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Officials: Drought a threat to Texas economy

By Laylan Copelin
Cox Newspapers

AUSTIN — The worst single-year drought on record in Texas has exposed an Achilles' heel of the state's business climate.

"This is the biggest threat we have in our economy right now — water," said Rep. Lyle Larson, R-San Antonio, at last week's legislative hearing on the issue. "If we don't resolve this issue, the jobs will stop coming here."

And just as important, jobs that are already here could disappear in water-dependent industries.

Whether it's growing crops, generating electricity or making semiconductor chips, water is a key ingredient of a healthy bottom line for the state's thirstiest industries. And with climatologists predicting drier-than-normal conditions in Texas for the next decade, it's a problem the state will have to address long-term.

In Austin, the issue can affect Samsung Electronics and the University of Texas. With its co-generation plant producing electricity for the campus, UT joins Samsung among the state's top 100 water users in the manufacturing category, according to the 2012 State Water Plan. But manufacturing is dwarfed by agriculture, the largest water user, which accounts for 10 percent of the state's economy and one in seven jobs, according to the Texas Department of Agriculture.

While the Legislature debates whether it can afford the $53 billion in capital costs called for in the state's 50-year water plan, Texas businesses and institutions are addressing their bottom lines now.

"Because we are a water-hungry business, we spend a lot of time looking at how to be good water stewards," said Dave Schneider, the senior facilities manager at Samsung's Austin plant.

The facility, which has more than 2,000 employees, uses 130 million gallons a month, mostly to rinse away chemicals used to make semiconductor chips. The water, which comes from the city of Austin, is purified by the company's two water treatment plants.

Samsung spends more than $1 million a month on water and wastewater, so the company is motivated to conserve water.

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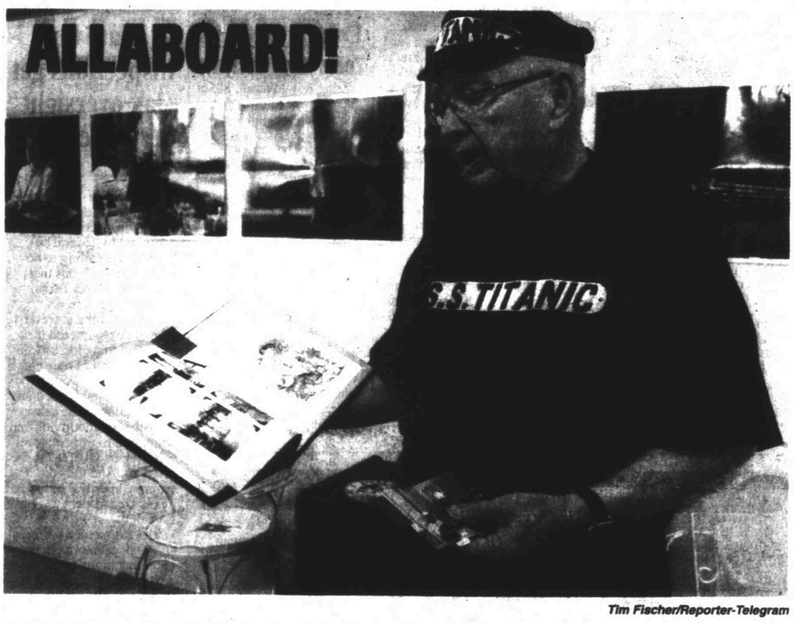

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Mack Thomas shows some of his Titanic memorabilia as he transforms his garage into a Titanic party for the upcoming 100-year anniversary of the sinking.

Man converts garage to host Titanic party

By Shanna Sissom
City Editor

When Mack Thomas starts talking about the Titanic, his passion is uncontained as stories flow.

The octogenarian has amassed quite a collection of all things Titanic and is preparing to host a party April 14, commemorating the 100th anniversary of its April 15, 1912, sinking.

A retired interior designer, Mack is decorating his garage much like the Titanic, and displaying his memorabilia.

"I think it started when we were on the Queen Elizabeth II in 1997," explained his wife Shirley, of her husband's enthusiastic interest in the Titanic. "He has more of an interest in its history than me," she adds with a smile.

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Home builder to mark 20th anniversary with donations

■ Company to give $20,000 to a nonprofit in each of the three cities where it builds homes.

By Kathleen Petty
Staff Writer

When Ron Betenbough and his son, Rick, started their business in 1992, they vowed always to give back a portion of whatever earnings the Lord allowed them to make.

Ron Betenbough had accumulated a fortune in earlier years through a commercial real estate business and then watched as his money fell away amid the oil bust of the 1980s. If he were able to find success again, he wanted to bless others with part of it.

"They decided if God blessed it (the business), they wanted to give back," said Holly Betenbough, Rick's wife and the ministry director of Betenbough Homes.

Now, 20 years later, the Betenbough family still is working to hold true to its vow. The company has donated more than $27 million in the last 14 years. It will recognize its 20th anniversary this month through volunteerism and $20,000 gifts to nonprofits in Midland, Odessa and Lubbock.

"We have just been so blessed by the communities that we've built homes in. We fully realize

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MIDLAND 101
By Jimmy Patterson

Former fire chief recalls Baby Jessica rescue

By Jimmy Patterson

James Roberts still marvels at the proximity in the dates. Thirty-three Chilean miners were safely pulled from their subterranean prison on Oct. 16, 2010. Twenty-three years earlier, Midland's Jessica McClure was rescued from a well by an anxious town — on Oct. 16. The position in the calendar year is more than a tad ironic.

It was hard, if not impossible, to attend a football game that Friday night anywhere in the state of Texas — perhaps beyond — where the announcer didn't break into the action and announce to wild cheers and standing ovations that the 18-month-old girl from Midland was rescued and she was OK.

Roberts, the former Midland fire chief, never has failed to acknowledge that in spite of the hard work of a significant number of people, there was someone higher up — much higher up — whose hand played a much larger role in rescuing Baby Jessica from that underground shaft on Tanner Street.

"There was a lot of doubt that she was even going to get out safe," Roberts said. "I remember that first night. Chief (Richard) Czech and I were sitting on the back of his police car, and I was looking up at the stars — you know how brilliant they can be in West Texas — and I looked at Dick and I said, 'Do you realize what we're trying to do here? I mean, really realize?'"

The former police chief's re-

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Obituaries

Anesto Jr. Montez "El Capitan"

Funeral services for Anesto Jr. Montez, "El Capitan", have been set for 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at the St. Joseph Catholic Church with Msgr. Tim Schwertner officiating and Deacon Clemente Villa assisting; interment will follow at the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery. Anesto, age 50, passed away in Wink surrounded by his family, on Thursday, March 29, 2012. He was born in Stanton, Texas on August 29, 1961 to Catalina Espinoza and Anesto Montez, Sr.

He is preceded in death by his father Anesto Montez, Sr.; his sister, Catalina Montez and his brother Armando Montez.

He is survived by his mother Catalina Espinoza of Wink, Texas; three sons: Anesto "Tatoo" Montez, III, Albert Montez and Anthony Montez of Midland, Texas; a sister, Angelita "Mima" Garza of Lubbock, Texas. He also had 7 grandchildren as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

The pallbearers will be Anesto Montez, III, Albert Montez, Anthony Montez, Ray Nanez, III, Miranda Mungia, Lee Mungia and Armando Montez, Jr. Honorary Pallbearers are Arturo Garza and Michael Hernandez "Slack".

Rosary will be held on Monday, April 2, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

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

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Stanton Memorial Funeral Home & Chapel.

Betty A. Seals

Betty A. Seals of Midland went to be with our heavenly father on March 30, 2012 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. Betty was born on February 19, 1955 to Miguel and Carlota Reyes. She spent her childhood years in Kermit, Monahans and Abilene Texas. The family settled in Midland where Betty completed high school and graduated from Midland High. After graduation, Betty moved to Dallas, Texas where she resided and attended Christ of the Nations. Betty returned to Midland where she began her family. Throughout her life she was employed by Key, Chevron and the City of Midland where she worked as City Prosecutor and retired after 20 years in 2008.

She enjoyed lending a helping hand and was a volunteer through Crises Intervention Unit, Teen Challenge, American Red Cross, Habitat for Humanity and Christmas in Action.

To many she will be remembered as Betty "Boop", "Be-Bet", "Chupito", "Pelotita", "Lady" among a few others. She was quick to listen and slow to judge. She had an amazing spirit and there was just something about her that made you feel comfortable and secure. No matter what the situation, she always lent an ear and never made you feel as if it was a bother to her. So radiant that even complete strangers would confide in her. To those of you who knew her as a friend, you know what I mean when I say you had the blessing of having a life-long and loyal friend. Not only was she a "true" friend, but also a beloved daughter, mother and grandmother. She treasured the precious moments in silence between her and her mother. For they say that the greatest conversations take place when the mouth is silent and the heart is speaking.

Her children and grandchildren were her whole world. Michael; held the key to her heart, Christopher; the apple of her eye and Adria; her reason behind fighting and not giving up hope. She lived her life to the fullest each day, always appreciative and grateful for all that came her way.

Her partner and other half, Camerino was her pride and joy. She looked forward to his jokes with his wonderful sense of humor. She always knew just what to come back with though. =) Always quick on her feet. She loved traveling, and would often say "the road is my thinking spot". Annual trips to Luckenbach, Texas and Frio River were among her most favorite. A few of her hobbies included reading, writing her feelings in her journal, gambling with "Paco", Mona and her mother.

You will always be remembered by the strength and courage held within. You're never ending smile, even through trials and tribulations. You're loving ways that radiated to others as well as your loving and dedication to your faith. You will remain in our hearts forever and will be greatly missed and never forgotten. You are a mighty woman of God, and now you are at peace. We love you forever and always Mom. You are our Hero.

Betty is survived by her mother, Carlota Bernard Reyes of Midland, husband, Camerino Cruz, three children, Michael, Christopher and Adria Seals, three sisters, Lulu Garcia, Dee McCulum all of Midland, and Terri Vigil of Hobbs, NM. A brother, Jesse Reyes of Midland, and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. Betty was preceded in death by her beloved father, Miguel Montez Reyes, grandparents, Miguel and Simona Reyes, uncles, Antiono and Felipe Reyes

The family will receive family and friends for visitation on Monday, April 2, 2012 from 4pm-6pm with a Rosary beginning at 7pm. Funeral mass will be at 3pm on Tuesday, April 3, 2012 at St. Stephen's Catholic Church. Pallbearers are Margarita Strahan, Ken Callahan, Victor Sotelo, Fernando Garcia, Rene Garcia, Arthur Vigil, David Bernard and Martin Galvan. Interment to follow at Resthaven. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

The family would like to give a special thanks to Hospice, especially Angela Null and Yolanda for the wonderful and outstanding care they gave. Also thank you to Lulu Garcia, for her time and dedication in caring for her sister as well as all of family, friends and neighbors who shared their time, effort and energy into caring for Betty. May the Lord bless all of you.

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Death Notices

Zelna Kay Mitchell

Zelna Kay Mitchell, 80, of Andrews passed away Saturday, March 31, 2012 at her son's home in Andrews.

Funeral services will be 2:00 PM Tuesday at Second Baptist Church in Andrews. Burial will be in Andrews Old Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband Jimmie Mitchell, and five sisters.

She is survived by her sons. Johnny Ray Mitchell, of Bloomington, Ronny Mitchell and Monte Mitchell both of Andrews; sister Zelma Stafford of Rankin; six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Luis A. Alcala, 23, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than one gram in a drug-free zone.

Michael C. Brown, 28, of Fort Stockton, was arrested Saturday on charges of evading arrest or detention with a vehicle and violation of parole.

Gilbert J. Castillo, 46, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of assault of a family or household member impeding breath.

Erica M. Duran, 30, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of possession of a prohibited substance in a correctional facility.

John M. Tenbrink, 54, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Leonel F. Villaloboa, 42, of Midland, was arrested Saturday on a charge oi tampering with or fabricating physical evidence.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

State bus inspections get lax oversight despite crashes

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Months after their state-certified vehicle inspection station was cited by federal authorities for failing to notice defects in a bus that crashed in North Texas, killing 17 passengers, brothers Alam and Cesar Hernandez shuttered their firm. But that didn't mean they were out of the vehicle inspection business.

Instead, they opened another station in the same Houston neighborhood and continued to inspect buses like the one involved in the accident. And they did it with the approval of the Texas Department of Public Safety.

The Hernandez brothers' story underlines a phenomenon that highway safety advocates say has long existed with deadly consequences — the lack of oversight for the businesses that perform state inspections of buses and other large commercial vehicles.

Records examined by The Associated Press show that three of the deadliest bus crashes in recent years raised questions about the commercial vehicle inspection programs in Texas, Illinois and Mississippi and prompted calls from the National Transportation Safety Board for better oversight. Forty people died in those wrecks, yet the agency to which the recommendations were directed, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, has refused to act.

Anne Ferro, the FMCSA's administrator, declined through a spokeswoman to comment. The agency has previously termed additional scrutiny of state programs unnecessary.

The inaction has rankled safety advocates, who believe government regulators aren't attentive to the needs of bus travelers.

"If you can't afford to take a plane and have to take a bus, you are going to be subject to second-class safety standards, both in terms of equipment and oversight by the federal government," said Jacqueline Gillan, president of Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety.

Federal regulations require that commercial vehicles be inspected annually. Those inspections can be conducted by state personnel, private garages or even the companies operating the vehicles. Passing a roadside inspection also can meet the requirement as long as it occurs within the previous year.

2012 Hearst Energy Awards

A reception will honor the recipients of the Hearst Energy Awards.
When: Today, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Where: Midland Center
Who: Recipients of the awards, their guests and those attending the Executive Oil Conference, being held Tuesday, April 3.

2012 Hearst Energy Award Recipients:

Company Performance: Pioneer Natural Resources
Industry Advocacy: Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas
Lifetime Achievement: Ted Collins
Technology: Bio-Cide International
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Devon Energy

Previous Award Recipients:

2011
Company Performance: LINN Energy, LLC
Industry Advocacy: State Rep. James L. "Jim" Keffer
Lifetime Achievement: Willard R. "Will" Green
Technology: Frac Tech
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Concho Resources, Inc.

2010
Company Performance: Apache Corp.
Industry Advocacy: Don Evans, former U.S. Secretary of Commerce
Lifetime Achievement: Jon Brumley
Technology: Pinnacle Technologies
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Pioneer Natural Resources

2009
Company Performance: Clayton Williams Energy
Government Service: Rep. Mike Conaway, R-Texas
Lifetime Achievement: The Beal Family
Technology: Dave Fenwal
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Block 16 Group
Special Industry Advocacy award presented posthumously to Dan Robertson

2008
Company Performance: Concho Resources
Government Service: New Mexico State Rep. Don Bratton
Lifetime Achievement: Arlen Edgar
Technology: Dr. Mike Robinson, UTPB
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Northern Natural Gas

2007
Company Performance: Celero Energy LP
Industry Advocacy: Independent Petroleum Association of America
Lifetime Achievement: L.D. "Buddy" Sipes
Technology: L. Stephen Melzer
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Rice Operating Company

2006
Company Performance: Whiting Petroleum Corporation
Government Service: State Sen. Kel Seliger
Lifetime Achievement: Don Sparks
Technology: Global Petroleum Research Institute at Texas A&M University
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Anadarko Petroleum

2005
Company Performance: XTO Energy Inc.
Government Service: Railroad Commissioner Victor G. Carrillo
Lifetime Achievement: Frank Kell Cahoon
Technology: BCCK Engineering, Inc.
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Mack Energy Corp.

2004
Company Performance: EOG Resources
Government Service: State Rep. Warren Chisum
Lifetime Achievement: Jim Henry
Technology: Petroleum Place / The Oil & Gas Asset Clearinghouse LP
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Oxy Permian

2003
Company Performance: Parallel Petroleum Corporation
Government Service: State Rep. G.E. "Buddy" West
Lifetime Achievement: Barbara Fasken
Technology: Halliburton Energy Services
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: ChevronTexaco

2002
Company Performance: Oxy Permian
Government Service: State Rep. Tom Craddick
Lifetime Achievement: L. Decker Dawson
Technology: Drilling-Info.com
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: University Lands
Special Award for Journalism presented posthumously to John Pitts

2001
Company Performance: Anadarko Petroleum Corporation
Government Service: Denise Bode, Vice Chairman of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission for Public Service
Technology: CMS Oil and Gas
Lifetime Achievement: Raymond Plank Chairman of Apache Corporation
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Chevron U.S.A.

2000
Company Performance: Key Energy Services and Titan Resources, Inc.
Government Service: Bill Murray and Save Domestic Oil, Inc.
Lifetime Achievement: Tom Brown and Joe Roper
Technology: Marathon Oil Company
Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Hy-Bon Engineering

1999
Company Performance: Arco Permian
Government Service: Railroad Commissioner Charles Matthews
Lifetime Achievement: R.E. "Ray" Galvin
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Bruno Hanson/Midland College Environmental Excellence: Altura Energy Ltd.
Special Government Award: John Bell
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1998
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Government Service: Martin Alday
Lifetime Achievement: The Yates Family
Technology: Texaco Inc.

1997
Company Performance: UPRC
Government Service: Former Oklahoma Governor David Boren
Lifetime Achievement: Clayton Williams, Jr.
Technology: Wallace Stanberry, Bill Flanders, Coster Gerard, Jim Ritchie, Doble Keith, CO2-enhanced oil recovery

1996
Company Performance: Parker & Parsley
Government Service: David Garrick, Texas Railroad Commission
Lifetime Achievement: Robert O. Anderson, founder of ARCO and Bill Collyns, former editor of the Reporter-Telegram
Technology: Milo Backus, Robert Graebner, Shorty Trostle, developers of 3D Technology

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SALADO

TAPPS leader dismisses criticism over Sabbath game

SALADO — The director of a Texas private school association that came under fire for refusing to reschedule a game that conflicted with the Sabbath said an Orthodox Jewish school should have never been a member in the first place.

Edd Burleson said his Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools should have never let the Beren Academy join them last year. TAPPS ultimately rescheduled the Beren playoff basketball game in March under the pressure of a lawsuit and public backlash.

Burleson told The Dallas Morning News that he doesn't have the time for "politically correct gobbledygook." He said TAPPS would have ultimately prevailed if there had been more time to fight in court.

TAPPS represents more than 200 private schools with almost 40,000 students statewide.

CLEVELAND

Body of missing boy near Houston found in pond

Authorities said a missing toddler whose disappearance launched a four-day search in the woods and dangerous bayous near Houston has been found dead.

Liberty County spokesman Rex Evans said the death of 2-year-old Devon Davis appears accidental. The boy's body was found Saturday in an algae-covered pond about 300 yards from the home where the Davis family moved just two weeks ago.

Investigators said April Davis told them she put her son down for nap Tuesday before going to sleep herself. She awoke to find the front door open and Devon gone.

Evans told the Houston Chronicle the family had just driven from Virginia and was probably exhausted.

The search for the toddler included about 100 people and sharpshooters to protect them from alligators and snakes prowling the area.

WYLIE

Teen found shot to death

Two teens have been detained in the death of a 15-year-old whose body was found in an intersection.

Police identified the victim as Nahum Martinez of Wylie, a freshman at Wylie East High School. Authorities said he had been shot, and they found a gun in an open field.

A passer-by reported seeing his body at a street corner about 5:30 a.m. Saturday. Authorities later detained two 14-year-old boys.

School district officials say they have been notified about Nahum's death and are planning to have crisis counselors available at school on Monday morning.

Wylie, a city of more than 35,000 people, is about 29 miles northeast of Dallas.

AUSTIN

Affirmative action lawsuit from UT going to high court

Even after 20 years of legal wrangling, admission to the University of Texas — and what role race plays — still has its mysteries.

Part of the process is clear. Under the state's Top 10 Percent program, Texas students at the top of their high school class are guaranteed admission, filling three-quarters of the slots for in-state students. The process for admitting the other quarter — the part that the U.S. Supreme Court will consider next fall, in a lawsuit filed by Abigail Fisher, a white applicant denied admission in 2008 who said she was discriminated against because of her race — is not so clear cut. For those spots, applicants are rated on factors including test scores, essays, activities, socioeconomic status, cultural background — and race and ethnicity.

The process, known as holistic review, allows the university to shape a diverse class with the interests and talents to make good use of university resources, said William Powers Jr., the president of the University of Texas' flagship campus in Austin.

But whom does holistic admissions help more — minority students or affluent white applicants from private and suburban schools?

"It is not the case that the 25 percent is designed or motivated by adding to ethnic diversity or adding to the numbers of students from private or suburban schools," he said.

With the case in litigation, Powers declined to discuss the numbers. But university records show that about two-thirds of the white freshmen were admitted automatically, compared with 80 percent of the black students and 85 percent of the Hispanic students. Because students are admitted to specific colleges, like the college of education or the business school, it is impossible to determine which group benefits most from holistic review without knowing how many students of which race applied to, and were admitted to, each school — numbers the university does not release.

In campus interviews, students' views on holistic admission seemed to depend on their own race and ethnicity.

Aimee Vasquez, a freshman, said she believed that holistic admissions mostly helped affluent white students from top schools.

Prison system may have bought $50,000 in execution drug

By Mike Ward
Cox Newspapers

AUSTIN — A year ago, facing a possible shortage of key drugs needed to keep the nation's busiest execution chamber in business, Texas prison officials appear to have purchased tens of thousands of dollars worth of the lethal drugs, new disclosures by state officials reveal.

While no detail is provided, records obtained by the Austin American-Statesman hint that Texas could have enough of the drugs on hand to cover its executions for more than a year and perhaps the largest stockpile in the country — at a time when other states are scrambling to find suppliers for the same drugs.

The disclosure came this week, when the Texas Department of Criminal Justice filed paperwork seeking to keep secret all details of five purchases last May and June of "medical supplies" from Physician Sales & Service Inc.

Asked by the American-Statesman to make public details about those purchases made with taxpayer dollars, as the agency routinely does with other items it buys, prison officials appealed to Attorney General Greg Abbott to keep the information from public view.

"The requested copies of vouchers, invoices, purchase orders and other purchasing documents will reveal the identities of suppliers of the agency's lethal injection drugs," Patricia Fleming, an assistant general counsel for the prison system, wrote in a letter Tuesday to Abbott.

Although Fleming's letter seems to state that the purchases were lethal drugs, a spokesman for the prison agency disputed that.

"We've not identified what the medical supplies are listed on the invoices," prison spokesman Jason Clark said.

In seeking to keep the information secret, Fleming wrote that disclosure would allow death penalty opponents and others "to intimidate, harass and threaten the suppliers, forcing them to shut down production or blacklist correctional departments."

She also accused an "abolitionist coalition" including death penalty opponents, human-rights organizations, criminal defense attorneys and the media of engaging in a campaign to cut off the supply of execution drugs.

At least twice recently, drugmakers facing pressure from death penalty opponents stopped selling one of the three drugs used in lethal injections in the United States — or stopped making it altogether, the letter says.

According to public state purchasing records, the prison agency on May 4 paid for $22,928.76 worth of "medical supplies" from Physician Sales & Service.

