in quiet cul-de-sac. Large back yard has full cinder block fence & exterior fencing for animals. Huge 40x60 DREAM SHOP with 2-16' overhead doors, awning & CAR LIFT. Extra long concrete drive & Parking Pad. Call today!! ..... U/C...$449,900

4017 Richmond Dr.-Spacious and charming 4 Bedroom in desirable Polo Park. Large yard, great plan, open kitchen, quiet street, family friendly, close to club house $425,000

4601 Rosewood Dr - Spacious 4BR/3BA, In-law plan w/open living, dining. Tons of storage plus lovely family yard & storage building. Hot Tub and fridge stay. So much for so little! ..... SOLD...$385,000

3205 Rice Dr - Beautiful, spacious 4 bedroom/2 Bath home in Kimber Lea. Hardwood floors, great kitchen with quartz counters tops and lovely yard with mature trees! ..... SOLD...$309,000

609 6th St - Beautifully maintained 4BR/2BA home in Stanton on one of the prettiest tree shaded streets!! Large living open to kitchen/dining area. Covered back patio w/big yard. $299,900

Five or More Bedrooms

3005 Windsor Ave- Beautiful 5 Bedroom/5.5 Bath home in Warwick, with Guesthouse and Gorgeous POOL! $1,075,000

6820 Island Circle -Clearest home in town! Lovely throughout and perfect for family living. Gorgeous pool w/waterfall, great yard w/entertaining area. Pretty trees (front and back). Good view of lake. ..... SOLD...$579,000

3940 Pinewood Ct - Gorgeous updating in this 5/4.5 family home. Located on a beautiful cul-de-sac. Wonderful kitchen w/great amenities. Plus guest house! $489,900

2600 Inwood Ct.-Immaculate w/versatile floorplan,Private wing could be guesthouse or cabana. Gourmet kitchen w/island, stainless appliances, granite surfaces. Great formals, spacious rooms, sparkling pool, manicured yard ..... U/C...$485,000

15 Lakes Dr- Custom built home in lovely Saddle Club Estates w/beautiful views of the lake and trees. tall ceilings, spacious rooms, great storage,the list goes on. Wow! $799,900

3914 Highrock Ct. - Beautiful 5BR/4LA/1.5BA. Playtime around! Breathtaking Pool plus Outdoor kitchen! $799,000

4509 Deal Tree Trail- Gorgeous 5BR/4.5BA home! Private oasis in the back yard w/sparkling pool, spa, outdoor fireplace, fountain and Outdoor cooking area! Home has hardwood floors! Open kitchen, den, breakfast area; media/game room,3 car garage. Beautiful! $799,000

For Lease

1301 Florida, Midland- 3,600 sq. ft., 1,800 sq. ft. each unit, recently updated carpet, paint, fixtures, Ready for lease ..... per unit monthly $2,000

For Lease

1201 Garden City Hwy- Two spaces available, both are 1000 sq ft., perfect for retail or office use. Recently remodeled w/fresh paint and carpet. Each w/one (1) RR Terrific high traffic location on Garden City Hwy in SE Midland. Convenient to downtown, Ronnie Hwy and Interstate 20 and many restaurant and retail businesses. ..... $2,000 each monthly...Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

1400 Cornell St.-6,000 sq. ft. industrial/w/se w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage. ..... Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

Lots, Land and Acreage

0 Loop 250 II - 5 acre tract off Hwy 250 near CR 1150 ..... Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

I-20, West Dingsly & Loop 338 in West Odessa-110.26 acres, terrific frontage. Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111 ..... $2,000,000

0101 B Hwy 349- Once in a lifetime opportunity for building a dream home or 2 on this 1.59 ac tract of land @ Midland Country Club. $700,000

5700 E. Co. Rd. 60-2704 sq. ft. w/fo-low plan $300,000

1600 E Taylor Ave, Midland - 3.440 acres of vacant land zoned commercial $165,000

6000 Heather-Really nice residential lot in good neighborhood in Saddle Club South. Perfect for many buyers.. SOLD...$89,000

2701 S. County Rd. 1110-Prime location 1.336 acres, to build a home that could face either South County Road 1110 or East County Road 90. ..... $97,000

Commercial Investment Property

1207 S Garfield St - One story office w/2 story 2 bay shop/warehouse, 5,712 sq ft..... Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

2212 Carroll Hwy, Odessa-Tin-Tree metal buildings approx 10,240 sq ft on 1.836 acres.Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

604 Hwy 158 S- Industrial warehouse of 4,560 sq ft on 4.16 acres (for lease)..... Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

3000 S. Co. Rd. 1250, Midland, Tx.-Includes 5 buildings on 9.052 acres. Total of 50,035 sq. ft. ..... Call RIO Realt or Brandee Hall 682-1111

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2000 W Louisiana Ave-Location...Location...Location this 45 room hotly originally built in 1954 when utilities were.... U/C...$2,000,000

2211 N. County Rd. 1130-Greenwood property! 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home on 20 acres $795,000

10301 W CR 72, Midland- 5.020 acres; 4,200 sq. ft. office built in 2015. 2 modular buildings to house overnight drivers. Perfect truck yard. $700,000

11235 W Hwy 158, Gordon City- 20 acres of Ranch/Pasture land w/ 2,280 sq. ft. home; 4 bar, 3 bath, whole house generator..... $400,000

109 Odell Dr- Great office warehouse, Office 1200 sq ft. Warehouse 4000 sq ft. Great location just south of downtown close to county jail. Zoned C3 ..... $350,000

0 Cotton Flat Rd.-Zoned Industrial Park $100,000

Out of Town Properties

3005 Seville St - Top quality workmanship! Custom finishes! Beautiful granite selection, chef's kitchen w/great work space & pantry. Extra storage! Plus so much more!..Odessa $309,900

609 6th St - Beautifully maintained 4BR/2BA home in Stanton on one of the prettiest tree shaded streets!! Large living open to kitchen/dining area. Covered back patio w/big yard. $299,900

3001 Pelotar Ln- (Bldg. 5 Unit B and Bldg. 9 Unit B) - Quality constructed, brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa. LOW MAINTENANCE, with sky high ceilings, granite, hardwood floors, downstairs master with dual sinks and a HUGE 2 car garage. Too many amenities to list - come and take a look! ..... Each Unit $235,000

3001 Pelotar Ln- Beautifully designed, quality constructed, brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext. LOW MAINTENANCE!...Bldg 4- Unit B and Unit C for ..... Each Unit $223,900

3001 Pelotar Ln- (Bldg. 5, Unit A and C and Bldg. 9 Unit A)--Under Construction completion date est.9/2018. Superior quality, high-end amenities: BEAUTIFUL Townhomes on the far East side of Odessa off of Billy Hext. ..... Each Unit $210,000

3001 Pelotar Ln -Brand new Townhomes on the East side of Odessa just off of Billy Hext.. LOW MAINTENANCE, quality constructed homes!.. Bldg 4- Unit A and Unit D for ..... Each Unit $199,900



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4+ BEDROOMS

5001 N Midland Dr.-Amazing location! Home & barn sit on 14.87 AC (3 tracts)! Can be subdivided- to be sold as 1 pkg. 4 bed/3.5 ba/2 fb/2 dh/2 gar home (built 1989)! Updated top-to-bottom! New Roof coming 2/2018! $2,700,000

4900 Island Dr.-Majestic estate on choice lt (1.482 ac) on 9th tee box in GTN! 6 or 7 bed/4 fullx2 1/2 baths (in bonus)/ 3 or 4 living/huge 4 car gar! Dazzling pool w/ pool house w/bath, brick & iron fencing & landscaped grounds w/50+ trees! $1,799,000

401 Sir Barton Pkwy.-Stunning custom (by Woodruff)- to be completed 5/18! 6-7 bed/4-5 living/2 dining/5.5 baths+ guesthouse w/ kitchen & bath! Top appliances, all hardwood floors, upstairs game room & plumbed for pool/water well! $1,599,000

3021 Tealwood Ct.-Spectacular estate w/3 or 4 bed/3 or 4 living/4.5 bath/5 car gar on grand cul-de-sac!4 fireplaces & wet bar! Dazzling pool, hot tub, workshop (2), 2 lg patios & +/-1a high brick & iron fencing! 2 side yards! $1,150,000

6200 Haywood Dr.-Spectacular 5 bed/4.5 bath/3 living(great room, study, game room)/2 dining/6+gar(RV bay) w/dazzling pool (w/waterfall)! Outdoor living w/huge patio & complete kitchen! Extra high privacy fence! $999,000

100 Bayberry Pkwy.-One-of-a kind find on 2.48 landscaped acres in exclusive gated Main house has 4 bed/3.5 bath/3 living/4 car garage!Adjoining guest house w/2 bed/2 bath/full kitchen/bar! Plus 2000 sqft shop! Dazzling pool with pergola & walking path! $999,000

7000 Sleepy Hollow (Odessa)-Absolutely fabulous 4 bed/3-4 living (great room, study, media, game room)/2 dining/4 car gar (3 attached+1) on 1.5 spectacularly landscaped acres w/huge steps-to-living space w/dazzling pool to boot! Property on water well! $799,000

2500 Briarcastle Dr-Absolutely spectacular & better than new 4 bed/3.5 bath/great room+media room+study (off master)/2 dining areas/4 car garage! Gourmet kitchen, soaring ceilings, plantation shutters & up to the minute finishes! Lg lot & play equip stays! $749,000

2011 Timber Wolf Trl.-Fantastic 4 bed/3 bath/3 car oversize garage, indoor and outdoor fireplace & many builder upgrades home on 10 acres in Timber Wolf Estates! (water & septic included) Completion date: March 2018! $679,000

2501 Bluewood-Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 living (great room+game room)/2 dining/4 car gar- lovely landscaped corner lot w/huge backyard &water well! Custom features-wood beams, knee butcher block island & skylight! $665,000

6011 Elkins Rd.-Spectacular Anderson Construction 4 bed/4 bath/3 car oversized garage home w/ builder upgrades on 5 acre lot! Granite, crown molding, walls of windows & outdoor kitchen! Still time to pick landscaping! $625,000

10010 SCR 1210-Fantastic unique property! 1.2 acres w/ runway, hangar, office & living accommodations! 50x75 hangar w/ retractable door! 2-story w/ 5 bedrooms/6 full baths/3 living/3 dining/2 car garage w/ workshop! $599,000

204 Ridglea Dr.-Fabulous charm & character abound in this quaint old Midland home! 4 bed/1.5 bath/2 living/2 dining & fantastic covered porch perfect for entertaining! Delightful neighborhood close to downtown & dark pond! $299,000

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2570 Hwy 2310 (Du Loup)-Fantastic 3 bed/3.5 bath/2 living/3 din/4 car gar w/8 carport home on secluded 30 acres! Guest house or barn + 60'x40' shop! 3 tanks for fishing, pockets of brush for hunting & plenty of room to graze livestock! $550,000

2414 Debolskie Dr (Odessa)-Absolutely darling 2 bed/2 bath/large open great room w/2 dining(formal+breakfast) executive style home! Soaring ceilings, recessed lighting & built-ins thru-out! Open patio w/landscaped backyard+storage shed! $239,000

801 W Scharbauer Dr.-Very nice 2-story 3 large bed/2.5 bath townhome w/carport! Many updates! Low maint home w/covered patio & lawn! Public laundry facility & beautiful community pool! $129,000

516 Dallas St (Coleman)-Quaint 2 bed/2 bath/1 garage home in a fabulous location in Coleman, TX! Cul-de-sac lot home w/ lg living & dining area w/ wonderful kitchen! Large shaded fenced backyard- perfect for play! $99,500

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

6100 CR 259, Coleman, TX 76834-45 acres of beautiful country! Native grass, 2 stock ponds & all productive! 1400 Morgan bldg 1 bed/1 bath/ central HVAC, septic & satellite hr. Storage bldg, water rig, tools, also fencing & mower! $195,000

1414 Tejas-7.9 Acres in 349 ranch estates (just north on big spring across from midland country club) $99,500

710 N Houston St, Coleman Tx 76834-Fantastic investment property for sale including the liquor store business or purchase the building for another business! Great location on the north side of coleman! 1211 sq ft (1400 building including a huge walk- thru storage room, an office and bathroom) $199,000

5016 Dallas Pl.-Fantastic double shred (.212 acre) on Dallas Place in Green Tree North! $129,000

Timber Wolf Estates, Ranch - Brand new subdivision, approx. 2-3 Acre lots, plat available. Water well/septic/fence can all be added @ buyers exp. Wooded also. Can shred relief or custom bid, sale homes 2,500 sq ft ..... $79,000 - $119,000

1501 Dune Way, Snyder Tx 79549 - 6 Acres perfect for industrial use located in industrial park southeast snyder! Approximately 1 acre yard fenced with caliche pad, includes a metal office building 200 sq ft and small storage building! $35,000

Timber Wolf Estates-Fast growing subdivision in the west edge city of midland, such as: Apx 5 acre lots @ $75k/acre, all usable, Water well/septic systems can be added to plots but @ buyers expense. Wooded also. Can shred relief lot or custom cut. Lots from 2,500 sq ft $75,000

Caliber Estates-Caliber subdivision surrounded by beautiful custom estate homes! Apx 20 Acre plat available. Build to the property standards. Water well/septic systems can be added to plots but @ buyers exp. Lots from 1500 sq ft, buyer has choice of builder, plans approved by developer $99,000

UNDER CONTRACTS & SOLDS!

0400 Castlebrook Dr ..... UNDER CONTRACT!

6001 Strand Blvd ..... UNDER CONTRACT!

5301 HCR 1270 ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

1604 N State St ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

6013 Shannon ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

702 Elliott ..... UNDER CONTRACT IN 1 DAY!

2504 Briarcastle Dr ..... SOLD!

6312 Green Tree Blvd ..... SOLD!

5711 Caselon Bend ..... SOLD!

4913 Ridglea Oaks ..... SOLD!

4505 Windsor Ct ..... SOLD!

12001 FCR 110 ..... SOLD!

7000 Cuba Ct ..... SOLD!

6913 Rio Grande Ave ..... SOLD!

6113 Overlander Oaks Blvd ..... SOLD!

5604 Linen Ct ..... SOLD!

6111 Fife Dr ..... SOLD!

2507 Bothwell Rd ..... SOLD!

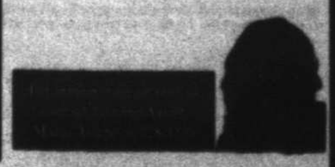
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1911 Wrangler Ln ..... SOLD!

2705 Highland Blvd ..... SOLD!

2400 Timber Wolf Trl ..... SOLD!



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Electronics Tech - Airport

Performs routine and preventive maintenance of electrical equipment systems. Works under the direction of the Electrician/Electronics Specialist.

Job Duties:

•Performs preventive maintenance on automatic gates, automatic doors, parking lot equipment, lighting, security systems, jetway systems, etc.

•Assists the Electrician/Electronics Specialist in the day to day operations of the Airport facility as needed.

•Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in the operation of hand tools and equipment such as electrical measuring meters and devices.

High school diploma or equivalent plus two to three years of experience as an electrician required. Journeyman's License as an electrician required. Valid Texas Driver's License required.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING

Electrical/Electronics Tech - WPP

Troubleshoots and maintains electrical, SCADA and control equipment for the well field, Purification Plant, Water Pollution Control Plant, water storage towers, booster station.

BUDGETARY RESPONSIBILITIES:

Assists in the development of the budget and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items to the appropriate division during the annual budget process.

Job Duties:
•Troubleshoots and repairs electrical service to any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Troubleshoots and repairs control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Troubleshoots and repairs SCADA equipment at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Programs SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Instructs users of SCADA and control circuits at any facility within the Utilities Department.
•Calculates electrical loads for equipment and installs wiring.
•Determines equipment and supplies required for jobs by reading code books and blue prints.
•Keeps abreast of changes in the Electrical Code and Regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
•Maintains inventory of supplies used and replaces as needed.
•Perform Operations & Maintenance duties as assigned.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Ability to read operator's manuals, blue prints and schematics in order to maintain electrical, SCADA and control equipment throughout the Utilities Department in good working order. Skill in the operation of electrical and mechanical hand and power tools. Employee must perform mathematical calculations in order to determine electrical needs. Skill in writing to record results and track work. Will be on-call.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus two years of experience. A valid Apprentice Electricians license from the State of Texas or have successfully completed 12 college hours of electronics coursework would be preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must also obtain a valid state of Texas class 'C' or above water works license.

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NOW HIRING

Engineering Tech - Construction Inspector

Perform responsible work in support of city engineering staff. Work relates to engineering construction activities such as construction inspection of municipal projects involving construction of asphalt or concrete pavement, sidewalks, ramps, water lines and sewer lines.

Job Duties:
•Inspect forms, materials and workmanship for compliance with plans and specifications. Tests materials and workmanship as required.
•Maintain daily diary and records on projects including emergency telephone numbers for key people.
•Maintain inspection project files for all phases of construction for each project. Provides information to update record drawings.
•Inspect traffic control devices for compliance with plans and the Texas Manual on Uniform Control Devices. Make safety inspections to note deficiencies for correction.
•Analyze field construction problems and assists engineers with recommending corrections.
•Performs survey work as requested by Engineering staff.
•Coordinate with traffic, utility companies, landowners, etc. before and during construction.
•Acts as project field coordinator for contractors, utility companies and city departments.
•Researches utility locations and right of way, assemble plat and deed information and produces plan views.
•As appropriate, trains and evaluates the progress of other employees.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Must be able use and communicate by hand-held radio. Basic skill in the use of a variety of machines, including personal computers, printers, calculators, scanners and large document copier are preferred.

Must have a valid Texas Driver's License and a good driving record. Employee must be able to effectively communicate with other employees in the work group. Must be able to correctly respond to questions from contractors, surveyors, inspectors, or city staff regarding work performed or applicable specifications related to a design or construction project.

Must coordinate effectively with other city departments, contractors, and utility companies when designing or scheduling work. Must posses skill to observe, read, and interpret written technical materials and construction drawings. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment.

Must have obtained a High school diploma or equivalent GED plus 5 years of experience in civil construction trades. College degree or construction certifications preferred. Extensive knowledge of state, federal, and local laws and requirements regarding construction, surveying and safety standards.

Extensive skill in observing, reading and interpreting written technical materials and construction drawings. Extensive knowledge of city codes and ordinances and other state and federal requirements regarding utility construction and safety standards.

Extensive knowledge of engineering standards and construction practices for water, sewer, street and drainage design. Intermediate in drafting with computer aided design systems such as AutoCAD. Intermediate skill in developing field notes and survey plats for boundary surveys.

Benefits:
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Equipment Operator - Landfill

Disposes for refuse through the use of heavy equipment at the Landfill.

Job Duties:
•Disposes of refuse with the use of heavy equipment such as compactors, scrapers, bulldozers and related equipment.
•Maintains access roads to the Landfill.
•Covers refuse at the end of each day.
•Maintains all equipment in good working order and keeps records of service problems. Submits daily maintenance sheets to supervisor.
•Performs preventive maintenance on equipment such as oil changes. Determines when servicing of vehicles is required.
•Monitors vehicles as they enter, unload and leave the Landfill. Gives directions to citizens.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to disposal. Knowledge of the processes used in collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to follow instructions and manuals for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, claws and hydraulic systems as well as simple shovels, brooms and rakes. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent, plus one to three years of equipment operation preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

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NOW HIRING

Lab Technician

The employee is responsible for performing, monitoring, and intrepreting the results of tests necessary for the operation and regulatory compliance of the water and wastewater operations of the City of Midland. They are also responsible for the interpretation and implementation of regulations promulgated by State and Federal authorities.

Assists in the development of the budget for laboratory operations and makes recommendations for purchases and capital items during the annual budget process.

Monitors expenditures during the year.

Job Duties:
•Responsible for the daily operation of laboratories in support of the Utilities Department. Conduct bacteriological, chemical, physical and instrumental analysis of water and wastewater samples submitted to the laboratory.
•Maintains equipment and supplies for the laboratory as well as for the City's facilities. This includes accurately maintaining extensive records tracking all chemicals, supplies, and equipment used for daily operations.
•Collects, analyzes, and interprets results of environmental, water and wastewater samples.
•Prepares reagents for use at the laboratory and performs standardization of reagents to ensure quality.
•Must maintain work area, supplies, and equipment in an orderly, safe, and clean manner.
•Maintains accurate and extensive analytical data records of data for future use.
•Investigates and reports on complaints and all other problems delegated by the Director of Utilities.
•Make monthly reports or as required to the Water Regulator Agencies and Utilities.
•Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
•Keeps apprised of State/Federal regulations and makes recommendations on their impacts to the City.
•Performs related duties as required. Available for on-call obligations and work on weekends as needed.

Qualifications:
Employee has contact with general public, other employees, and other organizations.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Must have skill in writing to record results of analysis. Employee generates memos and reports of work performed. Ability to perform chemical analysis. Must have thorough knowledge of chemistry and good knowledge of water and wastewater treatment. Must possess knowledge of computer software and applications. Working in experience lab preferred.

Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry, Biology or related field is preferred. Must be able to obtain Class D water operator license in the State of Texas within a year after hired and be able to maintain the license while employed.

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Lead Water Purification Plant Operator

This position requires a demonstrated ability to perform advanced functions related to the operator and maintenance of equipment at all water treatment facilities. This position functions as a Lead Operator and also as Chief Plant operator when required, performing complex analysis of the Water Treatment Plant operations and having direct charge of the operation of a water treatment facility or Water Production Facilities. Positions at this level provide instruction and assistance to lower level Water Treatment Plant Operators. This position is normally filled by advancement from the Water Treatment Operator II. Position requires three to five years of experience in a Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator and must possess a minimum of a Class 'C' Surface Water Treatment Plant Operator Certificate issued by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at the time of accepting position.

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NOW HIRING

Maintenance Specialist - Animal Services

Maintains the animal shelter and grounds, provides quality care for the animals in our custody and assists the public and other animal control personnel.

Job Duties:

•Processes animals that are brought to the animal shelter by providing health evaluations, parasitic controls, scanning for microchips and placing in the proper holding are.
•Maintains the sanitation and environment of kennel areas, cat facilities, quarantine areas, wildlife facilities and sick/injured animal room.
•Assists in euthanasia and the disposal of animals as required.
•Maintains and operates the animal cremation system for mass disposal and private cremations.
•Picks up large quantities of dead animals from veterinarians for disposal by cremation.
•Micro-chips animals that leave animal controls custody.
•Unloads dead and live animals from the public, veterinarians and animal control offices.
•Performs preventative maintenance on equipment, building and grounds.
•Provides assistance to visitors.
•Operates a vehicle to pick up dead livestock and supplies and other machinery.
•Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or animals that may be in the kennel. Employee may have direct contact with other animal control personnel such as the SPCA, various humane societies and animal rescue organizations.

Ability to deal with the public and provide humane care for the animals. Some knowledge in the recognition of animal diseases is needed. Ability to follow both written and oral instructions is also necessary.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required. Must be able to obtain Department of State Health Services Basic Certification within one year of employment. Must be able to obtain euthanasia certification within six months of employment.

Benefits:
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NOW HIRING

Maintenance Specialist - Parks - Sports Complex

Performs all routine maintenance work for the parks division at the sports complex, including special events.

Job Duties:
•Performs routine buildings and grounds maintenance.
•Removes trash from containers.
•Inspects grounds and athletic areas and facilities for repairs.
•Operates and maintains equipment used in daily operations. Fills out reports and submits to supervision.
•Helps set up of special events and sports tournaments.
•Works weekends and evenings as required.
•Performs other related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group and may respond to questions from the general public regarding services or specific projects.

Ability to read and understand work orders and equipment manuals. Skill in troubleshooting air conditioning and plumbing. Ability to operate hand tools and equipment such as mowers, gas powered trimmers, saws and other gardening and maintenance tools.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas Driver's License, CDL preferred.

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Transportation Truck Driver

Responsible for driving Water, Dump, and/or Belly Dump Truck and hauling water/caliche to drill rigs, fracturing crews, etc. Hauls water/caliche from well locations to proper disposal facilities.

Qualifications:
- High school education or equivalent.
- Experience can range from commercial truck driving experience preferred to one year as a water truck driver required.
- Valid Class A CDL with Tanker endorsement.
- Clean driving record.
- Salary competitive and commensurate with qualifications and experience.

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NOW HIRING

Plant Maintenance Mechanic - Water Purification Plant

Performs skilled & Semi-skilled maintenance duties as they relate to equipment repair and upkeep. Perform manufactures recommended preventative maintenance to equipment at the Water Purification Plant.

Job Duties:
•Repairs equipment including pumps, chemical feeders, valves and specialized equipment.
•Performs preventative maintenance on plant equipment according to manufacturer's recommendations.
•Performs annual maintenance at plants including but not limited to cleaning and painting of water treatment basins and painting of equipment.
•Performs electrical repairs including wiring of electric motors, switches, and panels.
•Troubleshoots electrical problems including checking and repairing control circuits.
•Serves as a shift relief as needed, assuming full authority, duties and responsibilities of position that is being filled.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of plant operations and maintenance. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Skill in the use of hand tools, test equipment, and welding tools. May work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. One to three years experience in a related field preferred. Must receive and retain a valid 'C' Water license within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must posses a valid Texas Class 'B' CDL or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

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NOW HIRING

Utility Plant Operator - WPCP

Assists in the operation of the waste water treatment plant.

Job Duties:
•Collects water samples for testing and analysis in primary treatment area.
•Operates and maintains primary treatment equipment and observes the operation of related plant equipment.
•Reads gauges, records information and reports problems to the Operator, or other supervisors.
•Performs janitorial and grounds keeping duties in assigned areas.
•Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and supervisors on plant condition and in order to receive work orders or instructions for any project.

Ability to read operator's manuals, gauges and work orders to collect samples for analysis. Skill in writing to record results. Shift work required.

High school diploma or equivalent required plus ability to obtain C operator's certification from the TNRCC within established time constraints. Valid Texas Driver's License.

DAYS & HOURS:
Rotating Shift; Rotating Days Off

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Service Center Technician

Performs tire installation and repair and general maintenance on vehicles and machinery.

Job Duties:
•Repair flat tires. Removes and installs wheels and tires from vehicles and equipment.
•Responds to requests for towing and service calls.
•Performs electrical jump starts on vehicles and equipment.
•Performs diagnostic checks on batteries and alternators. Changes out as necessary.
•Balance tires.
•Performs engine oil and filter changes. Changes transmission oils and filters.
•Cleans and maintains shop facilities, equipment, tools and grounds.
•Orders and issues parts.
•Opens work orders, charges out parts and closes work orders as required.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees, management and vendors in order to diagnose repairs and order materials for repair.

Knowledge of proper tools used in general automotive repairs. Ability to safely use tools, vehicles and equipment such as wreckers, tire hammers and breakdown bars, tire and wheel balancers, tire machines, jacks, air impact wrenches, fork lifts and assorted hand tools. Skill in the reading and practical application of manuals, schematics and other similar specifications used by city departments. Ability to

read, measure and calculate types and sizes of materials needed and ability to reason amount of time that will be used in the actual repair process. Ability to speak, understand and follow instructions in English.

High school diploma or equivalent plus one year of general service station experience is required. Experience in fueling vehicles, changing oil and oil filters, and changing or repairing auto and large equipment tires is also required. Employee must have dependable transportation and a telephone at their residence. A valid Texas license required, CDL preferred. Must have a State of Texas Inspection License or ability to obtain within 90 days.

DAYS & HOURS:
Monday - Friday, 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm

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Utility Plant Operator - Water Purification Plant

The primary function of a Water Plant employee is to perform semi- skilled and skilled operations and maintenance duties in our water facility, including monitoring, operating, maintaining and adjusting equipment. Additionally, an employee performs data collection and reporting functions to ensure compliance with Federal and State water quality requirements & Standards.

Job Duties:
• Gathers and computes chemical analysis of water samples. Intreprets and logs results.
• Controls water treatment processes to meet regulatory standards.
• Operates and monitors various water plant equipment and machinery.
• Maintains daily and hourly records of plant operations
• Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage within the City.
• Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
• Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
• Reports maintenance issues that affect plant Operations.
• Assists maintenance personnel as assigned and when needed.
• Performs routine cleaning of work areas.
• Performs related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. Must work rotating shifts.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Surface Water license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must posses a valid class "C" Texas driver's license

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NOW HIRING

Well Field Technician - Paul Davis

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields Water Purification and associated potable water storage.

Job Duties:
•Assists other Utility Department Divisions as required.
•Performs Operations & maintenance duties as required at WPP.
•Controls water disinfection processes to meet regulatory standards.
•Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.
•Maintains required records of operations, generates monthly report and maintenance records.
•Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.
•Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
•Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
•Performs routine cleaning of assigned area. Maintains grounds at well field compounds.
•Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

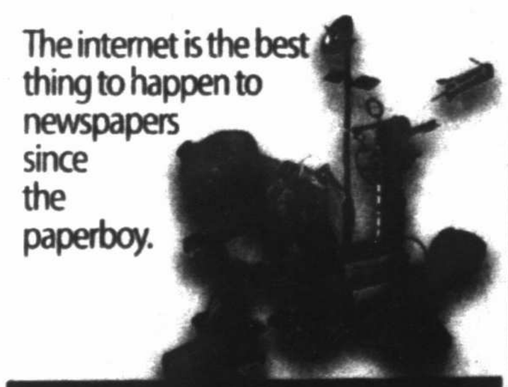
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Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and tower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the State of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Must possess a valid Texas Class "B" CDL required or have the ability to obtain license within a reasonable amount of time.

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Well Field Technician - Airport Well Field

Has primary responsibility for operation and maintenance of well fields, Water Purification Plant and associated potable water storage.

Job Duties:
•Assists other Utility Department divisions as required.
•Performs operations and maintenance duties as required at WPP.
•Controls water disinfection processes to meet regulatory standards.
•Operates and maintains various water production and storage equipment.
•Maintains required records of operations.
•Generates monthly reports and maintenance records.
•Monitors and controls booster pumps and storage.
•Keeps abreast of professional developments in the field.
•Operates SCADA system to monitor and control well field production.
•Performs routine cleaning of assigned area.
•Maintains house and grounds at well field compounds.
•Performs other duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees and the public, as necessary.

Skill in observing, reading and interpreting written materials. Knowledge of pumps, motors and tower operations and maintenance. Knowledge of electricity and electronics. Skill in performing mathematical calculations. Ability to use testing and measuring equipment. On call 50% of evenings and weekends.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Must receive and retain a valid "C" Groundwater license from the state of Texas within 3 years of employment. Must receive Hazmat Awareness level and SCBA certifications within 1 year of employment. Must remain qualified to wear SCBA. Valid Texas class "B" CDL required or must be obtained within 1 year of employment.

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Maintenance Specialist - Transportation

Operates some motorized equipment, hand tools and assists Equipment Operators in the maintenance and/or construction of streets, alleys and drainage channels. Installs devices that provide for the orderly and predictable movement of all motorized, non-motorized and pedestrian traffic.