The following day, the agency paid for three additional purchases totaling $24,839 from the same firm — for 39 vials of the execution drug Nembutal, according to a copy of the invoice for that purchase. The American-Statesman obtained a copy of that invoice from a complaint filed last year by attorneys for two death row inmates who asked the Texas Department of Public Safety to investigate the purchase.

On June 1, the agency paid for another $1,910.73 in "medical supplies" from the company, according to the records, which list no detail.

The nearly $50,000 in purchases are a tiny fraction of the agency's $3 billion budget and comparable to the $19,000 a year it costs taxpayers to incarcerate a prisoner. And while the price of execution drugs has increased 15-fold over the past year, death penalty supporters and crime victims groups say the cost is well worth it to ensure public safety.

The purchases could presumably include other commonly used medical items such as syringes, gloves, saline solution and other items used in executions — although such items are unlikely to cost tens of thousands of dollars.

Furthermore, the agency did not disclose redacted versions of the invoices — as most agencies, including the prison system, usually do in responding to public records requests when they want to keep some details secret.

State records reviewed by the American-Statesman show the purchases during 2011 were the only ones the agency has made in recent years from Physician Sales & Service, at a Houston address.

The company, headquartered in Jacksonville, Fla., did not return calls for comment. On its website, it bills itself as "the country's largest supplier of medical products to physician practices."

The prison system buys its execution drugs directly, not through its separate medical providers as other states have done, documents previously made public have shown.

Regardless of how much stock the agency has on hand, Clark said "the agency has no plans to sell drugs to other states" — as some other states have done.

In her letter to Abbott, Fleming blasted "international anti-death penalty proponents whose conviction is that state-sanctioned killing of convicted murderers in Texas is immoral and the members of the media whose editorial opposition to capital punishment is virtually universal and equally devout."

It accused groups such as Reprieve, Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International of harassment and intimidation of state corrections agencies such as Texas' prison system from being able to buy the lethal drugs.

London-based Reprieve is singled out for the harshest criticism. Fleming compares it to a violent prison gang.

The group's methods "present classic, hallmark practices comparable to practices by gangs incarcerated in the TDCJ who intimidate and coerce rival gang members and which have erupted into prison riots," Fleming wrote.

"It is not a question of if but when Reprieve's unrestrained harassment will escalate into violence against a supplier" of the lethal drugs, the letter says.

Maya Foa, a London-based investigator for Reprieve who was criticized by name in Fleming's filing, said the drug companies "objected to the misuse of their products well before they met Reprieve. ... These companies' ethics and actions are very much their own."

Maurie Levin, a University of Texas adjunct law professor who has represented several execution-bound criminals in their final appeals, called the secrecy request by prison officials "absurd." She was criticized in Fleming's letter as being in cahoots with Reprieve and death penalty opponents at the time she represented Texas convict Cleve Foster, who was executed.

"The public is entitled to know how the state is complying with the law when they are carrying out the ultimate punishment," Levin said. "Texas is one of the most secretive."

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Community calendar

■ The Texas AgriLife Extension Service will be conducting an educational seminar titled "Rebuilding The Beef Herd" at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Midland County Extension Office.

Because of the drought of 2011, many cattle producers sold large portions of their herds. Restocking and rebuilding has become a major issue with the recent rains and change of drought assessments in recent months. In response to this need, a series of seminars has been developed to target restocking issues. The cost is $40 per person pre-registered or $50 at the door.

Pre-registration can be completed by calling the Midland County Extension Office at 686-4700.

■ Midland/Odessa Christian Women's Connection is meeting at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at Ranchland Hills Golf Club.

Guest speaker is Kim Beauford, of Albuquerque, N.M. Those attending are invited to wear Easter bonnets.

Tickets are $16; reservations are required. Reservation deadline is Thursday. To make a reservation, contact Alva at 520-4502 or jehillred-bird@aol.com.

■ Midland Book Review Unit is to meet 11:30 a.m. Tuesday at Ranchland Hills Golf Club.

Jimmy Patterson and Tom S. Morgan, co-authors of "Chisos Mountain Sunset," will present the program. For luncheon reservations, call 683-2138.

■ Midland Need to Read is planning tutor training for 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Wednesday 4 at 1709 W. Wall St.

Lunch will be served at the April 4 session.

For more information or to RSVP, call Patci Lewis or Cris Shaw at 682-9693.

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Today in history

Today is Monday, April 2, the 93rd day of 2012. There are 273 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On April 2, 1912, the just-completed RMS Titanic left Belfast to begin its sea trials eight days before the start of its ill-fated maiden voyage.

On this date:

In 1792, Congress passed the Coinage Act, which authorized establishment of the U.S. Mint.

In 1932, aviator Charles A. Lindbergh and John F. Condon went to a cemetery in The Bronx, N.Y., where Condon turned over $50,000 to a man in exchange for Lindbergh's kidnapped son. (The child, who was not returned, was found dead the following month.)

In 1956, the soap operas "As the World Turns" and "The Edge of Night" premiered on CBS television.

One year ago: Highly radioactive water leaked into the sea from a crack at Japan's stricken nuclear power plant; meanwhile, earthquake-tsunami survivors complained that the government was not paying enough heed to victims.

DROUGHT

From 1A

By using reverse osmosis to clean water, Samsung recycles 26 percent of its water now and is weighing the expense of increasing that to 45 percent, Schneider said.

Even with recent rains, Schneider said, "we don't think the drought is going to go away forever."

While Samsung has to weigh several factors before locating a facility, Schneider said electricity and water are at the top. In the case of water, he said quality, quantity and reliability are equally important.

"Any interruption would shut down our factories," Schneider said. He added that he is not worried about Austin's water supply because of its long-term rights to surface water and because the city has a good record of delivering services to large manufacturers.

Samsung's water conservation extends to its landscaping, which is 80 percent native and irrigated only with condensation from the plant's air conditioners.

With water scarcity, prices are expected to rise. At some point, an investment to purify treated wastewater might be the future.

"As we try to treat dirtier and dirtier water, it gets more exponentially difficult," Schneider said.

Thirsty at UT

The University of Texas is moving in that direction.

Juan Ontiveros runs the school's co-generation plant, the largest such facility among U.S. universities. It provides cheap electricity (6 cents per kilowatt hour) throughout the campus.

But a large amount of water is necessary to cool the plant.

Ontiveros said the university uses 700 million gallons a year -- half for the campus and half for the 135 megawatt generating plant.

Over the past five years, he said, the plant has reduced its water use by 17 percent but is planning to do more to cut its water bill.

UT spent $6.3 million on water and wastewater last year.

"Whatever money they give me, they can't use on academics," he said.

In a few months, one of the plant's six cooling towers will begin using treated wastewater -- "reclaimed water" in the parlance of reducing the yuck factor.

Although the City of Austin has already treated the wastewater, Ontiveros said UT will treat it again before putting it into its cooling towers.

The payoff? Ontiveros said reclaimed water is 60 percent cheaper.

Shift toward reclaimed

Going forward, reclaimed water will be a larger factor for the city water utility.

In 2009, Austin Water Utility delivered about 48 billion gallons of potable water to its customers. By comparison, the utility provided 2 billion gallons of reclaimed water — mostly for irrigation of landscapes and golf courses — but has plans to expand to 5.5 billion gallons as it expands its system.

"It requires building a third utility — water, wastewater and reclaimed water," said Drema Gross, manager of Austin Water's conservation efforts.

Although the utility first provided reclaimed water in 1974, its capacity is limited by the system's smaller footprint — from the airport, through the Montopolis neighborhood, to UT, Hancock Golf Course and the Mueller development. The utility's plan is to eventually extend the telltale purple lines of reclaimed water to the Capitol complex.

Gross said some new buildings, such as the Frost Bank at Mueller, included reclaimed water plumbing in the construction for flushing toilets.

The state's water demands are being driven by population.

By 2060, the state's population is expected to grow to 46.3 million, an 82 percent increase, according to the 2012 State Water Plan. Water demand is projected to increase by 22 percent, while existing water supplies are expected to decrease by 10 percent.

"In serious drought conditions, Texas does not and will not have enough water to meet the needs of its people, its businesses and its agriculture enterprises," said Edward Vaughan, the chairman of the Texas Water Development Board, which compiled the water plan.

Hard on agriculture

Concerns about demand are putting pressure on agriculture, the largest water user, to reduce consumption in what some forecasters say may be a long-term drought cycle.

Last year's drought cost agriculture $7.6 billion, the equivalent of 38 percent of the industry's total cash receipts in 2010.

Beef producers were forced to sell off much of their breeding stock -- 650,000 cows, the largest herd reduction since the mid-1930s, said Drew DeBerry, the state's deputy commissioner of agriculture.

Almost 60 percent of the state's cotton crop — $2.2 billion — was lost.

"We had the largest losses ever," said Travis Miller, a Texas A&M agronomist and water expert.

It could take years to rebuild the herds, and officials are already contemplating limiting irrigation in the High Plains, the state's primary cotton region, with meters on water wells.

Despite research on more drought-tolerant plants, Miller said, "I'm having trouble believing if we cut from unlimited water to 14 inches (per year), that you'll have as much cotton."

Less than 4 percent of the state's agricultural land is irrigated, DeBerry said. And that figure is dropping, leaving agriculture more dependent on rainfall averages that range from 55 inches in East Texas to 8 inches in Far West Texas.

In the wetter regions, Miller said, farmers can choose crops that need less water than corn or rice. In West Texas, cotton and sorghum, which need less water, are already the dominant crops.

Crop insurance can cover a farmer's overhead for a year or so, Miller said, but another year like 2011 would be devastating to agriculture.

"The intensity of the 2011 drought left everyone shaken," he said. "There's no way you can be ready for that."

DONATIONS

From 1A

that it's because of them putting their trust in us to build their homes that we even have anything to give," Holly Betenbough said. "We just really wanted to bless them back."

The anniversary project that's being called "20 Ways of Giving" kicked off Sunday. On April 20, the outreach will culminate with $20,000 donations in each community. Who gets with the donation will depend on votes from area residents. A website was launched Sunday and people can vote for one of the nominees once a day through April 19.

In Midland, the Midland-Odessa American Diabetes Association, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, Safe Place of the Permian Basin, Teen Challenge of the Permian Basin and CASA of West Texas have been nominated to receive the award.

"We surveyed our Betenbough employees in their communities to find out which organizations had touched their lives," Betenbough said, describing how the nominees were selected. "We'll let the community of Midland chose who those gifts go to."

Before the donations are handed out, employees will volunteer throughout town.

Snacks will be delivered to the fire and police departments, Bibles are being donated to Teen Challenge and a Betenbough toy truck is being given to the children's area at Midland Memorial Hospital.

"Often Teen Challenge receives women and men who have nothing," said Troy Clawson, executive director of Teen Challenge. "The Bibles donated by Betenbough Homes are a blessing. We are able to give a brand new Bible to someone who does not have one."

Cast your vote

Nominees: Midland-Odessa American Diabetes Association, Big Brothers Big Sisters, Midland Children's Rehabilitation Center, Safe Place of the Permian Basin, Teen Challenge of the Permian Basin, CASA of West Texas

Winner receives: $20,000 donation from Betenbough Homes

How to vote: Visit www.betenbough.com.

Staff also are taking part in Keep Midland Beautiful's cleanup by clearing litter from the Legends Park neighborhood where Betenbough has developed homes. Others will spend time at Terrace West Nursing Home where they'll visit and play games with residents.

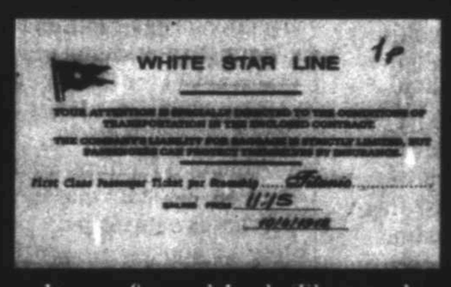
When Betenbough started, it built just 11 homes that first year. Ron, Rick and Holly were the only employees.

Since then, the company has constructed more than 3,500 homes. The business now employs more than 70.

In Midland, the company has seen record sales at its Legends Park area. The company recently had additional land annexed into the city so more homes could be constructed.

"Building a home is not a small investment and we completely acknowledge that," Holly Betenbough said. "It is a huge investment so we're just grateful for the trust that the people in Midland have given us, and we don't take lightly."

Kathleen Petty can be reached at kpetty@mrt.com.



Items from Mack Thomas' Titanic collection include a baggage liability contract authenticated replica, above, and a boarding pass authenticated replica, right.

This May 31, 1911, photo provided by the Library of Congress, shows the hull of the S.S. Titanic, under construction in dry dock. The tragic sinking of the Titanic nearly a century ago can be blamed on low grade rivets that the ship's builders used on some parts of the ill-fated liner, two experts on metals conclude in a new book.

Associated Press

Titanic Trivia:

■ A first class, one-way ticket aboard the Titanic cost $4,500 in 1912 dollars, equivalent to $100,000 today.

■ A third class, one-way ticket cost $37 in 1912, equivalent to $700 today.

— Source: Michael Rudd, Titanic historian

TITANIC

From 1A

The couple had watched early movies depicting the disaster, including the 1958 film, "A Night to Remember."

But it was onboard the Orient Express in 2004 when Mack found enlightening conversation with another passenger, James Renwick, a special effects guy in the 1997 movie starring Leonardo DeCaprio and Kate Winslet.

"He invited us to his London flat," Mack recalled. His wife "very reluctantly" went to the stranger's home.

From there, fascination escalated and a friendship was forged between two men.

"That's what really sparked Mack's interest," Shirley recalled.

But at that London flat, Mack was taken aback when Renwick gifted him with personal, signed pictures of Winslet from the time she was making the movie.

Mack also was given a framed, authenticated copy of a White Star Line boarding pass, the company that owned the Titanic.

When the Thomases returned from that trip, Mack started building his collection to include, among many other items, posters from the movie.

"I thought, I have too many things of interest, and I need to share it with people," Mack said.

The guest list for his party promising to be one-of-a-kind includes 18 couples from their church. Mack will greet his guests in special attire he's chosen for the event.

"Come and go, guests can abandon" the invitations state.

While Shirley may not share her husband's Titanic passion, she's nothing but a good sport about it all.

"I said I am not interested in your party, but I will cater your food," Shirley said with a smile. She plans on serving tea sandwiches, fresh fruit, ginger candy and other sweets, tea and coffee. Ginger candy, Mack pointed out, prevents sea sickness.

The affair's decor will include a special rug, round table and polished silver as he converts his garage to depict a small piece of the Titanic.

"If you're going to do something, do it well," Mack said of party preparations. "This is my last party; it's on my bucket list."

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From 1A

sponse was vintage Czech.

"Trying to get a little girl out of a well?" Roberts said.

"And I said 'No. Just look at all these stars in the universe. What makes you think we're so damn good that we can do something like this?'"

Roberts continues to be amazed at the offers of help that were, as it turned out, never needed. Offers of technical and financial assistance came from the federal government and from Midland's wealthiest families, all of whom promised — "Whatever you need, Chief, you've got."

Roberts said last year that he saw McClure in the hospital as a baby, days after pulling her from the well, but has not seen her in the nearly quarter century since. McClure celebrated her 26th birthday March 26.

Excerpted from Jimmy Patterson's book, "A History of Character: The Story of Midland, Texas," which is to be published next year. Patterson can be reached at Jimmyleepatterson@gmail.com.

Online:
See gallery, "Baby Jessica: A Rescue Relived" at www.mywestexas.com

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ACROSS THE NATION

FROM WIRE REPORTS

OHIO

Police: Dismembered woman was stabbed, suffocated

URBANA — Five people have been arrested in connection with the death of an Ohio woman who police said was stabbed, suffocated and dismembered in a bathtub before some of her remains were taken to Kentucky.

Jessica Rae Sacco, 21, was found dead Friday in her apartment in Urbana, about 40 miles northwest of Columbus. Authorities arrested five people Saturday, including a 25-year-old man who lived at the same address as Sacco. He's charged with murder, assault, abuse of a corpse and tampering with evidence.

"We believe that he stabbed her, and then subsequently suffocated her by placing a bag over her head," police Chief Matt Lingrell told WDTN-TV. The station said police described the murder suspect as Sacco's on-again-off-again boyfriend. His bond is more than $530,000.

He was arrested in Hamilton along with a man and woman from Fenton, Mich. Felony charges against the Michigan couple and a man and woman from Urbana allege they failed to intervene during the killing or helped to hide it, police said.

NEW MEXICO

Friends recall runner as passionate and playful

ALBUQUERQUE — Up mountainsides, through deserts and the wildest of rugged terrain, there was little that could break the serenity or solitude of Micah True as he ran. Only, perhaps, the pounding beat of his heart or the rhythm of his feet as they hit the trail, mile after mile after mile.

For True, running — the pure act of traveling relentlessly long distances — was a passion that needed no justification. To those who knew him well, it also brought forth an intense playfulness in the 58-year-old ultra-marathon runner.

"When he was out on the trail running, it was like someone just rang the school bell and said, 'Recess.' It was utter playfulness," recalled Chris McDougall, a friend of True's and author of the nonfiction best-seller "Born to Run."

True's body was discovered Saturday evening in a remote part of southern New Mexico's Gila Wilderness. The search began for him days earlier after he failed to return Tuesday from a 12-mile run.

He was found near a cold stream, his legs still in the water and his water bottle next to him, about a mile southeast of the Gila Cliff Dwellings.

The cause of death wasn't known Sunday. There were no obvious signs of trauma, and State Police Lt. Robert McDonald said it could take a couple of days before authorities know what happened.

MILWAUKEE

Dems sharpen attack as GOP rallies behind Romney

President Barack Obama's administration launched a multi-pronged assault on Mitt Romney's values and foreign policy credentials Sunday, while a fresh set of prominent Republicans rallied behind the GOP front-runner as the odds-on nominee, further signs the general election is overtaking the primary season.

A defiant Rick Santorum outlined plans to leave Wisconsin the day before the state's contest Tuesday, an indication that the conservative favorite may be in retreat, his chances to stop Romney rapidly dwindling.

"I think the chances are overwhelming that (Romney) will be our nominee," Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell said Sunday on CNN's "State of the Union." "It seems to me we're in the final phases of wrapping up this nomination. And most of the members of the Senate Republican conference are either supporting him, or they have the view that I do, that it's time to turn our attention to the fall campaign and begin to make the case against the president of the United States."

Obama's insurance requirement not the only mandate

By Ricardo Alonso-Zaldivar
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The individual insurance requirement that the Supreme Court is reviewing isn't the first federal mandate involving health care.

There's a Medicare payroll tax on workers and employers, for example, and a requirement that hospitals provide free emergency services to indigents. Health care is full of government dictates, some arguably more intrusive than President Barack Obama's overhaul law.

It's a wrinkle that has caught the attention of the justices.

Most of the mandates apply to providers such as hospitals and insurers. For example, a 1990s law requires health plans to cover at least a 48-hour hospital stay for new mothers and their babies. Such requirements protect some consumers while indirectly raising costs for others.

One mandate affects just about everybody: Workers must pay a tax to finance Medicare, which collects about $200 billion a year.

It's right on your W-2 form, line 6, "Medicare tax withheld." Workers must pay it even if they don't have health insurance. Employees of a company get to split the tax with their employer. The self-employed owe the full amount, 2.9 percent of earnings.

Lindsey Donner, a small-business owner from San Diego, pays the Medicare tax although she and her husband are uninsured. Donner, 27, says she doesn't see much difference between the mandate that workers help finance Medicare and the health care law's requirement that nearly everyone has to have some sort of health insurance.

"My understanding of what is going on in the Supreme Court is that it seems to be something of a semantics issue," she said. "Ultimately, I don't see the big difference. If I am paying for Medicare, why can't I also be paying into something that would help me right now or in five years if I want to have children?"

Donner is a copy writer for businesses; her husband specializes in graphics design. In the past they had a health plan with a high deductible, but they found they were paying monthly premiums for insurance they never used — something she said they couldn't afford on a tight budget.

Under the law, people such as Donner and her husband would have to get insurance or pay a fine. But they may qualify for federal subsidies to help pay premiums for policies that would be more comprehensive. Preventive care would be covered with no co-payments.

"We have jobs, we pay our bills, we pay our taxes," said Donner. "Yet it is very difficult to find affordable, reasonable health care."

There's no question the Medicare payroll tax is a government mandate, said Mark Hayes, former chief health counsel for the Republican staff of the Senate Finance Committee.

But he makes a distinction between the payroll tax and the individual health insurance mandate in Obama's health care law.

Congress used more clearly defined constitutional powers when it created Medicare. "The power to tax and the power to spend," Hayes said. "Here, with the individual mandate, it's a different question — regulating interstate commerce. This is a novel question from a legal standpoint."

Obama's law makes health insurance both a right and a responsibility for most. It would provide coverage to more than 90 percent of the population, subsidizing private insurance for millions. But it also requires nearly everyone to carry health insurance, either through an employer or a government program, or by buying an individual policy.

The mandate is well within the power of Congress to regulate interstate commerce, the administration and the law's supporters contend. Opponents say Congress overstepped constitutional bounds by effectively requiring individuals to purchase a particular product.

Supreme Court justices are trying to determine the distinction between Obama's law and other mandates, and whether it makes a difference.

Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Anthony Kennedy raised the matter during oral arguments last week.

Ginsburg brought up Social Security as an example, likening it to a government old-age annuity that everyone is forced to purchase.

"It just seems very strange to me that there's no question we can have a Social Security system (despite) all the people who say: 'I'm being forced to pay for something I don't want,'" she said.

"There's something very odd about that, that the government can take over the whole thing and we all say, 'Oh, yes that's fine,' but if the government wants to ... preserve private insurers, it can't do that."

Kennedy mused that Congress could have created a Medicare-style program for the uninsured, run exclusively by the government without the involvement of private insurers.

"Let's assume that (Congress) could use the tax power to raise revenue and to just have a national health service, single payer," said Kennedy. "How does that factor into our analysis? In one sense, it can be argued that this is what the government is doing; it ought to be honest about the power that it's using and use the correct power.

"On the other hand, it means that since ... Congress can do it anyway, we give a certain amount of latitude," Kennedy continued. "I'm not sure which way the argument goes."

The case may well turn on how Kennedy decides.

Social Security and Medicare are no longer controversial mandates because they are part of the social fabric, said Hayes, the former GOP congressional aide. Not so the health care law's mandate. "Today, this is controversial because it is novel from a legal standpoint and also new from a societal standpoint," he said.

The distinction frustrates supporters of the health care law.

"It's so crazy to think that a society that has Social Security and Medicare would not find this (law) constitutional," said MIT economist Jonathan Gruber, who advised both the Obama administration and Massachusetts lawmakers as they developed the state mandate in the 2006 law that Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney championed as governor.

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Opinion

Because of agendas, some murders don't count

■ Whatever happens in the Trayvon Martin case won't solve the bigger issue — blacks will continue to die unnecessarily, mostly at the hands of other blacks.

RICH LOWRY
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Delric Miller IV died in a hail of bullets a month ago. When someone fired 37 AK-47 rounds into his Detroit home at 4:30 a.m., he was wounded mortally while dozing on the couch. He was 9 months old. No one made the multicolored teething ring he got for Christmas or his toy hammer into national symbols of random violence.

Last year, Charinez Jefferson, 17, was shot and killed on a Chicago street. "She begged the shooter not to shoot her because she was pregnant," a pastor explained. The alleged assailant, Timothy Jones, 18, shot her in the head, chest and back after seeing her walking with a rival gang member. New York Times columnist Charles Blow did not write a column about Jefferson's killing as a symbol of the perils of being a young black woman in America.

Last June, a stray bullet from a confrontation on a Brighton Beach, N.Y., boardwalk killed 16-year-old Tysha Jones as she sat on a bench. A 19-year-old man, out for revenge after an earlier scuffle on the boardwalk, was charged in the shooting. Tysha's heartbroken mother was not featured on all the national TV shows.

In January, 12-year-old Kade'jah Davis was shot and killed when, allegedly, 19-year-old Joshua Brown showed up at her Detroit house to demand the return of a cellphone from Davis' mother. When Brown didn't get the phone, he fired shots through the front door. No one held high-profile street protests to denounce gunplay over such trifles.

Everything about the Trayvon Martin case is a matter of contention. About this, though, there should be no doubt: If Martin had been shot by a black classmate, if he had been caught in a random crossfire, if he had looked at a gang member the wrong way, his death would have been relegated to the back pages of the local newspaper. Not a cause, not even a curiosity: Just another dead young black man. Nothing to see here. Please, move on.

Jesse Jackson is right that "blacks are under attack." According to a 2005 FBI report, blacks accounted for 13 percent of the population and 49 percent of all homicide victims. In 93 percent of the cases, the killer was black. Half of the victims were ages 17 to 29. That works out to 4,000 murders of young blacks in one year, overwhelmingly at the hands of other blacks. In the communities where these killings occur there is, to put it in Jackson's inimitable terms, no justice and no peace.

There is no comparable epidemic of half-Hispanic neighborhood-watch volunteers like George Zimmerman shooting young black men. Nor is there an epidemic of cops doing the same. Heather Mac Donald of the Manhattan Institute notes that in New York City, there were nine civilian victims of police gunfire last year, whereas there were "several hundred black homicide victims in the city, almost all shot by other blacks or Hispanics, none of them given substantial press coverage."

An allegedly racially motivated killing, though, gins up the outrage machine in a way the routine murder of young blacks doesn't. Cable-TV outlets get to host fiery debates. Chin-stroking commentators get to urge more "dialogue." Black leaders get to relive the glory of a civil-rights cause that won its major victories decades ago when it took real courage to be on the front lines. And everybody gets to evade the intraracial mayhem that blights the country's inner cities.

An injustice may well have been done in the handling of the Martin shooting, but let's not fool ourselves. Zimmerman could be arrested, convicted and hanged tomorrow, and it will have no effect on the lives of young black people in communities beset by social disorder. Whatever happens to Zimmerman, the drip-drip of spilled blood will continue, all but ignored except in the police blotter. In America, the lives of young black people are cheap, unless they happen to fit the right agenda.

OUR VIEW

President's latest jab at oil industry misses big

We feel like President Obama is pushing the oil and gas industry into a corner, and it is hard to figure out why he continually wants to pick a fight with the oil companies.

The president continues to make the case that the oil companies don't deserve the same tax breaks afforded many other industries. He keeps getting it wrong that ending tax breaks will lower the price of gas. In our view, we think the actions proposed by the president will make oil and gas prices soar to new heights.

He also touts an "all of the above" energy plan, but he singles out oil companies for huge profits. It's time the president quits trying to slay the dragon with the darts he points at this successful sector of the economy.

President Obama must face the fact that it is not wrong to make a profit, especially as the oil and gas industry provides support to a struggling economy. We don't ask oil companies receive undue tax cuts, but we do think the industry deserves the same breaks afforded other industries, including those posting higher net profit margins. The president's "pick and choose" form of economic favoritism is frustrating, unfair and ultimately the wrong course to take when world crude is in such demand.

President Obama's course is to deal a blow to the fossil fuel industry at a time when new techniques make it possible to extend our known reserves. Obama's current proposed tax repeal could increase tax collections but also could result in decreased exploration, development and production, while increasing prices and increasing the nation's dependence on foreign oil.

The president's plan on how to deal with gas prices is to raise taxes on energy companies when gas already is hovering around $4 a gallon. Does that make sense to anyone?

But America needs someone to blame for the pain at the pump, and the president is using the oil and gas industry as a scapegoat, especially as the November election approaches.

We don't appreciate this political strategy. We believe the American voter is smarter than that and doesn't want to see tax breaks terminated in a symbolic gesture while the president misses the mark on his "all of the above" energy plan that seems to provide economic and policy incentives only to industries that fit his view.

It's time the American people learn the facts and see how our president is trying to achieve his alternative energy agenda as the expense of the oil and gas industry. We believe this is a dangerous path. It is imperative that this vision for the oil and gas industry is reversed by electing someone else in November or through Congress because the nation could suffer stunning consequences at the pump and in the economy as a whole if President Obama's way persists.

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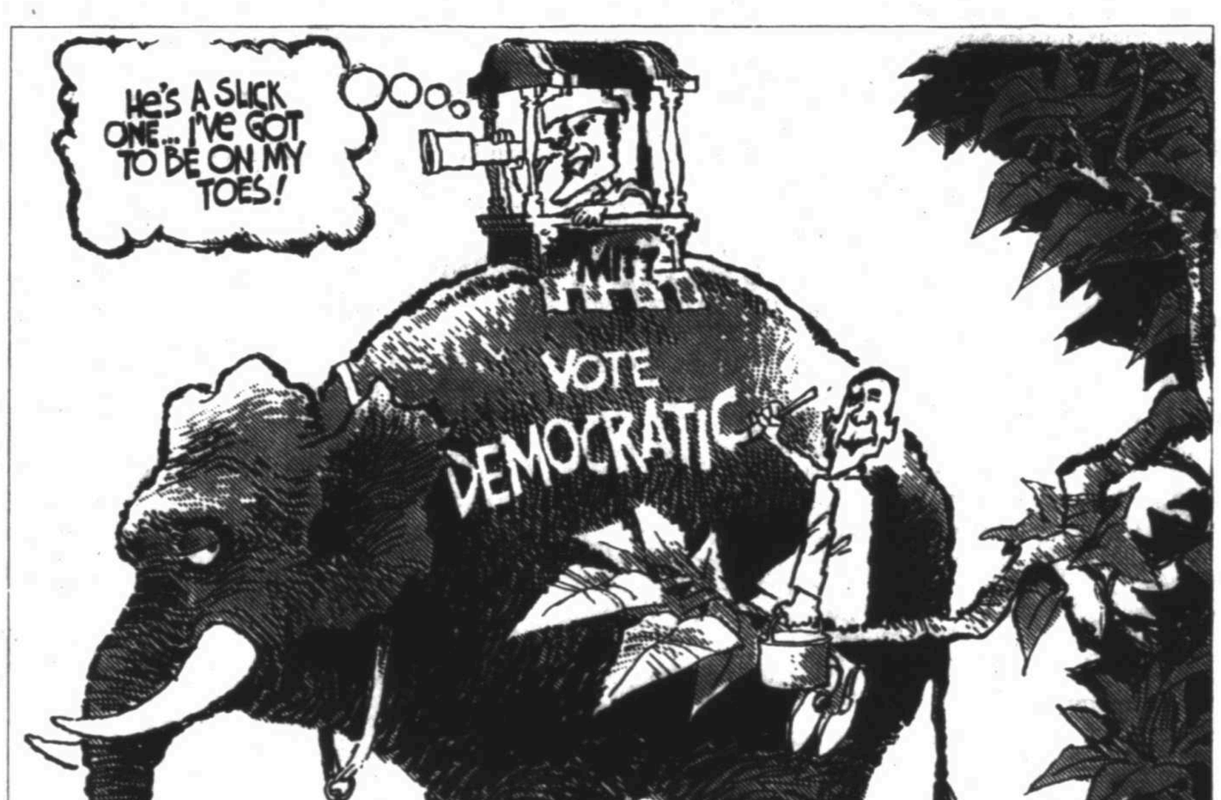

Martin's death is most appalling

■ There's little to enjoy on how people are lining up when discussing Trayvon Martin.

KATHLEEN PARKER
Washington Post Writers Group

There are so many appalling aspects to the Trayvon Martin case that it's hard to find a permanent home for outrage.

Most appalling, obviously, is the fatal shooting of an unarmed 17-year-old who was targeted by a 28-year-old volunteer neighborhood watchman. George Zimmerman thought Martin seemed "suspicious," and followed him for a while before Martin allegedly attacked him.

What really happened is anyone's guess since Martin isn't here to tell his side of the story, and there were no witnesses to the shooting. There's audio of Zimmerman calling 911 to report his concerns about Martin. There's grainy video of Zimmerman arriving at the police station not looking, by some appraisals, sufficiently battered to corroborate his tale of being attacked.

Also appalling is the presumed racial motivation. Given that Martin was armed only with iced tea and a bag of Skittles — and given that his suspicious behavior seems to have hinged primarily on the fact that he was wearing a "hoodie" — it's easy to see why some have concluded that race was a factor, though not only blacks wear hoodies. How many police sketches have we seen of white suspects wearing hoodies? Plenty.

Would Zimmerman have found a fellow Hispanic suspicious under the same circumstances? A white male? We don't know, but we do know that Zimmerman and his wife mentored two African-American children, hardly the actions of hardened racists.

Add to the "appalling" roster the growing congregation of usual suspects crowing, profiling and politicizing the case. From movie stars to talk show hosts and then to a congressman who wore a hoodie to the House floor — the tragedy of Trayvon Martin has become a cause celebre. A month later, the hoodie has become a symbol of solidarity against institutional racism. We all wear hoodies now.

That we all want justice for Trayvon Martin should be a foregone assumption. But also assumed should be the understanding that we await all the facts before we convict. Without knowing much of anything, we seem to have reached a consensus that this is a case of racially motivated violence. When President Obama commented on the case, saying that if he had a son, he'd look like Trayvon, he set a narrative in motion from which there seems to be no retreat.

Another appalling feature of this horrific event is the apparent attempt by some to paint a less-than-favorable portrait of Martin. It is true that early photos released of him showed a younger, more apple-cheeked version. More recent images reveal a youngster becoming a man — not quite as cuddly, but certainly no less attractive than other teens as they morph from child to adult.

We've also learned that Martin used the Internet as many his age do. He used rough language and a handle that includes the N-word. He also apparently had been suspended from school for marijuana possession at the time of his death. It happens, but really, so what?

It isn't wrong to try to learn more about the involved parties in an attempt to imagine how they might have interacted. But I can't fathom what these details have to do with Martin's death. A teen who smokes pot and plays tough guy on the Internet isn't necessarily going to punch a stranger in the nose. Isn't this something like pointing out that a rape victim was flirty and wore short skirts?

What is likely is that both men scared each other for different reasons and one tragically overreacted. It is certainly plausible that Martin was terrified and acted accordingly. When he told his girlfriend by phone that someone was following him, she told him to run. Would that he had, but in his mind, Martin might have considered this a risky option.

Apropos of Martin's less angelic side, parents of boys know that young males say and do dumb things that don't mean anything. They act cocky out of fear or talk trash to deflect. They wear hoodies or backward baseball caps or low-hanging jeans because these innocuous gestures of grandiosity are often the only weapons available to the unarmed. We all have our ways of telegraphing, "Don't mess with me (please)."

That someone would interpret one such symbol or gesture as suspicious or threatening, prompting him ultimately to use lethal force, is the most appalling feature in a case in which outrage has too many homes.

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NEWSBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MIAMI

Coming up with a new menu is a whopper of a task

When Burger King set about to fix its ailing empire, the fast food giant started by scrutinizing everything on the menu — even the mayonnaise.

A group of Burger King executives and franchisees last year sat through a lengthy presentation complete with charts and graphs on how oils and eggs affect the quality of the spread. A blind taste test of 30 varieties followed. The verdict: They liked the one Burger King was already using.

"That was actually a pretty hard day," recalls John Koch, Burger King's executive chef.

It wasn't the only one. Over the past year, Burger King evaluated all of its ingredients from the bacon to the cheese slices it serves on its chargrilled burgers as part of a yearlong quest to reverse years of slumping sales of its Whoppers and fries. The result: Today, it plans to launch a lineup of smoothies, frappe coffees, chicken strips and snack wraps. The 10 new items mark Burger King's biggest menu expansion since the chain opened its doors in 1954.

PAKISTAN

Boy who burned himself over uniform dies

PESHAWAR — Like many in Pakistan, 13-year-old Kamran Khan's family did not have enough money to send him to school. He was such a promising student that a local private school allowed him to attend for free, according to his older brother.

Kamran never asked for anything, his brother Saleem Khan said. But last month, he pleaded with his mother for days to buy him a new school uniform, a white shalwar kameez, the loose-fitting shirt and pants worn by both men and women in Pakistan. He was embarrassed that his old one was worn out and patched up.

His mother sympathized with him but repeatedly told him the family didn't have the money. She finally lost her patience a week ago and slapped the boy, according to the brother's account. The youth responded by threatening to kill himself if his parents could not buy him the uniform.

Kamran then stormed out of the house, doused himself with gasoline and lit himself on fire. He suffered burns on 65 percent of his body and died of his wounds on Saturday, family and officials said Sunday. He was in an army-run hospital in Punjab province, but the family could only raise one-tenth of the roughly $5,500 they needed for his treatment and so he did not get the care he needed.

Miranda Lambert scores album ACM award

Miranda Lambert won album of the year at the Academy of Country Music Awards on Sunday night, the third of her young career, while Jason Aldean won two trophies, including single record of the year for "Don't You Wanna Stay."

Lambert shouted "Seriously?" to her fans as she picked up the trophy for "Four the Record," beating out a field that included Kenny Chesney, the night's top nominee with nine.

"I own every record in this category and I've been listening and listening thinking I'm going to get it," said Lambert, who got a hug from her grandmother and close friends Lady Antebellum before accepting her award. "Every record is amazing, and I'm so thrilled. I will never take this trophy for granted. My albums are my babies. It's what makes me wake up in the mornings."

Celebrated as one of country's hottest young stars, she's always had a special relationship with ACM voters. They've rewarded her time and again.

Lambert's win wasn't the only surprise of the evening. The Eli Young Band's smash "Crazy Girl" brought the Texas quartet its first win in Las Vegas, for song of the year, and it was something of an upset over superstar acts like Chesney and Lady Antebellum (though the trio did win vocal group of the year). EYB lead singer Mike Eli hoped the group's win was an inspiration for people who hope to someday do the same thing.

"I have dreamed this moment my whole life and I can speak for the rest of these guys up here that they have, too," Eli said. "For those of you watching on television, if you're sitting here and thinking, 'I'm dreaming about this moment and I want to be here,' follow your dreams believe in yourself and do it."

Mexican agents probe family in 3 ritual murders

Associated Press

NACOZARI, Mexico — It was a family people took pity on, one the government and church helped with free food, used clothes, and farm animals. The men were known as trash pickers. Some of the women were suspected of prostitution.

Mexican prosecutors are investigating the poor family living in shacks outside a small town near the U.S. border as alleged members of a cult that sacrificed two 10-year-old boys and a 55-year-old woman to Santa Muerte, or Saint Death, a figure adored mostly by outlaws but whose popularity is growing across Mexico and among Hispanics in the United States.

The killings have shocked the copper mining village of Nacozari, on the edge of the Sierra Madre, and may be the first ritual sacrifices linked to the popular saint condemned by the Roman Catholic Church. Known as "flaquita," or "the skinny one," the figure known as Saint Death is portrayed as a skeleton wearing a hooded robe and holding a scythe, much like the Grim Reaper.

Authorities say the throats and the wrists of the victims were cut with knives and axes, and their blood was spread on a Santa Muerte altar. Their bodies were then buried near the shacks where the alleged cult members lived.

"We never knew they were part of a Santa Muerte cult," said Jorge Sanchez Castillo, a 54-year-old hotel owner who has a corn field next to the house of the woman believed to lead the group. "This has been a tragic thing for all of us."

Jose Larrinaga, spokesman for the Sonora Attorney General's Office, said 44-year-old Silvia Meraz was the cult leader, and seven people related to her, were detained: her boyfriend Eduardo Sanchez, father, son, three daughters and a daughter-in-law. No formal charges have been filed pending further investigation.

"They thought that by offering the blood, they would be protected for some time," Larrinaga said. "According to them, Santa Muerte was going to tell them where the money was. They all identify themselves as fanatic followers of Santa Muerte."

Nacozari has been spared the grisly violence of drug cartels fighting for lucrative corridors along the U.S.-Mexico border, said police chief Jose Miguel Espinoza.

"It was a peaceful town. We'd never seen such violence," he said.

When a 10-year-old boy went missing in July 2010, his mother and her boyfriend told police that acquaintances had seen him begging in the streets of nearby Agua Prieta across the border from Douglas, Arizona, and that they would go find him, said Espinoza.

"We had no reason to suspect it was a homicide," he said.

A second 10-year-old boy went missing in early March, prompting Sonora state's missing persons unit to send agents to Nacozari, said the police chief. That boy's mother and her boyfriend reported it to state authorities, who discovered weeks later that the two boys knew people in common.

The missing boy Martin Rios was the son of the ex-girlfriend of the suspect Eduardo Sanchez. The second boy, Jesus Martinez, was the step-grandson of alleged cult leader Meraz.

The police chief said both boys would often visit Meraz's home in a poor neighborhood on the outskirts of the town of 11,500.

Espinoza said his officers suspected the house was being used for prostitution after seeing different men from out of town visiting, but never gathered enough evidence to arrest anyone.

Agents on Wednesday unearthed the body of the boy Jesus Martinez buried in the dirt floor in the bedroom of one of the Meraz daughters. They then began arresting the family members, who led them to what agents believe are the remains of the other boy, as well as the grave of 55-year-old Cleotilde Romero, a close friend of Meraz who disappeared in 2009.

Before last week, there have only been unconfirmed reports of human sacrifices related to the figure in Mexico in recent years, said R. Andrew Chesnut, chairman of Catholic studies at Virginia Commonwealth University and author of the book "Devoted to Death: Santa Muerte, the Skeleton Saint."

Chesnut said the 2007 shooting deaths of three men appeared to be related to Santa Muerte because the bodies were abandoned at a shrine to the figure outside the border city of Nuevo Laredo. But they showed no signs of being sacrificial killings.

He said that although most Santa Muerte devotees consider killing a "Satanic aberration of devotion," and that books about the Santa Muerte don't mention human sacrifice, some followers are extreme.

"With no clerical authority to stop them, some practitioners engage in aberrant and even abhorrent rituals," Chesnut said.

Police paraded the eight people arrested in the case of the cult killings into the prosecutor's offices in the state capital of Hermosillo on Friday to allow journalists to view and question them, a typical practice in Mexico.

Meraz told reporters she has believed in Santa Muerte for more than two years.

"Santa Muerte was going to offer us money," Meraz said.

Asked if she thought she had received anything, she answered with a profanity, her voice breaking: "What can she give you? Nothing."

Myanmar's Suu Kyi reports winning historic vote

Associated Press

YANGON, Myanmar — She struggled for a free Myanmar for a quarter-century, much of it spent locked away under house arrest. Now, the Nobel Peace Prize laureate whose nonviolent campaign for democracy at home transformed her into a global icon is on the verge of ascending to public office for the first time.

Aung San Suu Kyi, 66, was elected to parliament Sunday in a historic victory buffeted by the jubilant cheers of supporters who hope her triumph will mark a major turning point in a nation still emerging from a ruthless era of military rule.

If confirmed, the election win will also mark an astonishing reversal of fortune for a woman who became one of the world's most prominent prisoners of conscience. When she was finally released in late 2010, just after a vote her party boycotted that was deemed neither free nor fair, few could have imagined she would make the leap from democracy advocate to elected official in less than 17 months, opening the way for a potential presidential run in 2015.

But Myanmar has changed dramatically over that time. The junta finally ceded power last year, and although many of its leaders merely swapped their military uniforms for civilian suits, they went on to stun even their staunchest critics by releasing political prisoners, signing cease-fires with rebels, relaxing press censorship and opening a direct dialogue with Suu Kyi — who they tried to silence for decades.

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton congratulated Myanmar for holding the poll. Speaking at a news conference in Istanbul, Turkey, she said Washington was committed to supporting the nation's reform effort.

"Even the most repressive regimes can reform, and even the most closed societies can open," she said.

The topdown revolution has left Myanmar befuddled and wondering how it happened — or at least, why now? One theory says the military-backed regime had long been desperate for legitimacy and a lifting of Western sanctions, and its leadership had quietly recognized that their impoverished country, formerly known as Burma, had fallen far behind the rest of skyscraper-rich Asia.

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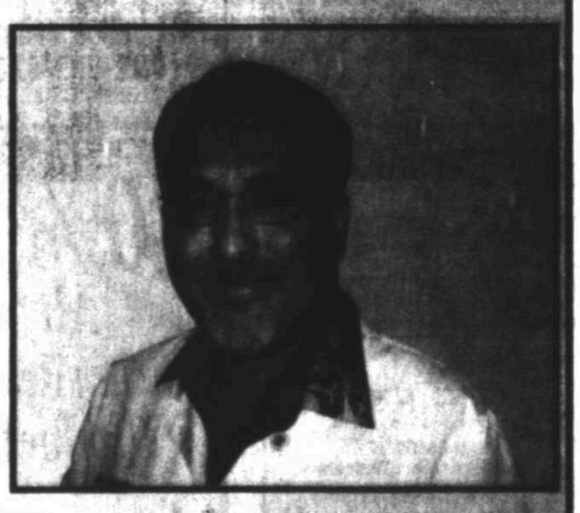

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Dressing up, spending time with friends make prom a high school tradition

Prom — an annual event for juniors and seniors in high school that is to a lot of teens one of the most important events of their entire time in high school.

However, the social event of the year takes a lot of preparation. Guys usually have it fairly easy, although coming up with an original way to ask a girl to the event can be a trying task. Girls trying to find the perfect dress and hairdo often stress out, feeling like they must look perfect for this one special day. But what exactly is so special about prom? Being homeschooled, I normally would not have a chance to go to prom, but my boyfriend asked me to go with him to Permian High School's prom, much to my excitement. Because I'm a bit outside of the loop, I decided to take a closer look at this high school tradition to find out exactly what makes prom such a big deal.

For a girl, getting ready in the

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Kirsten Geddes shops for prom dresses with her sister, 10-year-old Eli Geddes.

MISSIONS spring break

Courtesy photos

Kayleigh Cottle, from left in photo at top, Mayli Savahl, Jordyn Bamford, Sara Krisa, Jay Gage and Carol Bamford spend their spring break painting the exterior of a house for Christmas in Action during First United Methodist Church's Mini-Mission Youth Camp spring break. ABOVE Alamo Heights Baptist Church youth join Christmas in Action in doing some work on a Midland family's home. ABOVE RIGHT Kade Browning, Anthony Kocks and Devon Elizondo. ABOVE LEFT Jaci Frazier and Robby Metcalf.

Church initiative, volunteers seek to solve foster care problem

In the Permian Basin, a serious problem is deeply affecting some children and teens of our community: not enough foster homes. Fifty-four percent of foster children in the Permian Basin are dispatched to other regions because not enough locals are opening their homes to children in need. Not only do the children relocated to other counties for foster care have to adjust to a new family but also a new school, new friends, new community.