Job Duties:
• Performs routine maintenance and/or construction on streets, alleys, right of ways, drainage channels, etc.
• Performs daily preventative maintenance of motorized equipment or hand tools.
• Performs manual work and general labor such as weed cutting, pothole repair, shoveling, etc.
• Maintains tools and equipment in good and safe operating condition.
• Performs any related duties needed to complete projects.
• Installs and maintains signage throughout the city.
• Paints lane lines on the streets and thoroughfares. Paints designated curbs.
• Installs lane marking devices.
• Trims trees in order to clear sign obstructions.
• Fabricates signs.
• Maintains records of work performed such as work schedules, status reports and records of work orders.
• Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Employee communicates with other employees in the work group.

Knowledge of power and hand tools. Ability to train on some motorized equipment or tools. Ability to read materials such as equipment manuals and work orders. Ability to write and record information such as feedback on work request/work orders.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred. Valid Texas driver's license required.

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Equipment Operator - Traffic Operations

Perform manual and unskilled labor on traffic signs and markings, which often involves the use of acquired skills. Operate several types of light and heavy vehicles, equipment, and tools. Do related work and training as required.

Job Duties:
•Assist in loading and unloading transported equipment.
•Operate equipment used in the daily activities of the Traffic Operations division such as paint machines, sign installation equipment, welders and other heavy equipment.
•Perform maintenance, service minor repairs on vehicles and equipment.
•Install and maintain roadway signs, markings and all other traffic devices.
•Assist in maintaining inventory of supplies and equipment.
•Maintain records of work performed, schedules, status reports and work orders.
•Perform related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee must be able to communicate effectively with employees, management and citizens in order to effectively receive and complete assigned work.

Ability to read, interpret and understand local, state and federal regulations related to traffic control devices and operations. Knowledge of the processes used in traffic control maintenance. Employee must be able to follow instructions for equipment repair and maintenance. Skill in use of various equipment and machinery such as hand and electrical power tools is required. Employee must be able to use heavy equipment required in maintenance activities such as backhoes, ditch witch, and striping truck. Ability to read operator's manuals and work orders is also required.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas Class 'A or B' CDL required, or must obtained within 6 months of employment.

Benefits:
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Sanitation Driver

Drives a single or tandem axle side loading refuse packer truck and collects and disposes of solid waste. Serves as standby driver until a regular route becomes available. Works at recycling center when required sorting recyclables. May be assigned to a roll-off truck or boom truck instead of side loaders.

Job Duties:
•Drives a sanitation vehicle and collects and disposes of solid waste from containers. Collects and disposes of yard waste and large, bulky items when assigned to hand pick up.
•Travels to and from the landfill in order to dispose of waste materials.
•Assists in litter pickup and similar programs when required.
•Maintains and inspects vehicles and performs safety checks daily.
•Maintains records of work performed for supervisor such as vehicle check list, trip logs and repair reports.
•Any solid waste management activity required of the solid waste management division in order to adequately perform public service responsibilities.
•Assists in recycling activities.
•Assists in solid wastes disposal related activities when not driving a regular route.
•Performs other related duties as assigned.

Qualifications:
Ability to effectively communicate with employees and citizens who will inquire regarding disposal procedures. Ability to work with citizens who may have complaints on services provided.

Knowledge of processes used in the collection and disposal of waste materials. Ability to read and write and follow oral and written instructions from supervisor. Skill in the use of various equipment and machinery such as hand tools and heavy equipment utilized in disposal activities such as compactors, lifts, claws and various hydraulic systems as well as shovels, brooms and rakes.

High school diploma or equivalent preferred with six months to one year of experience in a related position. Valid Texas Class B Commercial Driver's License required.

Benefits:
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Equipment Operator - Transportation

Under Supervision, performs unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled duties in the maintenance and repair of the City's street infrastructure. Performs a variety of tasks including general labor and the operation of light and heavy equipment used in the repair of streets, alleys, and drainage ways.

Job Duties:
•Performs routine maintenance and repair of City streets and alleys through the operation of light and heavy equipment including walk-behind saws and compactors, dump trucks and water trucks, and other equipment related to the maintenance of streets and alleys.
•Performs daily preventative maintenance of equipment.
•Performs manual work and general labor such as making street and curb cuts.
•Maintains tools and equipment.
•Assists with the proper set up of work zone traffic control.
•Assists in loading and unloading of transported material and equipment.
•Fulfill on-call duties as required and outlined on Transportation's on-call roster.
•Assists with the maintenance of Transportation's buildings and grounds.
•Assists other City divisions and departments, as needed.
•Performs related duties as required.

Qualifications:
Employee must effectively communicate with all co-workers, managers, and citizens. Must effectively communicate with managers regarding work orders.

Knowledge of power and hand tools. Ability to read materials including equipment manuals and daily work logs. Ability to read fluid levels and fuel gauges. Ability to receive and understand training materials and demonstrations regarding the proper operation of light and heavy equipment for which employee has no prior knowledge or experience.

High school diploma or equivalent required. Valid Texas Class A or B Commercial Drivers License required.

Monday - Friday; 7:30 am until 4:00 pm; Overtime work may be required.

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5705 Fenway - $615,000

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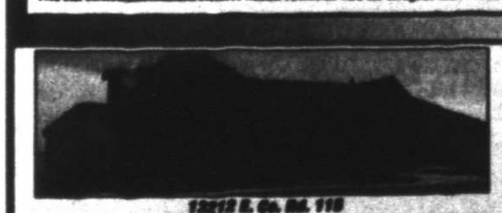
COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

43 East Industrial Loop	4000 Sq. Ft./1.75 Acres	SFC
110 E. 20th Street	Colonial Gas Bldg.	$600,000
3010 W. Co. Rd. 110	Approx 43.10 Acres	$604,000
302 S. Richardson	11,000 Sq. Ft.	$700,000

OUT OF TOWN PROPERTIES

1020 E. Co. Rd. 8 2001	Glasscock/20 Acres	$134,000
1401 HWY 176	Big Spring/20 Acres	$200,000
0 E. Co. Rd. 8 2001	Glasscock/20 Acres	$200,000

FEATURED PROPERTIES



12212 E. Co. Rd. 110
Greenwood, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $565,000



7000 S. Co. Rd. 1160
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $349,000



3700 S. Co. Rd. 1104
3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 1 carport, priced @ $300,000





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4107 GODFREY ST. - $315,000
SHOWN BY REECE BIVENS 432-230-8647

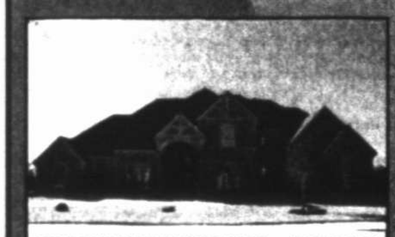
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2510 COLONIAL OAKS CT. - $900,000
SHOWN BY AMANDA GUNTER 432-413-7330

OPEN TODAY 3:30-4:30

2804 CIMMARON AVE. - $325,000
SHOWN BY REECE BIVENS 432-230-8647


604 SOLOMON LANE - $3,250,000


6112 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD. - $2,500,000


6700 W COUNTY RD 44 - $825,000


5713 HILLCREST PL. - $825,000


11601 W COUNTY RD 58 - $675,000


6605 E COUNTY RD 109 - $750,000


3913 TUMBLEWEED TRAIL - $675,000


3108 SHELL AVE. - $585,000


1613 SEABOARD AVE. - $537,500


3908 IRVIN DR.
$525,000


10205 E COUNTY RD 104
$450,000


5403 LOS PATIOS
$375,000


1500 SAN MIGUEL AVE.
$345,000


1601 W. MICHIGAN AVE.
$299,000

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UNDER CONTRACT LISTINGS


SALE PENDING
5608 E COUNTY RD 97 - $740,000

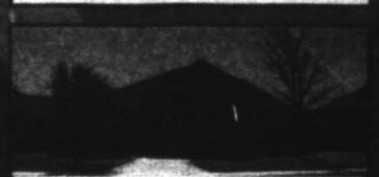

SALE PENDING
3904 ARROYO DR. - $525,000


SALE PENDING
3405 FELDSPAR LANE - $500,000


SALE PENDING
4501 SHADY OAK CT. - $500,000


SALE PENDING
6501 E COUNTY RD 110 - $500,000


SALE PENDING
3109 HUMBLE AVE. - $470,000


SALE PENDING
4405 LLANO CT. - $433,000

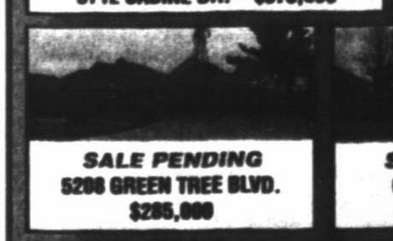

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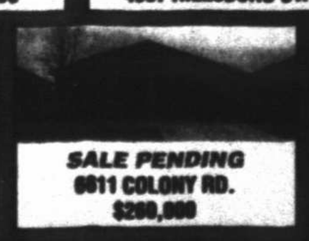

SALE PENDING
5712 SABINE DR. - $375,000


SALE PENDING
4907 HILLSBORO CT. - $325,000


SALE PENDING
4900 MELVILLE DR. - $325,000

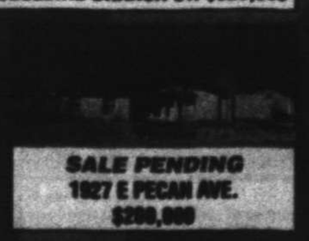

SALE PENDING
5010 BLUEBIRD BRANCH CT. $325,000


SALE PENDING
5208 GREEN TREE BLVD.
$285,000


SALE PENDING
6011 COLONY RD.
$280,000


SALE PENDING
2505 CASTLEFORD RD.
$245,000


SALE PENDING
3814 W KANSAS AVE.
$235,000


SALE PENDING
1927 E PECAN AVE.
$200,000

SOLD LISTINGS

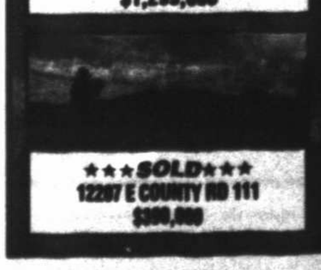

★★★SOLD★★★
3114 PALO VERDE GLEN
$1,200,000


★★★SOLD★★★
2112 IRONWOOD DR.
$1,100,000


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4503 ISLAND DR.
$949,000


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3102 SEABOARD AVE.
$600,000


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10201 E COUNTY RD 105
$495,000


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12287 E COUNTY RD 111
$390,000


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3208 AUBURN PL.
$340,000


★★★SOLD★★★
5707 LLANO CT.
$320,000


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3831 LOHONE AVE.
$300,000


★★★SOLD★★★
2104 REGAL PL.
$250,000

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Notice of Application for Surface Commingling

OXY USA INC is applying to the Railroad Commission to amend commingle permit #7297. Leases included in the permit are Fryar and Fryar Donelson A. Production is from Spraberry (Trend Area) field. Production will be commingled at the Fryar Battery located in RRC District 08 in Howard County.

Pursuant to Statewide Rules 26 and 27, interested parties must file objections or requests for hearing in writing to the Railroad Commission office within 21 days after publication, or the Commission may approve the application.

For questions pertaining to the application, please contact Sandra Musallam at (713) 366-5106.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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Immediately following closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Principal items of work are set forth in specific detail in the proposal section of these Specifications, however, work items may be generally described as: Construct lavatory disposal station modifications, reconstruct vehicle entry gate driveways with concrete pavement, and construct concrete erosion control flume.

Work will also include other miscellaneous materials, equipment, machinery, superintendence, and labor for constructing these improvements for the Midland International Air & Space Port, Midland, Texas.

A bid proposal guaranty is to accompany the bid, thereby guaranteeing the good faith of Bidder and that Bidder will enter into the written contract. Guaranty is to amount to 5 percent of total bid and must be in the form of cash or certified check, issued by a bank satisfactory to the City of Midland, or a bid bond.

Bidders are expected to inspect site of work and inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, Specifications, and plans are on file in the offices of Director of Airports, Midland International Air & Space Port, Midland, Texas and Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Inc., (PSC) Consulting Engineers, 1700 West Wall Street, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701, 432.697.1447.

Paper copies of the plans and specifications may be secured at the PSC office, 1700 West Wall Street, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701, 432.697.1447, at $50.00 for a set of specifications and full size plans. Cost for the plans and Specifications is **NON REFUNDABLE**. Downloadable documents (PDF file extension format) can be obtained from the PSC Info Exchange web site after registering as a plan holder with the office issuing paper copies. No cost or deposit required for this option.

CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

Legal and Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 2, 2018
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 7, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

Rule 37 Case No. 0310274
Status/Permit No. 837854

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the COG OPERATING LLC, (RRC Operator No. 166150) has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37). Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 63, Bk. C, CCSD&RGNG RR CO Survey, A-42, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 14.9 miles N direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A 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 have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY May 7, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO 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	:	CARLA EAST A
Lease/Unit Well No.	:	62028H
Lease/Unit Acres	:	1051.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	:	1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	:	1.0
Lease Lines	:	265.0 F NORTH L, 394.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines	:	265.0 F NORTH L, 394.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s): Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 265.0 F NORTH L, 394.0 F WEST L
Terminus Location
SH County: UPTON
Section: 61 Block: C Abstract: 41
Survey: CCSD&RGNG RR CO
Lease Lines: 10.0 F NORTH L, 330.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 10.0 F NORTH L, 330.0 F WEST L

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

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tammy Aylesworth, at (432) 683-7443.

Legal and Public Notices

COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS

REGION 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting Vendor Discount RFP submissions. The Region 18 ESC 2018-2019 Purchasing Cooperative Discount RFP, R18-2018-04-000008, is for the 2018-2019 Region 18 ESC Purchasing Cooperative. RFP forms and specifications may be obtained beginning April 9, 2018 from the Region 18 Education Service Center eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net). All questions are to be submitted via the Region 18 Education Service Center eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net). Proposals will be received at the ESC18 eBid website (esc18.ionwave.net) until 3:00 p.m., May 30, 2018. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all submissions.

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Sealed proposals addressed to the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Midland, Texas, will be received at the office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Midland, Texas until 2 p.m., Thursday, May 17, 2018 for furnishing all necessary materials, machinery, equipment, superintendence, and labor for constructing certain improvements at Midland International Air & Space Port, Midland, Texas. These improvements are contained in the plans and specifications entitled, "Midland International Air & Space Port, Airport Security Access Control Software, Hardware, Cable, and CCTV System Upgrade," dated April 2018.

Immediately following the closing time for receipt of bids, proposals will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after closing time will be returned unopened.

Principal items of work are set forth in specific detail in the proposal section of these specifications; however, work items may be generally described as: Upgrade Matrix System Access Control Software and Servers, replace CCTV cameras, install new CCTV video software and servers, replace sections of copper cable with fiber optic cable and install miscellaneous hardware, conduit, cabling and supports required to upgrade Access Control and CCTV systems.

Work will also include other miscellaneous materials, equipment, machinery, superintendence, and labor for constructing these improvements for the Midland International Air & Space Port, Midland, Texas.

A bid proposal guaranty is to accompany the bid, thereby guaranteeing the good faith of the bidder and that bidder will enter into the written contract. The guaranty is to amount to 5 percent of the total bid and must be in the form of cash or certified check, issued by a bank satisfactory to the City of Midland, or a bid bond.

Bidders are expected to inspect the site of work and inform themselves regarding all local conditions.

This project is an AIP Project. The proposed contract is under and subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, and to the equal opportunity clause contained in these specifications. The Bidder must supply all the information required by the proposal form.

Successful bidder will be required to submit a Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities prior to award of the contract and notify prospective subcontractors of the requirement of such a Certification where the subcontract exceeds $10,000.00. Samples of the Certification and the Notice to Subcontractors appear in the specifications.

In all areas of employment, women will be afforded equal opportunity for employment. Employment of women shall not diminish standards or requirements for employment of minorities.

Minimum wages and labor rates for construction of proposed work have been established by the Secretary of Labor. A schedule of labor classifications and wage rates to be paid are included in the specifications and will be made a part of the contract. Bid form shall contain a statement that prices bid are based on such wage rates.

This project is subject to Equal Opportunity, Affirmative Action, Minority Business Enterprise Contract Provisions, Foreign Trade Restrictions, Davis-Bacon, Federal Debarment and Suspension, Drug-free Workplace, and other requirements stated in the Instructions to Bidders and other sections of the project specifications and contract documents.

Policy. It is the policy of the Department of Transportation (DOT), that disadvantaged business enterprises as defined in 49 CFR Part 26 shall have the maximum opportunity to participate in performance of contracts financed in whole or in part with Federal funds.

Buy American Provision. Proposed contract is subject to the Buy American Provision under Section 9129 of the Aviation Safety and Capacity Expansion Act of 1990. Details of such requirement are contained in the Specifications.

MAF treats bidder/offers' compliance with good faith efforts' requirements as a matter of responsiveness.

Requirements of 49 CFR Part 26, Regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation, apply to this contract. It is the policy of MAF to practice nondiscrimination based on race, color, sex, or national origin in award or performance of this contract. All firms qualifying under this solicitation are encouraged to submit bids/proposals. Award of this contract will be conditioned upon satisfying requirements of this bid specification. These requirements apply to all bidders/offerors, including those who qualify as a DBE. A DBE contract goal of 6 percent has been established for this contract. Bidder/Offeror shall make good faith efforts, as defined in Appendix A, 49 CFR Part 26, to meet the contract goal for DBE participation in performance of this contract.

Successful bidder/offeror will be required to submit the following information: (1) names and addresses of DBE firms who will participate in the contract; (2) description of work that each DBE firm will perform; (3) dollar amount of participation of each DBE firm participating; (4) written documentation of bidder/offeror's commitment to use a DBE subcontractor whose participation it submits to meet contract goal; (5) written confirmation from the DBE that it is participating in the contract as provided in commitment made under (4); and (6) If contract goal is not met, evidence of good faith efforts. Successful Bidder or Offeror must provide written confirmation of participation from each DBE firm the Bidder or Offeror lists in their commitment. The successful Bidder or Offeror must submit DBE written confirmation of participation within five days of Bid Opening.

Information for bidders, proposal forms, specifications, and plans are on file in the offices of Director of Airports, Midland International Air & Space Port, Midland, Texas and Parkhill, Smith & Cooper Inc., (PSC) Consulting Engineers, 1700 West Wall Street, Suite 100, Midland, Texas 79701, 432.697.1447.

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CITY OF MIDLAND, TEXAS
Amy M. Turner
City Secretary

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Doris Vanesse Richardson, Deceased, were issued on March 13, 2018, in Cause No. P19258, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to Trina Lewis, Independent Executor, whose address is 1307 East Parker Avenue, Midland, Texas, 79701.

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, in care of the Executor.

DATED the 3rd day of April, 2018.

Trina Lewis
1307 East Parker Avenue
Midland, Texas 79701
(432)631-9445
INDEPENDENT EXECUTOR

Legal and Public Notices

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LEWIS DECKER DAWSON, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Lewis Decker Dawson, Deceased, were issued on April 3, 2018, in Cause No. P19380, in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds such Letters.

All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to Christina Wright Hagan, c/o: W. Scott Ryburn, 300 N. Marienfeld Suite 700, Midland, Texas 79701, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Christina Wright Hagan, as Independent Executor of the Estate of Lewis Decker Dawson, Deceased, Cause No. P19380 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

Legal and Public Notices

Request For Bids:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the Greenwood Independent School District Middle School Addition.

Pre-Proposal Meeting to be held at 3:30 PM local time, April 11, 2018 at the Greenwood Middle School Cafeteria.

Bids are due by 3:00 PM local time, April 19, 2018.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492
lubbockestimating@leelewis.com

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
AGC Plan Room / Dodge Plan Room - Lubbock, Texas
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas
www.leqft.com

Lee Lewis Construction specifically invites Small Business Concerns and Women Owned Business Concerns and Small Business Concerns Owned/Controlled By Socially And Economically Disadvantaged Individuals to bid this project. 100

Request For Bids:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the Alpine Independent School District Bus Barn Maintenance.

Pre-Proposal Meeting to be determined.

Bids are due by 3:00 PM local time, April 25, 2018.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492
lubbockestimating@leelewis.com

Bid packages will be available at the following locations:
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MIDLAND SELF STORAGE

Sale is April 18, 2018 at 11 a.m. at 3600 N. Big Spring. Goods will be sold as a live bid for cash, ALL BIDS START $5.00. Property includes contents of spaces for the following tenants:

Brandie Haley- Miscellaneous house hold items, Kids toys, Miscellaneous furniture and shelves.
Roger Primera- Miscellaneous house hold items, Filing cabinets, multiple totes, miscellaneous furniture.
Mona Koshaba- Miscellaneous household furniture, miscellaneos house hold items.

Legal and Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

REQUEST FOR Bids (RFB 180020-08): The City of Midland is seeking sealed bids from interested bidders wanting to complete the City of Midland FY 2018 CDBG Sidewalk Project. The project will primarily include the installation of new sidewalks, curb and gutter, curb ramps, driveways and alleyway approaches as directed within the plans. The work will also consist of the demolition of limited amounts of concrete infrastructure in order to tie-in and match the existing pedestrian access routes.

To inquire about viewing or purchasing a copy of the project plans and specifications, please contact the City of Midland Purchasing Department by telephone number, 432-685-7234, by email: purchasing@midland.gov, or by visiting their office at City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland Texas 79702. To attain a copy of the bid set a non-refundable fee of $50.00 dollars is required.

A non-mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at 3:00 P.M. on **Wednesday, April 18th, 2018** in the City Hall basement conference rooms, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79702.

Interested bidders must submit a bid bond, cashier's check, or certified check for not less than five percent (5%) of the total bid.

The deadline to submit sealed bids will be at 2:00 P. M. on **Wednesday, April 25th, 2018** in the Office of the City Secretary, City Hall, Third Floor, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79702.

The City of Midland reserves the right to reject any and all submitted bids if it is deemed in the best interest of the City. In determining the best value of the submitted bids, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code.

City of Midland, Texas

Legal and Public Notices

CV54236

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF MIDLAND

IN THE NAME AND BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF TEXAS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN AS FOLLOWS:

TO: The Unknown Owner or Unknown Owners, and any and all persons, including Adverse Claimants, owning, having or claiming any interest in or lien upon the property hereinafter described, the Heirs, Legal Representatives and Unknown Heirs of the Estate of Walton Haye Bostwick, and the Corporate Officers, Trustees, Receivers and Stockholders of any of the above named and mentioned parties which may be corporations, foreign or domestic, defunct or otherwise, trusts, or receiverships, together with the Successors, Heirs and Assigns of such, who own or have or claim an interest in the property, to wit: a 4.33% non-participating royalty interest regarding Hogan Park, Pioneer Natural Res, T1S BLK 39 SEC 13 N/2 A35, RRC-08-29612 located in Midland County, Texas (the "Royalty Interest"). You are notified that this suit has been brought by Marilyn H. Page, as Plaintiff, on February 12, 2018 as Cause No. CV54236, styled: In Re: 4.33% non-participating royalty interest regarding Hogan Park, Pioneer Natural Res, T1S BLK 39 SEC 13 N/2 A35, RRC-08-29612, to quiet title to the Royalty Interest. All parties to this suit shall take notice that claims to the Royalty Interest at the time of this suit was filed be recovered herein without further citation or notice to any parties herein, and all said parties shall take notice of and plead and answer to all claims and pleadings now on file and which may hereafter be filed in this cause by all other parties hereto, and by all parties who may intervene herein and set up their respective claims against said property. YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED TO APPEAR AND DEFEND SUCH SUIT AT OR BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK A.M. ON APRIL 30, 2018, SUCH DAY BEING THE FIRST MONDAY AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF FORTY-TWO (42) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF ISSUANCE HEREOF (WHICH IS THE RETURN DAY OF SUCH CITATION), BEFORE THE HONORABLE DISTRICT COURT JUDGE OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS, to be held at the Courthouse thereof, then and there to defend such suit and show cause why judgment should not be rendered for Plaintiff. You are being sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer by 10:00 a.m. on the Monday following expiration of 42 days after issuance of this Citation (being April 30, 2018), a default judgment may be rendered for the relief demanded in the Petition. HEREIN FAIL NOT, but of this writ make answer as the law requires. ISSUED but not prepared by District Clerk's Office AND GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID DISTRICT COURT OF MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS on this the 15th day of March, 2018.

Savrick, Schumann, Johnson, McGarr, Kaminski & Shirley, LLP
Attn: Mitchell D. Savrick
4330 Gaines Ranch Loop, Suite 150
Austin, TX 78735
Tel (512) 347-1804
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF

Alex Archuleta
Midland County District Clerk
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Legal and Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 7C — Rule 37 Case No. 0310271
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Apr 2, 2018 — Status/Permit No. 837846
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 7, 2018
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P.O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.TEXAS.GOV

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the COG OPERATING LLC, [RRC Operator No. 166150] has made application for a spacing exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3 .37) . Applicant seeks exception to the LEASE LINE requirement for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 63, Bk. C, CCSD&RGNG RR CO Survey, A-42, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, UPTON County, being 14.9 miles N direction from RANKIN, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A 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 have questions which are specific to the Application or the information set forth in this Notice, please contact the Commission's Drilling Permit Unit at rule 37 (512)463-6751.

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY May 7, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO 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	:	CARLA EAST B
Lease/Unit Well No.	:	6223LH
Lease/Unit Acres	:	1051.0
Nearest Lease Line (ft)	:	1.0
Nearest Well on Lease (ft)	:	71.0
Lease Lines	:	220.0 F NORTH L, 394.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines	:	220.0 F NORTH L, 394.0 F WEST L

Wellbore Profile(s) : Horizontal

Lateral: TH1
Penetration Point Location
Lease Lines: 220.0 F NORTH L, 394.0 F WEST L
Terminus Location
BH County: UPTON
Section: 61 Block: C Abstract: 41
Survey: CCSD&RGNG RR CO
Lease Lines: 10.0 F NORTH L, 60.0 F WEST L
Survey Lines: 10.0 F NORTH L, 60.0 F WEST L

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

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA): Special Rules 330/0, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 10000 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Tammy Aylesworth, at (432) 682-7443.

Autos For Sale-Lease

Passenger Cars

2012 BMW 528i - white with tan leather interior. Purchased certified with regular maintenance at local BMW dealership. Heated front seats, sunroof, navigation system, premium sound...fully loaded. Beautiful and runs great. Asking $21,900.00. 432-425-2671.

TOYOTA 2007 Yaris, 3 door lift back. Only 26,200 miles. $4,500. Call D J at 432-210-0983

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FORD 2004 F 150, XLT 4 door crewcab, white with gold trim completely loaded, sliding bed cover, new tires, very clean, engine good, 4 WD, tow package. 190K miles. $6,750.00 575-937-7567 for appointment.

4WD and SUV

2014 STEEL Blue Jeep Wrangler Unlimited Rubicon. 6 speed manual transmission. Less than 24K miles. $29,500.

4WD and SUV

FORD 2003 Escape XLT, 154K miles. Black, good condition, 1 owner. $3,000 cash only.432-352-4806

2010 Lincoln MKX CROSSOVER, Silver, top of the line, excellent condition, navigation system,moon roof, 71,700 miles, "low mileage", original owner, well-maintained, $11,900. Call 432-638-1631

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HARLEY Davidson, 2013 Street Bob. Custom bike. Saddlebags, windshield, Lizard lights, etc. 12,500 Miles. $7,000. Call 432-352-7470.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP

This notice to the public is given with regard to the dissolution of the partnership between Dale Henson and Gordon Bentley. The effective date of the Agreement to Dissolve is Feb. 1, 2018. The partnership was called SUBMERSIBLE OILPUMP SERVICES, LLC.

As of the date above, Dale Henson will no longer be liable for the debts of the partnership.

Any persons having claims, or requesting information may contact the attorney for SUBMERSIBLE OILPUMP SERVICES, LLC undersigned below.

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By:___/s/CaldwellFletcher___
Caldwell Fletcher
SBOT# 07141710
401 Allen Parkway #100
Houston, Texas 77019
Phone: (713) 284-1624

ATTORNEYS FOR SUBMERSIBLE OILPUMP SERVICES, LLC

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Thelma J. Fuson, Deceased, were issued on March 27, 2018, in Cause No. P19374, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Nancy Fuson Howell.

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

c/o: **Brent A. Morgan**
Attorney at Law
415 W. Wall, Suite 1412
Midland, Texas 79701

DATED the 3rd day of April, 2018.

Brent A. Morgan
Attorney for Nancy Fuson Howell
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Midland, Texas 79701
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF MONTIE WATSON, DECEASED:

Notice is hereby given that on the 3rd day of April, 2018, Letters Testamentary were issued to Lia Watson as Independent Personal Representative in proceedings in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Probate, styled "In the Matter of the Estate of Montie Watson, Deceased," being No. P19373 in that Court, and which proceedings are still pending. All persons having claims against the Estate are hereby required to present the same to Lia Watson, c/o A.M. Nunley III, PLLC, P.O. Box 511, Midland, TX 79702, within the time prescribed by law.
DATED: April 4, 2018.

Lia Watson,
Independent Personal Representative of the Estate of Montie Watson, Deceased

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NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO FILE AN AFFIDAVIT OF NON-DEVELOPMENT/OR NON PRODUCTION

Rene Leaper
John Hillsman Leaper Life Estate
1945 Madie Keefe Road
Ridgely, TN 38080

Dated 3-20-2018

Bill Mathis,Blanks Building, Suite 300, Midland, TX 79701, Lease SSC-78,and Assignee of Assignment of Oil and Gas Lease recorded at Lake County, TN in Book SSC-119.

We, Rene Leaper and John Hillsman Leaper, being of sound mind, and current owner of said property, have all intent to file An Affidavit of Non- Development/ or Non-Production

The property located in Lake County, Tennessee, recorded under the name, Rene Leaper and John Hillsman Leaper (LE), being recorded as 46-12.01.and Map 46-12. Recorded in Book 40 Page 488, dated 11/20/2014.

The lease has expired by its own term, and lease/or leases were never development, or utilized by said lessee, or affiliates in the given terms of the lease. This will be your notification of said intent.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of James E. Farmer, Jr., Deceased, were issued on April 3, 2018, in Cause No. P19355, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Helen Farmer.

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

c/o: Jason B. Hamm
Hamm French, PLLC
3000 N. Garfield, Suite 205
Midland, Texas 79705

DATED the 3rd day of April, 2018.

HAMM FRENCH, PLLC
3000 N. Garfield, Suite 205
Midland, Texas 79705
Phone: (432) 375-6060

By: __/s/ Jason B. Hamm __
JASON B. HAMM
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Attorney for Applicant, Helen Farmer



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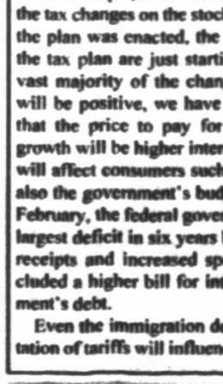
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March Winds Down

March was a very interesting month. From an economic perspective, the two "headline" events included a very strong employment report and the Federal Reserve Board announcing that they were raising rates for the fifth time in just over two years. And while these are very important events shaping the economic landscape, we have to remind ourselves that there are many other factors in play right now.