"These kids have suffered traumatic experiences, and moving just makes it harder," said Tyler Beard, the pastor of Midland Bible Church. Having an adopted child himself, Tyler Beard joined the other pastors throughout our community to start One More Home, an initiative with the goal of creating 200 more foster homes in the Permian Basin within the next 18-24 months.

Expressing why One More Home is important to him, Pastor Beard said even though we like our lives to be clean and organized, it's when we allow our lives to get chaotic through decisions like fostering a child that we're doing something worthwhile.

To those who have the ability to be foster families but would rather leave the job up to someone else, Beard gives the challenge to consider Jesus' message, especially in the parable of the Good Samaritan. The priest and the Levite had perfectly justifiable reasons to pass by the man wounded by rob-

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There are ways to avoid or lessen effects of senioritis

Senioritis is in full blast. I have completed one week back from spring break, and I am almost positive the clock is moving slower. I decided since graduation is 70 some odd days away, then I need to find ways to not let senioritis get the best of me. Maybe it is something both parents and seniors can find beneficial until we make that walk across the stage and turn our tassels to the left of our mortarboards.

Senioritis is a word that can be broken down easily into the root word, senior plus the suffix -itis. Senior meaning one belonging to the final year of regular courses in American education and the suffix -itis that has come to mean inflammation or a disease associated with. When put together, senioritis easily is defined as the decreased motivation of students nearing the end of high school or higher level of education.

There is no denying that it is real. I think teachers, parents and students alike could all conclude that senioritis is in fact quite common among many high school 12th-graders. The symptoms include a lack of motivation, procrastination, and to sum it up, a disinterest in school-related and academic activities. Senioritis is really only curable by one thing and that is graduation. But there are several good reasons to try to avoid it at all cost and maybe even a way around it.

There are two striking reasons why one should avoid senioritis. First, losing

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Disneyworld, Univeral Studios is 'happiest place on Earth' for any age

Like so many of us, it has been my dream since a young age to visit Disneyworld and be able to experience all the magic of the "happiest place on Earth." I didn't think it would take so long, but my dream finally came true this spring break when my family and I took a trip down to Florida to visit Disneyworld, Universal Studios and all the beauty that the 22-hour car ride provided us. Although I questioned the amount of fun I could have at amusement parks that I believed were geared toward a younger crowd, I was sorely mistaken and in disbelief of the utopias those at Disney and Universal have cre-

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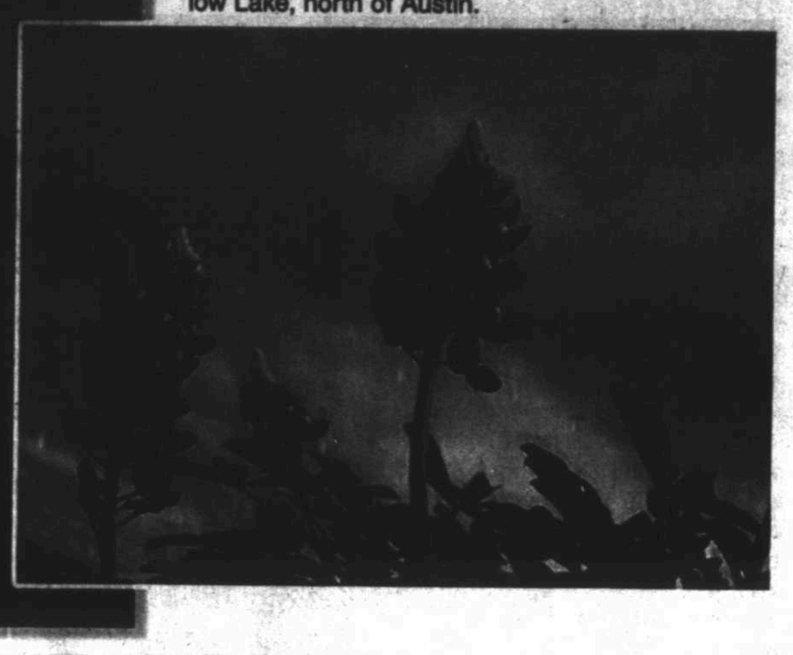
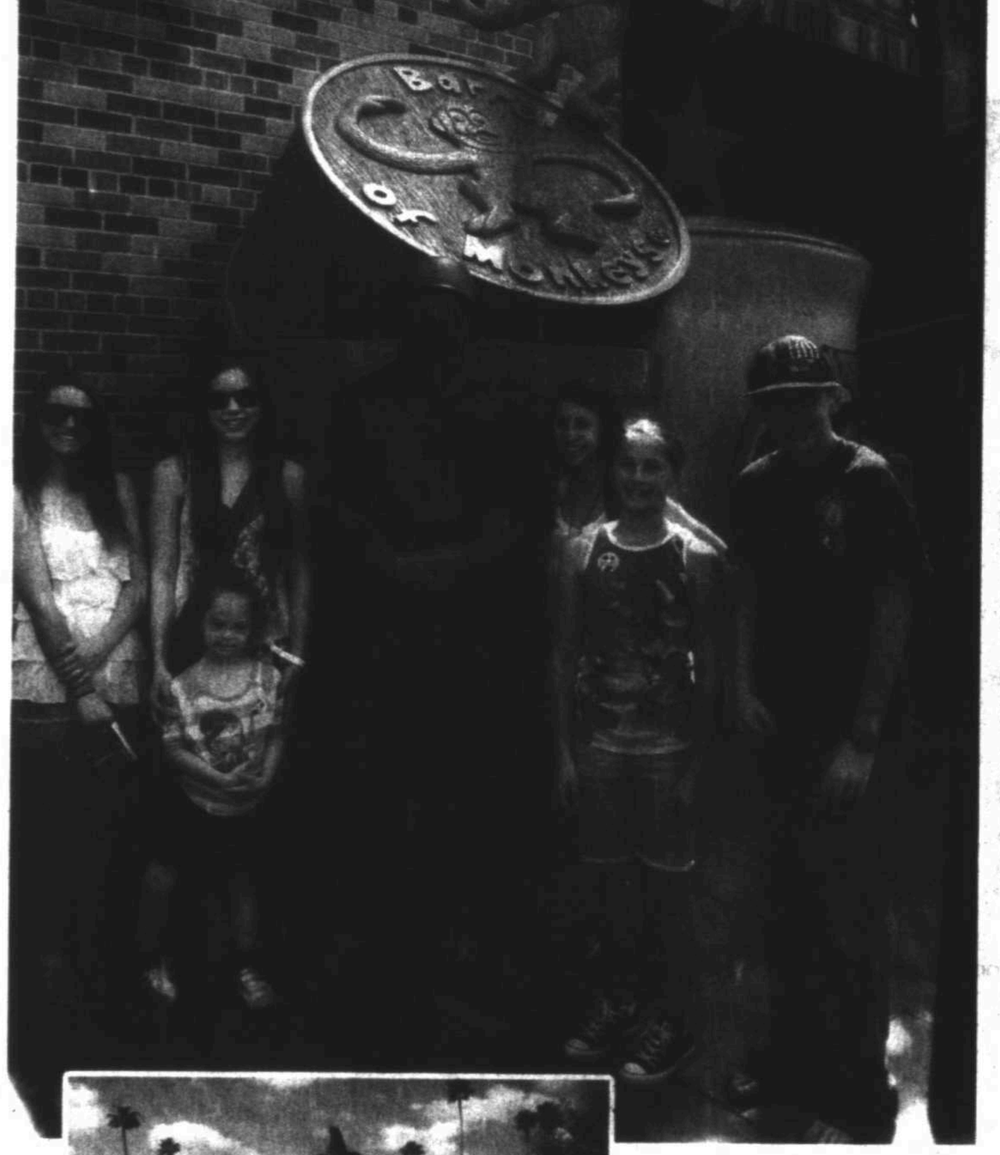
The Hollywood Tower of Terror in Disneyworld's Hollywood Studios.

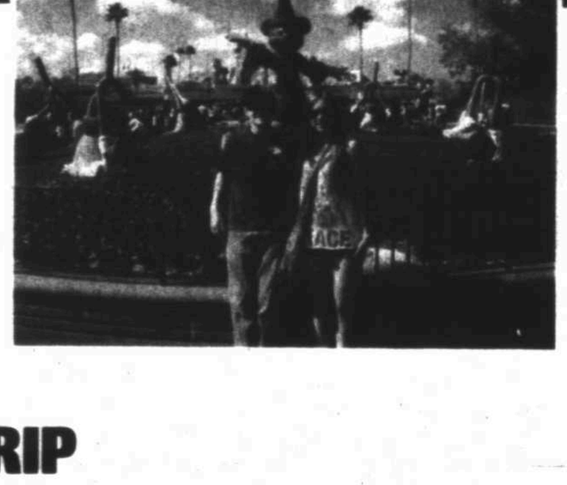
SPRING BREAK

at the lake

TCT writer Natalie Mulvahill spent spring break at Union Grove campground by Stillhouse Hollow Lake, north of Austin.

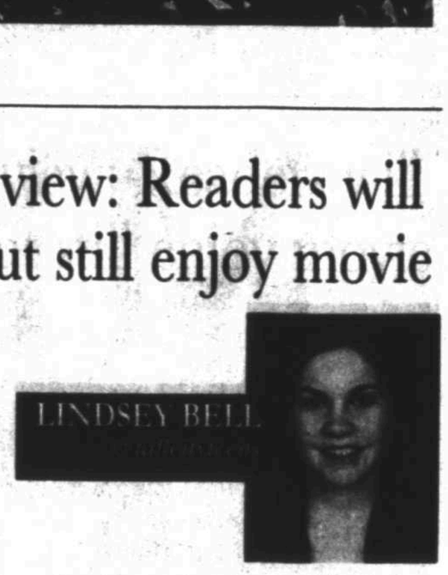






LEFT Lindsey Bell and brother Gerrad Bell at the entrance of Disneyworld's Hollywood Studios. ABOVE from left to right Marisa Patterson, Lindsey Bell, Mia Patterson, the actor at Disneyworld's Hollywood Studios, Jolee Patterson, Jenna Patterson, and Gerrad Bell all in Disneyworld's Hollywood Studios.

'The Hunger Games' review: Readers will miss details from book but still enjoy movie



Recently I got the chance to go to the midnight premiere of the much anticipated movie, "The Hunger Games." I was excited for months about just being able to have the book come alive on the big screen and couldn't believe when my mom bought me the midnight premiere tickets. Although I did come into the movie with a solid image that wasn't completely fulfilled by the film, "The Hunger Games" was a great portrayal of the book with the time constraints and the problems of retaining a PG-13 rating.

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I first of all would like to congratulate and send much thanks to Hollywood Theaters of Midland for hosting such an organized and enjoyable midnight showing of this film. After seeing the Facebook photos of the "Breaking Dawn" midnight showing, I kind of feared I would have to participate in my own "Hunger Games" just for a decent seat. However, this wasn't the case, I got there an hour or two early and got a perfect seat in the back where I was able to let the time fly while talking to my friends. But once the lights dimmed and the film started, the entire theater was silenced and the anticipation was finally over.

I was so excited to see the film for the sole purpose of being able to have the books I had fallen in love with being perfectly portrayed in front of me. Unfortunately, I was a little disappointed because of the many little things that didn't make the cut because of time constraints, I assume. But I think many of those who have read the book series would agree that these things, although special in their own ways, won't affect the plot too much by being left out. So if you've read the books and many of the movie reviews of "The Hunger Games," don't be discouraged to see this movie. I think they did a great job. The movie is still incredibly enjoyable and has a great way of bringing the book to life in ways our imaginations couldn't have created.

If you haven't read the books, don't feel left out. The movie is great even without having knowledge of the series. There are little tidbits that only the readers would know, but I believe it was just fun things the author, Suzanne Collins, added to acknowledge her fans. The director, along with Collins, did a great job of portraying the ruins of Panem and the struggles Katniss and her people faced. I can't wait to see the next installment of "The Hunger Games" and hope to see even better graphics and a more in-depth look into the relationships between Katniss, Peeta and Gale that Collins created and so many couldn't get enough of. But before this can happen you have to enjoy the first movie, so go out to see this movie and tell us at Tall City Teens how you feel about the adaptation of the book.

TRIP

From 1B

ated for everyone who comes to visit.

The first day I arrived in Florida, my family and I decided to begin our spring break adventure in Hollywood Studios at Disneyworld. I was more than ready and had a mind set to visit the one ride I had heard so much about, the Hollywood Tower of Terror. When we got to the studios, we quickly went to the ride and bought a fast pass for the next time available, which I highly would recommend because we were able to enjoy the park and cut our wait time to nothing. The Tower of Terror was all the crazy fun I had hoped for with a similar experience to that of Six Flag's Superman but even better. Aside from the Tower of Terror, I got to enjoy the world Disney has created so perfectly . The park surrounds you with not only the crazy props and buildings, but phenomenal actors who stay in character no matter what and make you feel as special as this park. I really do think Disneyworld is the "happiest place on Earth" and would recommend highly going there at some point in your lifetime and doing anything and everything you can.

My second day in Florida I got to spend at Orlando's Universal Studios. This was another great day and was very similar to Disneyworld, just on a smaller scale. Because I only was able to spend one day at Universal, I stayed in Harry Potter world the entire time only leaving to go get lunch. I loved every minute there, because just like Disneyworld, I felt like I had been transported into a different dimension that the people at Universal had created. The main ride there was just as amazing, because not only did you get to enjoy a ride but you also got to be in awe of the flawless recreation of Hogwarts while you wait. I cannot put into words or show you pictures that would bring to light the every detail that was unexplainably amazing. All I can say with confidence is this is yet another place that if you get a chance, you must go to.

You may have been like me and believed you were too old to enjoy these parks, but you shouldn't. These places do a great job of creating worlds for all ages to enjoy. You will feel like you're in a dream with others who will be enjoying it just as much as you. So I invite you to, if you ever get the chance, to take a trip to these two places at anytime in your life.

SENIORITIS

From 1B

almost a whole semester of valuable learning could potentially hurt college-bound students by making them ill-prepared for the rigorous courses that universities and higher level colleges often require.

Secondly, college admissions are looking closely at your second semester of senior year and have the right to block your admission. They stress that admission is contingent on the success and performance rate of one's senior year. Colleges and universities also have the right to put any student on academic probation their first semester, requiring a certain academic performance to stay admitted into the school.

Senioritis is quite serious and even though not 100 percent preventable, it can be lessened. If senioritis is a problem in a household, maybe instead of punishing kids for things like lack of attendance and missing assignments, parents could promote the reverse of these by rewarding their kids for good attendance and staying on top of things. Maybe for every couple of weeks the student does not miss school the parent could recompense with a hooky day or something similar.

Several ways can be used to avoid senioritis altogether, you just have to find out what works best in a parent-child, teacher-student and even on a senior-senior relationship. It may require punishment, rewards and some serious motivation boosters, but either way graduation will arrive shortly and all will be well again.

So to my fellow classmates of 2012, let's try to make it till graduation before we slack off too much. I admit I have a strong case of senioritis, but I am trying to tell myself I have all summer to fool around before I enter college. Senioritis may not be curable, but it is treatable by staying active and focused for just a couple more months.

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KIRSTEN M. GEDDES, 16, is a homeschooled junior.

Interests: Reading, acting, dancing, singing, listening to music, writing, video and computer games, and hanging with friends.

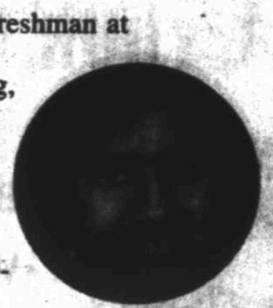
Activities: President of the Kaleidoscope Company of the Permian Playhouse Community Theater of Odessa.

What I like about living in Midland: We have a lot of nice stuff to do here. Our mall's very nice, we have some amazing restaurants, and we have some cool stores, like Barnes & Nobles and Best Buy.

LINDSEY BELL, 16, is a junior at Early College High School at Midland College.

Interests: I enjoy spending time with friends and doing outdoor activities such as hiking, rafting and skiing.

What I like about living in Midland: Since I recently started driving and having family in Dallas; one thing I enjoy about Midland is the simplicity of being able to get around easily.

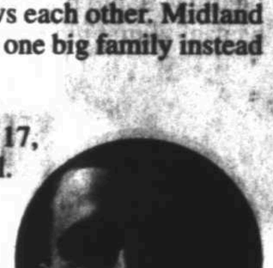


VEENA AGUSALA, 14, is a freshman at Trinity School.

Interests: Volleyball, reading, flute, piano, violin, painting, ping-pong, singing, tennis, badminton, swimming, sewing, riding my bicycle, rollerblading, learning new languages, gardening, art, learning history, writing, and jumping rope.

Activities: Volleyball, tennis, art, flute, piano, voice lessons, Indian classical dance (Bharatnatyam)

What I like about living in Midland: Technically, I live in Odessa, but I go to school in Midland. I like it this way because I get the best of both towns. What I like about Midland is the way everyone knows each other. Midland being close-knit makes it more like one big family instead of a town of strangers.



A. MICAH JOSEPH MILLS, 17, is a senior at Midland High School.

Interests: running, music

Activities: Stuco president, co-editor for school newspaper, MOAS, NHS vice president YoungLife, Capernaum

What I like about living in Midland: the community it has provided growing up.

Natalie Mulvahill, 15, is a home-schooled freshman.

Interests: Writing, reading, acting, hiking, art, photography, having adventures with friends and siblings, traveling, exploring, Latin, humanities

Activities: West Texas Writers club, theater at Art and Soul studio, piano, art

What I like about living in Midland: I enjoy living only a relatively short distance from camping and hiking sites such as the Davis Mountains and Carlsbad Caverns. Coming from Houston, I appreciate the dry climate and cool weather in the mornings. Also, Rock the Desert is a super fun event.

APRIL

April 4
- Family Force 5 free concert @ 6:30 p.m. at Stonegate Fellowship
- Titanic 3-D is released in theaters

April 6
- MISD bad weather make-up day

April 6 and April 9
- Holiday for Midland Christian School, Trinity School, Midland Classical Academy

April 8
- Graham Central Station Teen Night @ 7-10:30 p.m.

April 10
- LHS Strings Festival
- Youth Revolution @ 6:30 p.m. starting at First Baptist Church.

April 12
- Catoico Coronation
- RockHounds vs. ARK @ 7 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

April 13
- 7 p.m. Casting Crowns: Come To The Well Tour @ Ector County Coliseum, Odessa
- RockHounds vs. ARK @ 7 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

April 14
- MHS prom
- RockHounds vs. ARK @ 7 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark
- Open Mic Night @ 6:30 p.m. at the Ground Floor

April 15
- RockHounds vs. SPR TBD at Citipark Ballpark
- Graham Central Station Teen Night @ 7-10:30 p.m.

April 16
- 6:30 p.m. Texas Scholar banquet
- RockHounds vs. SPR @ 6:30 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

April 17
- RockHounds vs. SPR @ 6:30 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

April 21
- LHS prom
- Lifeskills prom

April 22
- Rebelee Court
- Graham Central Station Teen Night @ 7-10:30 p.m.

April 27
- RockHounds vs. SA @ 7 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

April 28
- RockHounds vs. SA @ 7 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

April 29
- Graham Central Station Teen Night @ 7-10:30 p.m. at Graham Central Station

April 30
- RockHounds vs. SA @ 6:30 p.m. at Citipark Ballpark

To add an event to the Tall City Teens calendar, email teens@mrt.com.

Why not try gardening this spring?

If you have been outside at all, you can tell it's spring. The once bare and almost depressing trees around town are now bright green and filled with chirping birds. Having green around has made everything seem much better. Have you ever considered growing plants in your home? It's easy to do and spring is the perfect time to start. Don't worry about being a beginner because soon enough, your thumb will be as green as any gardener's. Take a dirt-filled container or piece of ground, plant a seed and water it a few times a week. You might be surprised how fast a plant can grow. Gardening is a fun and rewarding pastime for anyone. When you take the time and effort to care for a plant, you appreciate the "fruit" of your labor even more. Speaking of fruit, garden-fresh produce is an easy way to eat healthy. Let's not forget the obvious benefit of gardening and planting trees. Plants take in carbon dioxide and release oxygen, making the air better for us to breathe. I've also heard planting trees helps settle dust, which is always blowing around here. All in all, gardening is a simple pastime for all ages, and with so many benefits, why not start now?

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KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	CBS 7	Ent. Tonight	2 Broke Girls	Two and Half Men	NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament Final Four Championship Site: Mercedes-Benz Superdome (L)					CBS 7 News	(:05) David Letterman	
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FOSTER CARE

From 1B

bers, but only the Samaritan changed his plans, got himself dirty and spent the time and money to help the person in need.

"Jesus challenged people to think outside their comfort zone saying, 'Hey, you're missing out on life — this is what it's all about!'" Beard continued. "It's easy for us in Midland to evaluate things on comfort, but we need to evaluate on goodness. I'd rather do something hard but good rather than easy but useless."

Beard shared how adopting his son A.J. was difficult but probably the best thing his family had ever done. He was surprised to find out in reaching out to someone in need, that person often helps us as much as we help them. Providing homes for children, he believes, is beneficial for the whole community.

His daughter Kennedy, 15, shared with other teens how the experience of adopting a brother has impacted her. "It was exciting until I found out I had to give up my bedroom and bathroom for him." But for Kennedy, sharing a bathroom with three sisters was more than worth having a new brother. "I think adopting A.J. was a great experience, and I think it would be great for other teens, too. It wasn't always fun, I'll be honest, but now that we are on the other side of it, I wouldn't trade it for the world. I learned so many great lessons through the process, and it has changed me. And I can't imagine my life without A.J. That kid brings so much joy to our family."

To families in our community, Kennedy said, "It breaks my heart that there aren't enough foster homes in Midland. I hate to see kids undeserving of their situations forced to suffer because no one will open up their home. Sure, it might be a little inconvenient, but I promise, you are offering that child a whole new life, and you will have a different perspective on life afterward. I would definitely encourage everyone to consider opening up their homes to a child in need."

While as teens, fostering a child is a decision up to our parents, we still have opportunities to help. A foster child is a huge amount of work, and helping to make meals, maintain the lawn and clean the house would be a simple way to greatly benefit a friend or acquaintance who is giving foster care. As foster kids often struggle in school, it is imperative for us to reach out and be a friend to any we meet. Caring for foster children is not an individual job, nor is it appropriate for every family, but our whole community can be supportive in many ways.

Sky High Children's Ranch, a local foster care agency, also accepts volunteer work. Gali Knight, a friend who frequently helps at the Ranch, asserts that it's a great experience for teens. Volunteers can play with the kids, paint the walls, help organize activities and interact with foster kids ranging from toddlers to 17.

The lack of foster homes in Midland is not a problem that can be conveniently fixed by a quick donation of money, but one that must be changed one child at a time by a willingness to give our time, energy and convenience to change someone's life. That is the goal One More Home needs Midland to help it reach.