For example, while we witnessed the effect of the tax changes on the stock market even before the plan was enacted, the economic effects of the tax plan are just starting to hit. While the vast majority of the changes in the economy will be positive, we have already pointed out that the price to pay for stronger economic growth will be higher interest rates. These rates will affect consumers such as homebuyers, but also the government's budget. For example, in February, the federal government racked up the largest deficit in six years because of lower tax receipts and increased spending -- which included a higher bill for interest on the government's debt.

Even the immigration debate and implementation of tariffs will influence the economy. One of the greatest needs today is more inventory for our nation's homebuyers and builders are complaining about the lack of skilled labor to build our homes. Tariffs on lumber and steel will also have a negative effect upon the cost of building our homes, though it is hopeful that our domestic production can step-up and create more jobs. The good news is that the economy is stronger, and jobs are being created -- plus homebuyers are waiting to purchase your home if you are willing to sell it.

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5 Home Upgrades Under $100

Looking to give your home an upgrade but lacking a big budget? There are tons of small home tweaks all packing serious redesign punch. Here are five home upgrades for under $100.

Paint. Painting has long been the budget designer's best friend, as a coat of paint can make a room feel fresh and new, and leaves ample room for creativity. You can completely recolor the whole room, or add an extra accent pop on one wall.

Get new drapery. New curtains for the living room or bedroom can offer an interesting new look with minimal effort and cost. Go seasonal with colors--think yellow for spring and bright blue for summer--or simply swap to a heavier fabric once winter arrives.

Lighting upgrade. Install new lighting in a previously drab room to give it an immediate visual upgrade. Bathrooms are often in need of a lighting upgrade, but another frequent offender is the front entryway, where guests view your home for the first time.

Replace hardware. Replacing the hardware on your cabinets is an easy way to give your kitchen a bit of bedazzling without breaking the bank.

Create a door shelf. Adding a shelf above a door way not only creates more storage room, but is an elegant place to display photos or books. Simply add a wooden shelf above your door and then paint it to match the door's trim.

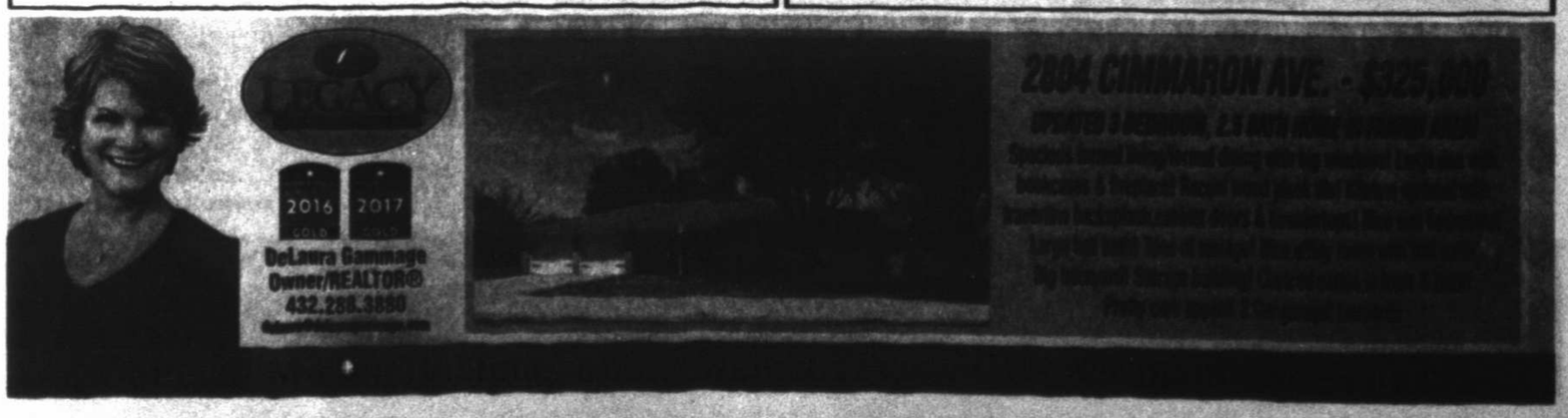
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SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES





Josie Alvarez
Realtor Associate
296-1395





Escape the Hustle and Bustle!

Escape to this quiet and beautifully nestled property located on the coast of hubbard creek lake. You will enjoy a spacious property along with a spacious lake house overlooking the lake. There are four bedrooms, three full baths and two living areas in this wide open floor plan. The property is surrounded by established trees and foliage that provides coziness and privacy. Permitted to use lake water for the yard. Extra carport and parking available on the property. Too much to mention. See for yourself and call for a showing at 3039 County Rd 318 Breckenridge Texas.















Congratulations Susan!



Susan Palmer
Realtor Associate
978-7816

Women of Distinction Award from the Girl Scouts of West Texas 2018

Susan is an outstanding agent here at Legacy, specializing in selling and leasing residential properties. She won the Bronze Producer Award in 2013 and 2014, as well as the Gold Producer Award in 2015,2016, and 2017. She is an Emerson Lifetime PTA member, where she won the Volunteer of the Year award in 2012, and has served in various positions for the organization. There, she created and implemented "Reading Rodeo". A reading incentive program for elementary students. Susan's three years of Girl Scouts brings back memories of making friends, learning new skills, making crafts, and especially Girl Scout Day Camp. Girl Scouting helped her gain confidence and instilled a desire and motivation to serve.



6605 E Count Rd 109 - $750,000

MLS#R50013902A. Stunning 4 bed 3 bath with remarkable stained concrete flooring thruout! Living area offers wood burning fireplace & opens to fabulous kitchen with breakfast area! Tons of cabinetry! Stainless appliances & beautiful granite! In law plan! Fantastic master suite offers separate closets, walk in shower & jetted tub! Great rooms! Covered patio & in-ground pool! Extra garage & storage added in 2013! 4.82 Acres!



11601 W County Rd 58 - $675,000

MLS#R50013559A. *Be prepared to be impressed! The ultimate family home perfect for entertaining + equipped for animals! All in one property! Gorgeous home is updated with amazing granite & wood flooring! Office + bonus room/man cave! Sparkling pool with waterfall! Great outdoor cooking kitchen under large patio! Fully equipped guest house! Stalls, barn, fencing for horses, goats, donkey! Bring your family, friends & pets!"

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Call DeLaura Gammage 288-3880



SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 1:00-2:00
5711 Cranston - $499,900
4BD/3.5BA
Listed by Ashley St. John
Shown by

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3308 Stanolind - $435,000
4BD/3BA
Listed by Susan Palmer
Shown by Kristie Hendricks

OPEN 1:30-2:30
4107 Godfrey St. - $315,000
4BD/3BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Reece Rivers

OPEN 2:00-3:00
1901 Gladewood Drive - $575,000
4BD/3BA
Listed & Shown by Kay Rivers

OPEN 2:00-3:00
2008 W. Missouri - $385,000
4BD/3BA
Listed by Amanda Gaster

OPEN 3:30-4:30
2804 Cimmaron Ave. - $325,000
3BD/2.5BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Reece Rivers

OPEN 3:30-4:30
2510 Colonial Oaks Ct. - $900,000
4BD/4.5BA
Listed by DeLaura Gammage
Shown by Amanda Gaster

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- **Over 900 production data books (Lockwood's, PI, NMOGEC)**
- **370 geology, engineering, regulatory, and other books**
- **221 shelf units, 31 file cabinets, 2 desks, 3 credenzas, 15 tables, 30 chairs**
- **9 computers, 2 copiers, 6 printers, 3 scanners, 6 network devices, 7 phones**
- **14 wall maps, 20 pieces oil field artwork and other decorative items**
- **and more...**

Oil and gas libraries, operating companies, educational institutions, and other interested parties are invited to submit acquisition proposals. The deadline to express potential interest in submitting a proposal is April 15, 2018. For additional information, including proposed terms, data coverage areas, a detailed inventory, and the current floor layout, please contact:

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Single Family Homes

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Featured Listing



3121 FAIRFIELD LANE

If you are looking for "Practically Perfect," than look no further! This 4 bedroom (plus office) 3 bath home is stunning from top to bottom with many high-end finishing touches. Gourmet kitchen, sequestered master bedroom, and lovely finishes! Come see it today! $459,900 MLS#50014130

FEATURED LISTINGS

9700 FM 307	Residential or Commercial Land, Will subdivide into 1 Acre Tracts	MLS #50005743		$860,000
7110 E. Co. Rd. 114	4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, New Const., Cheney Ranch	MLS #50010571	UNDER CONTRACT	$499,999
803 W. I-20	Great Frontage with Awesome Visibility! 1.95 acres	MLS #50012318	UNDER CONTRACT	$499,000
4403 Woodhollow Drive	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, Briarwood	MLS #50014047	UNDER CONTRACT	$475,000
5611 Co. Rd. 1214	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, New Const.	MLS #50011954	UNDER CONTRACT	$475,000
3121 Fairfield Lane	4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, Well & Generator	MLS #50014130	UNDER CONTRACT	$459,900
10507 E. Co. Rd. 100	4 bedrooms, 2 baths, HUGE shop in Greenwood	MLS #50012532	UNDER CONTRACT	$384,900
1216 Convair Drive	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, New Const.	MLS #50012909	NEW LISTING	$360,000
1217 Convair Drive	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, New Const.	MLS #50012908	UNDER CONTRACT	$327,000
2513 Cimmaron	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage + shop	MLS #50012755	UNDER CONTRACT	$309,000
3805 Bedford Ave.	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 1 living, 2 car garage	MLS #50012693	SOLD	$285,000
2717 W. Co. Rd. 130	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, 1/2 acre	MLS #50012795	SOLD	$254,000
5252 Lake Co. Rd. 256	3 Bed, 2 Bath, On Lake Colorado City	MLS #100038	OWNER CARRY	$80,400

Sandy J. Hanson
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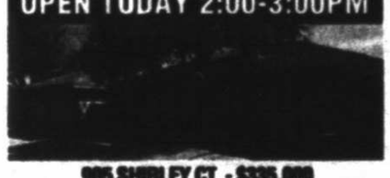


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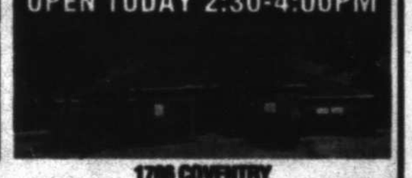
905 SHIRLEY CT. - $335,000
Patio Home. 3 Bedrooms, 2.5 Baths, 2 Car Garage.
Quiet Cul-de-Sac Location
Shown By Cindy Hanson 432-425-6000

OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30PM



1705 CUTHBERT - $475,000
Mint Mowing Mid-Century modern by architect Al Beck. There's nothing in Midland like this. Absolutely breathtaking architecture and is a fabulous home in "The Best of Old Midland" Ceilings, glass, beautiful rooms and there is plenty of lot to add on and make it your own. Go back to Sinclair sitting and smoking!!! This is just cool past cool and is waiting on somebody to make it their own.
Shown by Pam Hanson 432-230-0000 of The Pam Team Midland 1st Choice 432-699-7000

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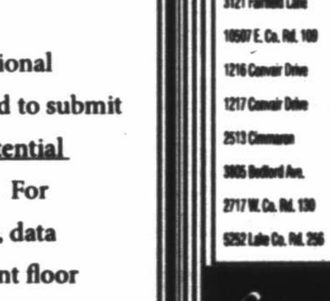


1708 COVENTRY
Absolutely stunning Swing Pole Park! This home has room, room, room!!! Large kitchen lovely painted, new appliances, huge bedrooms. Tall ceilings, very versatile plan. Has beautiful sunroom professionally added. Exercise room, 3 living areas. If wanted, 5th bedroom can be playroom/media room. You simply won't believe what is here for this price. Weekdays with HVAC. Go and see and see with enjoyment.
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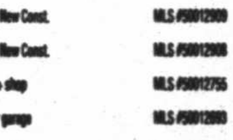


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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES & FEATURED HOMES



3800 VIA 1210
3 large bedrooms, 2 baths, large open kitchen, lots of storage. Team Home owner! Abstracted & 1220 sq ft. 2 bedroom with kitchen, bath, utility & living room panel for the Broker, etc. 3 BEDROOMS!!!, parking for RV's, boats, 12,000 gallon water galvanizing tank w/pump, 8 car carport, lots of shade!
$179,000



4712 Reed Dr
Fantastic 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with big open plan, full granite package, upgraded tile, upgraded appliances, corner gas fireplace, ceiling fans, large master & huge walk-in closet! Laundry is added to master closet as a pass through great floor space, high ceilings, Light and bright, shows Terrific!
$256,000



5407 Wilkinson Dr
Super clean, super spacious! Incredible maintenance on this 3 bedroom 2.5 baths, updated floors, roofing, roofing, painting, back porch, 9 ft. doors, Palm shutters, counters, 2 patios, massive Rog, Electric bedroom Bath, game room, oversized kitchen, Smart floor plan with no wasted space!
$408,900



3513 Park Ln
Updates in this 4 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living area home with tons of Kitchen cabinets & island! Fireplace in living area, open plan to dining room and kitchen! Separate family room! Separate master with fireplace and sitting area, walk-in closet! New oversized patio, patio addition. Great house for the $$$!
$349,900



3300 Shaffer Ln
High ceilings, open kitchen, dining & breakfast area w/ tons Kitchen cabinets, Huge Master Suite! w/ tons of cabinets, Big, Master bathroom, great floor plan, Split bedrooms, 2 generous sized bedrooms both w/ walk-in closets, 3 car garage, Outdoor grilling area w/ storage cabinets, Fireplace!
$401,900

7110 W.R. 48
A dream come true! Picture perfect country dwelling! Just down gravel drive from the beauty of quality in the Permian Basin! Well maintained 4 bedroom, 3 bath, 2 living areas, 2 fireplaces, 3 car garage, Guest House with full bath, kitchen, and all the comforts of home! Large pasture for RV parking! Shade tree awaits in the front! Room for all your pleasure shooting!!
$1,250,000



2700 Calloway Dr
4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, Master has attached private study! Luxurious master bath, with a Built In The City closet! Complete with wardrobe area or game room. Gourmet kitchen with Wolf appliances, Dream room fully equipped apartment for in-laws or college kids. This one is truly magnificent!
$765,000



910 W Tennessee Ave
Stand out corner lot with mid-50's time architecture. Hardwood floors, bamboo flooring & tile, stainless appliances with gas stove and shelf, refrigerator/freezer to negotiate. Updated bath in master. Separate dressing room with additional fireplace that is double sided! This home is a must see!
$345,000

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5011 S. CO. RD. 1214...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011954 ..... SALE PENDING

1216 CONVAIR DR....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50012909 ..... $369,000

1217 CONVAIR DR....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50012908 ..... SALE PENDING

JC CHAVEZ CONSTRUCTION

609 S. ADAMS ST...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50012722 ..... SALE PENDING

LUPUS HOMES

1101 PENNSYLVANIA AVE...Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6866 ..... MLS #50010702 ..... SALE PENDING

ANNABELLA HOMES, LLC

7307 E. CO. RD. 91....Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50008626 ..... $370,000

GOMEZ CONSTRUCTION

910 S. BAIRD ST...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50012057 ..... SALE PENDING

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

604 SOLOMON LANE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50009355 ..... $3,250,000
6112 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012849 ..... $2,500,000
2510 COLONIAL OAKS CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012754 ..... $900,000
6700 W. CO. RD. 44...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010101 ..... $825,000
5713 HILLCREST PL...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012307 ..... $825,000
4208 GREENVILLE....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50010426 ..... SALE PENDING
2101 DEEANNA....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50013116 ..... $699,000
3913 TUMBLEWEED TR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50014090 ..... $675,000
3304 MAMAR CT....Karen Foster ..... MLS #50011311 ..... $629,000
3100 SHELL AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50014036 ..... $585,000
1901 GLADEWOOD DRIVE....Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50014064 ..... $575,000
1613 SEABOARD AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50009787 ..... SALE PENDING
3904 ARROYO DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013561 ..... SALE PENDING
4217 BAYBROOK PL....Karen Foster ..... MLS #50011851 ..... $515,000
3406 FELDSPAR LANE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013710 ..... SALE PENDING
2904 SENTINEL....Donna Omar ..... MLS #50013240 ..... $499,000
5100 WIDENER STRIP....Danny Norwood ..... MLS #50004532 ..... $499,000
5301 DUNRAVEN CT....Stacy Gonzalez ..... MLS #50013550 ..... SALE PENDING
4403 WOODHOLLOW DR....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50014047 ..... SALE PENDING
5007 SUNDANCE PL....Karen Foster ..... MLS #50013650 ..... $474,000
1002 BATES....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50013837 ..... SALE PENDING

3121 FAIRFIELD LANE....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50014130 ..... SALE PENDING
2827 STUTZ....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50014175 ..... $469,000
2112 EVANS LN....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $435,000
3300 STAINLAND....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50013567 ..... $436,000
4405 LLANO CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013925 ..... SALE PENDING
5702 LOS PATIOS DR....Pam Dodd $410,000
4015 RICHMOND DR....Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... $399,000
3204 HIGHBY....Martha Manulik ..... MLS #50013329 ..... $395,000
5200 MATHIS....Martha Manulik ..... SALE PENDING
5505 GRASSLAND....Martha Manulik ..... MLS #50012480 ..... $379,000
3124 PATRICK....Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ..... MLS #50002486 ..... $369,500
4105 CRESTRIDGE DR....Leah Watkins $369,500
5012 STONELEIGH DR....Denise Brasher ..... MLS #50014011 ..... $365,000
5000 CASTLEFORD....Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50014107 ..... $360,000
5000 BACA ST....Brittany Boyd ..... MLS #50013904 ..... $349,000
1500 SAN MIGUEL AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013744 ..... $345,000
2903 EMERSON PL....Karen Foster ..... MLS #50011909 ..... $335,000
3407 ALICIA COURT....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50014237 ..... $329,000
4900 MELVILLE DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013475 ..... SALE PENDING
63 STUTZ CT....Cheryl Parrish $324,900

4107 GODFREY ST....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50014033 ..... $315,000
1311 CERRILLOS....Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50010457 ..... $314,999
5702 VANGUARD....Donna Omar $305,000
5302 WIDENER STRIP....Lavonne Johnson 770-3803 ..... MLS #50004532 ..... SALE PENDING
4000-10 FAIRGATE DR.-DUPLEX....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50006199 ..... $299,900
5507 WAGNER....Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50013054 ..... SALE PENDING
6110 CRYSTAL SKY LN....Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50006820 ..... $295,000
1601 W. MICHIGAN....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013888 ..... $290,000
2600 DURANT....Pam Dodd $288,000
#10 HARBOR COURT....Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #50006418 ..... $279,900
3002 NORTHTOWN....Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50005704 ..... $275,000
2609 FRONTIER DR....Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011734 ..... $265,000
4015 RICHMOND DR....Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50013323 ..... $435,000
7310 E. CO. RD. 91....Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50009732 ..... $260,000
3618 STORREY AVE....Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50012765 ..... SALE PENDING
3217 SINCLAIR....Donna Omar ..... MLS #50007298 ..... $235,000
1927 E. PECAN AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013279 ..... SALE PENDING
4010 N. CO. RD. 1278....Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50012879 ..... $199,900
604 W. KANSAS AVE....Lisa Russell 741-5864 ..... MLS #108203 ..... $199,900
709 UPLAND DR....Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #50005299 ..... $199,900

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

3701 CARDINAL LN....Pam Dodd $850,000
4403 GREEN TREE BLVD....Gina Reyes ..... MLS #50013622 ..... $800,000
3900 IRVIN DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013679 ..... $525,000
1 OAKLAWN PARK....Reannah Glover ..... MLS #50014066 ..... SALE PENDING
4501 SHADY OAK CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013560 ..... SALE PENDING
3109 HUMBLE AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013574 ..... SALE PENDING
7900 S. CO. RD. 1295....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012688 ..... SALE PENDING
5712 SABINE DR....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013599 ..... SALE PENDING
5403 LOS PATIOS....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50014141 ..... $375,000
1804 NORTH N....Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #50008505 ..... $369,900
4321 STOREY AVE.-DUPLEX....Skye Farris ..... MLS #50014101 ..... $350,000
3322 HAYNES....Reannah Glover ..... MLS #50013581 ..... $335,900
2904 CIMMARON AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50014199 ..... $325,000
5010 BLUEBIRD BRANCH CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50014155 ..... SALE PENDING
4907 HILLSBORO CT....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013956 ..... SALE PENDING
4700 ROSEWOOD....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50009562 ..... SALE PENDING
2513 CIMMARON....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50012755 ..... SALE PENDING
3102 PRINCETON....Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50010427 ..... $299,500
4700 BISHOP'S CASTLE....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50009643 ..... SALE PENDING
5405 SAN SABA CT....Gina Reyes ..... MLS #50008830 ..... $299,000
1415 PINE....Lavonne Johnson 770-3803 ..... MLS #5001414 ..... $299,000
5200 GREEN TREE BLVD....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013385 ..... SALE PENDING
2921 MOSS AVE....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009731 ..... $279,900
2905 SKYLINE....Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ..... $279,000
109 CLUB DR....Jose Alvarez $264,900

6811 COLONY RD....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013890 ..... SALE PENDING
2905 DOUGLAS....Karen Foster ..... SALE PENDING
6001 MEDINA DR....Leah Watkins 559-2187 ..... SALE PENDING
6000 KING RANCH RD....Pam Dodd $289,000
1500 ALCOVE CT....Darla Davis ..... MLS #500140059 ..... $289,000
1200 PRAIRIE LANE....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #1000034433 ..... $285,000
3527 SEABOARD AVE....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50013745 ..... $284,900
5305 CANADIAN....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... SALE PENDING
6009 KING RANCH RD....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $280,000
3301 W. SHANDON....Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50014206 ..... $349,900
4005 BISHOPS CASTLE DR....Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ..... MLS #50003188 ..... $340,000
3501 CLAREMONT DR....Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50001081 ..... $340,000
3305 EDGEMONT DR....Leah Watkins $339,000
5905 WAGNER....Lauren Smith 201-9575 ..... SALE PENDING
5210 CANADIAN....Donna Omar ..... MLS #50003775 ..... $335,000
3014 W. KANSAS AVE....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... SALE PENDING
1001 CASCADE CT....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50012389 ..... SALE PENDING
2001 DOUGLAS....Pam Dodd ..... SALE PENDING
1003 REELY AVE....Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #50004091 ..... $332,000
1109 HILLTOWN RD....Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50008001 ..... $329,000
2412 EMERSON CT....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009158 ..... $329,000
702 SINCLAIR AVE....Lisa Russell ..... MLS #50012958 ..... $325,000
405 CREMONA DR....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50004711 ..... $325,000
3001 STANDLAND....Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $325,000

3405 BOYD AVE....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50007035 ..... $325,000
3004 SINCLAIR....Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50009605 ..... $324,900
4007 CONCHO....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50013117 ..... SALE PENDING
900 SHEA LN....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50003252 ..... $323,000
3011 PRINCETON....Donna Omar $320,000
3203 W. SHANDON....Martha Manulik 557-8744 ..... MLS #50001315 ..... $315,000
3310 EDGEMONT DR....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50013046 ..... $314,900
3005 JORDAN AVE....Skye Farris $313,000
909 WAVERLY DR....Skye Farris ..... MLS #50006416 ..... $300,000
2202 N. D ST....Larry Hatfield ..... MLS #50011463 ..... $199,900
2500 NOVA DR....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50002192 ..... $195,000
4405 PARKDALE DR....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009781 ..... $179,900
4323 PRINCETON AVE....Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50011266 ..... SALE PENDING
3230 WHITTLE WAY....Leah Watkins 559-2187 ..... $160,000
1002 JEFFERSON....Lavonne Johnson 770-3803 ..... MLS #50014039 ..... SALE PENDING
309 S. DALLAS ST....Darla Davis ..... MLS #50002102 ..... $157,000
5204 SAN ANTONIO....Danny Norwood ..... MLS #50004827 ..... $150,000
3105 DELAND AVE....Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ..... MLS #50008353 ..... $150,000
905 BROOKS....Denise Brasher ..... MLS #50013024 ..... SALE PENDING
4702 COMANCHE....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50006921 ..... $140,000
3214 PARK LN....Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50013553 ..... SALE PENDING
3000 W. OHIO....Lavonne Johnson 770-3803 ..... MLS #50011285 ..... SALE PENDING
1000 HOGFORD....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50009370 ..... $134,900
4405 PARKDALE....Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $134,900

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2505 CASTLEFORD RD....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012810 ..... SALE PENDING
2400 COLLEGE....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50013713 ..... $210,000

4720-B HARVARD AVE....Stephanie Masterson 556-1564 ..... $169,000
3330 CALDERA #148....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50008509 ..... $110,000

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4400 E. CO. RD. 63...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... MLS #109422 ..... $990,000
6700 W. CO. RD. 44...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50010101 ..... $825,000
6605 E. CO. RD. 109....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013992 ..... $750,000
5600 E. CO. RD. 97...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013068 ..... SALE PENDING
4311 E. CO. RD. 90....Tina Atkins 432-661-0062 ..... $665,000
11601 W. CO. RD. 58...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50013559 ..... $675,000
7213 E. CO. RD. 114, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633...MLS #50009497 ..... $630,000
6501 E. CO. RD. 110...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... SALE PENDING
7110 E. CO. RD. 114...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50010571 ..... SALE PENDING
12107 W. CO. RD. 92....Lisa Russell 741-5864 ..... MLS #108236 ..... $494,000
10295 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012756 ..... $469,000

6011 E. CO. RD. 130, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... 9 Acres/$439,000
7000 E. CO. RD. 110....Nicole Duncan ..... MLS #50012402 ..... $435,000
7000 S. CO. RD. 1205....DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ..... MLS #50012686 ..... SALE PENDING
11624 W. CO. RD. 94....Martha Manulik ..... MLS #50014042 2.5 Acres/$340,000
10507 E. CO. RD. 100...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50012632 ..... SALE PENDING
2200 E. CO. RD. 148....Donna Omar $325,000
1500 S. CO. RD. 1210, GREENWOOD....Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011618 ..... $310,000
1002 E. CO. RD. 120...Andrea Snell 559-4417 ..... MLS #50008114 ..... SALE PENDING
3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ..... $300,000
3700 W. CO. RD. 145...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50006046...10 Acres/$300,000

2300 E. CO. RD. 148....Donna Omar ..... MLS #50013410 ..... $345,000
1910 S. CO. RD. 1005, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633MLS #50012907 ..... $288,000
7200 E. CO. RD. 91....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... SALE PENDING
4010 N. CO. RD. 1278....Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50008485 ..... $249,900
10000 ECR 108....Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50012065 ..... SALE PENDING
4007 S. CO. RD. 1177...Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #50005740 ..... $240,000
10001 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... SALE PENDING
4010 N. CO. RD. 1278....Kay Bivens 934-5995 ..... MLS #50012879 ..... $199,900
6001 E. CO. RD. 85....Stephanie Masterson ..... MLS #50013602 ..... $194,000

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

14000 SOS N., BROWNWOOD, TX....Donna Omar 349-1458 ..... MLS #50006608 ..... $999,500
10 LA CAMPANA DR....Yvonne Gabaldon 210-6866 ..... MLS #50012653 ..... SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 240A, COMANCHE TX....Melody Carroll ..... MLS #50011044 ..... 199.301 Acres/$750,000
9011 CO. RD. 1214....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50011954 ..... $475,000
000 FM 1053, PECOS, TX....Lisa Russell ..... MLS #50013874...10 Acres/$450,000
14 SUSSEX DR., ODESSA....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #105380 ..... $349,000
3016 SAN PEDRO, ODESSA....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50005342 ..... $315,000
COLORADO CITY....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #50006943...10 Acres/$300,000
3020 CO. RD. 210, HUBBARD CREEK LAKE-BREKENRIDGE....Josie Alvarez $275,000

2742 FAIR OAKS CIRCLE....Darla Davis 260-8077 ..... MLS #105832 ..... $270,000
0000 KING RANCH RD., ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... $260,000
1700 BUFFALO AVE., ODESSA....Cheryl Parrish ..... MLS #50014014 ..... $210,000
0000 137, ODESSA....Pam Dodd 413-0780 ..... SALE PENDING
6725 CORNELL AVE., ODESSA....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #102576 ..... $204,000
1100 E. 44TH, ODESSA....Leah Watkins 599-2187 ..... MLS #50007312 ..... $200,000
1710 ROSEWOOD AVE., ODESSA....Darla Davis ..... MLS #50011952 ..... $199,000
2201 S. 3RD, LAMESA....Larry Hatfield 340-4788 ..... MLS #50008973 ..... $199,000
411 E. 16TH ST., ODESSA....Tina Atkins 432-661-0062 ..... MLS #9012659 ..... $199,000

409 OLD COURSE RD....Amanda Gunter ..... MLS #104104 ..... $195,000
409 E. 66TH STREET, ODESSA....Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ..... $189,900
14341 LOYOLA, GARDENDALE....Leah Watkins ..... MLS #50002358 ..... $180,000
9421 LAMAR AVE., ODESSA....Darla Davis ..... MLS #105231 ..... $175,000
912 CORONADO....Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276 ..... MLS #100010 ..... $169,000
10870 E. EMERSON ST., GARDENDALE....Leah Watkins 599-2187...MLS #50004439 ..... $133,000
2122 CENTER AVE., ODESSA....Tina Atkins 432-661-0062 ..... MLS #107310 ..... $117,000
9202 LAKE CO. RD. 250....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #100039 ..... $90,000

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12002 W. CO. RD. 100....Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50012355 ..... SALE PENDING
4300 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633,MLS #50009725&9 Acres/$1,375,000

6700 FM 307....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50005743 ..... $600,000
209 S. COLLEGE, STANTON...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50005763 ..... $265,000
2222 WOLFCAMP CIRCLE....Susan Palmer ..... MLS #50013380 ..... $200,000

1013 BECKEL, ODESSA....Ashley St. John ..... MLS #50010055 ..... SALE PENDING
401 HIGHLAND DR....Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ..... MLS #105867 ..... $99,000

LAND AND LOTS

3302 S. CO. RD. 1000, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50010433 ..... 89 Acres/$1,645,000
4300 S. CO. RD. 1131, GREENWOOD....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50011832 ..... 49 Acres/$1,375,000
6700 FM 307....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50005743 ..... $600,000
3701 CARDINAL LN....Pam Dodd $650,000
000 W. I-20....Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ..... MLS #50012316 ..... SALE PENDING
N. CO. RD. 1200....Reannah Glover ..... MLS #107935 ..... 70.5 Acres/$450,000
NOBLES....Karen Foster ..... MLS #50014128 ..... 10 Lots/$220,000
CO. RD. 60 W. AND 1200....Lavonne Johnson 770-3803 ..... MLS #50007443 ..... 3 Acres/$150,000
MARTIN CO....Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... MLS #50007174 ..... 10 Acres/$110,000
4875 S.E. CO. RD. 2700...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50013548 ..... 5.739 Acres/$94,000
12104 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ..... MLS #50013039 ..... $80,000
GREENWOOD LOT...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50013109 ..... SALE PENDING
4600 S.E. CO. RD. 2700...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ..... MLS #50013532 ..... 2.5 Acres/$44,000
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3672 SIERRA LANCE, CRAIGY DEL...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... $32,900
3620 SIERRA LANCE, CRAIGY DEL...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... $30,400
3500 FOXGLOVE ST., CRAIGY DEL...Michelle Leslkar 230-3633 ..... $30,000
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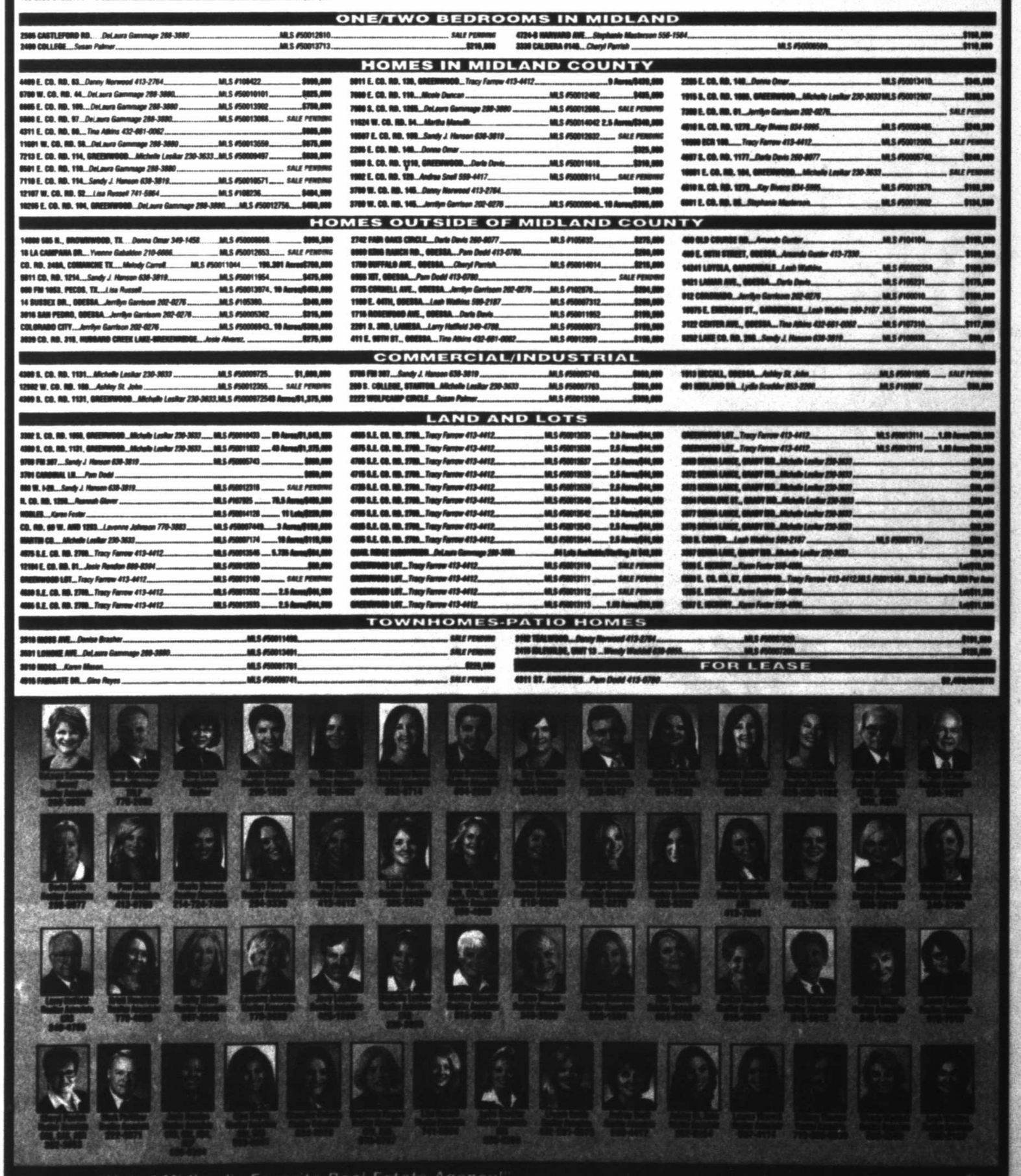
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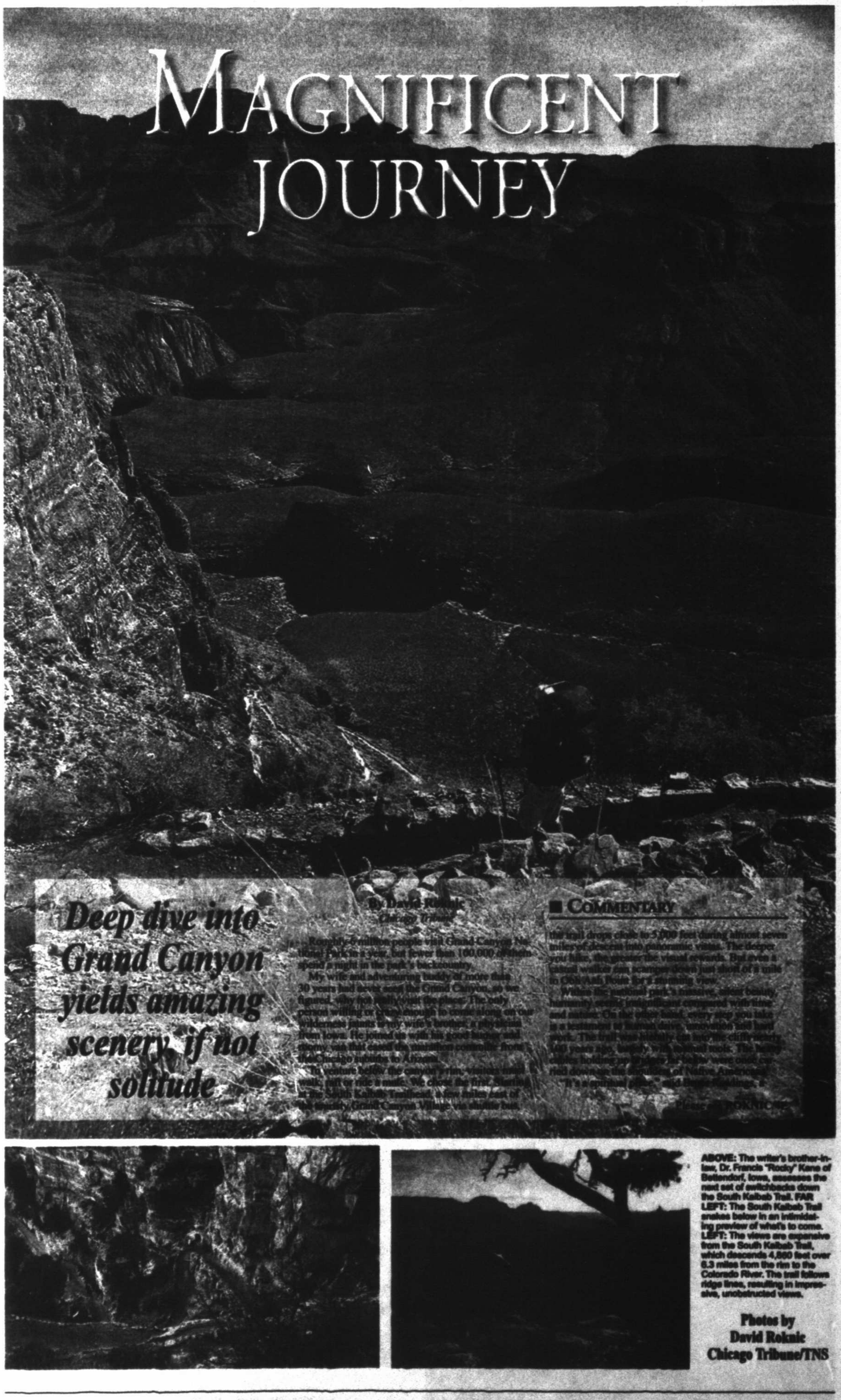
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Deep dive into Grand Canyon yields amazing scenery, if not solitude

By David Roknic
Chicago Tribune

Roughly 6 million people visit Grand Canyon National Park in a year, but fewer than 100,000 of them spend a night in the park's backcountry.

My wife and adventuring buddy of more than 30 years had never seen the Grand Canyon, so we figured, why not finally visit the place. The only person willing or available to come along on our wilderness jaunts is my wife's brother, a physician from Iowa. He joined us with his good humor and stormy rain that caused the marathon commuter drone from Chicago suburbs to Arizona.

To venture below the canyon's rim, visitors must walk, raft or ride a mule. We chose the first. Starting at the South Kaibab trailhead, a few miles east of the majority Grand Canyon Village via shuttle bus, the trail drops abrupt to 5,000 feet during almost seven miles of descent into panoramic vistas. The deeper you hike, the greater the visual rewards. But even a casual walker can scamper down just short of a mile in Ooh-Ahh, Point for a stunning view.

While the national park's massive, silent beauty, humanity seems insignificant compared with time and nature. On the other hand, every step you take is a testament to human drive, innovation and hard work. The trail was initially cut into the cliffs nearly 100 years ago, using only primitive tools. The historic cabins holding up bridges and shelter were built entirely from the materials of Native Americans.

"It's a spiritual place," said Dennis Kaufmann, a

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■ COMMENTARY

ABOVE: The writer's brother-in-law, Dr. Francis 'Rocky' Kane of Bettendorf, Iowa, assesses the next set of switchbacks down the South Kaibab Trail. FAR LEFT: The South Kaibab Trail snakes below in an intimidating preview of what's to come. LEFT: The views are expansive from the South Kaibab Trail, which descends 4,860 feet over 6.3 miles from the rim to the Colorado River. The trail follows ridge lines, resulting in impressive, unobstructed views.

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OIL PATCH KIDS

Beth Barton, front, and Susan McHughs, back row from left, Payton McHughs, Chase Minnix and Xan Minnix



OIL PATCH KIDS

Larry Johansen, from left, Landrie Johansen, Owen Rogers, Nathan Rankin, Linda Rankin, Traci McBride and Casey McBride



OIL PATCH KIDS

Oil Patch Kids: Dillon Blakley, from left, Kim Fotis, Kelly Grunewald, and Kelley Grunewald



OIL PATCH KIDS

Cassie Burkholder, from left, Brinson Hammond, Mary Burkholder, Jody Ferrell and Shaina Ferrell



OIL PATCH KIDS

Heather Godfrey, from left, Jamie Rogers, Crystal Hancock and Nathan Hancock



OIL PATCH KIDS

Robert Booth, from left, Patches, Ben Carter and Will Krueger

CASINO NIGHT BENEFITS OIL PATCH KIDS

The fourth annual Oil Patch Kids Casino Night had a look of the past. Guests were encouraged to dress from the 1920s,'60s,'70s or '80s. The event at Ranchland Hills Golf Club featured dinner of steak, chicken, mashed potatoes, sautéed vegetables, salad, rolls and mushroom gravy. Table centerpieces were black disco balls — bearing the sponsors' names in gold lettering — atop ostrich feathers that were spraying out of a tall vase.

Guests could exchange their casino "winnings" for tickets that could be entered into drawings for items such as a Carnival Cruise or a set of golf clubs.

Oil Patch Kids is local nonprofit that supports children in need.

To have an event included in "Out and About," contact Julie Donnelly at mrtjulie@outlook.com.



O'NEILL WEDDING

Ike Loose, from left, Meagan O'Neill, Flynn O'Neill, Patty O'Neill, Mitzi O'Neill and Spencer Beal



O'NEILL WEDDING

Don Evans, from left, Casey O'Neill Friedman, Kathy Bissell, Flynn O'Neill and Meagan O'Neill



O'NEILL WEDDING

Neill Li, from left, Josh Morris, Flynn O'Neill, Phillip Downing and Blake Morgan



O'NEILL WEDDING

Meagan O'Neill, from left, Flynn O'Neill, Clayton Winkler and Heidi Winkler



O'NEILL WEDDING

J.R. Christy, from left, Katy Christy, Carole Wayland, Flynn O'Neill and Meagan O'Neill



O'NEILL WEDDING

Jan O'Neill, from left, Tevis Herd and Patty Herd

NEWLYWEDS FETED AT A TRIO OF PARTIES

Midlanders Meagan Wayland and Flynn O'Neill were feted at a weekend of celebrations after their family-only wedding in February at Santa Fe's Loretto Chapel. The bride's parents are Carole and David Wayland, and the groom's parents are Jan and Joe O'Neill, all of Midland.

The couple, who honeymooned in Hawaii, were first honored in the home of Karen and Spencer Beal. Co-hostesses were Lauren and Craig Aldridge, Linda and Brad Bennett, Kathy and David Bissell, Judy and Don Floyd, Shirlee Locker, Melinda and Dan Moody, Bay and Tommy Ortloff, Kerry Scharbauer and Terry and Jack Wilkinson. Jalienne Hanley catered the meal of beef tenderloin, chicken lettuce wraps, rolls, shrimp, salmon bites, new potatoes, a variety of chips and crackers with dips and a dessert bar.

The next evening, friends of the couple's parents hosted a reception at Midland Country Club. There was dancing to music by Duck Soup of Austin and a cocktail buffet that included buffalo sliders and a sushi bar.

The groom's parents then hosted breakfast before out-of-town guests departed. The buffet included heart-shaped doughnuts, breakfast burritos and egg casseroles.

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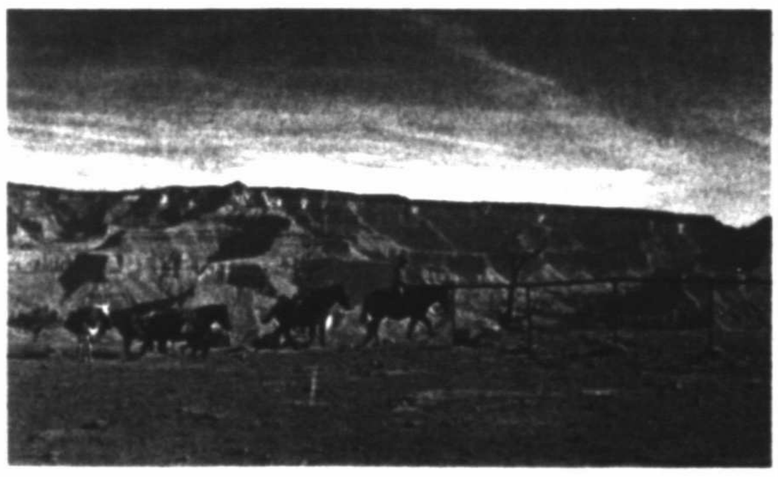
Rhodes - Fielder

Haley Rhodes and Tristan Fielder were united in marriage on January 6, 2018 at St. Luke United Methodist Church in San Angelo, Texas with Gilbert Bela officiating. The reception was held at RiverView at River Terrace. The wedding rehearsal dinner, hosted by the groom's parents, was held at Zentner's Daughter in San Angelo.

Haley is the daughter of Todd and Donna Rhodes of Midland, Texas. She is a 2016 Angelo State University graduate, where she served as Vice President of the Student Government Association. She earned degrees in Intelligence, Security Studies, and Analysis and Psychology.

Tristan is the son of Anne Horn of Killeen, Texas and Brad and Tracy Fielder of Early, Texas. He is a 2017 Angelo State University graduate where he served as President of the Student Government Association. He earned a degree in Biology.

The couple will reside in San Antonio, Texas, where Tristan will pursue his Doctor of Medicine at the Long School of Medicine.



David Roknic/Chicago Tribune/TNS

Mules are a popular way for visitors to tour the Grand Canyon.

Roknic

From 1E

veteran Grand Canyon hiker from Calumet City. The adjunct finance professor at Illinois Institute of Technology has been coming here — often with rookie friends in tow — for nearly two decades. We bumped into him while waiting for the free Hiker's Express shuttle bus to the trailhead.

Despite the canyon's visual and spiritual wonders, hikers will find plenty of time to curse the trail, the sun, their legs, feet, boots and the person who convinced them this was a good idea.

Young and healthy backpackers with no fear of knee damage might be able to crank down to the Colorado River in four to five hours — faster yet if a mule carries their gear. But even in late October, the trek to the bottom was hot and dry, taking our party seven hours. When you finally catch a glimpse of the river, it's still many steps away.

At the canyon floor, most first-time hikers' goal is to get to the confluence of the Colorado River and rumbling Bright Angel Creek. There lies an oasis that includes the bustling Bright Angel Campground and the rustic-but-comfortable Phantom Ranch, with its small cabins, communal bunkhouses and a common dining room. The remote, natural setting turns this otherwise simple lodge into an indulgent luxury.

Phantom offers meals, prepaid, by reservation, but it's also a popular spot for people to drop by to buy lemonade, beer, snacks and souvenirs. River rafters on weeks-long float trips often stop at Boat Beach and hike the quarter mile to the ranch for cold beer and mule-delivered mail before tackling more rapids.

To get a backcountry camping permit, apply through the park's backcountry office four months in advance. We snail-mailed our fees ($82 for three people, three nights) and a few preferred dates at the end of May for an October trip. We received confirmation — for our third choice of dates — in mid-June.

A few essentials I'd recommend that backpackers bring with them: freeze-dried food, bug spray, sleeping bag and pad, flashlight and first-aid kit. In spring and fall, some seasoned canyon hikers count on the temperate weather and skip the tent. We weren't that brave. The most vital thing you'll need to carry with you is water. On a hot day, you might guzzle a gallon.

Hiking down the Grand Canyon

Because the area is so scenic, it's also in high demand. Campsites are stacked like spawning salmon. Be prepared for an experience more like car camping with chatty predawn neighbors and plenty of light pollution from today's high-lumen headlamps.

Want to go?

Reservations for Phantom Ranch are available via an online lottery system up to 13 months in advance; get details at www.grandcanyonlodges.com, or call 888-297-2757.

Despite such drawbacks, the once-in-a-lifetime trip to the depths of the canyon is well worth it. Eventually, though, you have to head back up.

We chose the 9.5-mile Bright Angel Trail for our ascent. One of the nation's most heavily traveled backcountry trails, it's better-maintained and generally gentler than its neighboring South Kaibab Trail.

After crossing the Silver Bridge over the Colorado, we followed the river to Pipe Creek Beach before turning south (and up) toward Indian Garden Campground, our home for the night. Just as on the South Kaibab, the trail has composting toilets along the way — an almost unheard of backcountry luxury.

Hardy hikers can climb back to the rim in one day, but bucolic Indian Garden is a welcome way station and a bit less hectic than the canyon bottom. It's worth dropping by the ranger station to enjoy the view from an easy chair on the front porch. If you're lucky, the ranger may have some snacks or fresh fruit to share.

The gradual ascent out of Indian Garden eased us into the next day, but steep climbs loomed ahead on the way to the rim 3,040 feet above. By the time we reached Three-Mile Resthouse, we'd started to share the trail with day hikers who'd hit the trail early with lofty goals.

Farther up, the trail got distinctly steeper. Even so, we started to pass hordes of casual hikers in less-than-sensible shoes carrying coffee cups and smelling of exotic soaps and shampoos. We were a bit of an anomaly, attracting wide-eyed questions about our hike, unsolicited congratulations and even a sense of awe of the "you must be crazy" variety.

At the top, we were belched into the throng of everyday visitors. We'd returned to the land of souvenir shops, ice cream stands, traffic, tour buses and trains.

If you've ever done true wilderness camping, you may miss that solitude on a trip to the canyon. But you'll have seen one of the world's most stunning natural features — right down to its guts.

Some people come to conquer the canyon with rim-to-rim runs or multiday backpacking challenges. But when we passed Rawlings, the frequent canyon hiker, as he rested on a rock along the trail, he summed up the key to a visit: "I'm just taking in the view."

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Grande gesture



Courtesy photos

Grande Communications recently made donations to two nonprofits. Crisis Center of West Texas and Senior Link Midland each received a check for $1,750. These donations are part of Grande's employee philanthropy club, Grande Cares. Crisis Center of West Texas provides free services to individuals affected by domestic and sexual violence. The center provides shelter, counseling, crisis intervention and advocacy to adults and their children. Programs of Senior Link Midland includes Meals on Wheels. ABOVE: On hand from Crisis Center of West Texas was Karen Hildebrand, executive director, third from left. Representing Grande were Kevin Bass, from left, Eric Burkhart, Toya Hunt and Tommy Pate, Grand Cares board member. BELOW: Representing Grande was Pate, second from left, and representing Senior Link were Tracy Renton, development director; from left, Lori Wesley, past board president; John Moesch, board president; and Kathleen Kirwan-Haynie, executive director.



BRIDGERESULTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Permian Bridge Club

March 26

Ann Servatius-Charlie Grimes-Linda Scarpelli-Greg Keys, Dorothy Brenneman-Marilyn Higgins, Ann Brooks-Mary Tift, Linda McDonald-Lonnie Yee

March 27

LaDoyce Lambert-Marlene Blumentritt, James Hawkins-Bob Bacon, Kay Arrell-Patti Heard, Linda Buzan-Shirley Davenport

March 28

Flo Curry-Blumentritt, Bacon-Hawkins, Grimes-Servatius, Bill Brooks-Brenda Brauner, Marty Massie-Higgins, Heard-Scarpelli, Buzan-Betty Moore

March 29

Paula Baggett-Brenneman, Georgia Temple-Higgins, Helen Davis-John Seymour, Les Neal-Buzan, Yee-Moore

Belle Harris-A. Brooks, Ann Parish-Sonya Hopkins, Greg Keys, David Hudson, Gloria Jackson-B. Brooks, Sandy Hill-Debbie Conner

Overall: Harris-A. Brooks, Brenneman-Baggett, Parish-Hopkins, Higgins-Temple, Keys-Hudson, Jackson-B. Brooks, Davis-Seymour, Hill-Conner, Neal-Buzan, Moore-Yee

March 30

Curry-Blumentritt, Heard-Ricki Perry, Bacon-Hawkins, Buzan-Moore-Baggett, Janet Stoltz-Debbie Conly-KC Evans, Edward McPherson-Parish

With Bob Jones

Great lead

Neither vulnerable, South deals

NORTH
♠A10832
♡J853
◇2
♣A64

WEST
♠J94
♡A764
◇1094
♣K108

EAST
♠KQ965
♡1092
◇J865
♣72

SOUTH
♠7
♡KQ
◇AKQ73
♣QJ953

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1◇	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♣	Pass	3♡	Pass
3NT	All pass		

Opening lead: ?

What would you lead from the West hand after this auction? The contract seems impregnable, with four club tricks, three diamonds, a spade, and at least one heart. West was Richard Oshlag, an expert from the Memphis area. He reasoned that a low heart lead might give away a trick and that South was likely to be very short in spades. Oshlag hit on the brilliant lead of the spade jack, probably hoping to pin a singleton 10 in the South hand. He didn't catch a singleton 10, but the lead still proved to be very effective.

South captured the jack with dummy's ace and led a low heart to his king. Oshlag won this with his ace and continued with the nine of spades. This was covered by the 10 in dummy and won by East with the queen. East switched to a diamond, won by South with the ace.

South could have made his contract at this point a couple of different ways, but the winning lines of play were way below the odds. All South needed was four club tricks to get his total to nine. He could afford to lose a club trick as long as he lost it to East.

Declarer led the queen of clubs, covered by the king, and won in dummy with the ace. He led a club back to the jack and then a third club. Oshlag won this with the 10 and led his last spade. East's king-five of spades took two more tricks to defeat the contract. Nice lead!

Get ready for the weekend by reading
WEEKENDER
Thursdays in the Reporter-Telegram



Using the correct height of your mower also will help conserve water.

Add organic matter, mulch to save water

CAROL SIDDALL
Permian Basin Master Gardener

Three months into 2018, and we are at 2 1/2 inches behind in our rainfall. After last year's rain, we are a little spoiled and definitely not ready for more drought. But there are some water-saving hacks out there.

Organic matter

Adding organic matter to our soil helps increase the soil's ability to absorb and store water in a form available to the plant, shrub or tree.

When selecting your trees, shrubs, or groundcovers, choose ones that are adaptable to our area. You can check out the Master Gardeners' website (westtexasgardening.org) for suggestions. Try to use native plants. Just remember that any plant will need a little extra water when first planted to help it get established.

If you still want a lawn in your landscape, look for ones that don't require frequent watering. In our area that includes St. Augustine grass, Bermuda grass, and Zoysia grass. I have not had much luck with the latter, however.

Mulch

Use mulch in your garden whenever possible. Organic mulch such as pine bark, compost and woodchips can reduce moisture evaporation from the soil. Mulch is also a great way to keep down the weed population.

Mowing

Using the correct height of your mower also will help conserve water. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension suggests mowing St. Augustine grass at 3 inches; Bermuda grass at 1 inch, and Zoysia grass at 2 inches.

Low-volume irrigation

If you use low-volume irrigation, you will be using water more efficiently. It will apply water only where it is needed and slowly enough to minimize runoff. I get upset when I see water running down the road from someone's sprinkler system.

Rainwater

Don't forget to harvest rainwater. If you have gutters already in place, capturing rain water is so easy. Just place a container under the downspout. If I had not had rainwater during our last drought I would have lost more plants then I did.

For more information, contact the AgriLife office in Midland at 686-4700.

Planting strawberries, pruning roses among the April chores

By Jessica Damiano
Newsday (TNS)

My favorite day of the year is the first day the birds wake me, and each year, that day comes in April. It's a day that feels hopeful and happy from the moment I open my eyes. It's around that time that the crocuses, daffodils, pansies, tulips and rhododendrons return, too. And with them the weeds, pests and diseases — and these tips and chores to keep them at bay, and breathe life into another year in the garden.

1. Lilies are traditional, but, for a change, consider decorating this year with Easter cactus, Rhipsalidopsis gaertneri.

2. No need to run the sprinkler this month; the lawn won't need watering yet, unless you've seeded.

3. If rose of Sharon needs pruning, now's your chance.

4. Plant strawberries in the garden, but not where tomatoes, peppers or potatoes have grown in the past three years.

5. Plant blackberries and raspberries outdoors.

6. Prune roses, and plant new bareroots.

7. Dig a trench 18 inches wide and deep, and plant asparagus.

8. Plant potatoes and sweet potatoes.

9. If seedlings started indoors grow leggy, pinch off tips to encourage fullness.

10. If you're planning to move houseplants outdoors this summer, repot them now into a pot that's 2 inches wider.

11. Divide crowded bog plants.

12. Rake the garden to remove residual leaves and plant debris.

13. When forsythia blooms on your block, it's time to apply pre-emergent crab grass control like corn gluten meal.

14. If it's cloudy, uncover the fig tree, then water well.

15. Today is the average last frost date on Long Island — go on and plant perennials.

16. For the healthiest plants, install a drip-irrigation system to direct water straight to roots.

17. If there's moss in your lawn, spread lime according to package directions.

18. Plant grapes.

19. Scratch a half-cup of Epsom salts into the soil beneath roses now, and they'll grow full and produce more blooms.

20. Harden off cole plant seedlings (broccoli, cauliflower and kale) before planting outdoors next week.

21. Divide fall-bloomers like Joe Pye Weed and asters.

22. Happy Earth Day! Consider starting a compost pile. Read my instructions at newsday.com/gardening101.

23 Remove spent flower heads from pansies to prolong their bloom time.

24. Till a generous helping of compost into prepared garden beds to add nutrients and improve drainage.

25. If chrysanthemums are three or more years old, dig up and divide them when new growth is 4 inches tall.

26. Plant cole crops outdoors.

27. It's Arbor Day: The best day to plant trees in New York.

28. Let foliage from spring bulb plants turn brown before removing.

29. Deadhead rhododendrons immediately after flowering, and prune azaleas after they bloom.

30. When grass reaches 3 inches tall you can start mowing, but don't fertilize until Memorial Day.

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Granny's sweetshrub now has the wow factor

ON GARDENING
By Norman Winter

The first time I saw the native sweetshrub I instantly fell in love with it, the small deep burgundy flowers and fragrance was an instant lure. I would see them at old homes and plant swaps but not so much in the marketplace.

It is known botanically as Calycanthus floridus and is native in more than 20 states in the Eastern United States, as far north as New York. In addition to the name sweetshrub, it is also called Carolina allspice and spicebush. Those names sound pretty marketable to me.

The western United States is not without its own version. The California allspice, *Calycanthus occidentalis* is somewhat similar, thinner petals and a little less fragrance. Both native versions, however, have been used in breeding to turn the sweetshrub world upside down.

The first is Hartlage Wine developed by North Carolina State University. My horticulture coordinator at the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens planted one in our shade garden under the guise of sweetshrub for a most pleasant surprise.

Last May as I was taking a walk to survey how things were progressing I felt as though I had found a treasure. Hartlage Wine was blooming, and I instantly recognized it as sweetshrub but 'Holy Wow' the flowers were larger than tennis balls and yielded a pleasant fragrance.

Hartlage Wine was created by an NC State grad student Richard Hartlage making a cross with the native *Calycanthus floridus* and the Chinese wax plant one *Calycanthus chinensis*. A long bloom period and fall yellow color make this plant have award winner written all over it and needs to be in woodland gardens everywhere.

North Carolina State University, Mills River, NC also made an outstanding cross called Aphrodite. It is a hybrid between the California allspice and the Chinese wax plant. Aphrodite has even more fragrance, a longer bloom period and flowers showing a little yellow in the center.

If fragrance is your goal however, then look for Venus. Venus also a N.C. State product is a cross between all three, *C. floridus, C. occidentalis* and *C. chinensis*. The result is a flower that is white, magnolia-like with all of the sepals or tepals opened and bringing you under the "spell of the smell" that has been described as the scent of strawberries and melons.

These shrubs are cold hardy from zones 5-9 and perform best in fertile, well-drained soil in full sun to part shade. The more sun the moisture will be needed. At the Coastal Georgia Botanical Gardens, we had ours planted under tall pines with high shifting light. The results couldn't be more perfect.

Expect yours to reach 5 to 10 feet tall and as wide depending on variety. As true to the native species expect then to offer root suckers. Remove these to create a more picturesque structure. The yellow fall color is a great addition to the woodland garden where it will stand out from quite a distance. Many will be ecstatic to know these are not on the deer menu!

The sweetshrub of our grandparent's era was nice, but these are better and so much showier. What's extra special is that now they are available in garden centers. I hope you will plant some and make some fragrant memories for your children.

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The American robin is probably one of the most common and well-known birds in North America. It can be found in every state, at least temporarily.