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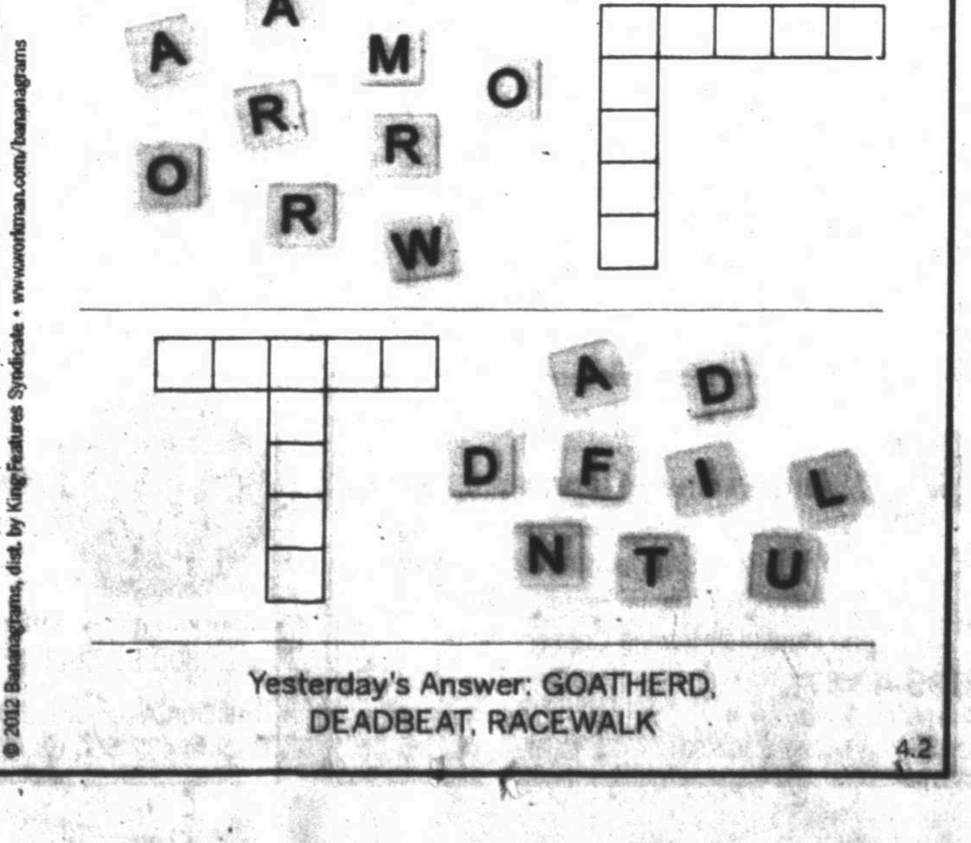

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PROM

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weeks before can be just as exhilarating as the actual event. Shopping for a dress can require running all over this town and the next trying to find the perfect shape and color. Many teens like to shop with their friends, although I had a rather enjoyable experience shopping with my mom and my little sisters. At BJ's Consignment Shop, I found my dress: floor length, red, strapless, and lightly beaded. It fit perfectly, meaning it would need no alterations, and for only $42, it was quite affordable. Looking for the perfect dress was definitely a fun part of the preparations, as well as playing around with hair and nails to match. To some people, this can be more exciting than the actual event.

"The best part for me is getting ready for the dance," said Morgan Lane, a junior at Trinity School. When asked why she thought prom was such a major event in high school, she responded, "I think, especially for girls, it's just a fun night to get all dressed up and hang out with your friends."

Still, the actual event is exciting in itself. Mingling with friends in a more casual environment creates a fun atmosphere, and dancing, whether doing "The Cupid Shuffle" or slow dancing with your date, makes for a good time of laughter and emotion.

Max Stanley, a senior at Odessa High School, said "I enjoy the carefree and happy environment. It gives me a chance to relax and actually enjoy myself for once." Of course, so many students partying together at one time can get pretty crazy. "The only thing I don't care for is how loud and hectic it can be sometimes. Occasionally I find it difficult to feel relaxed in such situations, but any unease passes after a while," he said.

I know I certainly am looking forward to dancing and hanging out with my friends and my boyfriend.

From a homeschooler's perspective, prom can seem like a big deal, or it can seem like something easily overlooked. Eleni Lawson, a student at Odessa College, was homeschooled and never went to prom. She can see how someone might not enjoy prom, however. "If it's a school they don't attend, I could see them not enjoying it as much because they won't know as many people," she said. "Also, if they don't know as many people at their own school and just went to see what it was like, they might not enjoy it as well." Thankfully, my participation in theater at the Permian Playhouse in Odessa means I know many people who go to Permian High School, so I am looking forward to spending a fun night at prom.

For the majority of teenagers, prom is a major event in their lives. From a date and an outfit to dinner and transportation, the preparations and the actual event create exciting moments you share with your family and your friends. While you're out shopping, take pictures so you can remember this for years to come. You can post them on our Tall City Teens Facebook page, as well as see what my fellow TCT writers and I are doing to prepare for prom. Whether you enjoy prom or not, there's no denying it is a big event in high school, and I don't see it fading anytime soon.

Kirsten Geddes shops for prom dresses with her sister, 10-year-old Eli Geddes.

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Swimsuits are in at Pennyrich

Spring is now officially here, warm weather has arrived, and thoughts of swimsuits are in the air at The Pennyrich Shop. Owner Sharon Wilcox says more and more women are getting back to water aerobics, aquatherapy and generally planning for summer, which means they are buying swimsuits.

At Pennyrich you'll find swimsuits you just won't find elsewhere. Swimsuits from Amoena, T. H. E. and Aquacize actually have enough fabric to cover you up! Amoena swimsuits are made to fit those who have had a mastectomy as well as those who have not. Aquacize suits are made to withstand the ravages of pool chlorine for much longer than most suits, making them perfect for water aerobics or aquatherapy.

Plus, you will find swimsuits in a wide variety of sizes at Pennyrich, all the way from 4-32. With that selection, Sharon can fit just about anyone!

When spring is in the air, so is romance—and wedding season is right at hand. The Pennyrich Shop has a great selection of wedding bras for strapless gowns, corsets and lingerie in stock. It is not too early to plan—in fact, now is the right time to order yours for a spring or early summer wedding.

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AUDIO ACOUSTICS

Are you at risk for noise-induced hearing loss?

By Orland Purcell, Au. D. CCC-A

Surveys are showing that hearing loss among all ages is its highest rate in 20 years—and with the proliferation of personal listening devices, noisy toys and loud machinery all around us, it's no wonder.

Personal listening devices are at the core of this problem. Not only is the volume of the music an issue, the length of time ears are exposed to loud music is also a factor. Hearing loss is a function of volume over time.

Loud noise damages the hair cells that are in the inner ear. These cells allow sound energy to be converted to electric energy that our brains read as sound. Once those hair cells are damaged, they do not repair themselves. Noise-induced hearing loss is irreversible.

Here is a taste of how serious this problem is. According to studies, 10 million Americans have already suffered irreversible hearing damage from noise. Thirty million Americans are exposed to dangerous noise levels daily. Much of this hearing loss is among younger people and much of that is from personal listening devices.

Apple's iPod has a maximum volume cap setting, which parents can use to limit the volume of their child's music. It uses a password that can keep children from overriding the settings. Unfortunately, most people do not take advantage of this option.

ORLAND PURCELL, AU. D.

Some of that may be due to the myth of youthful invincibility. "It can't happen to me at this age" is a popular belief among young people regarding a host of health issues. But the rising incidence of youthful hearing loss belies that idea.

Of even more concern is the fact that the noise attack begins long before teen years. Science Daily recently pointed out that there are several young children's toys whose noise levels are higher than 100 decibels, a level considered unsafe by most experts. To put this in perspective, a typical hair dryer comes in at just 95 decibels.

Below are seven questions you can ask yourself to help determine if you are already suffering from some hearing loss:

- Do you have trouble understanding certain words or parts of words?
- Do you often ask others to repeat themselves?
- Do you have difficulties on the phone?
- Do others complain about your television or radio volumes?
- Do you have more trouble understanding people in noisy environments?
- Do sounds seem muffled?
- Do you experience ear discomfort such as ringing or buzzing in the ears?

Here are four signs that indicate whether environmental sounds are too loud:

- You can't hear someone three feet away
- You have pain in your ears after leaving a noisy area
- You hear ringing or buzzing (known to audiologists as tinnitus) in your ears immediately after exposure to noise
- You suddenly have difficulty understanding speech after exposure to noise; you can hear people talking but you cannot understand them.

What can you do to save your hearing? Using the volume cap settings on personal listening devices; listening through speakers at a reasonable volume level instead of through earbud; and inserting earplugs when attending most concerts.

Having your hearing checked regularly can help you evaluate your current hearing status. Remember, once lost, it is basically impossible to regain.

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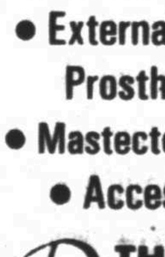
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Sports

Lee duo looks to avoid another 1st-round exit

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Lee midfielders Derek Sanchez, left, and Colyn Moore are preparing to lead the Rebels in their first-round playoff game against Arlington Sam Houston at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

Colyn Moore and Derek Sanchez have experienced the pains of playoff losses the last two years, and know that this year they don't want to feel that again.

Moore and Sanchez are in positions on an experienced Lee boys soccer team that could help to make sure that another playoff loss doesn't come today. Lee (8-10-2) will take on Arlington Sam Houston at 2:30 p.m. today at Shotwell Stadium in a Class 5A boys bi-district game.

The senior duo occupies the two center midfielder positions for the Rebels, and are two players on a team filled with experience and talent. But when it comes to how well Lee plays, these two have a major impact on both the offensive and defensive end.

Lee vs. Arlington Sam Houston
- What: Class 5A bi-district
- When: 2:30 p.m. today
- Where: Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

"I feel more comfortable when Colyn is right next to me, where he plays more attacking and I play more defensively," said Sanchez, who has signed to play at Midwestern State in the fall. "He pushes forward, and I set back a little bit and get the ball and swing it."

Even though Sanchez admits he's more of a defensive player, it's no secret that both can score when they are needed. Sanchez

Please see **LEE/2C**

Eric Gay/AP

Baylor center Brittney Griner (42) blocks Stanford forward Nnemkadi Ogwumike (30) on Sunday in the women's Final Four in Denver.

Setting the tone

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Molly Barham (8), celebrates with teammates during an April 5, 2011 game at Grande Communications Stadium. Midland High plays Arlington Martin at 7:30 p.m. today at Shotwell Stadium in Abilene.

Barham helps lead MHS through ups and downs

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

It may seem strange, but a few months ago Molly Barham had some doubts about whether the Midland High girls soccer team could do what its done this season.

It's not that Barham, a senior forward, didn't have confidence in herself or her teammates but considering the turbulent December and January the Lady Bulldogs went through, Barham's doubts were understandable.

The Lady Bulldogs had their coach reassigned, an interim coach named and then another coach was brought in to help. And with all of that they still had to try to maintain the tradition of one of West Texas' most successful soccer programs.

It seems ages ago that all that happened as the Lady Bulldogs head into today's playoff game against Arlington Martin at 7:30 p.m. at Shotwell Stadium with a third straight 3-5A title under their belt, but it was players such as Barham that helped the squad refocus on the season ahead.

"I think we always knew that we could do it, but it was just kind of questionable," Barham said last week before a workout at Grande Communications Stadium. "When everything blew up, it was just a knock on our self esteem and knocked the little hope that we had. But we did our best to come together as a team. I remember I said in the locker room that day, that 'I want everyone to remember exactly how we feel now, and every single game let that be your motivation to go out there and work your hardest.'"

Midland High vs. Arlington Martin
- What: Class 5A bi-district
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Barham, along with Morgan Hannon and Savannah Ross, are part of a trio of key seniors for the Lady Bulldogs that have been playing for three years, and all three were big in helping Midland High take another district title.

But where Barham is big is with her leadership on the field, and how important she is when it comes to what happens on the field.

Barham suffered an off-the-field foot injury midway through the season and sat out a number of games. And in those games Barham was out, co-head coach Jim Bragg said he didn't realize how big Barham was for the squad until she was gone.

"She's one of the few leaders that I've ever been around that does not have to be the fastest, or the strongest, or the best shooter, etc., but it's just her personality on the field," Bragg said. "She pretty much decides what's going on. I've been around kids who control the game through communications, and you hear her the whole game."

Barham's older brother, Cooper, was a star player at Odessa Permian, so it was no secret to her about what was needed to play the game well. But Barham also said that she knows her job isn't to score, it's to lead and facilitate as much as she can.

She said her passing ability is her biggest strength, and will do all that she can to help other players find the back of the net.

"That's the role I play," Barham said. "I enjoy doing it and I love it. I love assisting more than anything. I feel like it's something I'm good at, and I've grown to love it."

Please see **BARHAM/2C**

INSIDE: See playoff soccer capsules for today's games • 2C

Lady Bears reach title game

By Doug Feinberg
Associated Press

DENVER — One win from perfection.

Brittney Griner was constantly hounded and double-teamed, scoring only one basket in the second half. So the Baylor supporting cast jumped in and carried the unbeaten Lady Bears to the national championship game.

Griner finished with 13 points and nine rebounds to lead Baylor to a 59-47 win over Stanford on Sunday night and into the women's NCAA final against Notre Dame.

Lady Bears	**59**
Cardinal	47

Baylor (39-0) is one victory from becoming the seventh team to finish undefeated and has a chance at being the first squad in NCAA history to win 40 games in a season.

Inside

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The top-seeded Lady Bears will face Notre Dame on Tuesday night for the title. The Irish beat UConn 83-75 in an overtime thriller in the first semifinal. Baylor and Notre Dame met in the preseason WNIT final, with the Lady Bears winning in Waco 94-81 on Nov. 17.

Stanford (35-2) fell short in the Final Four for the fifth straight season, ending its school-record 32-game winning streak.

The Cardinal refused to let the 6-foot-8 Griner beat them, collapsing on her in the paint. The strategy worked for the first 20 minutes before the other Lady Bears started making shots.

Trailing 31-29 early in the second half, the Lady Bears went on an 11-1 run keyed by Jordan Madden. The junior guard had an acrobatic three-point play and then a layup that made it 40-32. Griner followed with her only basket of the half, hitting a tough baseline turnaround that capped the burst.

The Cardinal could only get within six the rest of the game despite Nnemkadi Ogwumike's best efforts. The senior led the Cardinal with 22 points and nine rebounds. Stanford coach Tara VanDerveer took her out with about 30 seconds left and gave her a long embrace.

The 6-foot-2 forward, who will most likely be the top pick in the WNBA draft on April 16, did all she could to keep the Cardinal in the game, but got little help. Her younger sister, Chiney, who had such a strong sophomore season, was ineffective. She fouled out midway through the second half with just four points.

Baylor has been focused with the mantra of "Unfinished Business" all season long. Every player on the team is wearing a wristband with those two words on it. Baylor coach Kim Mulkey said the team used the same motto the year it won its only title in 2005. The Lady Bears had been knocked out the year before on a tough last-second lost.

Machado gives area jiu-jitsu enthusiasts chance to learn from the best

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Eight-time Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu champion Rigan Machado demonstrates a D'Arc Choke on Saturday during a Mixed Martial Arts Seminar at Perez Martial Arts studio.

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

The surname Gracie is synonymous with Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, and with good reason, considering the family founded the martial art nearly a century ago.

So when Juan Perez got the opportunity to further his practice of the martial art with a direct relative of the Gracie family this past weekend, it was nothing short of a dream come true.

Perez is the owner of Perez Martial Arts Academy, which had the good fortune of playing host to 8th degree black and red belt Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu master Rigan Machado this past weekend. Machado is the nephew of BJJ founder Carlos Gracie and learned the martial art directly from his uncle.

But, advancement in Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, which is Japanese for "gentle art," is placed on performance, particularly in competition. And, that's an area in which Machado has experienced great success as he's considered one of the greatest grapplers in the history of the sport.

Machado sports a gaudy 365-2 record with his two losses coming against his cousin Rickson Gracie, who suffered just one defeat in his career. Machado is an eight-time world champion, claiming a title every year from the time he was 14 until he was 21. And, on more than one occasion this weekend, Perez, along with several of his fellow instructors and students, got an opportunity to spar against a living legend.

"I'm looking forward to it whether I get killed or not," Perez said on Thursday before the seminar with a laugh. "You only get to roll with a legend like this once in a lifetime if you're lucky. To have someone like Rigan Machado here is like a dream come true. He is without a doubt the real deal."

Perez was awarded his black belt in BJJ from Klay Pittman, who is BJJ instructor based out of Lubbock and was trained by Carlos Machado, the older brother of Rigan.

Rigan Machado, who has his own

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

Boys

CLASS 5A BI-DISTRICT
LEE VS. ARLINGTON SAM HOUSTON

When/where: 2:30 p.m. today, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Records: Lee 8-10-2, Arlington Sam Houston 13-4-5

How they got here: Lee, finished second in District 3-5A; Sam Houston finished third in District 4-5A

Notes & Quotes: This will be the first playoff meeting between these two teams as the Rebels look for their first playoff victory since the 2005 season. The Rebels have lost in the first round of the postseason for the last four seasons. ... Arlington Sam Houston will be playing Lee for the first time, but this will be the second year the Texans have faced a Midland team in the first round. Midland High beat Sam Houston, 1-0, in last year's first round. ... Lee coach Scott Hicks said that the Texans remind him a lot of Odessa Permian in that they are quick, and like to possess the ball. He added they can also score. "They've scored lots of goals in their district games, and we've got our work cut out for us," Hicks said. "They are going to play fast because they've got really good midfielders. We are going to have to be patient enough, because if you make a mistake they are going to make you pay." ... Sam Houston coach Joey Rodriguez is familiar with West Texas soccer as he coached at Central during the 2000s. Rodriguez said that this game will feature plenty of skilled players. "There's going to be plenty of talent on the field, and we are definitely excited," Rodriguez said. "It's going to be a challenge but I'm looking forward to it." ... The Texans are making their fifth straight appearance in the postseason. ... Rodriguez said some players to watch for his team are senior midfielder Carlos Zarate, a four-year player, along with junior goalkeeper Oscar Rodriguez and junior forward T.J. Marino.

Next: Winner will play either El Paso El Dorado or Amarillo High in Class 5A area round match, TBA

Girls

CLASS 5A BI-DISTRICT
MIDLAND HIGH VS. ARLINGTON MARTIN

When/where: 7:30 p.m. today, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Records: Midland High 17-6-1, Arlington Martin 11-8-7

How they got here: Midland High, finished first in District 3-5A; Arlington Martin finished fourth in District 4-5A

Notes & Quotes: If there was a heavyweight matchup in the first round of the girls playoffs this is it. These two teams are two of the most successful programs in Region I. Midland High's success has come more recently, while Martin has been successful for nearly a quarter century. ... Martin coach Ruth Knight helped start the program in the mid-1980s and led the Lady Warriors to 24 playoff appearances, and before to this year won nine straight district titles. They've also been to the state tournament seven times and won in 1992 and 1998. ... Midland High co-head coach Jim Bragg said he has coached against Knight before and said Martin is one of the best fourth-place teams in the state, adding that with the tight race in the district the Lady Warriors are better than a fourth-place team. "They could've easily been a first-place team," Bragg said. "They are a very, very good team, and essentially there are two district champions playing each other in the first round." ... Midland High is making its 10th straight appearance in the postseason and will also be looking to keep its first-round record alive. MHS won a first-round game in each of the last nine years. ... MHS is coming off its most successful season in terms of playoffs in 2011 as the Lady Bulldogs advanced to the Region I-5A final. Arlington Martin, meanwhile, advanced to the regional tournament in 2011, falling to Colleyville Heritage in the semifinals. ... MHS will have its full complement of players as senior Molly Barham is still nursing a right foot injury, and senior Savannah Ross will play with a cast on one of arms after breaking it late in the season. ... Knight said that her team has been "banged up" this season and has not had a full complement of players all year long. But she said her squad is confident they can continue the success of the program. "They know that fourth place teams have gone all the way and won state," Knight said. "In the program, it's never say die."

Next: Winners will play either El Paso Socorro/El Paso Montwood or Amarillo High in Class 5A area round match, TBA

Compiled by Len Hayward

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Boys

CLASS 5A

El Paso Bel Air (R1) vs. Amarillo Tascosa (T2), 2 p.m. Monday, Grande Communications Stadium

San Angelo Central (R3, 8-12-0) vs. Arlington Martin (W4, 15-6-4), 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Lee (R3, 8-10-2) vs. Arlington Sam Houston (T4, 13-4-5), 2:30 p.m. Monday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

El Paso El Dorado (F1) vs. Amarillo High (W2, 21-0-1), 2 p.m. Tuesday, Grande Communications Stadium

Midlothian (R5, 15-7-2) vs. Colleyville Heritage (T6), 8 p.m. Monday, Irving Schools Stadium, Irving

Denton Guyer (F7, 12-6-4) vs. Plano (W8, 14-3-7), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hawk Stadium, Carrollton

Southlake Carroll (R7, 15-6-4) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (T8, 13-5-5), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Justin Northwest HS

Cedar Hill (F5, 7-6-6) vs. Richland (W6, 24-1-1), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Birdville Fine Arts/Athletics Complex, North Richland Hills

El Paso Socorro (T1) vs. Lubbock Monterey (R2, 11-9-4), 4 p.m. Monday, Grande Communications Stadium

Odessa Permian (W3, 17-5-1) vs. North Crowley (F4, 9-6-8), 5 p.m., Tuesday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Abilene Cooper (T3, 11-11-0) vs. Arlington High (R4, 19-3-4), 5 p.m., Monday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

El Paso Americas (W1, 15-5-1) vs. Lubbock High (F2, 4-11-6), 5 p.m. Tuesday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa

Mansfield Timberview (T5) vs. Irving Nimitz (R6, 11-8-4), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Irving Schools Stadium

Lewisville Hebron (R8, 13-6-4) at Coppell (W7, 22-1-2), 7 p.m. Tuesday

Keller (T7) vs. Allen (R8, 13-4-5), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Ford Field, Allen

Mansfield (W5, 16-5-4) vs. Euless Trinity (F6, 10-7-5), 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, Vernon Newsom Stadium, Mansfield

Girls

CLASS 5A

El Paso Montwood (R2) vs. Lubbock Coronado (T2, 12-5-2), 3 p.m. Tuesday, Ratliff Stadium, Odessa

Odessa High (F3, 14-11-0) vs. North Crowley (W4, 13-4-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

San Angelo Central (R3, 16-7-0) vs. Fort Worth Paschal (T4), Noon Tuesday, Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood

El Paso El Dorado (F1) vs. Lubbock Monterey (W2), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Grande Communications

Mansfield (R5, 17-1-6) vs. Euless Trinity (T6, 17-6-1), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Vernon Newsom Stadium, Mansfield

Keller (F7, 12-6-4) vs. Flower Mound (W8, 19-3-2), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dragon Stadium, Southlake

Keller Rossi Ridge (R7, 15-5-1) vs. Plano West (T8, 15-3-4), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Standridge Stadium, Carrollton

Duncanville (F5) vs. Grapevine (W6, 20-2-3), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Cravens Field, Arlington

El Paso Socorro (T1) vs. Amarillo High (R2, 10-8-2), Noon Tuesday, Grande Communications Stadium

Midland High (W3, 17-6-1) vs. Arlington Martin (T4, 11-9-7), 7:30 p.m. Monday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

Abilene High (T3, 15-8-0) vs. Arlington High (R4), Noon Tuesday, Shotwell Stadium, Abilene

El Paso Franklin (W1) vs. Amarillo Tascosa (F2), 4 p.m. Tuesday, Grande Communications Stadium

Mansfield Legacy (T5) vs. Hurst L.D. Bell (R6, 18-3-3), 7:30 p.m. Monday, Cravens Field, Arlington

Southlake Carroll (W7, 22-2-1) vs. Lewisville Hebron (F8), 8 p.m., Tuesday, Denton HS

Coppell (T7, 19-3-3) vs. Flower Mound Marcus (R8, 22-2-1), 8 p.m. Monday, Hawk Stadium, Carrollton

Midlothian (W5, 17-3-3) vs. Colleyville Heritage (F6), 6 p.m. Monday, Irving Schools Stadium

LEE

From 1C

scored five goals during the District 3-5A season, while Moore had three and on a couple of those goals the two have assisted each other.

Sanchez has played much of his high school career in the center of the midfield, while this is Moore's first year to play in the center, but what has made this partnership work is that the two have been playing together for a number of years on club teams.

It's that relationship that has been big for Lee as the Rebels tweaked their formation about midway through the district season. Lee went from a 3-5-2 formation to a 4-4-2.

It was a change that on the face of it doesn't look like much, but for both Moore and Sanchez it was something that was big for the pair.

"We are a lot more comfortable with four in the back, and it's what we are used to because it's what we've played our whole lives," Moore said.

Lee coach Scott Hicks said he could also tell the comfort level for Moore and Sanchez increased with the change, but said in any formation the two would be key components.

"They both handle the ball really well, and they see the game and they see other players so well," Hicks said. "Offensively, they are who we generate most of our attack from. But defensively they also do a good job of getting back, and are really good at pressuring and creating steals."

Beyond the change in formation, the two agreed that even though they are on a team with seniors they've played with for a while they can still have an impact on players who are experiencing their first playoff game.

And they don't do it vocally, they do it with their play and practice habits, and at times they even help to influence some of the team's other seniors.

"The ball goes to the center of the midfield all the time, and we are seniors and we've got to show up to play everyday and lead by example," Moore said. "We've got to set the tone on the field."

And for Moore and Sanchez they are hoping that they can set the tone for a playoff victory.

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BARHAM

From 1C

But it was off the field, though, where Barham has helped to lead a team that was unsure of itself a few months ago, and now is playing like a team that is on the verge of something special this season.

"I just remember telling everyone that we have no other choice but to come together as a team, and that was the only option we had at that point," said Barham, who is a three-year varsity player at Midland High. "More than anything we had to hold each other accountable and get each other through it more than anything, and just keep each other going.

"We are a team ... we are the definition of a team right now."

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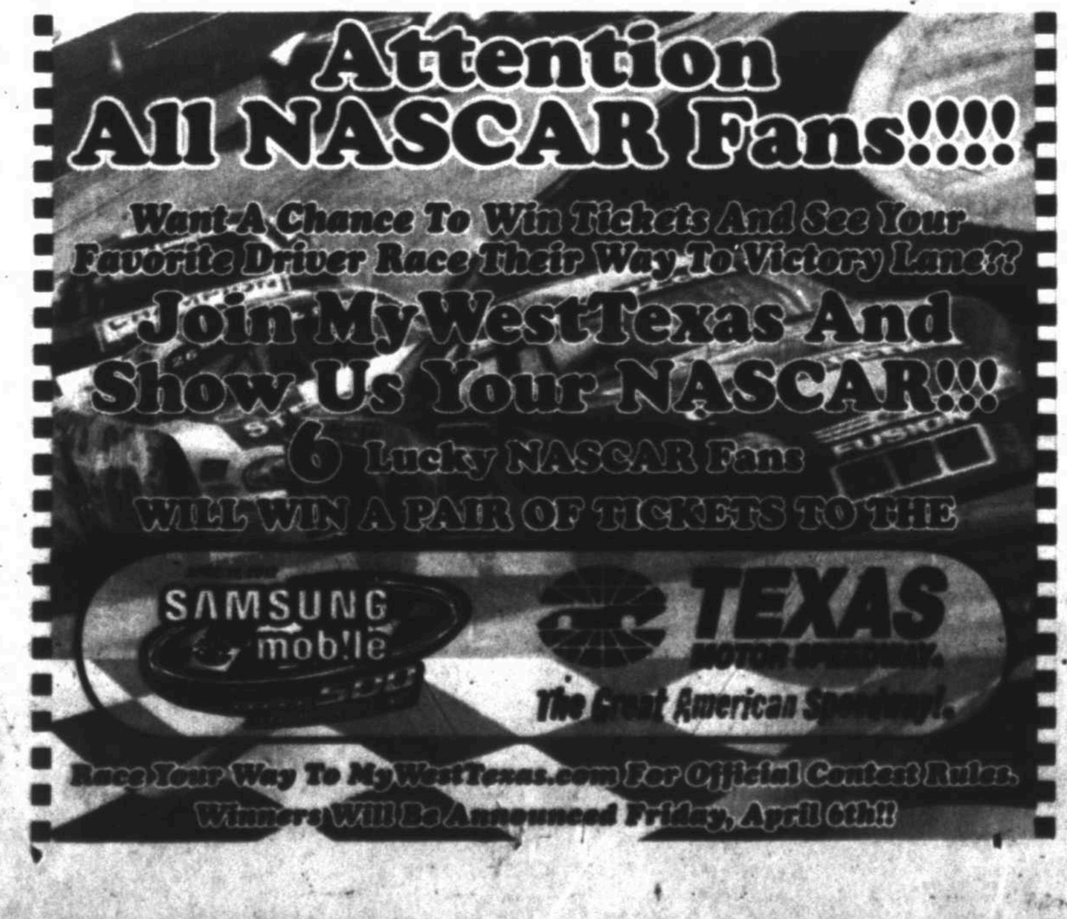

MCS takes deep tennis team into TAPPS 1-4A tournament

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

Midland Christian tennis coach Jon Lanier is typically cautious heading into the district tennis tournament every year.

It's not that Lanier doesn't have confidence in his team, but that he's never really quite sure who will show up and play from the other members of TAPPS 1-4A.

Lanier

This year, though, Lanier's apprehension is a little less as he takes a talented and deep team to the TAPPS 1-4A Tournament at Rose Park Tennis Center in Abilene, and is confident both the boys and girls squad can compete for team titles. The tournament is scheduled for today, and could continue on Tuesday in Abilene if needed.

"On the boys side we have five of those guys that are Champ level USTA players, and they've been playing a lot of tennis," Lanier said. "They have been in first or second in almost every tournament we've played in so far this year.

"If our girls doubles do fairly well, I think we can win that title, too."

Both boys and girls players for the Mustangs have had productive spring seasons as they've played in tournaments across West Texas and even in New Mexico.

Lanier said this boys squad has had similar results to the 2008 team, which won a state team title.

Both the boys and girls squads are again a mixture of players from different classes, but the majority are players that have experience in district and state competition.

Lanier said he expect the boys doubles team of senior Austin Rohwer and junior Austin Hedrick to receive a nod as the tournament's top seed in that division, and possibly one of his boys singles players, either junior Johnathan Dorman or sophomore Zane Nelson could get that top seed as well.

TAPPS 1-4A TENNIS TOURNEY

When: Today-Tuesday
Where: Rose Park Tennis Center, Abilene
Teams competing: Midland Christian, Arlington Grace Prep, Arlington Parkhill, Grapevine Faith, Fort Worth Southwest Christian, Midland Christian

Midland Christian Boys
Top seed: Austin Rohwer, Jr.
Other contenders: Austin Hedrick, Jr.; Zane Nelson, So.; Johnathan Dorman, Jr.; Jake Hedrick, Fr.
Boys doubles: Rohwer, Hedrick; Dorman, Nelson
Boys singles: Dorman, Hedrick, Nelson, Rohwer, Ryan Hedrick, Fr.; Jake Hedrick, Fr.; Hunter Ford, Fr.; Ryan Dorman, Fr.; Cole Stark, Sophomore; Zach Ford, Sophomore

Midland Christian Girls
Top seed: Ryan Dorman, Fr.
Other contenders: Ryan Hedrick, Fr.; Jake Hedrick, Fr.; Hunter Ford, Fr.; Ryan Dorman, Fr.; Cole Stark, Sophomore; Zach Ford, Sophomore

The top four players or teams in each division advance to the TAPPS 4A State Tennis Tournament, scheduled for April 25-26 at the Waco Regional Tennis Center.

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MCS golf team looks to continue domination

By Len Hayward
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The steps to the TAPPS 4A State Tournament for the Midland Christian girls golf team have been a formality for the past decade.

The Mustangs girls squad has won at least the last 11 district titles and today they will look to continue another streak in the TAPPS 4A North Region Tournament.

Wallum

Midland Christian's girls team has won 10 of the last 11 regional tournaments, and have the same expectations when the Mustangs compete in today's one-day tournament at Canyon Creek Golf Club in Richardson.

"In the last 11 years, we've had one year where we didn't win region, but that same year we came back and won state," Midland Christian coach Kevin Wallum said. "It's a fairly short course, and it will take the driver out of our hands sometimes. But for us I don't think that's a big deal."

Midland Christian won the girls tournament by 126 strokes over Fort Worth Christian last week in North Richland Hills.

Freshman Christian Curnutte finished second in the medalist standings after shooting a 69-87—156. Wallum said the wind picked up on Tuesday, but also that the greens were faster and harder to judge at Iron Horse Golf Course.

"She was as frustrated as I've ever seen her," Wallum said of Curnutte. "It was just one of those days, and it was just a bad day."

Meanwhile, the boys squad will be looking to return to the state tournament again this spring after finishing second at last week's district tournament.

TAPPS 4A NORTH REGION TOURNEY

When: Today
Where: Canyon Creek Golf Club, Richardson
Defend Outdoor Region: Girls — Christian Curnutte, Lynley Lady, Madison Wright, Lauren Chambers, Emily Brown, Hannah Bell, Caroline Bell, Sydney Wood, Josh Hofer, Steven Rick, Reagan Brown

The Mustangs held a slim five-stroke lead after the first round over Fort Worth Southwest Christian, but the Eagles erased that deficit on the second day to win by six strokes.

Wallum said that finish has been a motivating factor for his team heading into today's tournament.

"This group is as focused as any group I'v ever had," Wallum said. "They are ready to go. They word hard and stay focused."

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Spring Training

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct
Toronto	20	6	.769
Oakland	14	5	.737
Tampa Bay	19	7	.731
Seattle	14	6	.700
Los Angeles	17	11	.607
New York	16	11	.593
Minnesota	16	11	.593
Boston	14	10	.583
Kansas City	15	10	.600
Baltimore	11	11	.458
Chicago	13	17	.433
Texas	12	17	.414
Tampa Bay	9	16	.360
Cleveland	7	21	.250

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Team	W	L	Pct
St. Louis	16	9	.640
San Diego	19	15	.559
Colorado	16	13	.552
San Francisco	16	14	.533
Los Angeles	14	13	.519
Milwaukee	14	14	.500
Chicago	15	16	.484
Houston	14	16	.467
Miami	11	13	.458
Cincinnati	14	17	.452
Washington	12	15	.444
Arizona	13	17	.433
Philadelphia	12	16	.429
Atlanta	11	19	.370
Pittsburgh	9	18	.333
New York	7	19	.269

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.

Sunday's Scores

Detroit (ss) 4, Houston 2
Tampa Bay 8, Baltimore 5
Atlanta 7, Philadelphia 7, tie
Washington 2, St. Louis 1
Pittsburgh 3, Toronto 1
N.Y.Yankees 10, Miami 8
Detroit (ss) 9, N.Y. Mets 2
Boston 5, Minnesota 1
Arizona 6, L.A. Dodgers 2
Texas 5, San Diego 3
Chicago Cubs 8, L.A. Angels 1
Chicago White Sox 13, Cincinnati 10
Milwaukee 7, San Francisco 4
Seattle 6, Kansas City 4
Cleveland 12, Colorado 10

Today's Games

N.Y. Mets vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla., 11:00 a.m.
Toronto vs. Detroit at Lakeland, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Tampa Bay at Port Charlotte, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Washington vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla., 12:35 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Chicago White Sox at Glendale, Ariz., 2:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. Seattle at Peoria, Ariz., 3:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs vs. Arizona at Scottsdale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Miami, 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz., 9:05 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 9:35 p.m.

SUNDAY'S TEXAS LINESCORES

TIGERS (SS) 4, ASTROS 2

At Lakeland, Fla.

Houston	001	000	001	– 2	7 0
Detroit (ss)	003	001	00x	– 4	11 0

W-Rodriguez. R-Cruz (6). W-Lopez (7) and J.Castro, Penwell, Flister, Coke (7), Albers (8), Valverde (9) and Avila. Z-Maggard. W—Flister. L—W.Rodriguez. Sv—Valverde. HRs—Houston, J.Castro (1). Detroit, Jh.Peralta (3).

RANGERS 5, PADRES 3

At Surprise, Ariz.

San Diego	000	200	010	– 3	8 0
Texas	320	000	00x	– 5	12 0

Luebke, C.Hynes (3), Kelly (4) and Jo.Baker, M.Dal Castello; Lewis, Feldman (5), R.Ross (6), M.Lowe (7), Ogando (8), Nathan (9) and L.Martinez, J.Feliz. W—Lewis. L—Luebke. Sv—Nathan. HRs—San Diego, M.Clark (4). Guzman (5).

Tennis

Sony Ericsson Open Results
Sunday
At The Tennis Center at Crandon Park
Key Biscayne, Fla.
Purse: Men, $4,863 million (Masters 1000); Women, $4,863 million (Premier)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor

Singles
Men
Championship

Novak Djokovic (1), Serbia, def. Andy Murray (4), Britain, 6-1, 7-6 (5).

Doubles
Women
Championship

Marie Kirilenko and Nadia Petrova (5), Russia, def. Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci (6), Italy, 7-6 (0), 4-6, 10-4 tiebreak.

NFL

Calendar

April 26-28 — NFL draft, New York.
Late July — Training camps open.
Aug. 4-5 — Hall of Fame inductions; Hall of Fame game, Canton, Ohio.
Aug. 9-13 — Preseason opens.
Sept. 5 — Regular season opens.
Sept. 9-10 — First full regular-season weekend.

Fight Schedule

Friday

At Tokyo, Shinsuke Yamanaka vs. Vic Darchinyan, 12, for Yamanaka's WBC bantamweight title; Takaibo Ao vs. Terdsak Jandaeng, 12, for Ao's WBC super featherweight title; Hozumi Hasegawa vs. Felipe Carlos Felix, 10, featherweights.

Saturday

At TBA, Mexico, Juan Carlos Sanchez, Jr. vs. Juan Alberto Rosas, 12, for Sanchez's IBF super flyweight title.

NBA DL

East Conference

	W	L	Pct	GB
Springfield	27	20	.574	—
Dakota	26	20	.565	1/2
Canton	26	21	.553	1
Erie	26	21	.553	1
Iowa	25	22	.532	2
Maine	19	29	.396	8 1/2
Sioux Falls	14	33	.298	13
Fort Wayne	12	35	.255	15

West Conference

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Los Angeles	35	12	.745	—
x-Austin	31	16	.660	4
Bakersfield	27	19	.587	7 1/2
Texas	24	23	.511	11
Rio Grande Valley	23	25	.479	12 1/2
Tulsa	23	25	.479	12 1/2
Reno	20	27	.426	15
Idaho	19	29	.396	16 1/2

x-clinched playoff spot
z-clinched conference

Sunday's Scores

Iowa 103, Texas 98
Maine 110, Springfield 101, OT
Idaho 108, Reno 99

Today's Games

Bakersfield at Dakota, 7 p.m.

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting KC	4	0	0	12	7	0
New York	2	2	0	6	10	7
Columbus	2	1	0	6	3	2
Houston	2	1	0	6	3	2
New England	2	2	0	6	4	5
D.C.	1	2	1	4	5	5
Chicago	1	2	1	4	3	5
Philadelphia	0	3	1	1	2	6
Montreal	0	3	1	1	3	10
Toronto FC	0	3	0	0	1	7

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Real Salt Lake	3	1	0	9	8	4
San Jose	3	1	0	9	7	5
Colorado	3	1	0	9	7	5
Vancouver	2	0	2	8	3	0
Seattle	2	1	0	6	5	2
Portland	1	2	1	4	6	6
FC Dallas	1	2	1	4	5	8
Los Angeles	1	2	0	3	5	7
Chivas USA	1	3	0	3	1	3

NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.

Sunday's Scores

Colorado 2, Chicago 0
Sporting Kansas City 1, Chivas USA 0

Wednesday's Game

Montreal at Real Salt Lake, 8 p.m.

Thursday's Game

New England at FC Dallas, 7:30 p.m.

Mexican League

Teams	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Santos	13	9	2	2	25	13	29
Toros	13	9	1	3	19	8	28
Morelia	13	8	2	3	22	15	26
Monterrey	13	7	4	2	26	13	25
Atlante	13	6	4	3	21	13	22
Pachuca	13	5	6	2	18	13	21
Tijuana	13	5	5	3	14	9	20
Cruz Azul	13	4	6	3	17	15	18
Toluca	13	5	3	5	19	19	18
Jaguares	13	5	2	6	19	18	17
Chivas	13	4	3	6	10	14	15
Atlante	13	4	3	6	17	23	15
Atlas	13	2	7	4	4	10	13
Pumas	13	2	6	5	10	12	12
Puebla	13	3	3	7	12	17	12
San Luis	13	3	2	8	10	22	11
Estudiantes	13	2	3	8	7	20	9
Queretaro	13	1	3	9	7	24	6

Premier League

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Man United	30	23	4	3	74	27	73
Manchester City	31	22	5	4	75	25	71

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

1990 — UNLV 103, Duke 73
1988 — Michigan 80, Seton Hall 79, OT
1989 — Kansas 83, Oklahoma 79
1987 — Indiana 74, Syracuse 73
1986 — Louisville 72, Duke 69
1985 — Villanova 66, Georgetown 64
1984 — Georgetown 84, Houston 75
1983 — N.C. State 54, Houston 52
1982 — N Carolina 63, Georgetown 62
1981 — Indiana 63, Louisville 50
1980 — Louisville 59, UCLA 54
1979 — Michigan St 75, Indiana State 64
1978 — Kentucky 94, Duke 88
1977 — Marquette 67, North Carolina 59
1976 — Indiana 86, Michigan 68
1975 — UCLA 92, Kentucky 85
1974 — N.C. State 76, Marquette 64
1973 — UCLA 87, Memphis State 66
1972 — UCLA 81, Florida State 76
1971 — UCLA 68, Villanova 62
1970 — UCLA 80, Jacksonville 69
1969 — UCLA 92, Purdue 72
1968 — UCLA 78, North Carolina 55
1967 — UCLA 79, Dayton 64
1966 — Texas Western 72, Kentucky 65
1965 — UCLA 91, Michigan 80
1964 — UCLA 98, Duke 83
1963 — Loyola of Chi 60, Cincinnati 58, OT
1962 — Cincinnati 71, Ohio State 59
1961 — Cincinnati 70, Ohio State 65, OT
1960 — Ohio State 75, California 55
1959 — California 71, West Virginia 70
1958 — Kentucky 84, Seattle 72
1957 — N Carolina 54, Kansas 53, 3OT
1956 — San Francisco 83, Iowa 71
1955 — San Francisco 77, La Salle 63
1954 — La Salle 92, Bradley 76
1953 — Indiana 69, Kansas 68
1952 — Kansas 80, St. John's 63
1951 — Kentucky 68, Kansas State 58
1950 — CCNY 71, Bradley 68
1949 — Kentucky 46, Oklahoma A&M 36
1948 — Kentucky 58, Baylor 42
1947 — Holy Cross 58, Oklahoma 47
1946 — Oklahoma A&M 43, North Carolina 40
1945 — Oklahoma A&M 49, NYU 45
1944 — Utah 42, Dartmouth 40, OT
1943 — Wyoming 46, Georgetown 34
1942 — Stanford 53, Dartmouth 38
1941 — Wisconsin 39, Washington St 34
1940 — Indiana 60, Kansas 42
1939 — Oregon 46, Ohio State 34

Women

NCAA Women's Basketball Tournament
FINAL FOUR
At Pepsi Center
Denver
National Semifinals
Sunday, April 1

Notre Dame 83, UConn 75, OT
Baylor 59, Stanford 47

National Championship
Tuesday

Notre Dame (35-3) vs. Baylor (39-0), 7:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S BOXES

BAYLOR 59, STANFORD 47

STANFORD (26-5): C.Ogwumike 2-4 0-0 4, N.Ogwumike 9-23 4-5 22, Trinkle 1-6 0-0 2, Kolenik 4-9 0-9, Orrange 1-9 1-2 3, La Rocque 0-2 0-0 0, Samuelson 2-4 0-0 5, Booths 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 20-60 5-7 47.

BAYLOR (39-0): Williams 1-5 5-10 7, Griner 3-9 7-8 13, Sims 4-11 2-2 11, Hayden 2-6 2-2 6, Madden 4-11 1-1 9, Cordray 5-9 2-2 13, Pope 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 19-52 19-26 59.

Halftime—Baylor 25-23. 3-Point Goals—Stanford 2-17 (Samuelson 1-3, Kolenik 1-3, Orrange 0-1, La Rocque 0-2, Trinkle 0-3, N.Ogwumike 0-5), Baylor 2-6 (Sims 1-2, Cordray 1-3, Hayden 0-1, Madden 0-2, Pulled Out—C.Ogwumike, Rebounds—Stanford 34 (N. Ogwumike 9), Baylor 42 (Williams 10). Assists—Stanford 6 (C. Ogwumike 4), Baylor 8 (Sims 3). Total Fouls—Stanford 17, Baylor 9. A—19,028.

NOTRE DAME 83, UCONN 75, OT

UCONN (33-4): Dixon 10-18 5-6 26, Hayes 4-11 2-4 10, Daly 0-2 0-0 0, Hartley 7-17 1-2 18, Faris 3-6 4-4 10, Mosqueda-Lewis 5-13 3-3 13, Stokes 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 31-68 10-13 75.

NOTRE DAME (35-3): Peters 6-10 5-8 17, Diggins 8-17 2-2 19, Novosel 5-19 9-11 20, Mallory 4-9 1-2 11, McBride 2-12 4-4 5, Achonwa 4-5 0-0 8. Totals 29-72 20-27 83.