Robin is most common bird in North America

WILD ABOUT TEXAS
By Michael Price



Even though the weather in West Texas has been known to change dramatically, the arrival of spring can often be foretold by the animals that can be observed. One such animal in West Texas is one of the most easily identifiable birds in North America: the aptly named American robin.

The American robin (*Turdus migratorius)* is probably one of the most common and well-known birds in North America. It can be found in every state, at least temporarily. The robin can be observed throughout East Texas year-round, while in the Trans-Pecos and Panhandle regions it is most commonly seen in the spring as it migrates back from its neo-tropical winter home.

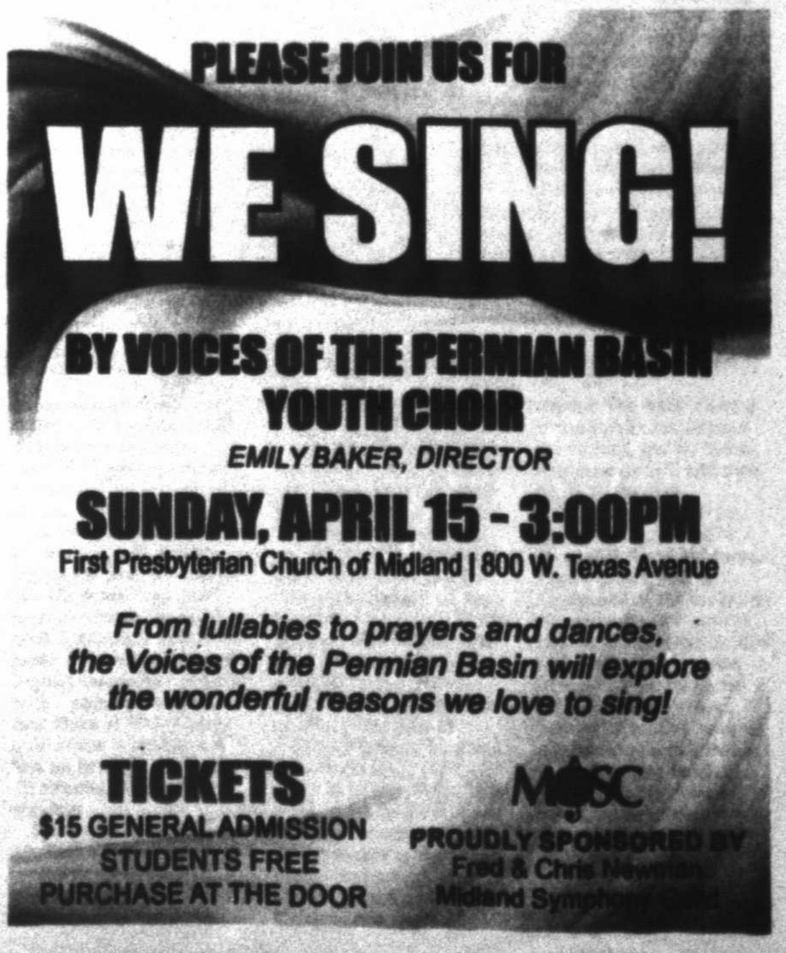
This is an attractive and colorful species of bird that exhibits a bright orange breast offset by gray upperparts. The head of the males are black, while in the females and juveniles, the head coloration matches the upperparts. It has a yellow bill, and the throat is white with black striping. There is an incomplete white ring around the eyes. The legs are long and lanky, and the tail is fairly long and dark-colored. The body length is about 10 inches, and the wingspan can approach 17 inches.

Robins can most commonly be observed while searching for food in a style that is almost comical in appearance. They will run for several steps, stop abruptly, peck at the ground, and then begin again. This is the "run-stop" foraging style.They feed primarily on earthworms, insects, berries and fruits. The flight pattern is easily recognizable because it is a direct path with strong wing-beats.

These birds typically live a solitary life during the spring, summer and fall. However, during the winter, robins occasionally will form flocks. They are known to pair up during the breeding season, with the male and female remaining monogamous during such time. The nest is typically found in trees and is made up of grass and mud, lined with finer grass. The three to seven eggs are small (roughly 1 inch by 1 inch) and are usually unmarked and colored a pale blue, although occasionally they will be off-white. These eggs hatch in about two weeks, and the female is the primary care-giver to the helpless young until they leave the nest approximately two weeks after hatching. Juveniles are colored similar to the adults, except they have a heavily spotted breast. Up to three broods per year have been recorded.

Robins are a common to abundant bird throughout their range in Texas. This is one species of bird that has adapted quite well to human encroachment, with many individuals seen foraging in lawns and gardens. They are not bashful, and many will utilize bird feeders littered with breadcrumbs.

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HINTS FROM HELOISE



King Features Syndicate

Ideal pie crust has three ingredients

Dear Heloise: There are only three ingredients in a good pie crust: flour, fat and water. Sometimes salt or sugar is added, but neither one is essential to a good crust. First, cut in butter or lard and mix with the flour until it resembles coarse meal. Next, add just enough ice water so that you can form a ball when you squeeze it. Allow it to rest for about 45 minutes in the refrigerator. After resting, it's ready to be rolled out. Handle the dough as little as possible, and be sure to stick your rolling pin in the refrigerator while the dough is resting. — Jane B., Missoula, Mont.

APPLESAUCE REPLACES OIL

Dear Heloise: Years ago, I used to make cookies from a box of cake mix. I don't know where I got the idea to substitute applesauce for the 1/2 cup of vegetable oil, but the cookies turned out great! They even had a slight taste of apple in them. — Edith B., Lakewood, N.J.

MERINGUE MESS

Dear Heloise: My meringue shrinks on top of the pie when it starts to cool off. It leaves a cloudy-looking liquid on the pie filling as it shrinks. What am I doing wrong? — Sandra O'B., Brenham, Texas

Sandra, when applying your meringue to the pie, make sure the pie is very hot and fresh out of the oven. Use a spatula to press the meringue to the edges of the pie crust before returning the pie to the oven for browning. After this step, let the pie cool off on a counter or cutting board before putting it in the refrigerator. — Heloise

STAINLESS STEEL

Dear Heloise: Baking soda on a wet sponge will do a beautiful job of cleaning a stainless steel sink. Afterward, spritz with vinegar and leave for a few minutes, then scrub again if you have stubborn hard-water stains. Use a little lemon oil or mineral oil to coat your sink and make it shine. — Jan Z., Hilo, Hawaii

MANGO PEELING

Dear Heloise: Some time ago, one of your readers wrote about using a potato peeler to peel a mango. Well, I finally tried it, and it's so easy and efficient. What a great suggestion! Thanks for all of your great ideas. — Mercy C., Sanford, Maine

WASH CUTTING BOARD

Dear Heloise: I found out the hard way that when working with chicken, everything you use — cutting board, countertop and knives — needs to be washed afterward in very hot, soapy water. It's so easy to forget this step when preparing chicken, but forgetting it can lead to food poisoning. — S.W., Monrovia, Ind.

A BOILING IDEA

Dear Heloise: When I'm boiling eggs, I sprinkle salt in the water. This makes peeling them much easier. — Margaret R., Monroe, La.

Send a great hint to: Heloise at P.O. Box 795000, San Antonio, TX 78279-5000 or by email to heloise@heloise.com

RV road trip with preteens is no vacation

DEAR ABBY



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

DEAR ABBY: I'm the youngest of four sisters. The oldest sister is the only one who has children — three girls under the age of 12. I'm a high school teacher who works about 60 hours a week during the school year between teaching, grading, attending meetings, completing paperwork, tutoring before and after school and planning lessons.

My second-oldest sister wants to plan an elaborate road trip this summer that involves renting an RV and driving cross-country with our nieces to visit Disneyland. She feels that since I have the summer off, I should be more than happy to go on this trek.

I love my students and nieces, but by the time summer rolls around, the last thing I want to do is spend a week or more in a camper with kids. I told her I have some summer training to go to, which is true, hoping she would drop the subject. She hasn't. I don't want my sister's or my nieces' feelings to be hurt, but I flat-out don't want to do this. What can I tell them? — SWEATING IT OUT IN THE SOUTH

DEAR SWEATING IT OUT: Forgive me if this is blasphemy, but Disneyland isn't everyone's cup of tea. That's why it's time to tell your sisters the truth. You deserve a child-free summer break if you want one, and that fact should not be regarded as a personal insult to anyone.

DEAR ABBY: I have worked with a woman for a little more than a year. Her daughter is having a baby. I have never met her daughter, but hear only negative stories about her and her boyfriend, who both live with this co-worker.

Today in the mail I received an invitation to this daughter's baby shower. I was told by another co-worker that we all (seven office people) are invited, although none of us have ever met her. I am surprised the woman I work with would do this. Does it seem strange to you, and should I feel guilty because I have no desire to go? Because of the invite, I feel I should give a small gift, but I'm sort of miffed about it. If you were me, how would you handle this? — CONFUSED CO-WORKER

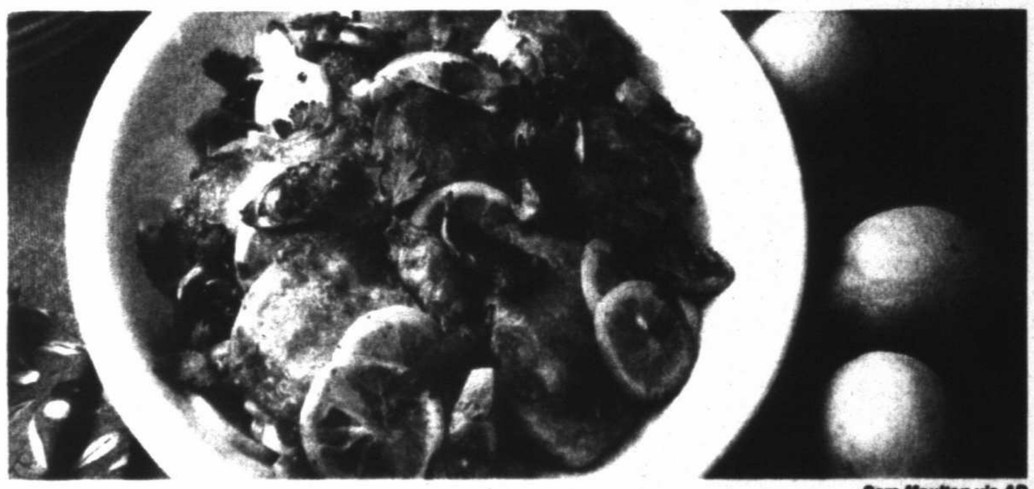
DEAR CONFUSED: The daughter and her boyfriend are living with your co-worker because they don't have enough money to live on their own. I don't know the reason for that, and neither do you. It's fair to assume that they will need things for their baby. I agree that by sending you an invitation to the shower, she has put you on the spot, but I can understand her doing it.

If I were you, in the interest of solidarity as well as charity, I would send a small baby gift — or consider a group gift with your other co-workers. Because I had heard nothing positive about the mother-to-be, I would send with it my regrets for being unable to attend.

DEAR ABBY: After I retired, I wrote a book. I sent a copy to old friends at no charge. Upon receipt, they gave lukewarm thanks and criticized me for not personalizing it by handwriting a few words to them.

How should I deal with these people who often tend to criticize? — PUZZLED IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR PUZZLED: Some people feel that an inscription in a book makes it a more personal gift. That said, "deal" with it by accepting the criticism graciously and offer to autograph your book for them if they will return it to you.



Sara Moulton via AP

Baked chicken thighs with preserved lemons and artichoke hearts. This dish is from a recipe by Sara Moulton.

KitchenWise: Serve baked chicken thighs with lemon pickles

By Sara Moulton
Associated Press

Preserved lemons, aka lemon pickles, are a delicious and unique treat that have long delivered a ton of salty and acidic crunch to the cuisines of North Africa, the Middle East and South Asia — and to America in recent years.

You can buy lemon pickles at a specialty store (or online) or you can make some at home. But both options have their problems. Lemon pickles from the store are often left to overstay their welcome and become rancid on the shelf, while making them at home can take up to a month because that's how much time they need to cure. Plus, you're generally forced to make a big batch because a minimum critical mass is required to produce enough juice to cover the lemons as they cure.

This recipe offers a much quicker way to make lemon pickles. Usually, the lemons are cured whole. Here they are sliced thin, layered with salt and left to cure at room temperature for 12 to 48 hours — your choice — although the longer they cure, the softer the texture and the stronger the flavor. Once cured, there's nothing left to do but rinse off your lemon pickles and decide which of a whole range of dishes they should glorify. You can add them as a garnish to soups, stews and roasted vegetables, chop and combine them with fresh herbs to top fish, slide them into a grilled cheese sandwich, or stir them into grain dishes.

What about those artichokes? They're in the recipe because they play so nicely with lemons. I've called for frozen or canned artichokes, although you're welcome to use fresh artichokes if you have the energy to cut them into hearts. (They'll be delicious.) If you do roll with the canned or frozen kind, just be sure to pat the artichokes very dry and cook them in a hot pan to achieve a nice golden color.

The beauty of this recipe is that once the lemon pickles are good to go, it takes no time at all to throw everything together. And the chicken, combined with a bit of wine, creates its own natural sauce as it cooks.

BAKED CHICKEN THIGHS WITH ARTICHOKE HEARTS AND LEMON PICKLES

Start to finish: 13 hours, (40 minutes hands-on)
Servings: 8
2 1/2 lemons, preferably thin-skinned
3 tablespoons kosher salt
1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
8 medium chicken thighs
One 14-ounce can artichoke hearts, drained, or one 9-ounce box defrosted frozen artichoke hearts
1/3 cup dry white wine
1/2 cup coarsely chopped fresh cilantro, parsley or dill

Rinse the lemons well and slice them crosswise 1/4-inch thick. Arrange half of the slices in one layer (or slightly overlapping) in the bottom of a noncorrosive baking dish or pie plate and sprinkle half the salt evenly over the slices. Repeat with the remaining slices and salt, cover and leave at room temperature for at least 12 hours and up to 48 hours. Rinse the lemons and remove the seeds. Only half will be used in this recipe; keep the second half, covered, in the refrigerator for other uses. The pickles will keep for two weeks in the fridge.

Preheat the oven to 350 F. In a large ovenproof skillet heat the 1 tablespoon oil over medium-high heat. Season the chicken with salt on the skin side, reduce the heat to medium and working in batches if necessary (if all the chicken doesn't fit easily in the pan), cook the chicken skin side down until the skin is nicely browned. Transfer the pieces to a plate and repeat with the remaining chicken if it didn't all fit in the pan the first time. Pour off all but 2 tablespoons of the fat left in the pan.

Pat the artichoke hearts very dry using paper towels. Add them to the skillet and cook them over medium-high heat, turning them occasionally until they are golden. Turn off the heat, return the chicken to the skillet, skin side up, and add half the pickled lemon slices. Pour the wine over the skillet and put the skillet on the middle shelf of the oven. Bake the chicken for 20 minutes or until it is just cooked through. Transfer the chicken, artichokes and lemon slices to each of eight plates and pour some of the juice from the bottom of the skillet over each portion. Sprinkle with cilantro and serve right away.

Nutrition information per serving: 248 calories; 156 calories from fat; 17 g fat (5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 93 mg cholesterol; 344 mg sodium; 4 g carbohydrates; 2 g fiber; 0 g sugar; 16 g protein.

Sara Moulton is host of public television's "Sara's Weeknight Meals." She was executive chef at Gourmet magazine for nearly 25 years and spent a decade hosting several Food Network shows including "Cooking Live." Her latest cookbook is "HomeCooking 101."

Simple vegetarian spring pasta salad can be prepared quickly

By Katie Workman
Associated Press

A great pasta salad is a beautiful thing. It anchors a picnic, potluck or buffet with aplomb. It's portable, flexible, and easily and often vegetarian.

One of the first things I made for my then-boyfriend's (now husband's) parents was a pasta salad, and for whatever reason, it won them over and became a most-requested dish.

Pasta salads are also such a nice way to play around with seasonal vegetables, so you can change things up all year. Spring and summer are peak moments to scoop up the great produce at the farmers' market, grab a box of pasta, and quickly turn all of it into a crowd-pleasing and easy side or main dish. I tend to pack in the vegetables, and the results are beautiful and nicely tilted toward the healthy side.

In this recipe, the asparagus and sugar snap peas get a bit more tender and keep their bright green color after a quick simmer, and the best part is that you can add them right into the pasta at the end of the cooking time; that saves a step and an extra pot.

If you chop the leafy greens, they will blend into the salad more, but sometimes I like to leave them whole and have the whole thing be kind of a cross between a pasta salad and a regular salad.

You can make this salad ahead of time, up to one day. Ideally, leave the arugula, spinach and basil out and add them right before serving. Adding the greens at the last minute keeps them from getting wilted and darkening. Also, hold off on the tomatoes: Tomatoes really should never see the inside of a refrigerator, and since you'll have to refrigerate this salad to keep it fresh, tossing in the tomatoes at the very end will keep them from getting slightly mealy.

If you have made the salad ahead, let it sit at room temperature for at least 20 minutes to take the chill off before serving, so the flavors all come shining through. Also, if you refrigerated the salad, the pasta will have absorbed the dressing a bit; add an extra drizzle of olive oil, and give it a toss to get it nice and glistening again.

SIMPLE VEGETARIAN SPRING PASTA SALAD

25 minutes start to finish
Serves 8

1 pound dried spiral pasta (or cavatappi, ziti, fusilli or other salad-friendly shaped pasta)
2 cups (8 ounces) halved sugar snap peas
2 cups (1-inch pieces) asparagus
2 cups baby or roughly chopped arugula
2 cups baby or roughly chopped spinach
1 bell pepper (red, yellow, or orange), finely diced
1 pint cherry tomatoes, cut in half, or quarters if larger
1/2 cup sliced scallions
1/2 cup extra virgin olive oil
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1/4 cup rice vinegar
1 tablespoon Dijon mustard
1/2 cup chopped shallots
1/2 cup slivered fresh basil
Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper to taste
1/3 cup finely grated Parmesan cheese

Heat a large pot of salted water to a boil. Cook the pasta according to package directions, but 1 minute before the pasta is tender, add the sugar snap peas and the asparagus. Cook for 1 minute, then drain the pasta and the vegetables and rinse under cold water. Drain well.

Place the pasta, sugar snap peas and asparagus in a bowl with the arugula, spinach, peppers, tomatoes and scallions.

In a small bowl or container, combine the olive oil, mayonnaise, vinegar, mustard, shallots, basil, salt and pepper. Pour this dressing over the pasta salad and toss well to combine. Add the Parmesan and toss again. Taste and adjust the seasonings as needed.

Lively white wines pair with rich shrimp-feta spaghetti dish

By Michael Austin
Chicago Tribune

This dish combines briny seafood with rich cheese and the natural acidity of tomatoes. Here are three bottles — a sparkling wine from Spain, and one white each from Italy and France — that have the liveliness and agility to bring together such contrasting elements.

MAKE THIS SPAGHETTI WITH SHRIMP, FETA AND TOMATOES

Cook 6 ounces spaghetti in a pot of well-salted boiling water until al dente, about 10 minutes; drain. Meanwhile, heat 1 tablespoon olive oil in a skillet over medium. Add 3 cloves garlic, minced; cook until golden, about 1 minute. Add 3/4 pound peeled, deveined shrimp; cook until shrimp begin to turn pink, about 2 minutes. Stir in 1 can (14 1/2 ounces) peeled, diced tomatoes, drained; cook 2 minutes. Toss with pasta. Pour into a buttered 2-quart casserole; sprinkle with 2 ounces crumbled feta. Bake at 400 degrees until sauce is bubbly and feta melts slightly, about 10 minutes. Makes: 2 servings

Recipe by Robin Mather.

DRINK THIS

Pairings by sommelier Rachael Lowe of Spiaggia, as told to Michael Austin:

Mascaro Pure Brut Nature Reserve Cava, Catalonia, Spain: Made of parellada and macabeo grapes, this nonvintage wine has no additional sugars and offers aromas of green apple, almond skin, lime zest, bright acidity and fine bubbles. The bubbles and acidity will cut through the richness of the feta while also mirroring the natural acidity of the tomato.

2012 Primosic Riserva Ribolla Gialla, Friuli-Venezia Giulia, Italy: This wine, aged for 24 months in small barrels and then a year longer in the bottle, exudes notes of golden apricot, chamomile, tarragon and a hint of smoke. The wine's round texture will complement the shrimp, and its herbal components will add nice depth to the dish.

2016 Domaine de La Louvetrie Amphibolite, Muscadet Sevre et Maine, Pays Nantais, France: Composed of the melon de Bourgogne grape variety, this wine has bright acidity and purity, with aromas of lemon peel, tangerine oil and rosemary. An intense minerality with an almost briny touch makes for a cleansing finish. The wine's structure is a perfect complement to seafood and will cut the richness of the feta.

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
BROADCAST																	
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Paid	This Week		Church	Paid	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	RawTrav.	Homeowne.	First Baptist Church		CBS Sunday Morning (N)			Face the Nation		Mission	First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Hunters	Hunters	Beakman	Beakman	Bill Nye	Bill Nye	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Brady8.	Brady8.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Paid	W.Ministr	Indight	FaithAve	Fox News Sunday		Odesza	J.Prince	Paid	Outdoors	Racewest	Paid
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Light of Southwest		Essentials	Mission	In Touch Ministries		On Wings	Messiah	Shepherd's Heart		News Vide	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Minute	Secrets	In Search	B&N Mis.	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		Paid	Paid	Southern Weekend	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Sesame	D.Tiger	PinkalPet	Splash8.	Sid	Cat	Jet Go!	Wild K.	O. Squad	Arthur	Cyberch.	Ensembles
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa	pagado	Dr. Juan		Al punto		Aquí y ahora		Fútbol	Fútbol
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		LaMisi.	Latino	Space	Homos.	Green	Hazelton	PosPada	Garden	First Baptist Church		Paid	Paid
FLIX	340	575		165		(:15) Insidious: The Last Key		(:45) Ghostkeepers		(:20) The Adventures of Baron Munchausen						Movie	
HBO	300	300	14	14		TruLook		Gone in 60 Seconds	Nicolas Cage.	Arthur Miller: Writer					(:15) Yes Man ('08, Com) Jim Carrey.		
HBO2	302	301	15	101	23	Movie		(:20) King in the Wilderness ('18, Doc)		Girls Trip ('17, Com) Tiffany Haddish.					2 Dope Queens	Dope	
HBOS	304	302	16	102		Movie		(:40) Elizabeth: The Golden Age		(:40) Walkaway Karl Russell					(:20) My Cousin Rachel		
MAX	300	307	17	120	24	(5:10) Selena		(:20) Duplicity ('09, Rom) Clive Owen.							(:25) Surviving Christmas	Shtisk8.	Shtisk8.
MAX2	302	309	18	122		(:10) Straight Jacob Latimore.		(:45) Starring Adam West				(:10) Coal Miner's Daughter			(:20) Nor		
PLEX			96			Movie		(:20) Joe and Max Leonard Roberts.		(:20) Dr. Lucille: The Lucille					(:25) Sense and Sensibility		
SHOW	320	318	19	140	25	(5:25) Up. Odessa		Boxing Showtime Championship Site: Hard Rock Hotel and Casino – Las Vegas, Nev.							Crimson Tide		
TMC	336	320	22	155	26	Life First: Mister Albert Brooks.				Minden's Finally Hawaiian Vday Party.					U-571 Matthew McConaughey.		
AAE	27	50	28	35	47	Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders		Hoarders			Hoarders		
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:10) MASH	(:40) MASH	(:10) MASH	(:40) MASH	(:10) MASH	(:40) MASH	(:10)			Braveheart ('95, Act) Sophie Marceau, Mel Gibson.		
BET	58	-		40		D. Grier	Showdown	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Payne	Browns	Browns	Browns	Browns
BRAVO	65	76		41		Bevely	Vanderpump Rules	Watch What		Preview		Southern Charm		Real Housewives		Husband Is Cheating	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program											
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		Inside Politics		State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Hallmark Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	60	31	34	42	Boring Sea Gold		Local	Sportsmn	Gold Rush Parker		Parker "Hail Dorado"		Street Outlaws		To Be Announced	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Puppy	Vampirina	StuckMid.	Blizzard.	StuckMid.	StuckMid.	Amfl M.	Amfl M.	Blizzard.	Blizzard.	Raven's.	Raven's.
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		E:60 (L)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)		SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	ESPN The Magazine		E:60 "Ryan Leaf"		SportsCenter (N)		E:60 (N)		PT Auto Binding Bahrain Grand Prix (L)			
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		Mediabuzz		America's News HQ	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Rules	Heart	Southern	Southern	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Pioneer	Cooking	Chefs	Barefoot	Barefoot
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	Grown		Definitely, Maybe ('08, Com/Dra) Ryan Reynolds.								Movie	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Paid	Thunder	Insider	THISProv.	Paid	Paid	MLB Baseball Toronto vs. Texas				Mavericks	Mavs Pre
FX	31	56	59	64	60	MikeAM.	MikeAM.	MikeAM.	MikeAM.	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother			
HALLMARK	54	71	50		34												
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Pitar Upper		Pitar Upper		Pitar Upper		Pitar Upper		Pitar Upper		Pitar Upper	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Counting	CountCars	Counting	Counting	Truck Night in America: Drive "Grudge Match" (N)						American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch	Paid	Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid					American Pickers	
MSNBC	47	53		49	79	News (N)	Business	Politicsnation (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		AM Joy (N)				MSNBC Live (N)	
NBCSN	38	48				(5:45) Matchday		Lounge Live (L)		(:10) EPL Soccer Southampton at Arsenal (L)				(:10) Live	(:25) EPL Soccer WHU/Chels. (L)		
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	Ranger	Sponge					Sponge	Sponge	H.Danger	H.Danger
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		E. Power	Off-Road	Truck Y.	D.Muscle	Bar Rescue		(:10) Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	62	41	57	67	Paid	Paid	The Magicians									
TBS	25	39	44	66	41	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Brooklyn	Brooklyn	Brooklyn	Last O.G.		
TCM	41	75	24	43	66	Movie		(:45) The Cow in Glass									
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Liga extra	EPL Fútbol WHU/Chels. (L)		
TLC	51	61	32	30	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Trading Spaces "Not Our First Rodeo"			
TNT	24	34	40	28	50	Law & Order		Law & Order		LawOrder "Gangsta"		Law & Order "Cut"		LawOrder "Gov Love"			
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10) Chris	(:35) C. Gibb	(:25) The Golden Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Gibb	G. Gibb
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	T.Point	In Touch	J.Osteen	Chrisley	Unsolved	SVU "Disabled"		SVU "Bedlam"		SVU	
WGN	19	85				Lord	Crello	Leading	Paid						Cops	Cops	

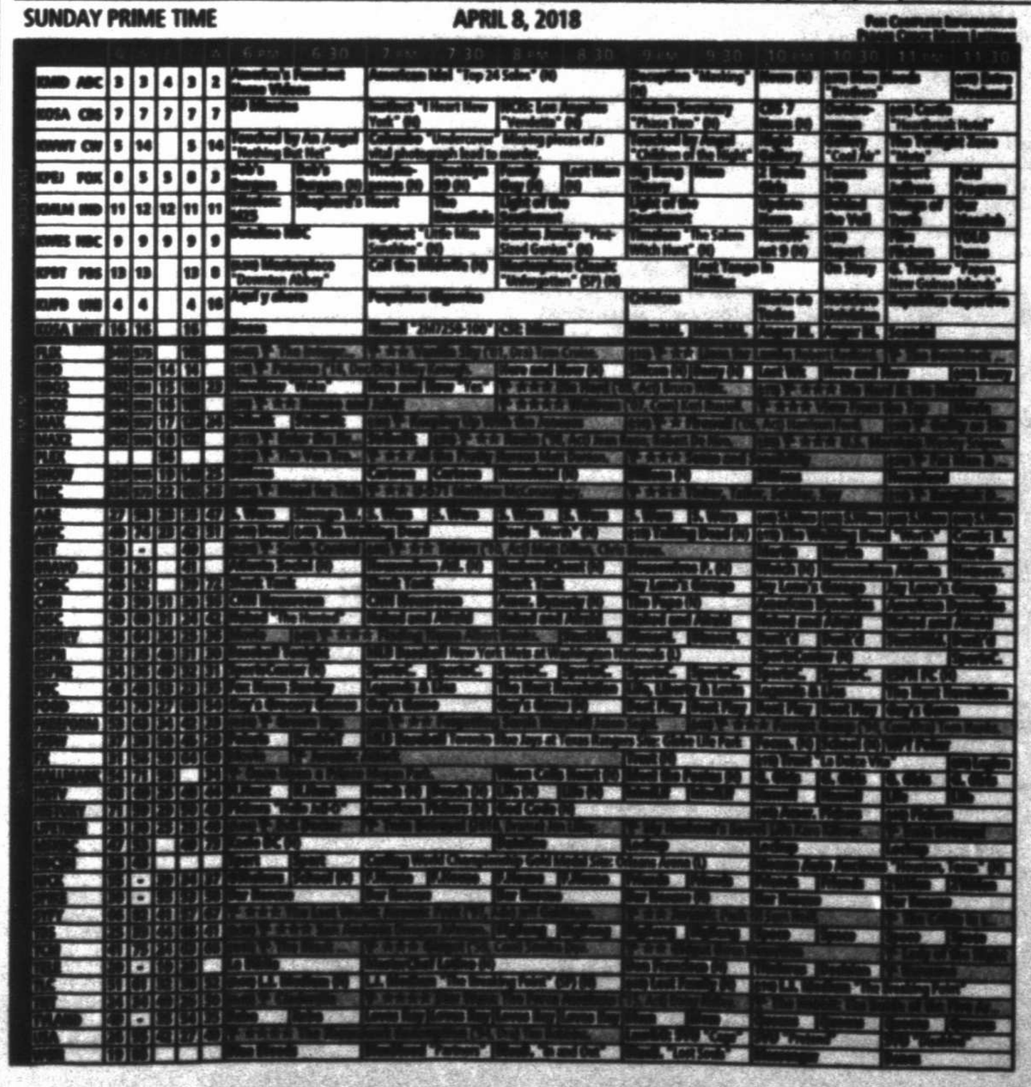
SUNDAY AFTERNOON — APRIL 8, 2018

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	G	S	R	C	A	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
BROADCAST																	
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	American Idol "Showcase/ Final Judgment"				American Ninja Wor.		News (N)	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Jim Nantz (N)		Golf Masters Tournament Final Round Site: Augusta National Golf Club -- Augusta, Ga. (L)									
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Straight.	Straight.	FactsLife	FactsLife	Strokes	Strokes	Mama's F.	Mama's F.	The Love Boat		The Love Boat	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Paid	Pro-game	PFFA Soccer International Friendly (L)								Paid	Paid
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Shelter	Meet Erlen	Aleph	Creation	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest	Hollywood	Hebrew		Jerusalem	Homecast
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Beverly Hills Dog Show				2017 World Championships: Recap						Mavs. (L)	News (N)
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	W.I.L.Vega	Wildfour	Martha	Martha	Chef's	Family	Cooking "The Final"		Mova		Mova. (N)	Mova.
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	(11:30) NFL Fútbol Tigres UANL at Toluca (L)				Capitalism Imperfect		Cosas Ricas al Aire		Al punto		Fútbol	Fútbol
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Worship	Rocket Lift	Grace	Homos	Cen.TV	LAMisión	Entertainment		Talking	Cosmos	Outdoor	Outdoor
FLIX	340	575		165		(11:20) Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle											
HBO	300	300	14	14		Bill Maher		VICE									
HBO2	302	301	15	101	23	(:15) Hugo	2 Dope Queens	2 Dope Queens									
HBOS	304	302	16	102		Movie		(:20) Florida Enchantment									
MAX	300	307	17	120	24	Schmitt.	(:20) Shitis Back	Schmitt.	(:20) Shitis Back			(:20) Shitis Back		Schmitt.	(:20) Shitis Back	Schmitt.	
MAX2	302	309	18	122		(:15) Hugo											
PLEX			96			Movie											
SHOW	320	318	19	140	25	Movie	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon	Cartoon		
TMC	336	320	22	155	26												
AAE	27	50	28	35	47	Hoarders		M. Chnl: Part 48 "Dean Peterson"				Bring vs. Alkmaar		R. Mary	R. Mary	R. Mary	R. Mary
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(:10)		(:10) This Wedding Band "Honor"		(:10) This Wedding Band		(:10) This Wedding Band		Cars Week	The Cry		(:10) Dead
BET	58	-		40		Browns	(:20) Browns	Browns	(:20)	(:20) Bobby Jones Story (TVM, Dra) Columbus Short.							
BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Reunion		Kings-RHOBH (R)		Kings-RHOBH (R)		Kings-RHOBH (R)			Kings-RHOBH (R)		
CNBC	46	52		39	72	(5:30) Paid Program									Shark Tank		
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom			CNN Newsroom		
DISC	50	60	31	34	42	Alaska "Underground"		Ultimate Homes		Alaska "Mountain"		Alaska "Escape"		Cajun Gold Rush		Gold "Last of Sun"	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Gravity	Gravity	Andi's F.	Andi's F.	Dumbo	Dumbo	StuckMid.	StuckMid.	Amfl M.	Amfl M.	Jr. Diary of a Wim.	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter (N)		Basketball								SportsCenter (N)	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	U.S. Championship		U.S. Championship		NCAA Softball Florida at Alabama (L)					U.S. Basketball Junior Boys' Classic (L)		
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal Editorial R.		America's News HQ		Greg Gutfeld! Show		Fox Report Sunday	
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Iron Chef Gauntlet		Iron Chef Gauntlet		Iron Chef Gauntlet		Iron Chef Gauntlet		Guy's Grocery	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33												
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29												
FX	31	56	59	64	60												
HALLMARK	54	71	50		34												
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home	Home
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48												
MSNBC	47	53		49	79	MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		MSNBC Live (N)		Meet the Press	
NBCSN	38	48				Soccer	Goal Zone (L)	Motors		Golf Live (N)		PBR Unleashed					
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	H.Danger	H.Danger	Level U.	Level U.	Level U.	Level U.	Level U.	H.Danger	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	(:10) Bar Rescue		(:10) Bar Rescue									
SYFY	66	62	41	57	67												
TBS	25	39	44	66	41												
TCM	41	75	24	43	66												
TELE	20	-	10	20													
TLC	51	61	32	30	52	Long Lost Family		Long Lost Family		Long Island Medium		Long Island Medium		Long Island Medium		4.5 Million (N)	
TNT	24	34	40	28	50												
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Gibb	G. Gibb	G. Gibb	G. Gibb	G. Gibb	G. Gibb	Nick	Nick	Nick	Nick	Nick	Nick
USA	26	55	42	27	49	(11:30) SVU	LawOrd: SVU "Hurt"	LawOrd: SVU "Hurt"									
WGN	19	85				Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Mov Movie	

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NEW: "The Fragile Bee" is an exhibition of artwork by Nancy Macko comprised of photographs, prints and mixed media installation. Through July 8. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. from Tuesday through Saturday, and 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. At the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

NEW: "Somehow, I Don't Feel Comfortable" is an installation by Momoyo Torimitsu of two giant, smiling pink bunnies facing off and pitching forward within a confined space. Through May 20. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays (open to 8 p.m. Thursdays), 2-5 p.m. Sundays. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

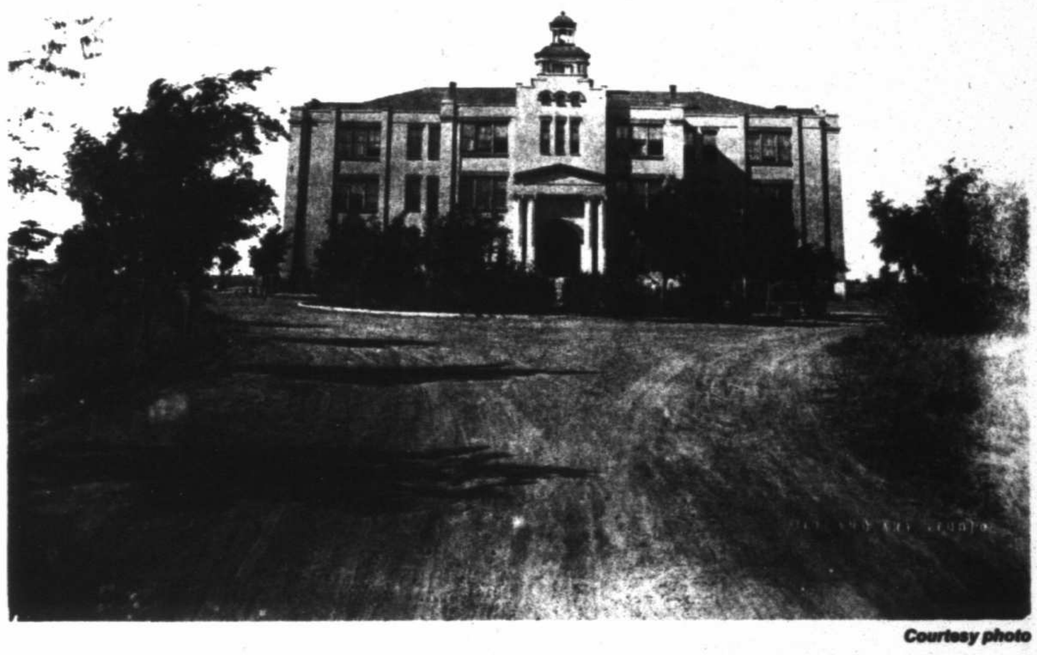
NEW: Spring art exhibit features works by the Midland Arts Association, Palette Club of Midland and Sibley Camera Club at The Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. "A" St.

"Modern Frescos: Ali Cavanaugh." The exhibition runs through May 13. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays (open to 8 p.m. Thursdays), 2-5 p.m. Sundays. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

"Captured by Detail: Camille Engel." The exhibition runs through May 20. Hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays (open to 8 p.m. Thursdays), 2-5 p.m. Sundays. At the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Free. noelartmuseum.org.

Blakemore Planetarium at the Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays -Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave. 685-1112.



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"Sandstorms, Antelopes, and Coyotes" by the Midland Historical Society is on display at Midland College's Murray Fasken Learning Resource Center. The exhibition features artifacts and photographs of Midland Christian College which opened in 1910. The college was the earliest higher education center in the city.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Free admission. highskywing.org.

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Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m. Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday 2-5 p.m. 432-683-4403. pbpetro.org.

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"A Comedy of Tenors" is now being staged at Midland Community Theatre. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

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APRIL 8-14

TODAY

Artisan Art Walk will feature a juried art show, demonstrations, live music and more. 8 a.m.-6 p.m. at Parks Legado Town Center, 7260 E. Highway 191, Odessa.

Art Digitization Workshop. This introductory workshop will teach how to stage, light and digitally photograph 2D and 3D art. 2-4 p.m. at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. $5. noelartmuseum.org.

Adventures in Art: Still Life. Children ages 6-12 will see Camile Engel's exhibition and then create a still life. 2:30-4:30 p.m. at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. $18-$20. noelartmuseum.org.

Summer Mummers Kick-off Party. Celebrate the 70th season of Summer Mummers and learn about volunteer opportunities with food and beverages before auditions. 3-5 p.m. at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

MONDAY

"Travel Adventure" invites children and families to create using LEGO bricks. The exhibition also features creations by LEGO Master Builders along with a photo booth and a life-size adventure vehicle. Through April 22 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N.

"Mis Quince Anos" celebrating the 15th anniversary of The University of Texas of the Permian Basin Ballet Folklorico. The event will also include a pre-show art exhibit by the Odessa Hispanic Art Association and the Permian High School Foreign Language Department. Guest performances by Mariachis' Marta Rey Y Celina Vasquez, Grupo Diversidad De Permian High School, Grupo De Danza La Flor De Lee Freshmen and Ballet Folklorico Las Aguilas De Oro Infantil. 6 p.m. at Wagner Noel, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. Free. wagnernoel.com.

Open Shop Nights are hosted by the Midland Gem and Mineral Society and open to the public. Visitors can watch members cut rock and work on lapidary projects. 6:30-9 p.m. at 602 S. Main St. midlandgemandmineral.org.

Bridge game play, 6:45 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays; 1 p.m. Tuesdays; 10:30 a.m. Saturdays; 1:30 p.m. Sundays. Allison Bridge Center, 913 W. Wadley Ave. $6. For more information call 682-8595.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the college. Contact 553-0632 for more information.

TUESDAY

Palette Club Painting, 9 a.m.to noon at the Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. paletteclubmidland.com.

Watercolor art classes by Sara Drescher. The class is for all levels. 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave. acmidland.org.

Permian Basin Bookies monthly meeting. 6 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. pbbookies.com.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country music, 7:30 p.m. at Crown Royal Club, 1110 E. Scharbauer Drive. $6. For more information, call 638-3707 or 250-8215.

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meetup. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/CrossingTheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

THURSDAY

"Two for the Road" advance screening of the Big Bend episode. Pizza will be served. 12:30 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 Loop 250. basinpbs.org.

Clay Walker, 7 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $34-$59. wagnernoel.com.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 208 W. VFW Way in Odessa. 697-0281 or 631-6125.

FRIDAY

Painting the Landscape in Oil. This workshop by Laura Lewis is for all levels. Fee covers supplies; a deposit due by Monday. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Midland Palette Club, 907 W. Wadley Ave. $235. Register by emailing leslie.slaughter@gmail.com.

Visions 2018: "An Eastern Interpretation of Western Art." The series by the Arts Council of Midland hosts works by Lubbock artist Bo Tan through June 10. Opening reception 6 p.m. at Arts Council of Midland, 1506 W. Illinois Ave.

"Two for the Road" advance screening of the Big Bend episode. Meet the hosts of the show. 6:30 p.m. at Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., Odessa. Basinpbs.org.

Night Market features local food and vendors, live DJ and more. 6:30 p.m. at 312 N. Colorado St.

A Night of Music & Comedy with Mark Lowry. 7:30 p.m. at First Methodist Midland, 300 N. Main St. $20-$25. VIP packages available. trinitycommunications.org.

"A Comedy of Tenors," produced in cooperation with Midland College. 7:30 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays. 2:30 p.m. April 15. Opens Friday and runs through April 21 at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. $28. Mctmidland.org.

"Man of La Mancha" by Sul Ross Theatre. Through April 29. 8:15 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays in Marshall Auditorium at Sul Ross University, E. Highway 90, Alpine. $12. Sulross.edu.

SATURDAY

"Y-DNA Testing for Genealogical Research" with Charles Acree. The Midland Genealogical Society hosts this program on male testing for surname relationships. Open to the public. 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. Free. Facebook: @MidlandTxGenealogicalSociety.

"Luisa Miller" by The Met: Live in HD. Placido Domingo starts in the Verdi opera, which is the first production by The Metropolitan Opera in more than a decade. 11:55 a.m. at Tall City Stadium 14, 4915 SW Loop 250. $23.77 adults, $21.60 seniors, $17.28 children. fathomevents.com.

West Texas Iris Society's 40th annual Iris Show will feature design arrangements, photography, educational exhibits and a vast selection of flowers in a rainbow of colors. 1:30-4:30 p.m. at Midland Park Mall (JCPenney's entrance).

Big Boys' Toys benefiting MARC will feature a concert by Josh Turner. The event includes a collector car show, raffle and live and silent auctions. 6 p.m. at Horseshoe Pavilion, 2514 Arena Trail. $250. marctexas.org.

Country Dance with the Dusty Creek Band. The event is hosted by the Midland -Odessa Dance Club. Open to all. 7-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 4601 Neely Ave. $10.



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Pumpjacks operate on oil wells in the Permian Basin in this aerial photograph taken over in Crane on March 2.

Upstream M&A market relatively quiet in first quarter

■ Concho-RSP Permian deal gives bump to US deals

By Mella McEwen
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A relatively quiet mergers and acquisition market got a bump from the $9.5 billion Concho Resources-RSP Permian deal in the first quarter of 2018.

A first quarter review from 1Derrick, AN oil and gas research and consulting firm, valued the global upstream mergers and acquisition market at $32 billion in the upstream sector, on par with the previous three quarters.

In the U.S., that was valued at $22 billion, more than double the last two quarters of 2017, due primarily to the Concho-RSP Permian deal. That deal, the company said, pushes M&A values up to the first half 2017 "Permania" levels.

"The Permian and a few other basins have seen private equity-sponsored acreage grabbing in the past few years. We think that some of the M&A will be driven by operational synergies," Mangesh Hirve, managing director, told the Reporter-Telegram by email when asked if the Concho-RSP deal could be the first in a series of consolidations.

He said such PE-backed deals are fueling an otherwise slow market and that PE-backed exploration and production companies in the Permian Basin continue to dominate M&A activity in the U.S. Public companies accounted for 15 divestitures in the top 20 M&A deals in the quarter, with PE-backed companies acquiring 40 percent of those assets.

Nine Permian Basin deals accounted for two-thirds of the top 20 M&A value in the first quarter. Fifteen of the top 20 deals were for resource plays.

EnCap Investments dominates in backing Permian Basin E&P companies, with 23 PE-backed companies in its portfolio, according to 1Derrick. Second is NGP Energy Capital with 16 and Kayne Anderson with 11 companies.

The number of large and mega-deals — those valued in excess of $1 billion — in the U.S. remained low at 22 in the first quarter, with only three mega-deals reported.

"Given the uptick in oil prices, the expectations from buyers and sellers are still different," Hirve said. "This is possibly slowing down the deal flow at the top, with fewer billion dollar-plus deals."

Internationally, 1Derrick said there were fewer deals in areas that were hot spots in 2017 — the North Sea and Canadian oil sands. International M&A activity was globally diversified with the majors participating in seven of the top 20 deals.

Manufacturers test new materials to improve well integrity

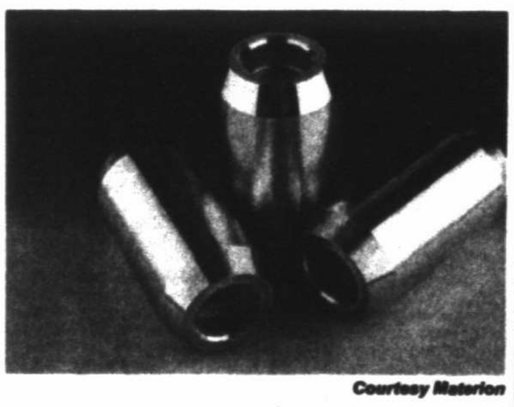
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New wells being drilled in the Permian Basin have become more complex because of the trend toward longer laterals, enhanced completions and high initial production rates.

That increased complexity is challenging well integrity, especially in the horizontal wells dominating activity in the Permian.

Materion Corp. of Mayfield Heights, Ohio, a materials provider, has worked with producers to develop a new oilfield coupling designed to reduce failures in wells prone to extreme rod string buckling and wear deep in the wells. The new ToughMet 3 valve rod guide bushing coupling is engineered to reduce metal-on-metal contact resulting in tubing wear, thus preventing tubing leaks and cutting down on production interruptions in artificial lift systems.

"This particular product, which is a completely new product, is an offshoot of a sucker rod coupling we developed with Hess Corp. and launched in 2016," Diane Nielsen, Materion's global merket manager for oil and gas, with Materion, said in a phone interview.



Courtesy Materion

Materion has unveiled its new ToughMet 3 valve rod guide bushing coupling, engineered to reduce tubing wear and cut down on tubing leaks and rod failures.

Nielsen, a metallurgical engineer, said the two companies were looking at ways to mitigate coupling-on-tubing wear.

"The No. 1 failure in rod strings is holes in the tubing," she said.

She said traditional couplings are made of steel, and tubing is made of steel, and steel-on-steel friction "wears couplings out."

But spray-metal couplings wear out the tubing, she said. So her company developed a material so that neither the coupling nor the tubing would be sacrificed. The ToughMet material is a low-friction alloy that Nielsen said has good bearing characteristics and is able to withstand high impact loads from rod buckling.

In addition to working with Hess, she said Materion also looked at the pump failures and rod

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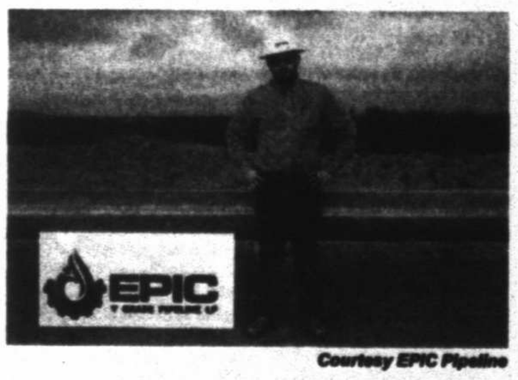
First phase of EPIC pipeline begins operation

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It looks like a small blip, but a short line on a map indicates the first steps in EPIC Y Grade Pipeline's natural gas liquids pipeline that will eventually carry Permian NGLs to Corpus Christi.

The first phase of the EPIC NGL Pipeline went into service last month as NGLs were introduced into a 40-mile segment from DLK Black River Midstream to Delaware Basin Midstream.

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Courtesy EPIC Pipeline

EPIC — which stands for Eagle Ford, Permian, Ingleside, Corpus — Pipeline completes first phase of its NGL pipeline, a 40-mile segment from DLK Black River Midstream to Delaware Basin Midstream.

Midstream demand gives boost to companies providing pieces of the puzzle

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Companies that can provide pieces of the midstream infrastructure Permian Basin operators need to get their crude and natural gas to end users are sharing in the wealth being created by those commodities.

KP Engineering, which provides engineering, procurement and construction services to the energy industry, has been busy constructing cryogenic gas processing units. The company just completed the Joyce cryogenic gas processing unit, which processes 200 million cubic feet

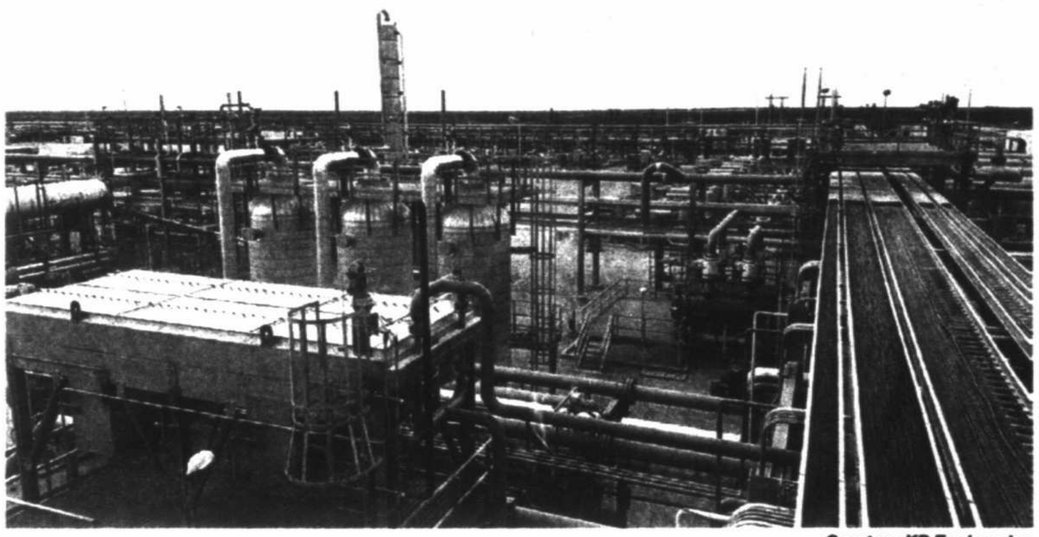
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KP Engineering has completed the Joyce cryogenic gas processing unit for Targa. The unit is part of a growing demand for more midstream infrastructure.

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per day, for Targa Pipeline Mid-Continent WestTex LLC. The unit is located in Rankin.

William Preston, president and chief operating officer of Tyler-based KP Engineering, discussed the impact the growth in midstream activity is having on his company, via email with the Reporter-Telegram.

Q. Midstream is becoming an increasing focus here in the Permian Basin, particularly the Delaware Basin where there isn't as much infrastructure. Are you seeing significant demand for your services here as midstream companies plan new pipelines and other infrastructure?

A. We are. There is a great deal of activity in the midstream sector throughout the Permian, and recently especially in the Delaware. KP Engineering is engaged with several companies regarding midstream projects in the area. Our midstream projects in the Permian area include the engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) of gas treating, compression, cryogenic gas processing, condensate stabilization, low/high pressure gathering, and storage facilities. On the other end of the pipelines that originate in the Permian, KPE is very active in the EPC of plants that fractionate the natural gas liquids into valuable products like propane, butane, and iso-butane.

Q. What new demands are you seeing from your clients in terms of processing plant capacity and technology?

A. Most of the new demands are a consequence of the higher volumes of gas being produced upstream, and a desire for higher recoveries of natural gas liquids. Our customers are increasingly asking for higher capacity single-train units, with higher efficiency. KPE is ready with these higher capacity, higher efficiency designs, typically using in-house technology solutions. We are also comfortable using third-party licensed technology if a customer so prefers. These designs may be 10-25 percent higher in capacity with high ethane recovery.

Q. What challenges is KP Engineering seeing as it seeks to engineer, procure the materials needed and construct this infrastructure? And are the planned tariffs on steel and aluminum a concern?

A. These potential tariffs are a concern, as are tightening labor markets in West Texas. We have been successful in working with our customers to mitigate these concerns, however. KPE's execution expertise, including our advanced estimating techniques and scheduling have kept us on-budget and on-time for our projects. Of course, the uncertainty of labor and material costs are always an issue, so ordering equipment and fabricated items as soon as possible is a priority.

Q. Is the Permian a significant portion of KPE's business right now?

A. Certainly. We are also very active in oil refining and chemical markets, including refinery hydrotreating, crude fractionation, syngas and hydrogen production, and specialty chemicals. Recent KPE projects are in the Gulf Coast, West Texas, New Mexico, and the Ohio/Pennsylvania area. But that said, the midstream portion of our business, in the Permian, Marcellus, and Bakken, is our fastest growing business sector at this point.

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That 40 miles is just a tiny fraction of the 700-mile project.

"We announced it only to let people know of our progress and that one of three phases was complete," Bruce Kates, vice president of communications, said via email.

He said the San Antonio-based company also has been working on the second phase, which is expected to be completed by July. This 250- to 275-mile segment will run from Delaware Basin Midstream through Reeves, Ward, Crane and Upton counties and end near Benedum.

Kates said the third and final phase, which begins near Benedum, will stretch 400 to 420 miles to its terminus in Nueces County. Completion is expected in the last half of 2019.

When complete, the EPIC NGL Pipeline will have a throughput capacity of 350,000 barrels per day of NGLs with multiple origin points in the Delaware and Midland basins. In Corpus Christi, at the other end, EPIC is building a fractionation complex to accommodate the pipeline's volume as well as a purity product pipeline distribution system, including an ethane pipeline in the Markham area.

EPIC last year secured agreements that allowed the company to proceed with the NGL pipeline. First, the company secured a capital commitment from funds managed by Ares Management LP. Then, in December, EPIC signed a definitive agreement with BP Energy Co. to anchor the pipeline, which will link NGL production from the Permian and Eagle Ford to Gulf Coast refiners, petrochemical companies and export markets. The company recently completed an open season to offer shippers the opportunity to secure firm capacity on the pipeline.

The NGL Pipeline is designed to run side-by-side with EPIC's crude pipeline that also extends from the Permian Basin to Corpus Christi. The 590,000 barrel-a-day pipeline will extend from Orla to the Port of Corpus Christi with terminals at Orla, Pecos, Crane, Wink, Midland, Helena and Gardendale. Of the 590,000 barrels a day, 440,000 barrels will come from the Permian and 150,000 from the Eagle Ford. EPIC has been finalizing agreements with Noble Energy to dedicate virtually all of Noble's gross acreage position in Reeves County, up to 75,000 barrels per day. Another company has also made a commitment of 75,000 barrels of oil per day to the pipeline.

EPIC — which stands for Eagle Ford, Permian, Ingleside, Corpus, expects the crude pipeline to be in service in 2019.

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failures experienced by other operators.

"Half of that was due to the challenges of the hole," she said. "It's particularly challenging in horizontal wells and their deviated sections."

In the Permian Basin, "wells are drilled fast with a high corkscrew effect. Those beam pumps have a lot of curves," she said.

This new coupling is designed to drop into the well as a replacement coupling so field projects don't need to be changed, and it conforms to API standards.

The company and Hess spent two years field-testing the new coupling in 10 problematic Hess wells that failed two or three times a year because of holes in tubing. Nielsen said Hess installed 20 to 40 of the couplings in each well to address these failures. "As a parameter of what we deemed a success, we wanted to see if the wells would operate two full years without a failure," she said.

Then after two years of gathering not just laboratory data but field testing — which Nielsen said Hess is willing to share — Materion placed the product on the market.

"That data is a good base to give it credibility," she said, adding that her company is also working with a number of operators also willing to share their data, even if not all are willing to reveal their identities or the specific wells using the couplings.

"This particular product, which is a completely new product, is an offshoot of a sucker rod coupling we developed with Hess Corp. and launched in 2016."

Diane Nielsen, global market manager of oil and gas, at Materion

"We have been selling this coupling directly the first couple of years because we wanted to work with oil companies to get data and manage the data, both before and after the couplings. Local inventory is critical. When a well goes down, couplings and everything else are needed immediately."

Nielsen said the company is working with about 20 operators who have ToughMet couplings in about 900 wells "and we're seeing significant improvement in all areas."

Materion does have an inventory of the couplings in Midland-Odessa, with a couple of other distributors coming onboard, and it is expanding into other producing basins such as the Bakken in North Dakota, she said.

DEVELOPMENT WELLS

Courtesy DrillingInfo

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Concho County

Mercury Operating LLC
Don Pfluger #4
Don Pfluger (Detrital); 100 fsl, 582 fel, Sec 2122, Blk 72, Abst. 61, F. Bockmier, 8 sw Eden; TD 9000; API #42-095-32441 Permit issued 3/28

Crockett County

Approach Operating LLC
University 42 #2107HB
Holt Ranch (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 350 fsl, 4271 fel, Sec 21, Blk 42, Abst. 371U, ULS, 14 ne Ozona; TD 7800; API #42-105-42285 Permit issued 3/27

Reagan County

FDL Operating LLC
University 10 #2601HB
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 6019 fwl, 8500 fnl, Sec 26, Blk 10, Abst. 232U, ULS, 5.9 nw Big Lake; TD 9000; API #42-383-40178 Permit issued 3/27

Oxy USA WTP LP
Monger 301A #1H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 397 fsl, 331 fwl, Sec 3, Blk B, Abst. 284, L&SV RR, 21.4 sw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-383-40199 Permit issued 3/26

Oxy USA WTP LP
Monger 302A #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 397 fsl, 1315 fwl, Sec 3, Blk B, Abst. 284, L&SV RR, 21.3 sw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-383-40202 Permit issued 3/29

Oxy USA WTP LP
Monger 302B #1H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 397 fsl, 1275 fwl, Sec 3, Blk B, Abst. 284, L&SV RR, 21.3 sw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-383-40201 Permit issued 3/29

Oxy USA WTP LP
Monger 301BL #2H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 397 fsl, 371 fwl, Sec 3, Blk B, Abst. 284, L&SV RR, 21.4 sw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-383-40200 Permit issued 3/26

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Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 397 fsl, 2265 fwl, Sec 3, Blk B, Abst. 284, L&SV RR, 21.1 sw Garden City; TD 9000; API #42-383-40203 Permit issued 3/29

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 01 #37HA
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 577 fsl, 537 fel, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 8500; API #42-383-40210 Permit issued 3/28

Sable Permian Resources Land LLC
RCR 180-197 Alloc 02 #35HC
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 576 fsl, 557 fel, Sec 197, Blk 1, Abst. 559, T&P RR, 5.5 ne Big Lake; TD 8500; API #42-383-40211 Permit issued 3/27

Upton County

Capstone Natural Resources II LLC
Mounds 95-2 #2H
Castle Gap (San Andres)-Horizontal; 220 fnl, 698 fwl, Sec 95, Blk Y, Abst. 354, F. Rooney, 8.8 se Crane; TD 4000; API #42-461-40805 Permit issued 3/27

Capstone Natural Resources II LLC
Crunchy Snickers #6H
McElroy-Horizontal; 265 fnl, 352 fwl, Sec 100, Abst. 1271, Mrs. F.G. Howard, 8.1 se Crane; TD 4000; API #42-461-40802 Permit issued 3/26

COG Operating LLC
Pegasus Field Unit 3 #1406LH
Pegasus (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 12412 fsl, 8300 fel, Sec 31, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 1354, T&P RR, 17.2 w Midkiff; TD 12000; API #42-461-40799 Permit issued 3/26

COG Operating LLC
Pegasus Field Unit 3 #1407LH
Pegasus (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 12912 fsl, 8300 fel, Sec 31, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 1354, T&P RR, 17.2 w Midkiff; TD 12000; API #42-461-40800 Permit issued 3/26

COG Operating LLC
Pegasus Field Unit 3 #1416LH
Pegasus (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 12867 fsl, 8300 fel, Sec 31, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 1354, T&P RR, 17.2 nw Midkiff; TD 12000; API #42-461-40801 Permit issued 3/26

Endeavor Energy Resources LP
Greathouse 13-12 A 3211
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2087 fnl, 1276 fel, Sec 13, Blk D, Abst. 132, EL&RR, 18.4 ne Rankin; TD 11000; API #42-461-40803 Permit issued 3/27

Hunt Oil Company
University 10-3 #101HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1453 fwl, 753 fnl, Sec 15, Blk 4, Abst. 51, ULS, 6.39 se Rankin; TD 8300; API #42-461-40808 Permit issued 3/27

Hunt Oil Company
University 10-3 #102HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1482 fwl, 762 fnl, Sec 81, Blk D, Abst. 51, CCSD&RGNG, 6.39 se Rankin; TD 8300; API #42-461-40809 Permit issued 3/29

Hunt Oil Company
University 10-3 #103HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1511 fwl, 770 fnl, Sec 15, Blk 4, Abst. 51, ULS, 6.39 se Rankin; TD 8300; API #42-461-40810 Permit issued 3/27

Hunt Oil Company
University 10-3 #104HB
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1540 fwl, 778 fnl, Sec 15, Blk 4, Abst. 51, ULS, 6.39 se Rankin; TD 8300; API #42-461-40811 Permit issued 3/27

SM Energy Company
CVX Katie (SA) K #4460WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 510 fwl, 450 fsl, Sec 32, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 1317, T&P RR, 22.7 w Midkiff; TD 9900; API #42-461-40792 Permit issued 3/29

SM Energy Company
CVX Katie (SA) S #4442LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 480 fwl, 450 fsl, Sec 32, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 1317, T&P RR, 22.7 w Midkiff; TD 9700; API #42-461-40793 Permit issued 3/29

SM Energy Company
CVX Katie (SA) R #4441LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 450 fwl, 450 fsl, Sec 32, Blk 41, T-4-S, Abst. 1317, T&P RR, 22.7 w Midkiff; TD 9700; API #42-461-40796 Permit issued 3/29

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Andrews County

Ring Energy Inc.
Cronus #1H
Block A-34 (San Andres)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 1340 fel, Sec 3, Blk A-34, Abst. 559, PSL, 14 nw Andrews; TD 5100; API #42-003-47780 Permit issued 3/26

XTO Energy Inc.
Fullerton Clearfork Unit #7518
Fullerton; 12841 fwl, 13286 fsl, Sec 7, Blk 13, Abst. 399I, ULS, 16.6 nw Andrews; TD 7500; API #42-003-47783 Permit issued 3/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Fullerton Clearfork Unit #5534
Fullerton; 9901 fel, 3957 fnl, Sec 3, Blk A-32, Abst. 589, PSL, 18.7 nw Andrews; TD 7500; API #42-003-47784 Permit issued 3/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Fullerton Clearfork Unit #5634
Fullerton; 8719 fel, 5380 fnl, Sec 3, Blk A-32, Abst. 589, PSL, 18.7 nw Andrews; TD 7525; API #42-003-47785 Permit issued 3/28

XTO Energy Inc.
Fullerton Clearfork Unit #3412
Fullerton; 3316 fwl, 13711 fsl, Sec 9, Blk A-48, Abst. 837, PSL, 16 nw Andrews; TD 7500; API #42-003-47786 Permit issued 3/28

Crane County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Claw Bay S #2
Running W (Waddell); 357 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 11, Blk B-20, Abst. 382, PSL, 11.1 se Monahans; TD 7500; API #42-103-36597 Permit issued 3/28

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Claw Bay S #1
Running W (Waddell); 990 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 11, Blk B-20, Abst. 382, PSL, 11.3 se Monahans; TD 7500; API #42-103-36596 Permit issued 3/27

Ector County

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BJ" #101
Lowe West (Strawn); 3381 fwl, 4682 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 3, G&MMB&A, 5.8 ne Gardendale; TD 11500; API #42-135-43575 Permit issued 3/26

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BJ" #103
Lowe West (Strawn); 1750 fwl, 4297 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 3, G&MMB&A, 5.5 ne Gardendale; TD 11500; API #42-135-43576 Permit issued 3/26

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BJ" #104
Lowe West (Strawn); 4181 fwl, 4332 fsl, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-1-N, Abst. 3, G&MMB&A, 5.9 ne Gardendale; TD 11500; API #42-135-43577 Permit issued 3/29

Howard County

Callon Petroleum Operating Co.
Panther A1 #8AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 280 fnwl, 231 fswl, Sec 22, Blk 32, T-1-N, Abst.