Halftime—UConn 36-33. End Of Regulation—Tied. 3-Point Goals—UConn 3-13 (Hartley 3-6, Hayes 0-1, Faris 0-2, Daly 0-2, Mosqueda-Lewis 0-3), Notre Dame 5-14 (Novosel 2-5, Mallory 2-6, Diggins 1-2, McBride 0-1). Fouled Out—Faris. Rebounds—UConn 42 (Dixon 8), Notre Dame 45 (Peters 12). Assists—UConn 13 (Faris 5), Notre Dame 16 (Mallory 5). Total Fouls—UConn 18, Notre Dame 14. A—19,028.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	30	22	.577	—
Philadelphia	29	23	.558	1
New York	27	26	.509	3 1/2
New Jersey	19	35	.352	12
Toronto	18	35	.340	12 1/2

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	37	14	.725	—
Orlando	32	21	.604	6
Atlanta	31	21	.596	6 1/2
Washington	12	40	.231	25 1/2
Charlotte	7	43	.140	29 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Chicago	42	12	.778	—
Indiana	31	21	.596	10
Milwaukee	24	28	.462	17
Detroit	19	33	.365	22
Cleveland	17	33	.340	23

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	36	14	.720	—
Dallas	30	23	.566	7 1/2
Memphis	28	22	.560	8
Houston	28	25	.528	9 1/2
New Orleans	13	40	.245	24 1/2

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Oklahoma City	40	12	.769	—
Denver	29	24	.547	11 1/2
Utah	27	26	.509	13 1/2
Portland	25	28	.472	15 1/2
Minnesota	25	29	.463	16

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	32	20	.615	—
L.A. Clippers	31	21	.596	1
Phoenix	26	26	.500	6
Golden State	20	30	.400	11
Sacramento	18	34	.346	14

x-clinched playoff spot

Sunday's Scores

Oklahoma City 92, Chicago 78
Boston 91, Miami 72
Toronto 99, Washington 92
Denver 104, Orlando 101
Indiana 104, Houston 102, OT
Phoenix 92, New Orleans 75
Portland 119, Timberwolves 106
Golden State at L.A. Lakers, late

Today's Games

Milwaukee at Washington, 6 p.m.
Houston at Chicago, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Sacramento, 9 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 9 p.m.

SUNDAY'S BOXES

PACERS 104, ROCKETS 102, OT

INDIANA (104): Granger 11-20 4-4 32, West 5-12 2-2 12, Hibbert 6-14 3-3 15, Collison 4-8 3-6 11, Georgia 3-7 3-9 9, Hansbrough 1-7 4-9 6, Barbosa 4-8 2-2 10, Amundson 2-3 0-0 4, Hill 1-2 0-0 2, Jones 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 37-83 24-38 104.

HOUSTON (102): Parsons 6-12 0-0 14, Scola 6-16 1-2 13, Camby 5-8 0-2 10, Dragic 8-14 3-4 22, Lee 9-17 0-0 20, Budinger 2-7 1-2 6, Brooks 2-6 0-0 5, Morris 0-1 0-0 0, Patterson 4-12 0-0 8, Delembert 2-6 0-0 4. Totals 44-101 5-10 102.

Indiana	27	17	19	30	11	—	104
Houston	23	19	31	20	9	—	102

3-Point Goals—Indiana 6-15 (Granger 6-8, Barbosa 0-1, Collison 0-1, Jones 0-2, George 0-3), Houston 21 (Dragic 3-6, Parsons 2-4, Lee 2-5, Brooks 1-2, Budinger 1-4). Fouled Out—Dragic. Rebounds—Indiana 62 (Hansbrough 10), Houston 47 (Camby 9). Assists—Indiana 23 (Collison 7), Houston 25 (Dragic 6). Total Fouls—Indiana 16, Houston 23. A—18,197 (18,043).

NUGGETS 104, MAGIC 101

DENVER (104): Brewer 3-9 1-2 8, Faried 8-2 0-0 4, McGee 1-3 0-2 2, Lawson 10-16 3-3 25, Affalo 6-14 5-5 20, Koufos 3-4 0-0 6, Harrington 7-14 2-3 18, Miller 4-7 7-8 15, Hamilton 2-3 0-0 4. Totals 40-72 16-21 104.

ORLANDO (101): Turkoglu 4-10 2-2 11, Anderson 7-18 3-3 20, Davis 6-14 6-11 18, Nelson 11-21 3-4 27, J.Richardson 3-12 0-0 6, Redick 4-8 5-5 15, Clark 2-5 0-0 4, Duhon 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 37-88 19-25 101.

Denver	27	21	28	28	—	104
Orlando	19	23	32	27	—	101

3-Point Goals—Denver 5-19 (Affalo 3-6, Lawson 0-3, Harrington 0-5, Brewer 1-3, Miller 0-2), Orlando 8-32 (Anderson 3-10, Redick 2-3, Nelson 2-8, Turkoglu 1-4, Davis 0-1, J.Richardson 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 43 (Faried 9), Orlando 51 (Davis 16). Assists—Denver 21 (Lawson 9), Orlando 15 (Nelson 5). Total Fouls—Denver 22, Orlando 15. A—18,846 (18,500).

RAPTORS 99, WIZARDS 92

WASHINGTON (92): Singleton 5-8 1-2 15, Vesely 5-8 0-0 10, Seraphin 8-14 0-0 16, Wall 4-8 5-7 13, Crawford 6-15 4-5 18, Mason 3-8 4-4 12, Cook 2-7 0-0 4, Martin 0-1 0-0 0, Blair 1-2 0-2 4. Totals 34-71 16-20 92.

TORONTO (99): Johnson 4-9 0-0 9, Bargnani 6-15 6-6 18, Gray 7-14 0-0 20, Calderon 6-10 1-1 15, DeRozan 4-11 7-9 15, Davis 4-6 0-0 8, A.Johnson 5-7 0-0 10, Uzoh 1-3 0-0 2, Forbes 3-6 3-3 9, Kleiza 1-3 0-0 2, Anderson 1-4 0-0 3. Totals 37-77 21-23 99.

Washington	21	21	19	31	—	92
Toronto	22	24	25	28	—	99

3-Point Goals—Washington 8-20 (Singleton 4-4, Mason 2-4, Crawford 2-6, Martin 0-1, Wall 0-2, Cook 0-3), Toronto 4-17 (Calderon 2-6, Anderson 1-2, J.Johnson 1-4, Kleiza 0-2, Bargnani 0-3). Fouled Out—Singleton. Rebounds—Washington 36 (Singleton 8), Toronto 46 (Gray, Bargnani 8). Assists—Washington 25 (Wall 11), Toronto 22 (Calderon 8). Total Fouls—Washington 22, Toronto 22. Technicals—Wall, Toronto defensive three second. A—16,858 (19,800).

CELTICS 91, HEAT 72

MIAMI (72): James 11-20 1-2 23, Bosh 2-11 0-2 4, Anthony 0-2 0-0 0, Chalmers 1-5-6-8, Wade 4-11 1-3 9, Turiaf 0-1 0-0 0, Haslem 4-7 0-0 8, Cole 2-11 2-3 7, Battier 1-2 11, Jones 0-2 0-0 0, Pittman 1-4 0-1 2, Harris 0-0 0-2 0, Howard 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 31-89 7-17 72.

BOSTON (91): Pierce 8-17 5-5 23, Bass 3-5 10-10 16, Garnett 5-12 0-0 10, Rondo 7-13 1-3 15, Allen 5-10 2-2 13, Siemens 2-5 2-2 6, Dooling 2-4 0-0 5, Pavlovic 1-2 0-0 2, Johnson 0-1 0-0 0, Hollins 0-1 0-0 0, Moore 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-72 18-22 91.

Miami	19	25	12	16	—	72
Boston	29	20	31	11	—	91

3-Point Goals—Miami 3-16 (Battier 2-6, Cole 1-2, Jones 0-2, Chalmers 0-3, Wade 0-3), Boston 5-13 (Pierce 2-4, Rondo 1-2, Dooling 1-3, Bradley 1-3, Pavlovic 0-1). Fouled Out—Siemens. Rebounds—Miami 55 (Bosh 11), Boston 52 (Rondo 11). Assists—Miami 15 (Bosh 4), Boston 21 (Rondo 14). Total Fouls—Miami 15, Boston 18. Technicals—Boston defensive three second. A—18,624 (18,624).

THUNDER 92, BULLS 78

CHICAGO (78): Deng 4-13 0-0 8, Boozer 4-8 0-0 8, Noah 1-8 3-3 5, Watson 2-7 0-0 4, Korver 5-13 1-2 14, Asik 0-2 0-0 0, Gibson 4-8 2-4 10, Brewer 3-8 1-2 7, Lucas 7-20 0-0 19, Scalabrine 0-1 1-2 1, Butler 0-3 2-2 2. Totals 30-91 10-15 78.

OKLAHOMA CITY (92): Durant 11-16 2-2 26, Ibaka 4-8 1-2 9, Perkins 2-3 0-0 4, Westbrook 10-18 6-6 27, Sefolosha 1-4 0-0 2, Collison 2-7 3-3 7, Harden 3-7 4-4 11, Fisher 0-2 0-0 0, Mohammed 0-1 0-0 0, Hayward 2-4 0-0 4, Ivey 0-2 0-2 0, Aldrich 0-0 0-0 0, Jackson 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 36-74 16-17 92.

Chicago	20	19	12	27	—	78
Oklahoma City	27	24	21	20	—	92

3-Point Goals—Chicago 8-24 (Lucas 5-13, Korver 3-5, Deng 0-3, Watson 0-3), Oklahoma City 4-9 (Durant 2-2, Westbrook 1-2, Harden 1-3, Hayward 0-1, Sefolosha 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 57 (Gibson 11), Oklahoma City 48 (Durant 10). Assists—Chicago 17 (Lucas, Korver 4), Oklahoma City 20 (Westbrook 5). Total Fouls—Chicago 14, Oklahoma City 15. A—18,203 (18,203).

SUNS 92, HORNETS 75

NEW ORLEANS (75): Aminu 4-9 0-0 9, Thomas 1-1 0-0 2, Smith 7-14 0-0 14, Jack 5-10 2-2 13, Belinelli 6-14 1-1 14, Kaman 4-11 0-0 8, Ayon 2-6 0-0 4, Henry 1-4 2-4 4, Vasquez 2-8 2-2 7, Johnson 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-77 7-9 75.

PHOENIX (92): Brown 6-11 3-3 16, Frye 6-14 2-2 14, Gortat 5-8 3-4 13, Nash 2-4 0-0 4, Dudley 9-18 2-3 21, Childress 2-3 0-0 5, Warrick 3-3 0-0 6, Telfair 1-0 0-2, Redd 2-3 0-0 3-7, Lopez 2-4 6-6 10. Totals 35-71 19-21 92.

New Orleans	21	20	17	17	—	75
Phoenix	28	24	25	17	—	92

3-Point Goals—New Orleans 4-9 (Aminu 1-1, Jack 1-2, Vasquez 1-2, Belinelli 1-4), Phoenix 3-15 (Childress 1-2, Dudley 1-3, Brown 1-5, Telfair 0-1, Frye 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 39 (Aminu 8), Phoenix 46 (Frye 11). Assists—New Orleans 16 (Vasquez 6), Phoenix 21 (Nash 14). Total Fouls—New Orleans 21, Phoenix 15. A—15,753 (18,422).

TRAIL BLAZERS 119, TIMBERWOLVES 106

MINNESOTA (106): Johnson 4-6 0-0 9, D.Williams 8-16 5-7 21, Love 7-16 11-12 26, Ridnour 7-14 6-6 21, Webster 3-4 0-0 7, Ellington 4-10 3-4 12, Tolliver 1-4 0-0 2, Randolph 1-4 2-4 4, Lee 1-4 2-2 4. Totals 36-78 29-35 106.

PORTLAND (119): Batum 7-15 6-7 24, Hickson 6-10 3-4 15, Aldridge 10-17 6-6 26, Felton 6-11 1-1 10, Matthews 7-14 2-2 18, Babbitt 3-8 0-0 8, Crawford 6-11 0-0 12, Flynn 2-3 0-0 4, C.Smith 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 46-88 18-20 119.

Minnesota	27	23	30	26	—	106
Portland	27	30	31	31	—	119

3-Point Goals—Minnesota 5-21 (Johnson 1-2, Ellington 1-2, Webster 1-2, Ridnour 1-2, Love 1-6, D.Williams 0-3, Tolliver 0-3), Portland 9-28 (Batum 4-9, Babbitt 2-3, Matthews 2-8, Felton 1-3, Aldridge 0-1, Crawford 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 44 (Love 9), Portland 48 (Hickson 9). Assists—Minnesota 16 (Ridnour 6), Portland 22 (Felton 11). Total Fouls—Minnesota 19, Portland 21. A—20,359 (19,980).

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-N.Y.Rangers	79	50	22	7	107	218	175
x-Pittsburgh	79	48	25	6	102	268	214
x-Philadelphia	79	46	24	9	101	257	222
x-New Jersey	79	45	28	6	96	219	205
N.Y. Islanders	79	33	35	11	77	194	241

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Boston	79	47	28	4	98	259	193
x-Ottawa	79	41	26	10	92	245	231
Buffalo	79	38	31	10	86	208	219
Toronto	79	34	36	9	77	222	252
Montreal	79	29	35	15	73	202	221

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	79	37	25	17	91	193	217
Washington	79	40	31	8	88	212	223
Winnipeg	79	36	34	9	81	213	233
Tampa Bay	79	36	35	7	79	223	268
Carolina	79	31	32	16	78	208	237

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-St. Louis	79	49	21	10	108	264	196
x-Detroit	79	47	27	5	99	242	196
x-Nashville	79	45	26	8	98	227	208
x-Chicago	80	44	26	10	98	244	234
Columbus	79	27	45	7	61	190	255

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
y-Vancouver	79	49	21	9	107	239	191
Colorado	80	41	33	6	88	205	209
Calgary	80	35	29	16	86	194	222
Minnesota	79	34	35	10	78	173	219
Edmonton	79	32	38	9	73	210	231

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	79	39	27	13	91	185	170
Phoenix	79	39	27	13	91	206	202
San Jose	79	40	29	10	90	214	201
Dallas	79	42	32	5	89	207	212
Anaheim	79	33	35	11	77	195	219

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division

Sunday's Scores

Detroit 2, Florida 1, SO
Minnesota 5, Chicago 4, SO
Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 4
Ottawa 5, N.Y. Islanders 1
Boston 2, N.Y. Rangers 1
Edmonton 2, Anaheim 1

Today's Games

Washington at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.
Edmonton at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S SUMMARIES

RED WINGS 2, PANTHERS 1, SO

Florida	1	0	0	0	– 1
Detroit	0	0	1	0	– 2

Detroit won shootout 2-1

First Period—1, Florida, Fleischmann 26 (Versteeg, Weight), 17:08.

Second Period—None.

Third Period—2, Detroit, Hudler 25 (V.Filppula, Kindl), 5:30.

Overtime—None.

Shootout—Florida 1 (Wolski G, Samuelsson NC, Versteeg NG), Detroit 2 (Datsyuk G, Hudler G, Bertuzzi NG).

Shots on Goal—Florida 10-6-8-2—26. Detroit 7-8-15—30.

Goalies—Florida, Clemmensen. Detroit, Howard. A—20,066 (20,066) T—2:37.

SENATORS 5, ISLANDERS 1

Ottawa	1	3	1	–	5
N.Y. Islanders	1	0	0	–	1

First Period—1, N.Y. Islanders, Streit 7 (Tavares, Moulson), 7:55. 2, Ottawa, Turris 11 (Michalek, Gonchar), 16:40.

Second Period—3, Ottawa, Gonchar 5 (Michalek, Turris), 3:09 (pp). 4, Ottawa, Michalek 35 (Turris, Butler), 6:00. 5, Ottawa, Foligno 15 (Winchester, Greening), 13:21.

Third Period—None. Shots on Goal—Ottawa 13-10-9—32. N.Y Islanders 9-9-12—30.

Goalies—Ottawa, Anderson. N.Y. Islanders, Montoya. A—14,210 (16,234). T—2:23.

FLYERS 6, PENGUINS 4

Philadelphia	1	1	4	– 6
Pittsburgh	1	0	3	– 4

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Sullivan 16 (Crosby, Dupuis), 1:14. 2, Pittsburgh, Neal 39 (Malkin, Kuntitz), 4:58. 3, Philadelphia, Giroux 28 (Jagr, Hartnell), 15:09.

Second Period—4, Philadelphia, Talbot 19 (Rinaldo, Coburn), 1:20.

Third Period—5, Philadelphia, Simmonds 27 (Voracek, Giroux), 2:35 (pp). 6, Philadelphia, Voracek 16 (Weekend, Coburn), 6:37. 7, Philadelphia, Bourdon 3 (

Jacks lose to Topeka to close regular season

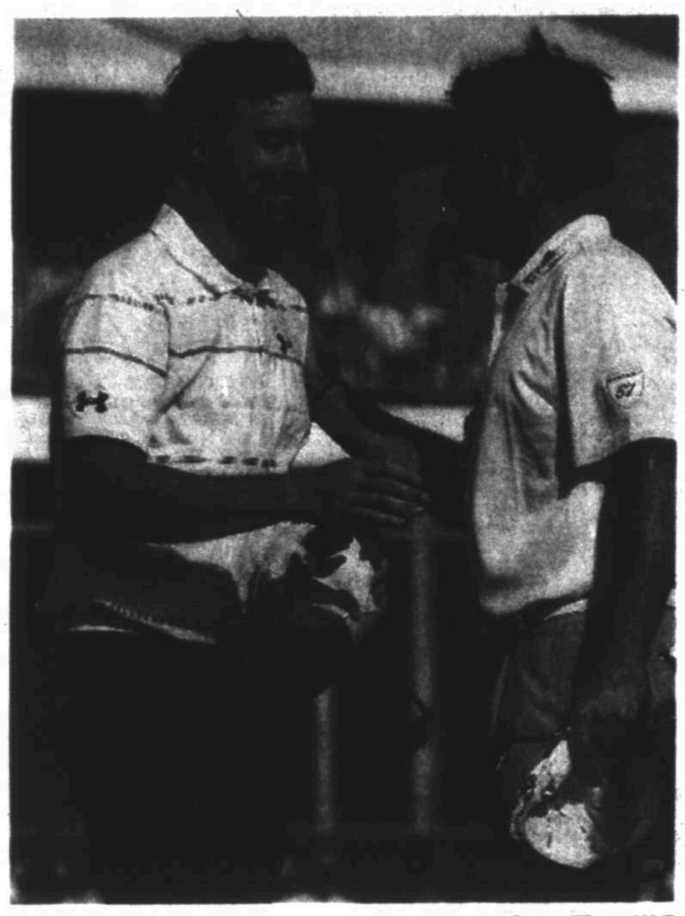
From staff reports

TOPEKA — The Odessa Jackalopes completed the regular season with a 3-1 loss to Topeka on Sunday evening at the Kansas ExpoCentre.

The RoadRunners scored a goal in each the first and second periods to take a 2-0 lead. Odessa, though, cut the lead in half with less than a minute remaining when Taylor Portner finished off a feed from Mikko Virtanen with an extra attacker.

But the RoadRunners' Ben Christie completed the scoring with an empty net goal with :04 left in the game.

Odessa, who finished the regular season with a 27-28-5 record with 59 points, will begin its NAHL Divisional playoff series against on the road against Amarillo on Friday. The series is a best-of-five.



Dave Einsel/AP

Hunter Mahan, left, is congratulated by Louis Oosthuizen, right after winning the Houston Open Sunday in Humble. Mahan won the tournament with a 16-under par 272.

Mahan wins Houston Open

By Chris Duncan
Associated Press

HUMBLE — Hunter Mahan doesn't dwell on bad shots anymore, and he says that's leading to more good ones.

Mahan shot a 1-under 71 on Sunday to win the Houston Open, edging out Carl Pettersson by one stroke and becoming the first two-time champion on the tour in 2012.

The 29-year-old Mahan finished 16 under for the tournament and moved to No. 4 in the world ranking, the first time he's ever been the highest-ranked American.

"That's a pretty surreal thing to think about," Mahan said. "It shows me what I can do, shows me what I'm capable of."

The 29-year-old Mahan feels as if he finally has the mental approach to match his physical skills. He credits Canadian sports psychologist Jim Murphy with teaching him to enjoy the game more, and that's led to better results.

"It's easy to let your mind run wild and get down on yourself," Mahan said. "That's what I used to do. I'm trying to pump myself up more and just believe in myself."

Mahan earned his fifth career victory. He has six top-25 finishes in seven starts this year, including a victory over Rory McIlroy in the final of the Match Play Championships in February.

"You've got to enjoy this stuff," Mahan said. "It's kind of an honor and a pleasure to be in these tough situations. This is what you work for, to be in these fun, tough, tight situations."

The new attitude got another pressurized test on Sunday.

Standing on the 18th tee with a one-stroke lead, Mahan confidently hit his tee shot down the middle of the fairway, then knocked his 203-yard approach to 21 feet. He gave caddie John Wood a high-five when the ball landed safely on the green.

"Absolutely awesome," Wood said.

Newman wins wild finish at Martinsville Speedway

By Hank Kurz Jr.
Associated Press

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Ryan Newman needed help and was running out of time. Finally, Clint Bowyer provided an opening with two laps to go at Martinsville Speedway.

Bowyer's aggressive move took out race leaders Jeff Gordon and Jimmie Johnson entering the first turn, allowing Newman to slide into the lead, and he held off A.J. Allmendinger and Dale Earnhardt Jr. on another restart for his first win in 23 races.

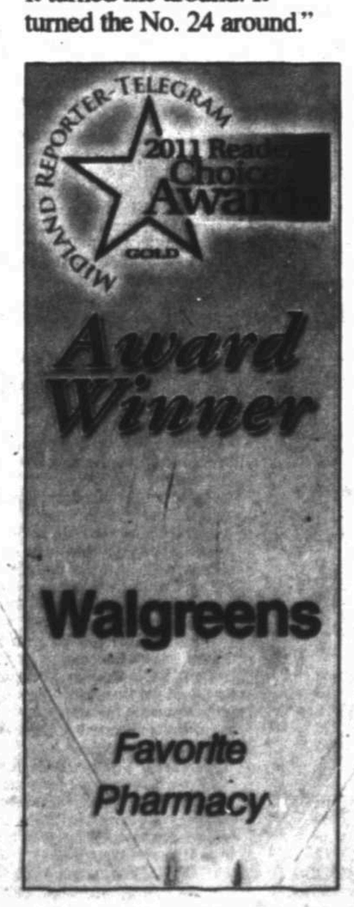
"We were not a dominate race car," Newman said. "Clint kind of cleared out Turn One for us and we were fortunate enough to be in the right place at the right time."

The reverse was true for Gordon, who led 328 laps, and Johnson, who led 112. The Hendrick Motorsports teammates seemed poised to battle it out to see which one would give owner Rick Hendrick his 200th Sprint Cup victory, and neither had a chance in the end.

"Jeff and I had been the class of the field so I really thought it was going to be a race between the two of us, and it certainly didn't turn out that way," Johnson said.

He wound up 12th, and Gordon was 14th.

Of the restart, Johnson said: "That inside lane is awfully inviting at times to dive-bomb on people. The No. 15 (Bowyer) threw a dive-bomb in there. I'm sure once he got in there, he realized it wasn't the best idea. It turned me around. It turned the No. 24 around."



3 Midland fighters emerge victorious in Odessa

By Ruben Ochoa
MRT Correspondent

ODESSA — Three fighters representing Mixed Martial Arts' schools from Midland came out victorious during 24/7's "Rage" at Far West Event Center on Saturday night.

Rhino Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu's David Lopezz and Juston Campos and West Texas MMA's Jonathan Nieto walked away with wins.

The start of the event was delayed about an hour due to one of the two required doctors showing up late.