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Posted	$60.45	Shell Trading	$60.00
Energy Transfer Partners*	$59.75	Nymex futures	$63.95*
Flint Hills Resources*	$29.75	*Net price without transportation charge	
Phillips 66	$59.99		
Plains*	$59.75	Note: Posted prices as of April 4	

Petroleum Professional Development Center

All classes will be held at the Midland College PPDC building, 221 N. Main St.

New website: https://mcce.midland.edu

Petroleum Geology for Non Geologists
Instructor: Paul Pause
Start Date: April 16-19, 2018 – Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1835; Out of State $1860

An Overview of Multistage Completion Systems for Hydraulic Fracturing
Instructor: Aaron Burton
Start Date: April 19, 2018 – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $575; Out of State $600

Advanced SQL
Instructor: Mark Edgar
Start Date: April 20, 2018 – Monday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $450; Out of State

Polymer Gels for Conformance Improvement
Instructor: Randy Seright
Start Date: April 23, 2018 – Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $375; Out of State: $400

PetroSkills: Gas Lift - GLI
Instructor: John Martinez
Start Date: April 23-27, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4315 - Register directly with PetroSkills

Waterflooding: Performance Predictions and Surveillance
Instructor: Dr. Michael Wiggins
Start Date: April 23-27, 2018 – Monday – Thursday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Friday: 8 a.m. to Noon
Cost: $3,975; Out of State: $4,000

Energy Land Management
Dr. Patrick Fitzgerald
Start Date: April 26-27, 2018 – Thursday - Friday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $675; Out of State $700

Professional Technical Sales
Instructor: Paul Hughes
Start Date: April 27, 2018 – Friday – 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Cost: $250; Out of State: $275

New Course: LMKR: Geomodeling with GVERSE
Registered directly with LMKR: cviteri@lmkr.com
Instructor: Andrew Vessel
Start Date: April 30, 2018 – Monday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $750

Remediation & Restoration of Hydrocarbon & Brine Contaminated Soils
Instructor: Kerry Sublette
Start Date: April 30, 2018 – Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $395; Out of State: $420

Critical Title Issues
Dr. Patrick Fitzgerald
Start Date: April 30, 2018 – Monday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $350; Out of State $375

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Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #4LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1079 fwl, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 8865; API #42-227-39557 Permit issued 3/27

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #4WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1109 fwl, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 9175; API #42-227-39558 Permit issued 3/27

Diamondback E&P LLC
Lilly 49 Unit #3LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1139 fwl, 270 fnl, Sec 49, Blk A, Abst. 593, Bauer & Cockrell, 14.4 nw Big Spring; TD 8865; API #42-227-39559 Permit issued 3/27

Diamondback E&P LLC
Tree Frog 47 East Unit #1LS
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2394 fel, 2429 fsl, Sec 47, Blk 34, T-3-N, Abst. 511, T&P RR, 17.9 nw Big Spring; TD 9035; API #42-227-39563 Permit issued 3/28

Diamondback E&P LLC
Tree Frog 47 East Unit #1WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2364 fel, 2429 fsl, Sec 47, Blk 34, T-3-N, Abst. 511, T&P RR, 17.9 nw Big Spring; TD 9340; API #42-227-39564 Permit issued 3/28

SM Energy Company
Fletch B #1343WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 414 fnl, 2123 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 33, T-1-S, Abst. 370, T&P RR, 4.72 sw Big Spring; TD 10300; API #42-227-39556 Permit issued 3/29

Surge Operating LLC
Mozetti Unit A 37-48 #4AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 673 fnl, 279 fel, Sec 20, Blk 34, T-1-N, Abst. 1271, T&P RR, 16.8 n Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39555 Permit issued 3/26

Surge Operating LLC
Old Tom Unit B 21-28 #5AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 418 fnl, 279 fwl, Sec 21, Blk 32, T-2-N, Abst. 273, T&P RR, 12.54 nw Big Spring; TD 10000; API #42-227-39561 Permit issued 3/28

Loving County

Anadarko E&P Onshore LLC
Silvertip 76-9 Unit E #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 530 fnl, 1100 fwl, Sec 16, Blk 76, Abst. 1257, PSL, 18.21 ne Mentone; TD 14000; API #42-301-33949 Permit issued 3/26

Matador Production Company
Jackson Trust C 12-TTT-C24 NL #226H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 176 fnwl, 467 fswl, Sec 11, Blk C-24, Abst. 998, PSL, 22.3 ne Mentone; TD 13500; API #42-301-33948 Permit issued 3/29

Oasis Petroleum Permian LLC
Arrowhead A #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 280 fnl, 330 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 28, Abst. 1338, PSL, 18.5 ne Mentone; TD 13500; API #42-301-33946 Permit issued 3/28

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
Pecos 39 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 725 fnl, 201 fwl, Sec 39, Blk 56, T-1, Abst. 159, T&P RR, 20.6 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33950 Permit issued 3/27

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
Pecos 39 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 700 fnl, 201 fwl, Sec 39, Blk 56, T-1, Abst. 159, T&P RR, 20.6 nw Mentone; TD 16000; API #42-301-33951 Permit issued 3/27

Martin County

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #606H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6772 fsl, 452 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41378 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #5508H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6772 fsl, 502 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41379 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #8808H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 6772 fsl, 477 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41380 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #207H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5854 fsl, 1555 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41371 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #507H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5854 fsl, 1580 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41373 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #607H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5854 fsl, 1605 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41376 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Tiger Unit SN 245-252 #807H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 5854 fsl, 1530 fel, Sec 245, Abst. 598, Dickens CSL, 6 ne Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41377 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Kitta Belle #601H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 254 fnl, 629 fwl, Sec 246, Abst. 610, Wheeler CSL, 6.5 nw Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41381 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Kitta Belle #802H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 254 fnl, 679 fwl, Sec 246, Abst. 610, Wheeler CSL, 6.5 nw Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41383 Permit issued 3/28

Energen Resources Corporation
Kitta Belle #603H
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 3244 fnl, 655 fel, Sec 246, Abst. 610, Wheeler CSL, 6.5 nw Tarzan; TD 11000; API #42-317-41382 Permit issued 3/28

Hunt Oil Company
Scharbauer #110HA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 78 fel, 400 fsl, Sec 325, Abst. 424, La Salle CSL, 18.24 nw Stanton; TD 8600; API #42-317-41366 Permit issued 3/26

Hunt Oil Company
Scharbauer #110HM
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 79 fel, 460 fsl, Sec 325, Abst. 424, La Salle CSL, 18.24 nw Stanton; TD 7500; API #42-317-41367 Permit issued 3/27

Hunt Oil Company
Scharbauer #210HL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 79 fel, 430 fsl, Sec 325, Abst. 424, La Salle CSL, 18.24 nw Stanton; TD 8250; API #42-317-41368 Permit issued 3/27

QEP Energy Company
Flo E #105C
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2427 fnl, 1947 fwl, Sec 4, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9100; API #42-317-41363 Permit issued 3/26

QEP Energy Company
Flo E #006L
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2352 fnl, 1947 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9900; API #42-317-41364 Permit issued 3/26

QEP Energy Company
Flo A #168U
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2448 fnl, 308 fwl, Sec 7, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9714; API #42-317-41351 Permit issued 3/27

QEP Energy Company
Flo B #13MA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2450 fnl, 1128 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8300; API #42-317-41355 Permit issued 3/27

QEP Energy Company
Flo B #14BL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2400 fnl, 1127 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9800; API #42-317-41354 Permit issued 3/27

QEP Energy Company
Flo B #15SA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2348 fnl, 307 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 8962; API #42-317-41353 Permit issued 3/27

QEP Energy Company
Flo B #15WA
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2423 fnl, 308 fwl, Sec 3, Blk 37, T-2-N, Abst. 237, T&P RR, 4.3 ne Tarzan; TD 9541; API #42-317-41352 Permit issued 3/27

XTO Energy Inc.
Lenorah 1-21 #0621SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 361 fwl, 600 fnl, Sec 18, Blk 35, T-1-N, Abst. 623, T&P RR, 5.5 se Lenorah; TD 8550; API #42-317-41318 Permit issued 3/29

Midland County

Callon Petroleum Operating Co.
Kendra-Kristen 6 #26LL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 3658 fnl, 3427 fel, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-2-S, Abst. 346, T&P RR, 11.1 sw Midland; TD 9600; API #42-329-42341 Permit issued 3/29

Callon Petroleum Operating Co.
Kendra-Kristen 7 #27UL
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 3718 fnl, 3427 fel, Sec 1, Blk 41, T-2-S, Abst. 346, T&P RR, 11.1 sw Midland; TD 9500; API #42-329-42343 Permit issued 3/29

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38E #1HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 484 fsl, 2022 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42402 Permit issued 3/29

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38E #2HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 484 fsl, 1972 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42401 Permit issued 3/29

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38F #3HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 484 fsl, 1922 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42403 Permit issued 3/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38F #4HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 474 fsl, 1131 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42404 Permit issued 3/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38F #5HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 474 fsl, 1081 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42406 Permit issued 3/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 39G #6HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 474 fsl, 1031 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42407 Permit issued 3/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 39G #7HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 474 fsl, 656 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42409 Permit issued 3/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38X #8HF
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 474 fsl, 606 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42410 Permit issued 3/28

Encana Oil & Gas (USA) Inc.
Fayth 38X #9HE
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 474 fsl, 556 fel, Sec 38, Blk 40, T-3-S, Abst. 1359, T&P RR, 18.5 sw Midland; TD 10300; API #42-329-42411 Permit issued 3/28

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Midkiff 1 #10H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 11015 fsl, 6414 fel, Sec 1, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 26.9 se Midland; TD 10500; API #42-329-42400 Permit issued 3/26

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Midkiff 1 #11H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 11015 fsl, 6394 fel, Sec 1, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 26.9 se Midland; TD 10500; API #42-329-42405 Permit issued 3/27

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Midkiff 1 #12H
Spraberry (Trend Area) R 40 EXC-Horizontal; 11015 fsl, 6374 fel, Sec 1, Blk 38, T-5-S, Abst. 121, T&P RR, 26.9 se Midland; TD 10500; API #42-329-42408 Permit issued 3/27

Pecos County

Bluestone Natural Resources II LLC
Huckleberry #1H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 330 fwl, 860 fnl, Sec 14, Abst. 5038, T&STL RR, 4.8 se Fort Stockton; TD 7900; API #42-371-39709 Permit issued 3/26

Diamondback E&P LLC
State Neal Lethco 10-9 D #4WA
Hoefs T-K (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 312 fwl, 1823 fnl, Sec 11, Blk 142, Abst. 3606, T&STL RR, 13.54 se Coyanosa; TD 10180; API #42-371-39711 Permit issued 3/26

Teakwood Operating LLC
Leoncita 198 #1H
Alpine High (Consolidated)-Horizontal; 1672 fwl, 1749 fsl, Sec 198, Blk 10, Abst. 6213, GH&SA RR, 34.94 sw Fort Stockton; TD 11500; API #42-371-39712 Permit issued 3/29

Reeves County

Bluestone Natural Resources II LLC
Reeves AW Fee #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 200 fsl, 200 fwl, Sec 47, Blk 50, Abst. 2773, T&P RR, 19.97 se Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36951 Permit issued 3/27

Carrizo (Permian) LLC
Sandhu State 14 #11H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 292 fsl, 629 fel, Abst. 4562, R.E. Gentry, 12 nw Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36957 Permit issued 3/28

Centennial Resource Producing LLC
Adobe C #U 19H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 362 fel, Sec 211, Blk 13, Abst. 509, H&GN RR, 16.9 sw Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-36943 Permit issued 3/26

Centennial Resource Producing LLC
Adobe D #U 28H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 332 fel, Sec 211, Blk 13, Abst. 509, H&GN RR, 16.9 sw Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-36944 Permit issued 3/29

Centennial Resource Producing LLC
Adobe E #U 32H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 300 fsl, 2340 fel, Sec 211, Blk 13, Abst. 509, H&GN RR, 16.9 sw Pecos; TD 10500; API #42-389-36945 Permit issued 3/27

Centennial Resource Producing LLC
Big House E #B 03HR
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 868 fnwl, 300 fnel, Sec 57, Blk 4, Abst. 409, H&GN RR, 5.7 nw Pecos; TD 11000; API #42-389-36950 Permit issued 3/28

COG Operating LLC
Jack State A Unit #3601H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1153 fnl, 769 fel, Sec 36, Blk 6, Abst. 3935, H&GN RR, 6.46 se Lindsay; TD 10900; API #42-389-36817 Permit issued 3/29

COG Operating LLC
Jack State A Unit #3651H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1107 fnl, 847 fel, Sec 36, Blk 6, Abst. 3935, H&GN RR, 6.44 se Lindsay; TD 10600; API #42-389-36818 Permit issued 3/29

COG Operating LLC
Jack State A Unit #3602H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1102 fnl, 583 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 6, Abst. 3935, H&GN RR, 6.34 se Lindsay; TD 10900; API #42-389-36819 Permit issued 3/29

COG Operating LLC
Jack State A Unit #3652H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1057 fnl, 505 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 6, Abst. 3935, H&GN RR, 6.33 se Lindsay; TD 10600; API #42-389-36820 Permit issued 3/29

COG Operating LLC
Jack State B Unit #3672H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1079 fnl, 1204 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 6, Abst. 3935, H&GN RR, 6.33 se Lindsay; TD 11200; API #42-389-36834 Permit issued 3/29

COG Operating LLC
Jack State B Unit #3670H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1130 fnel, 808 fsel, Sec 36, Blk 6, Abst. 3935, H&GN RR, 6.45 se Lindsay; TD 11200; API #42-389-36824 Permit issued 3/29

NBL Permian LLC
Sundance Kid State 50-49-7 Unit B #13H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2276 fnel, 929 fsel, Sec 50, Blk 5, Abst. 4901, H&GN RR, 6.1 sw Pecos; TD 13000; API #42-389-36940 Permit issued 3/27

Petroplex Energy Inc.
Quinn #1
Wolfbone (Trend Area); 331 fsl, 331 fel, Sec 3, Blk 52, T-9-S, Abst. 5824, T&P RR, 5.75 ne Verhalen; TD 13500; API #42-389-36956 Permit issued 3/28

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
SMR #U 08H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 180 fsel, 400 fnel, Sec 22, Blk 2, Abst. 1813, H&GN RR, 16.09 se Orla; TD 11300; API #42-389-36861 Permit issued 3/27

Resolute Natural Resources Co. LLC
SMR #B108SL
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 200 fsel, 400 fnel, Sec 22, Blk 2, Abst. 1813, H&GN RR, 16.09 se Orla; TD 11700; API #42-389-36862 Permit issued 3/27

Upcurve Energy LLC
York State 33 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 410 fnl, 393 fel, Sec 33, Blk 72, State Survey, 4.45 se Toyah; TD 11300; API #42-389-36947 Permit issued 3/27

Ward County

Cimarex Energy Co.
Skinner 34-11S #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 385 fnel, 1455 fnwl, Sec 11S, Blk 34, Abst. 642, H&TC RR, 8 sw Pyote; TD 15000; API #42-475-37503 Permit issued 3/26

Eland Energy Inc.
Sealy Smith #848
Wickett (Pennsylvanian); 7386 fnl, 1978 fel, Sec 84, Blk A, Abst. 95, GBM&BA, 4.4 nw Monahans; TD 11000; API #42-475-37509 Permit issued 3/29

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Sealy Ranch #7605AH
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal;

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228 fnwl, 2053 fnel, Sec 79, Blk F, Abst. 39, G&MMB&A, 2.7 nw Pyote; TD 15000; API #42-475-37501 Permit issued 3/28

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Sealy Ranch #7501H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 20936 fnwl, 6809 fswl, Sec 74, Blk F, Abst. 980, G&MMB&A, 6.2 nw Pyote; TD 15000; API #42-475-37506 Permit issued 3/26

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Sealy Ranch #7502H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 20936 fnwl, 6834 fswl, Sec 74, Blk F, Abst. 980, G&MMB&A, 6.2 nw Pyote; TD 15000; API #42-475-37507 Permit issued 3/26

Halcon Operating Co. Inc.
Hunter #2601H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 713 fnwl, 1320 fswl, Sec 26, Blk 16, Abst. 26U, ULS, 2.1 ne Pyote; TD 15000; API #42-475-37505 Permit issued 3/26

Jagged Peak Energy LLC
Whiskey River 9596D-34 #81H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 250 fsel, 913 fnel, Sec 94, Blk 34, Abst. 1251, H&TC RR, 11.7 sw Wickett; TD 15000; API #42-389-37508 Permit issued 3/28

Winkler County

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Francis Drake N #5
Monahans North (Clearfork); 672 fsl, 660 fwl, Sec 24, Blk B-10, Abst. 1605, PSL, 10.7 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-34096 Permit issued 3/28

Blackbeard Operating LLC
Sealy-Smith Foundation "B" #113
Monahans North (Clearfork); 3303 fnl, 1980 fwl, Sec 70, Blk A, Abst. 55, G&MMB&A, 9.6 n Monahans; TD 7000; API #42-495-34097 Permit issued 3/29

Boyd & McWilliams Operating LLC
Whiting 21 #1H
Keystone (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 10 fnl, 660 fwl, Sec 21, Blk B-2, Abst. 1651, PSL, 8.4 ne Kermit; TD 8300; API #42-495-34095 Permit issued 3/26

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0206SW
Kermit; 974 fel, 3016 fnl, Sec 6, Blk B-3, Abst. 1851, PSL, 3.7 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34093 Permit issued 3/26

Champion Lone Star Operating LLC
CLS Walton #0906NW
Kermit; 330 fel, 1650 fnl, Sec 6, Blk B-3, Abst. 1851, PSL, 4.1 nw Kermit; TD 3700; API #42-495-34094 Permit issued 3/26

MECO IV LLC
UL 21 War-Wink 38 #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 500 fsl, 2230 fel, Sec 35, Blk 21, Abst. 75U, ULS, 4.8 sw Wink; TD 12000; API #42-495-34092 Permit issued 3/26

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Borden County

Surge Operating LLC
Minotaur Unit B 16-09 #8AH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 360 fsl, 1162 fel, Sec 16, Blk 31, T-3-N, Abst. 1202, T&P RR, 12 se Gail; TD 10000; API #42-033-32459 Permit issued 3/28

Scurry County

Kinder Morgan Production Co. LLC
SACROC Unit #16-14H
Kelly-Snyder-Horizontal; 4411 fnel, 13459 fnl, Sec 440, Blk 97, Abst. 1532, H&TC RR, 8.89 n Snyder; TD 7800; API #42-415-35391 Permit issued 3/27

Occidental Permian Ltd.
Cogdell Canyon Reef Unit #6100A
Cogdell (Area); 7012 fel, 13052 fsl, Sec 563, Blk 97, Abst. 2054, H&TC RR, 13 n Snyder; TD 7450; API #42-415-35392 Permit issued 3/29

New Mexico

Eddy County

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Morris Boyd St #3
North Seven Rivers; Sec 23 T19S R25E; 555/S & 675/W; 5 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 8309 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44732

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Huber Federal #8
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 542/S & 1172/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8371 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44707

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Huber Federal #9
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 428/S & 1270/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8376 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44708

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Huber Federal #11
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 486/S & 2188/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8344 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44709

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Huber Federal #12
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 454/S & 2385/W; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8110 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44710

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Huber Federal #13
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 369/S & 717/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8087 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44711

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Huber Federal #15
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 476/S & 1523/W; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8030 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44719

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Huber Fed #16
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 496/S & 1673/W; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8326 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44720

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
Huber Fed #18
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 19S R25E; 477/S & 329/W; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8020 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44712

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
South Boyd Fed #20
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T19S R25E; 689/N & 2024/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8292 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44723

Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
South Boyd Fed #21

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How do they do it?

Three reasons why repeat business fuels Saulsbury's cryo plant construction

Why is Saulsbury Industries so successful at winning and retaining customers in the midstream gas cryogenic market? To the point that, in the last three years, close to 90 percent of their projects are repeat business?

To put this in perspective, the company just contracted their fiftieth gas cryogenic facility project since 2006. These plants represent over 8.5 billion cubic feet per day of base rated processing capacity and include a vast variety of liquid handling, condensate, amine treating, dehydration, cryogenic, refrigeration, compression, nitrogen rejection, acid gas injection, balance of plant, instrumentation electrical, and control systems. This experience has solidified Saulsbury's position as a leader in midstream EPC project execution.

They currently have 11 gas cryogenic projects in various stages of execution from front end engineering to startup and the ability to start more. This capacity has been accomplished by an ongoing strategy over the past 10 years of continuous improvement of their execution model through their employees, processes, and technology.

Saulsbury is a full service, self-performed EPC company—which means, for most projects, more than 95 percent of their work is done by Saulsbury employees. Only a few, small project scope items are contracted out, which puts them in contrast with many EPC firms. This allows Saulsbury to fully integrate and control the EPC process using the latest technology from process simulations, plant modeling and design, engineering, procurement, QAQC, safety, progress measurement, scheduling, reporting, planning, change management, and risk management.

There are three main reasons, says the company's Vice President and General Manager, Southwest Operating Group, John Shefchik, P. E.

First, "Many of our projects come as the result of relationships," he says. "Much of our work starts with a client calling us, knowing what end result they need and needing a plan to get there. We take care of the project every step of the way, from project scoping to startup."

Shefchik notes that Saulsbury strives to offer the best service and the best value for their clients, and truly partners with them to achieve their goals.

Second, closely tied to the first, is that Saulsbury provides turnkey services as an EPC company, with almost all work done directly by Saulsbury' employees while still maintaining one of the best safety records in the industry From engineering and design to procurement of equipment and material , to the actual construction—Saulsbury handles everything without delays. The schedule of everyone involved is coordinated in house at all times and allows Saulsbury to more efficiently control the execution of projects

"We realize that for most midstream projects time is of the essence for both the midstream company and, in turn, their client, who is the producer," Shefchik notes. "So while we're always going to take the time needed to do the job right, we plan the job for the best workflow and efficiency possible. We understand midstream sector project success is determined by the speed to market and we are committed to fulling our commitments on every project, solidified by our turnkey execution strategy, and have a track record to back it up."



Saulsbury teams are at work throughout the country delivering exceptional execution of midstream projects. Call them at 432-366-3686.

The third reason is also closely related to the first two. "We do what we say we'll do." This means two things: Every promise will be within reason and, second, a promise is exactly that. Saulsbury will do everything to make sure they do what is expected to get the plant up and running on schedule.

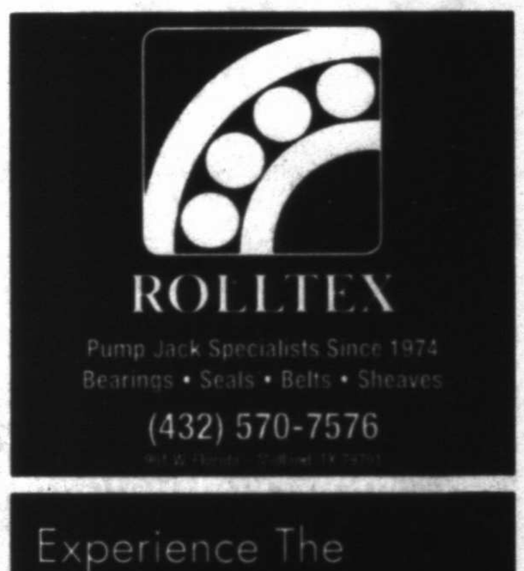
"All if this is part of building trust," says Shefchik, "which is what makes clients happy to work with us again and again. It's good for us as well because we learn how they like things done, so that further streamlines the process."

Trust is the foundation of Saulsbury and its employees. Last year, the company celebrated its 50th anniversary and recently hit record employment numbers of 5,000 direct-hire employees, a testament to its self-performance execution model.

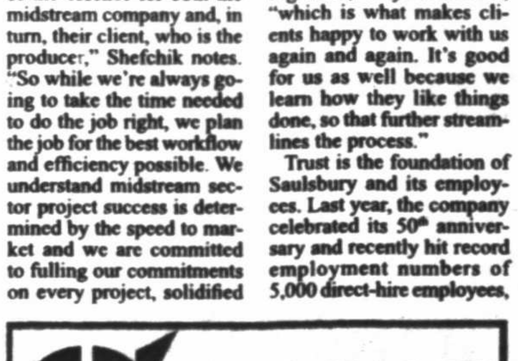
You'll find Saulsbury's midstream construction teams working all through the Delaware and Midland Basins, the Niobrara in Colorado, all through Oklahoma, the Bakken and Eagle Ford.

Wouldn't it be great to make one call and know that your plant would be completed on time and on budget, just as you expect? Make that one call to Saulsbury this week.

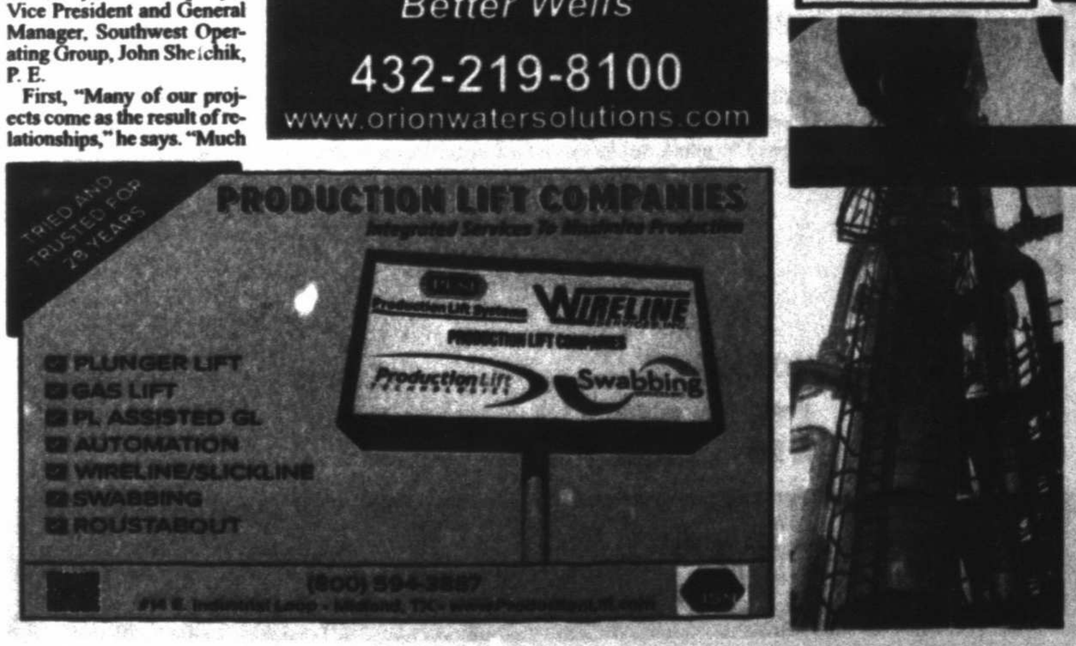
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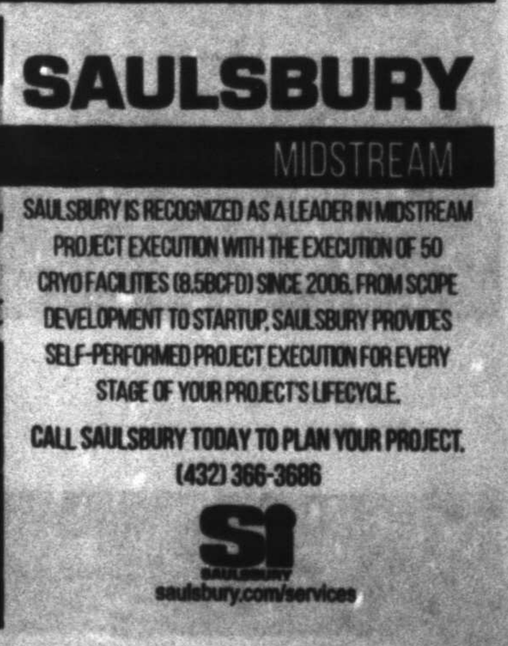






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Percussion Petroleum Operating LLC
South Boyd Fed #22
North Seven Rivers; Sec 34 T29S R25E; 728/N & 2174/E; 6 mi SW Lakewood; Rot 8341 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-44725

Caza Operating LLC
Forehand Ranch 22 27 St #11
Purple Sage; Sec 22 T23S R27E; 2283/S & 1353/E; 4 mi W Loving; Rot 16857 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44733

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Mariner Fee 23 28 19 WXY #6
Purple Sage; Sec 18 T23S R28E; 665/S & 1703/E; 2 1/2 mi NW Loving; Rot 14476 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44734

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Mariner Fee 23 28 19 TB #9
South Culebra Bluff; Sec 18 T23S R28E; 664/S & 1603/E; 2 1/2 mi NW Loving; Rot 14440 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44735

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw Unit #514
Paduca; Sec 25 T24S R31E; 485/N & 380/E; 20 mi E Malaga; Rot 19135 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44715

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Cotton Draw Unit #515
Paduca; Sec 25 T24S R31E; 485/N & 410/E; 20 mi E Malaga; Rot 16800 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44716

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Cotton Draw Unit #516
Paduca; Sec 25 T24S R31E; 485/N & 440/E; 20 mi E Malaga; Rot 22175 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44717

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw Unit #517
Paduca; Sec 25 T24S R31E; 485/N & 470/E; 20 mi E Malaga; Rot 22565 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44718

Oxy USA Inc.
Corral Fly 35 26 Fed Com #31
Purple Sage; Sec 2 T25S R29E; 694/N & 1008/W; 8 mi SE Malaga; Rot 19070 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44726

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Mewbourne Oil Co.
Lindale 24 25 H3AH Fed #1
Purple Sage; Sec 24 T26S R30E; 185/N & 295/E; 19 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18671 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44714

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Lindale 24 25 W1AH Fed #1
Purple Sage; Sec 24 T26S R30E; 186/N & 330/E; 19 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18671 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-44713

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Snapping 12 1 Federal #531
West Jennings; Sec 12 T26S R31E; 2325/N & 780/W; 23 mi SE Malaga; Rot 16064 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44721

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Snapping 12 1 Federal #533
West Jennings; Sec 12 T26S R31E; 2325/N & 1850/W; 23 mi SE Malaga; Rot 16379 Bone Spring; API #30-015-44722

Lea County

Matador Production Co.
Airstrip 31 18 35 RN St #131
Airstrip; Sec 31 t18S R35E; 210/S & 331/W; 8 1/2 mi W Arkansas Jct; Rot 15500 Bone Spring; API #30-25-44509

XTO Energy Inc.
Chistera 32 State #5
Hat Mesa; Sec 32 T20S R33E; 200/N & 2310/W; 4 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15586 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44502

XTO Energy Inc.
Chistera 32 State #6
Hat Mesa; Sec 32 T20S R33E; 224/N & 1755/E; 4 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15618 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44503

XTO Energy Inc.
Chistera 32 State #7
Hat Mesa; Sec 32 T20S R33E; 327/N & 502/E; 4 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15588 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44504

Matador Production Co.
Verna Rae Fed Com #203
Tonto; Sec 6 T20S R34E; 230/N & 1845/E; 9 mi NE Halfway; Rot 15714 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44493

Matador Production Co.
Verna Rae Fed Com #204
Tonto; Sec 6 T20S R34E; 230/N & 1725/E; 9 mi NE Halfway; Rot 15693 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44494

Centennial Resources Production LLC
Vitalizer State #502
Grama Ridge; Sec 33 T21S R34E; 330/S & 450/E; 13 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14800 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44499

Chisholm Energy Operating LLC
Antler 17 State 2BS #5
Rock Lake; Sec 17 T22S R35E; 150/S & 1285/W; 10 1/2 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 15100 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44489

Pride Energy Co.
Paduca 16 State #203
Paduca; Sec 16 T25S R32E; 200/N & 2119/W; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 13166 Delaware; API #30-025-44490

Pride Energy Co.
Paduca 16 State #503
Mesa Verde; Sec 16 T25S R32E; 200/N & 2089/W; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 15314 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44491

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Red Hill West 22 WODM #4
West Red Hills; Sec 22 T26S R32E; 185/N & 760/W; 17 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16697 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44496

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Salado Draw 9 W1BO #2
Red Hills; Sec 9 T26S R33E; 310/N & 2310/E; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16715 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44497

EOG Resources Inc.
Whirling Wind 11 Fed #705
Bobcat Draw; Sec 11 T26S R33E; 1183/S & 1386/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19983 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44513

EOG Resources Inc.
Whirling Wind 11 Fed #706
Bobcat Draw; Sec 11 T26S R33E; 1199/S & 1417/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 19827 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44514

EOG Resources Inc.
Whirling Wind 11 Fed #707
Bobcat Draw; Sec 11 T26S R33E; 1282/S & 2161/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20162 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44515

EOG Resources Inc.
Whirling Wind 11 Fed #708
Bobcat Draw; Sec 11 T26S R33E; 1296/S & 2192/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 20123 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44516

Chevron USA Inc.
SD EA 29 32 Fed Com P10 #17
Sanders Tank; Sec 29 T26S R33E; 120/N & 2605/W; 15 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 23000 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44485

Chevron USA Inc.
SD EA 29 32 Fed Com P10 #18
Sanders Tank; Sec 29 T26S R33E; 120/N & 2630/W; 15 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 23000 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44486

Chevron USA Inc.
SD EA 29 32 Fed Com P10 #19
Sanders Tank; Sec 29 T26S R33E; 120/N & 2633/E; 15 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 23000 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44487

Chevron USA Inc.
SD EA 29 32 Fed Com P10 #20
Sanders Tank; Sec 29 T26S R33E; 120/N & 2608/E; 15 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 23000 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44488

EOG Resources Inc.
Barlow 34 Fed Com #707
Sanders Tank; Sec 34 T26S R33E; 300/S & 2605/W; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17080 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44510

EOG Resources Inc.
Barlow 34 Fed Com #708
Sanders Tank; Sec 34 T26S R33E; 300/S & 2659/E; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16961 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44511

EOG Resources Inc.
Barlow 34 Fed Com #709
Sanders Tank; Sec 34 T26S R33E; 300/S & 2624/E; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17082 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44512

EOG Resources Inc.
Nautilus 16 St Com #602
Bradley; Sec 16 T26S R34E; 170/N & 1565/E; 10 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17397 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44506

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Fighting Okra 18 19 Federal #15
Bradley; Sec 18 T26S R34E; 375/N & 2575/W; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 22298 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44498



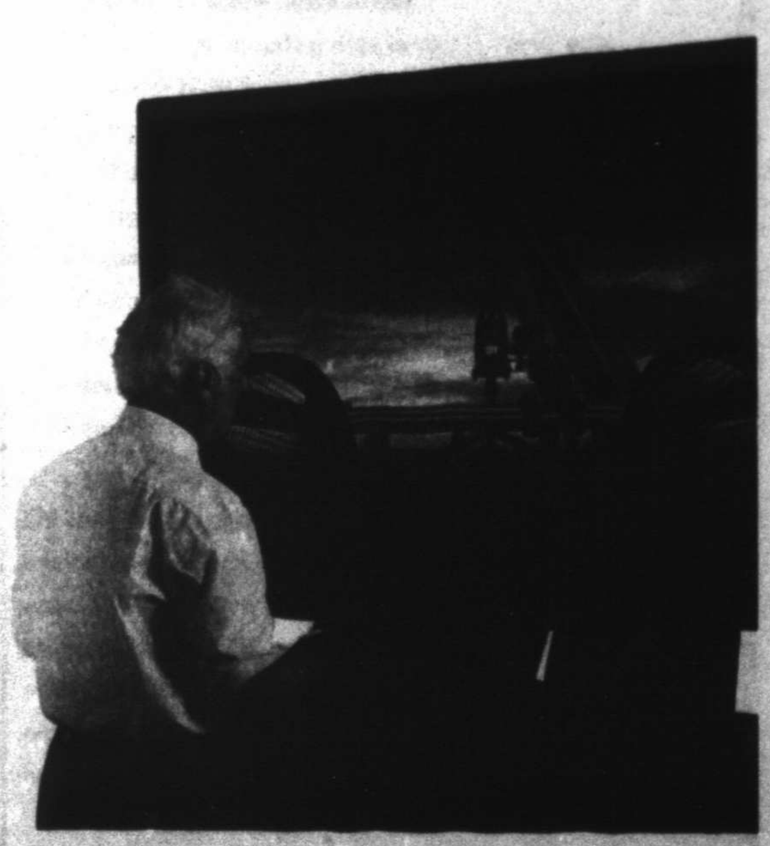
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Carbonate Reservoir Characterization: The Lucia Method
Instructor: David M. Orchard
Start Date: May 3 - 4, 2018 – Thursday - Friday -8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $400; Out of State: $425

Optimizing Oilfield Systems Using Spreadsheet Models
Instructor: Peter L. Galusky, Jr., Ph.D., P.E.
Start Date: May 7, 2018 – Monday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
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PetroSkills: Unconventional Resources Completion and Stimulation –URCS
Instructor: Larry Britt
Start Date: May 7-11, 2018 – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $4190

Petroleum Land Management
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
Start Date: May 8, 2018; End Date: May 9, 2018 – Tuesday – Wednesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
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Instructor: Rodney Sands
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Cost: $150; Out of State $175

New Course: LMKR: GGX – Project and Data Management Essentials
Registered directly with LMKR: cvilleri@lmkr.com
Instructor: Andrew Vessel
Start Date: May 8-9, 2018 – Wednesday - Thursday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1000

New Course: LMKR: PRIZM – Petrophysics Essentials
Registered directly with LMKR: cvilleri@lmkr.com
Instructor: John French
Start Date: May 10 -11, 2018 – Monday – Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $1500

"OLD" (Pre-1958) Electric Logs: A Quick Review
Instructor: Dr. George Asquith
Start Date: May 11, 2018 – Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $425; Out of State: $450

Introduction to Log Interpretation and Quality
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
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Instructor: Michael K. Johnson
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Instructor: Sherry Robinson
Start Date: May 15, 2018 – Tuesday – 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Cost: $400; Out of State: $425

Introduction to Well Completion
Instructor: Gary Batcheller
Start Date: May 17 -18, 2018 – Thursday - Friday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $720; Out of State: $745

Economic Evaluation and Investment Decision Methods
Instructor: John Stermole
Start Date: May 21-24, 2018 – Monday – Thursday – 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Cost: $2595; Out of State $2620

Petra Fundamentals
Instructor: Greg Hinterlong
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Location: Midland College Carrasco Room – Main Campus
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COMPLETIONS

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Texas RRCD 7C

Runnels County

Hillcrest Petroleum LLC
S.-2 Volgelsang #2
Ballinger (Palo Pinto); 467 fel, 570 fnl, Abst. 414, J.A. Rich, 9 s Winters; TD 4240; Comp 3/12/2018; producing from 3455-3474, treated with acid; pump 4 BO, 10 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-399-34375

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Andrews County

Elevation Resources LLC
UL G 1-22 Unit #5H
Emma (Mississippian)-Horizontal; 200 fnl, 1304 fwl, Sec 22, Blk 1, Abst. 22U, ULS, 8.5 s Andrews; TD 10742 TVD, 16707 MD; Comp 2/28/2018; producing from 10705-16575, fracture stimulated; flow 1038 BO, 3066 MCF, 1030 BW, FTP 940 psi, 50.47 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-47661

Crane County

BAM Permian Operating LLC
Edwards Estate State #4
Edwards -04- (Devonian); 605 fwl, 585 fsl, Sec 20, Blk 34, T-4-S, Abst. 852, T&P RR, 15.4 nw Crane; TD 10900; Comp 3/13/2018; producing from 9727-10595, fracture stimulated; pump 107 BO, 191 MCF, 160 BW, 44 Oil Gravity; API #42-103-36590

Midland County

XTO Energy Inc.
John Braun A Unit 2
#0106BH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2023 fel, 1465 fsl, Sec 12, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 1401, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Midland; TD 9700 TVD, 18672 MD; Comp 3/7/2018; producing from 10834-18547, fracture stimulated; flow 157 BO, 221 MCF, 3934 BE, FTP 400 psi, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-40699

XTO Energy Inc.
John Braun A Unit 2
#0146SH
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 1973 fel, 1468 fsl, Sec 12, Blk 40, T-4-S, Abst. 1401, T&P RR, 19.2 sw Midland; TD 8732 TVD, 17798 MD; Comp 3/8/2018; producing from 9959-17641, fracture stimulated; flow 272 BO, 384 MCF, 2461 BE, FTP 240 psi, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-40704

Reeves County

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Richmond 39 #3H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 410 fsel, 200 fswl, Sec 39, Blk 4, Abst. 400, H&GN RR, 3.5 nw Pecos; TD 11134 TVD, 21791 MD; Comp 3/6/2018; producing from 11151-21656, fracture stimulated; flow 520 BO, 1084 MCF, 3683 BW on 24/64 inch choke, 52 Oil Gravity; API #42-389-36169

New Mexico

Eddy County

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP
Eagle 27 M Federal #8
Red Lake; Sec 27 T17S R27E; 330/S & 330/W; EL 3511 GL, TD 4850, PBTD 4767; Spud 5-16-17, Comp 7-26-17; production is through treated perfs: 3030-3251, 3450-3771, 3881-4137, 4206-4521. Treat: 6390 gals 15% HCL & Frac w/120,100# 100 mesh & 1026832# 30/50 sd in slick wtr. IP: 8-5-17 Pump 24 hrs 125 BO, 120 BW, 470 MCF, GOR 120. Cag: 13 3/8 @ 362 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 478 w/300 sx, 5 ½ @ 4828 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 3349; API #30-015-43768

Marathon Oil Permian LLC
Cass 16 State #4
Forehand Ranch; Sec 16 T23S R27E; 2018/N & 256/W. BHL: 2083/N & 330/E; EL 3160 GL, TD 11830 MD, 7247 TVD, PBTD 11,740; Spud 8-18-17, Comp 10-20-17; production is through treated perfs: 7226-11728. Treat: 1107 bbls 15% HCL acid, 11,295,910# propants sd. IP: 10-28-17 Flow 24 hrs 526 BO, 3587 BW, 859 MCF, CP 353. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 422 w/500 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1949 w/700 sx, 5 ½ @ 11790 w/2070 sx; API #30-015-44370

Matador Production Co.
Forehand Ranch 35 Federal #1
Purple Sage; Sec 35 T23S R27E; 330/S & 1980/W. BHL: 390/S & 2100/W; EL 3152 GL, TD 14896 MD, 10119 TVD, PBTD 14771; Spud 7-11-17, Comp 10-26-17; production is through treated perfs: 10230-14728. Treat: 1,023,720# 100 mesh, 12,081,740# 30/50 mesh, 13,105,460# prop, 22,550 gals 15% acid & 7,541,310 gals freshwater in 22 stages. IP: 11-6-17 Pump 24 hrs 597 BO, 3861 BW, 5601 MCF, 34/64" Ch, CP 2450. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 362 w/385 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2278 w/996 sx, 7 5/8 @ 10217 w/863 sx, 5 ½ @ 14870 w/517 sx; API #30-015-43490

Oxy USA Inc.
Cedar Canyon 21 Federal C #21
Cotton Draw; Sec 21 T24S R29E; 369/N & 368/E. BHL: 475/N & 188/W; EL 2928 GL, TD 13503 MD, 8550 TVD, PBTD 13444 MD, 8551 TVD; Spud 7-30-17, Comp 11-3-17; production is through treated perfs: 8751-13302. Treat: 7025892 gals slick water, 966000 gals 7.5% HCL acid, 6934460# sd. IP: 11-9-17 Flow 24 hrs 3473 BO, 3324 BW, 6130 MCF, 49/128 Ch, CP 644, GOR 1765. Cag: 10 ¾ @ 463 w/329 sx, 7 5/8 @ 7885 w/1951 sx, 4 ½ @ 7713-13498 w/700 sx; API #30-015-44181

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Cedar Canyon 21 Federal C #31
Purple Sage; Sec 21 T24S R29E; 339/N & 368/E. BHL: 419/N & 184/W; EL 2928 GL, TD 14734 MD, 9950 TVD, PBTD 14871 MD, 9952 TVD; Spud 7-31-17, Comp 10-5-17; production is through treated perfs: 9966-14562. Treat: 7021686 gals slickwater, 966000 gals 7.5% HCL acid w/69326408 sd. IP: 10-13-17 Flow 24 hrs 1864 BO, 4849 BW, 3375 MCF, 52/128 Ch, CP 1437, GOR 1811. Cag: 10 ¾ @ 456 w/674 sx, 7 5/8 @ 9295 w/1773 sx, 4 ½ @ 9183-14724 w/713 sx; API #30-015-44182

Lea County

EOG Resources Inc.
Ophelia 22 Fed Com #705
Wildcat; Sec 22 T26S R33E; 200/N & 679/W. BHL: Sec 27 2380/N & 978/W; EL 3295 GL, TD 19725 MD, 12386 TVD, PBTD 19615 MD, 12386 TVD; Spud 10-17-17, Comp 12-20-17; production is through treated perfs: 12470-19615. Treat: Frac w/18917076# proppant, 314,279 bbls load fluid. IP: 12-26-17 Flow 24 hrs 2985 BO, 6704 BW, 6066 MCF, 52 Ch, CP 2786, GOR 2046, Gty 43. Cag: 10 ¾ @ 1006 w/840 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11658 w/2585 sx, 5 ½ @ 19710 w/780 sx; API #30-025-44007

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Ophelia 22 Fed Com #707
Wildcat; Sec 22 T26S R33E; 200/N & 2001/W. BHL: Sec 27 2412/N & 2323/W; EL 3301 GL, TD 19765 MD, 12399 TVD, PBTD 19651 MD, 12391 TVD; Spud 9-23-17, Comp 12-14-17; production is through treated perfs: 12669-19651. Treat: Frac w/18,417,500# proppant, 250,600bbls load fluid. IP: 12-18-17 Flow 24 hrs 3066 BO, 8119 BW, 5770 MCF, 52 Ch, CP 2435, GOR 1882, Gty 45. Cag: 10 ¾ @ 1026 w/810 sx, 9 5/8 @ 11611 w/2635 sx, 5 ½ @ 19746 w/795 sx; API #30-025-44008

EOG Resources Inc.
Ruby 2 State Com #602
Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 1277/W BHL: 232/S & 1673/W; EL 3304 GR, TD 17,247 MD, 12,536 TVD, PBTD 17,141, 12,535 TVD; Spud 10-5-17, Comp 1-17-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,637-17,141. Treat: Frac w/11,862,173# proppant, 168,248 bbls load fluid. IP: 1-27-18 Flow 24 hrs 2361 BO, 5432 BW, 3310 MCF, 48/64" Ch, 1669 CP, GOR 1402, Gty 39. Csg: 10 3/4 @ 1050 w/910 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11760 w/2685 sx, 5 ½ @ 17,247 w/635 sx; API #30-025-44060

EOG Resources Inc.
Ruby 2 State Com #603
Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 2220/W. BHL: 2331/S & 2333/E; EL 3295 GR, TD 17,282 MD, 12,491 TVD, PBTD 17,172 MD, 12,486 TVD; Spud 10-19-17, Comp 1-18-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,599-17,172. Treat: Frac w/11,870,710# proppant, 163,079 bbls load fluid. IP: 1-25-18 Flow 24 hrs 1899 BO, 5139 BW, 3313 MCF, 42/64" Ch, CP 1557, GOR 1745, Gty 39. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 988 w/1130 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5307 w/1365 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11881 w/350 sx, 5 ½ @ 17272 w/555 sx; API #30-025-44061

EOG Resources Inc.
Ruby 2 Federal Com #703
Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 1213/W. BHL: 220/S & 1636/W; EL 3305 GR, TD 17,561 MD, 12,789 TVD, PBTD 17,439 MD, 12,776 TVD; Spud 8-9-17, Comp 1-17-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,875-17,439. Treat: Frac w/11,298,060# proppant, 149,959 bbls load fluid. IP: 1-24-18 Flow 24 hrs 1710 BO, 3335 BW, 2312 MCF, 48/64" Ch, CP 2880, GOR 1352, Gty 39. Csg: 10 ¾ @ 1054 w/810 sx, 7 5/8 @ 11,956 w/4220 sx, 5 ½ @ 17551 w/620 sx; API #30-025-43893

EOG Resources Inc.
Ruby 2 Federal Com #704
Hardin Tank; Sec 2 T26S R34E; 220/N & 2150/W. BHL: 230/S & 2316/W; EL 3294 GR, TD 17,438 MD, 12,710 TVD, PBTD 17,326 MD, 12,711 TVD; Spud 8-19-17, Comp 1-18-18; production is through treated perfs: 12,765-17,326. Treat: Frac w/11,860,351# proppant, 160,696 bbls load fluid. IP: 1-22-18 Flow 24 hrs 1664 BO, 3633 BW, 2153 MCF, 36/64" Ch, CP 2067, GOR 1294, Gty 39. Csg: 10 ¾ @ 960 w/815 sx, 7 5/8 @ 10493 w/3167 sx, 5 ½ @ 17,428 w/955 sx; API #30-025-43894

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Concho County

HW Operating LLC
Chico #2
Wildcat; 4336 fsl, 4816 fnl, Sec 437, Abst. 1020, N. Butler, 14 sw Eden; TD 6000; API #42-095-32444 Permit issued 3/28

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Ward County

Four Corners Petroleum II LLC
G.W. O'Brien et al #2021R
Wildcat; 3332 fsl, 8610 fsl, Sec 19, Blk F, Abst. 5, G&MMB&A, 1.4 ne Wickett; TD 12000; API #42-475-37500 Permit issued 3/27

New Mexico

Lea County

Caza Operating LLC
Eagle Claw Federal Com #2
Wildcat; Sec 5 T20S R35E; 190/N & 2173/W; 10 mi SW Arkansas Jct; Rot 19748 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44495

EOG Resources Inc.
Fruit Loop 29 State #502
Wildcat; Sec 29 T21S R33E; 309/N & 815/W; 11 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15801 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44500

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Fruit Loop 29 State #503
Wildcat; Sec 29 T21S R33E; 309/N & 782/W; 11 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15785 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44501

Pride Energy Co.
Paduca 16 State #703
Wildcat; Sec 17 T25S R32E; 200/N & 2094/W; 14 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16766 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44492

Caza Operating LLC
Sioux 36 State #5
Wildcat; Sec 36 T25S R35E; 50/N & 330/W; 7 mi SW Jal; Rot 15811 Bone Spring; API #30-025-44508

EOG Resources Inc.
Nautilus 16 St Com #717
Wildcat; Sec 16 T26S R34E; 170/N & 1532/E; 10 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17594 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-44507

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PT Petroleum announces Wolfcamp C results in Midland Basin

PT Petroleum LLC has announced the preliminary results from its recent Wolfcamp C discovery drilled on the Trinity Project, which is 63,769 contiguous acres, located in Reagan, Upton and Crockett counties.

The Orange 6091C well produced more than 100,000 barrels of oil, along with 45,000 MCFG, in its first 140 days.

PT Petroleum believes this well is likely not only to be transformational for the Trinity Project, but for a large portion of the southern Midland Basin. PT is currently drilling three confirmation wells in the Wolfcamp C in different areas of the Trinity block. Two of the three confirmation wells will be landed in the same stratigraphic position as the Orange 6091C and the third will land in the upper portion of the Wolfcamp C which exhibits similar reservoir quality to the Orange 6091C well.

The Orange 6091C was landed in a similar stratigraphic position in the Wolfcamp C as Parsley Energy's Taylor 4601H well 27 miles to the north. Other operators near the Trinity Project that have drilled recent Wolfcamp C wells include Callon Petroleum and Pioneer Natural Resources. Wolfcamp C wells drilled by PT and other Midland basin operators in 2017 have exhibited much stronger production results than previous Wolfcamp C wells because of a lower landing position and improved completions.

Since PT's Orange 6091C well landed in a similar stratigraphic position as the Parsley Taylor well, PT has extended the Wolfcamp C commercial limits significantly south of the Big Lake fault. The Orange 6091C production places it in the top tier of Wolfcamp C results, including wells north of the Big Lake fault. PT has mapped in excess of 1,000' of gross Wolfcamp C interval over the entire Trinity block and believes it will support two bench development.

COLORADO

Anadarko plans to plug, abandon 7 wells

LONGMONT — Anadarko Petroleum Corp. plans to plug and abandon several wells near the northern Colorado city of Longmont.

The Daily Times-Call reports that the company sent officials a notice and map last week of its plans for the pad site east of the city.

Anadarko says seven wells on a pad on private property east of the Union Reservoir will be retired. The company expects the work to last seven to 14 weeks.

The company also sent notices to residents and owners of property within 1,500 feet of the pad site.

According to the notice, the flaring of gas could occur at the site.

COLORADO

Anschutz Exploration announces record Turner Formation results in Wyoming

DENVER — Anschutz Exploration Corp.'s initial Turner Formation producers in the Powder River Basin – the Theo Fed 3571-17-5-1FH well and the Remi State 3671-16-21-9FH well — tested at record rates.

The Theo Fed initially flowed at a peak 24-hour rate of 3,193 BOEPD (87 percent oil) from an effective stimulated lateral length of 6,872 feet. The Remi State initially flowed at a peak 24-hour rate of 3,123 BOEPD (90 percent oil) from an effective lateral length of 8,072 feet.

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UTPB Ballet Folklorico celebrates Anniversary

Hispanic heritage to be presented in artwork, dance, music

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Timeline of Events

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6:30 pm-7:00 pm	Quinceanera Entrance/Display
7:00pm-8:30pm	Dance Production

This event is open to the public. Admission is free. No tickets required.

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Departmental Recital # 110	Departmental Recital # 111	Jazz Ensemble Concert
Orchestra & Band Concerts	Junior Recital: Maria Quezada, viola	String Quartets Concert
Ballet Folklorico's Spring Production	Percussion Ensemble Concert	Departmental Recital # 112
Guitar Ensemble Concert	University Choir performs with Permian Basin Opera's production of Tosca	Brass and Woodwind Ensemble Concert

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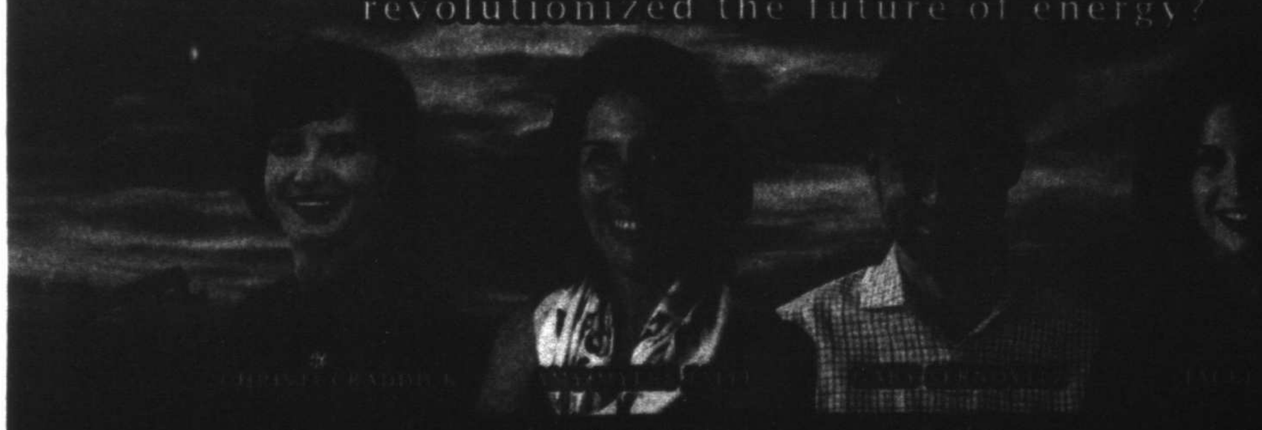
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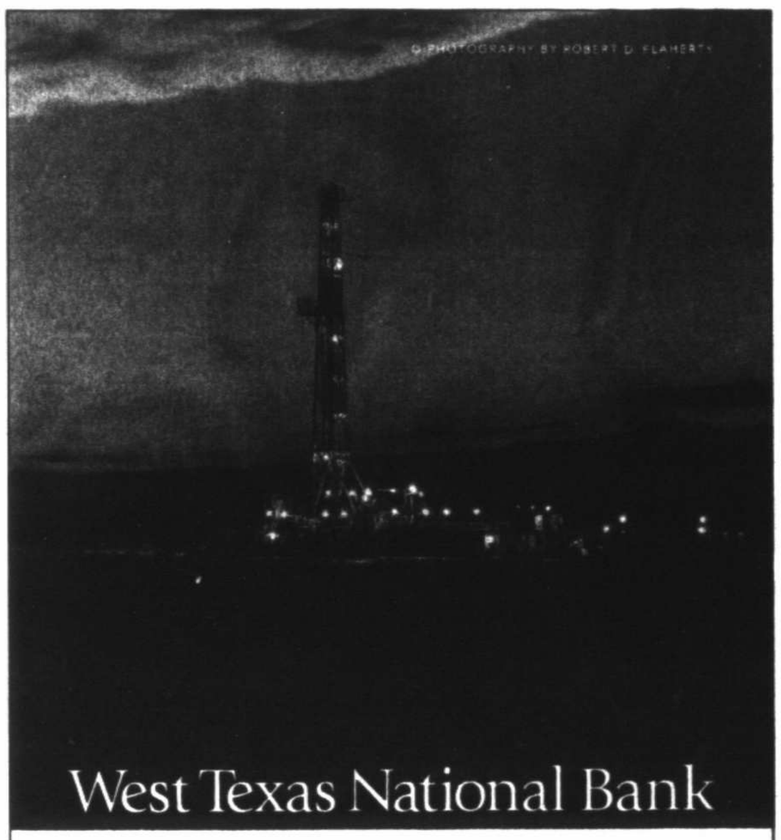
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