Lopezz beat Andy Ontiveros. The fight was stopped in the second round at the 1:15 mark because Ontiveros not being able to protect himself.

"Lopezz made us all nervous," Rhino BJJ's Brad Barnes said. "It was his first organized fight, and he didn't have much time to prepare, but he showed a lot of heart, and when he had to remember it, he stuck to the game plan and got the win."

Campos (3-0) remained undefeated with a unanimous decision (30-27, 29-28, 29-28), won mostly with a ground-and-pound approach, against Chris Bailey.

"Campos got rocked early on trying to measure his distance, but went to his wrestling and was able to control his opponent for the rest of the fight," Barnes said. "This was a good gut check fight for him, having to come back from an early knock-down."

Also Rhino BJJ's Jon Smedley lost to Stelton Crain and Ali Barraza to Armando Alvidrez.

Barnes said he saw some positive building blocks.

"These guys decided to take a fight without six months of total training time, and had the guts to get in there and compete," Barnes said. "Most people dont have the courage, commitment, or heart to even walk in those doors, and not only did they, but they were able to do some positive things out there."

In other action, West Texas MMA's Nieto used a guillotine choke to defeat Andrew Aguirre at the 2:27 mark in the second round.

The very intense Alex Navarro defeated Cory Johnson with a third round TKO at the 1:02 mark.

John "The Pastor of Disaster" Anglin defeated Kyle Reed at 1:42 of the opening round by knock-out.

Omar Benjar defeated Brandon Waldrop with a unanimous decision (30-27, 30-27, 29-28).

Albert Bocardo also took a unanimous decision (30-27, 30-27, 29-28) against Chris Flores.

Hector Garcia TKO'd Ivan Cole at the 55 second mark of the first round.

MMA NOTES: Rigan Machado of the famous MMA Machado family attended the event. ... Also at the event, as a trainer, was Muay Thai legend Saekson Janjira.

JIU-JITSU

From 1C

academy in Los Angeles, was encouraged by his older brother Carlos to make the trip to Midland and provide instruction for a couple days at Perez Martial Arts Academy.

"My brother Carlos called me, asked me to come over here because the people here are very nice," said Machado, who holds the third highest belt possible in BJJ. "It's a good group. He got me very excited to come."

The Machado family, along with the Gracies, were some of the first Brazilians to bring their particular martial art to the United States.

"The Brazilian community was able to bring some flavor and traditions from Brazil to the martial arts here," Machado said. "I think it is good for people and helps people."

Machado has trained many well-known celebrities, including actor/martial artist Chuck Norris, actor Vin Diesel and country musician Alan Jackson, as well as some top-ranked mixed martial artists, including current Ultimate Fighting Championship middleweight champion Anderson Silva, former UFC welterweight and lightweight champion B.J. Penn and Strikeforce heavyweight top contender Josh Barnett.

But, Machado will teach his art to anyone willing to learn it, and hopes they are taking more away from the experience than just self-defense.

"Not just jiu-jitsu, but I think martial arts in general teaches people to be humble, teaches about discipline, teaches about respect," said Machado, who has trained more than 60 world champions. "It builds friendship between each other. I think it's good for people to do any martial art."

Of course, Machado puts an emphasis on one particular martial art above all the rest.

"People can train anything. People can train striking or judo and takedowns," Machado said. "But, if you want to train today in mixed martial arts, you need to train jiu-jitsu. You can't run away anymore because it's a part of the game. Anytime you go to the ground, you're going to be in trouble if you don't know jiu-jitsu. Today to be a complete fighter you need to know Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu."

Machado's time as a competitive martial artist has come and gone, and few can match his career record. But, the legendary BJJ master takes solace in seeing the sport of mixed martial arts grow larger and larger every year.

"I could never foresee something from Brazil reach to almost 160 countries," Machado said. "When you have a chance to be a part of that, it's a pleasure. I still, everyday, don't believe it because I'm still such a simple country person. To see how big it is, is unbelievable."

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10TH ANNUAL BLOODGUSHER RESULTS
Note: Winners listed only

5K

Age 1-8
Male: Thadan Howell, 28:12; Female: Morgan Schoening, 35:11

Age 9-12
Male: Alex Wilson, 25:37; Female: Kandus Finley, 22:57

Age 13-19
Male: Nicholas Escalante, 17:26; Female: Abigail Marquez, 23:19

Age 20-24
Male: Jose Escalante, 18:55; Female: Tiffany Barrera, 21:47

Age 25-29
Male: Sammy Dominguez, 22:57; Female: Ashlee Ornelas, 23:01

Age 30-34
Male: Ryan Nines, 22:41; Female: Melanie Robertson, 21:25

Age 35-39
Male: Gordon Gutierrez, 23:29; Female: Cecilia Denti, 25:48

Age 40-44
Male: Porter Poklikuha, 21:32; Female: Shanna Hale-Ginder, 20:55

Age 45-49
Male: Dale Eaton, 25:09; Female: Deidra Nelson, 24:59

Age 50-54
Male: Jon Morgan, 21:11; Female: Susan Pair, 24:46

Age 55-59
Male: Keith Moore, 25:22; Female: Vicki Wright, 23:16

Age 60-64
Male: Victor Martinez, 22:25; Female: VickiCastillejos, 31:34

Age 65-99
Male: Michael D. Norris, 35:31; Female: Arlyne Reagan, 34:16

1/2 Marathon

Age 1-19
Male: Lucas Morris, 1:23:56; Female: Elizabeth Waddell, 2:02:40

Age 20-24
Male: Alexis Ontiveros, 1:35:18; Female: Lauren Murphree, 1:49:17

Age 25-29
Male: Spearman, Craig 1:30:42; Female: Yomi Long, 1:49:54

Age 30-34
Male: Kevin Fox, 1:22:31; Female: Anna Scheinzbach, 1:30:49

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Male: Mike Mestas, 1:33:04; Female: Tammy Walls, 1:59:42

Age 45-49
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Male: Popcorn Leonard, 1:32:14; Female: Catherine Oestmann, 2:13:01

Age 55-59
Male: K. George Wassaff, 1:44:19; Female: Elaine Moore, 2:04:02

Age 60-64
Male: Kelly Cooke, 2:13:33; Female: Marsha K. Ramey, 1:59:37

Age 65-99
Male: Richard Conley, 2:53:18

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Male: Eric Pinon, 42:48; Female: Jessica Womack, 1:02:41

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DRILLERS WIN BIG, MOVE TO 6-0

The West Texas Drillers moved to 6-0 with a 58-6 victory against the Amarillo Titans on Saturday night at Grande Communications Stadium.

Running back Dusty Stapp and Chad Thompson each had two touchdown runs as Stapp scored from 24 yards and 1 yard, while Thompson had a 51-yard run and a 5-yard scamper.

Quaterback Walter Washington threw three TD passes and also had an 11-yard TD run. Marlon Jameson, Patrick Lindsey and Joseph Clater each had TD receptions.

Leif Craddock also added a 32-yard field goal.

Also, on Sturday the Drillers raised $5,300 during an aution to benefit Pink the Basin Inc.

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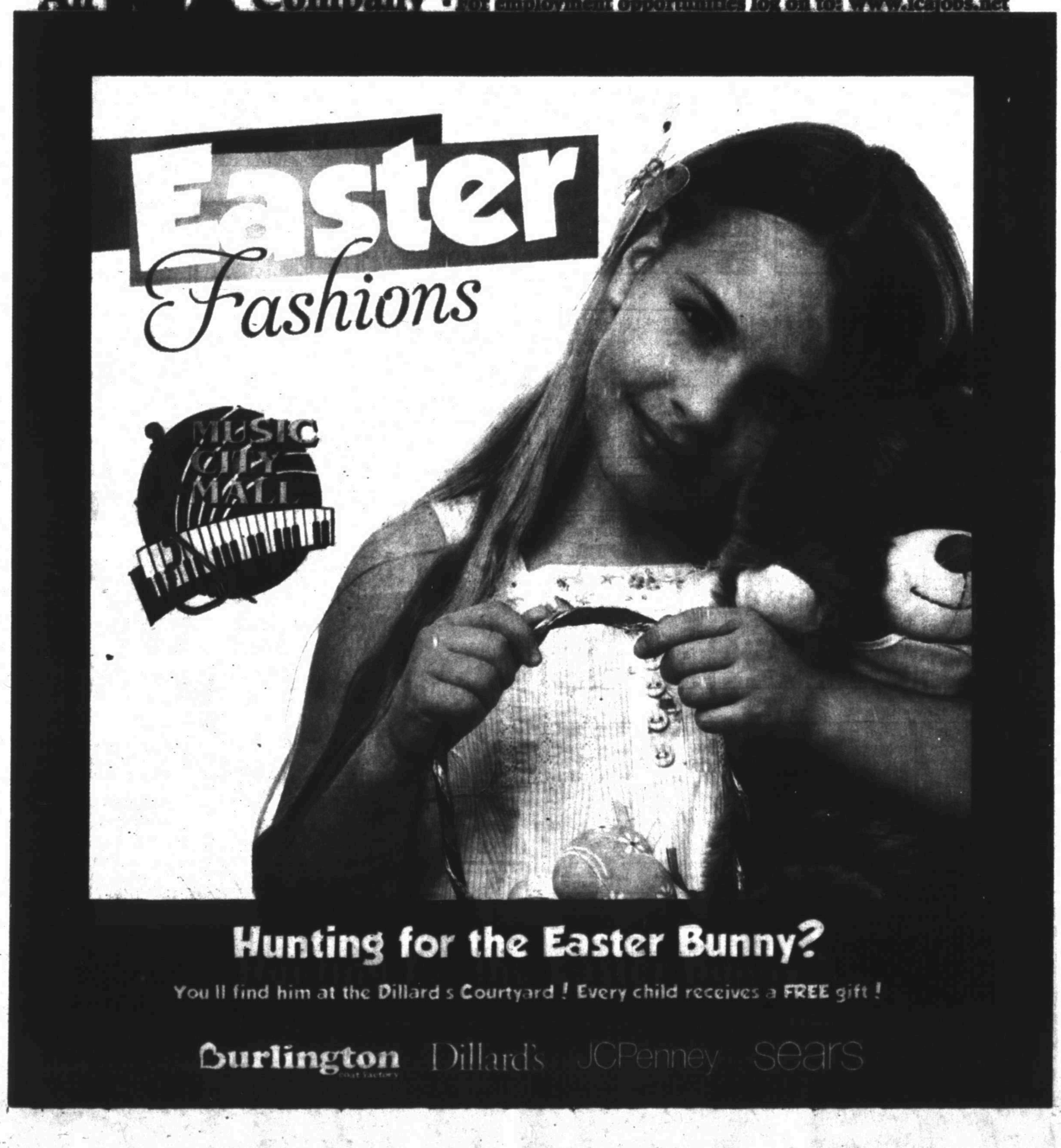

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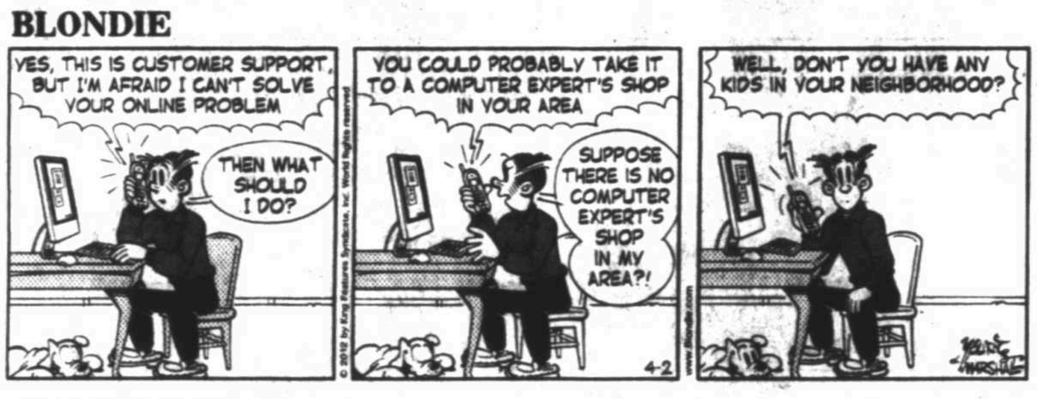

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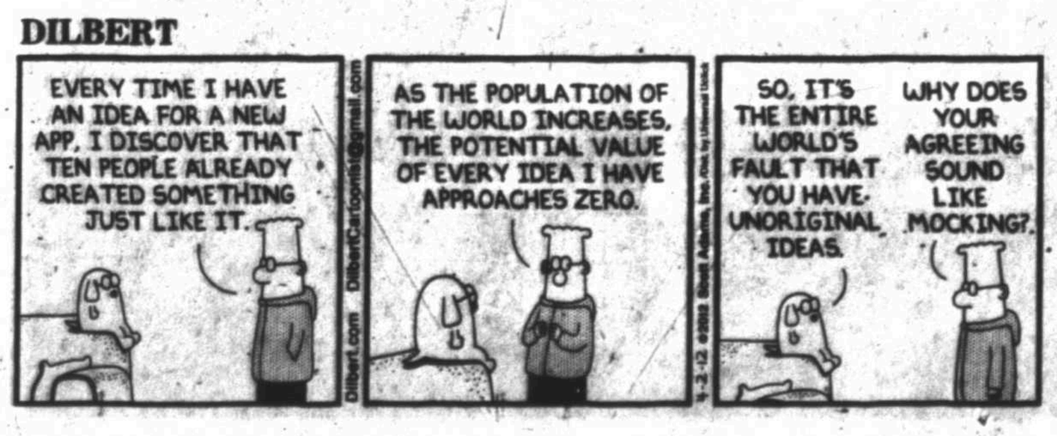

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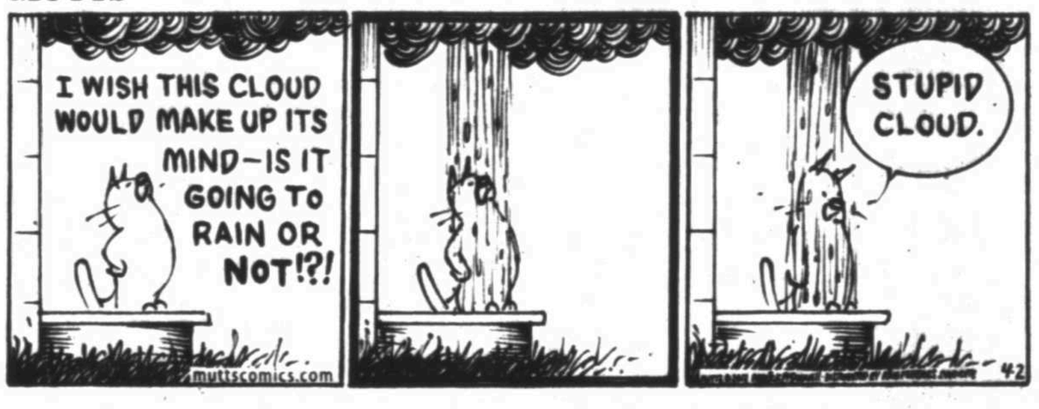

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"Well ok, Ollongo. Since it IS your birthday, you can put sprinkles on him."

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TODAY Sunny high 81 low 48

TUESDAY Mostly sunny high 72 low 45

WEDNESDAY Mostly sunny high 80 low 52

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 81 and west winds between 10 and 15 mph increasing to between 25 and 30 mph. Winds could gust as high as 40 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 48 and west winds between 15 and 20 mph decreasing to between 5 and 10 mph. Winds could gust as high as 30 mph.

Tuesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 72, a low around 45 and west winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Wednesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 80 and a low around 52.

The high on Sunday reached 93 while the low dropped to 61. The record high for April 1 is 99 set in 1946. The record low is 29 set in 1936.

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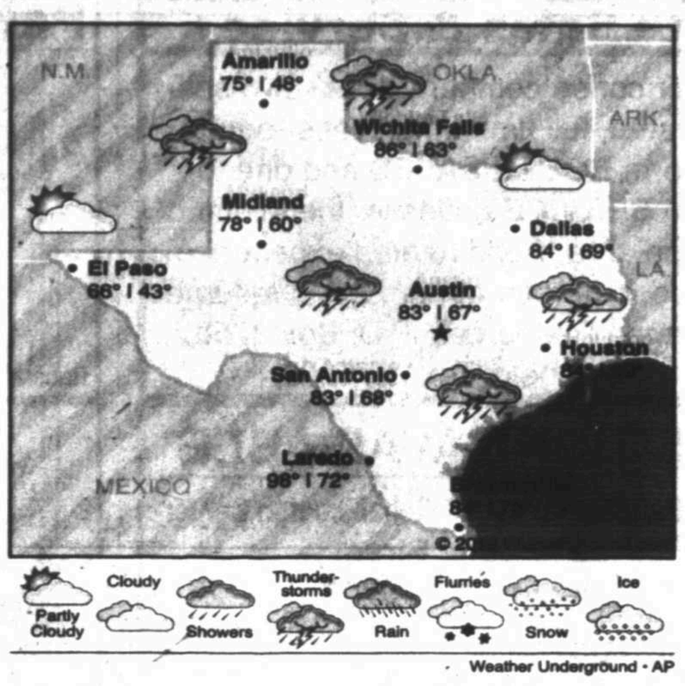
As a storm system departs the Northeast today, a little rain and wet snow along the New England coast will slowly follow suit. Brisk winds will chill the entire Northeast in the storm's wake.

Meanwhile, record-challenging warm will encompass the South, middle Mississippi Valley and southern Plains.



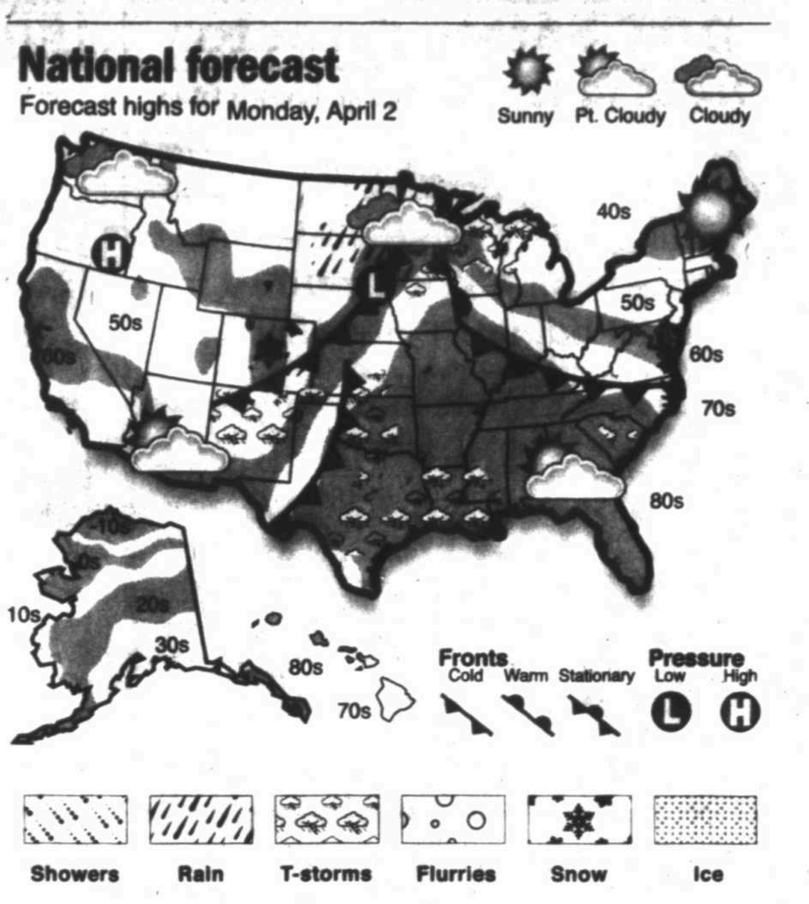
Precipitation

Saturday	0.00 in.
Sunday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.00 in.
Total for year	1.30 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.89 in.

Sunday's temperatures

High	93
Low	61
Normal high	75
Normal low	45

Sunrise ... 7:35 a.m.
Sunset ... 8:09 p.m.



Woman who is happily single hesitates before marrying

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 a woman in my early 30s. When I was a teenager, boys never looked my way, but since my early 20s nearly every guy I've had friendly contact with has fallen in love with me. I have been proposed to six times.

I was married twice and hated it both times. I have been single for a few years and love it. I have mostly avoided men during this time because I didn't know if any man would want to just casually date me.

I started dating again about six months ago and have been seeing a man who is fantastic. He's the kind of man I have been looking for — kind, even-tempered, well-spoken, etc. He has hinted at marriage, and I'm terrified because I'm afraid that I will "lose" myself. I enjoy my life the way it is, but I'm worried that eventually I will want a partnership, and this would be the man for me.

The idea of going to the next level makes me want to end the relationship. I'm afraid if I can't commit to this man, certainly no other man would have a chance. How do I know if I'm better off single where things are good, or take a chance on another marriage where things may not turn out so well? Is marriage for everyone? — HAPPILY SINGLE ... FOR NOW

DEAR HAPPILY SINGLE ... FOR NOW: Because of the number of Americans who are divorced or living together without marriage, I would have to say no, marriage isn't for everyone. But when you get it right and have built a strong, loving, mutually respectful partnership, nothing can beat it.

Have you learned from the failure of your two marriages? If so, then you have matured from the experience. If you're planning to have children, it is to their advantage to live in a two-parent household.

That said, if you truly feel you are happier being single, then single you should remain because there are no guarantees that a marriage will be successful. Marriage can only be as strong and lasting as the couple entering into it are determined it will be. And that takes love, understanding, empathy and willingness to compromise.

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter, "Gabi," is 15 — almost 16. She's active and healthy, but for the past few years she has been putting on weight. She's 5-6, weighs more than 160 pounds and has a curvy, feminine body. Despite the fact that my wife and I are both thin, my wife will not encourage her to watch her weight. Actually, she's supportive of our daughter's increasing size. She told me, "Gabi can gain up to 25 more pounds and, combined with her height, be a pretty plus-size."

My wife has always been thin. As a teen she was late to develop her figure. She keeps buying Gabi new clothes as her weight goes up. The styles are too tight, overly revealing and draw attention to the rolls of fat.

I'm not trying to force my daughter into a model's size, but I am concerned about her health. This problem would be easier to manage now than attempting to lose the weight in the future. Please help me present the importance of being proactive with Gabi in this difficult time of maturity. — CARING, SUPPORTIVE DAD

DEAR DAD: The most qualified person to do that would be your family physician, or Gabi's pediatrician if she has one. It's common knowledge that there is an obesity epidemic in this country, and if your daughter continues to pack on the pounds, she could be at risk for serious health problems. Your wife may be going to the opposite extreme in trying not to make your daughter self-conscious about her weight. I agree with you that this is a subject that is better addressed now than later, so schedule a consultation.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ K 10 5 ♡ 9 6 2 ◇ A 9 4 ♣ J 8 7 3
The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♡	1♠	?	

What action do you take?

A — Switch your major suit holdings around and you would have an easy raise to two hearts. Here, however, you have a borderline one no-trump response, which we prefer to a bid of two hearts with three low cards as your support and a dead minimum in points.

Q 2 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ 9 8 5 ♡ 7 2 ◇ K 9 3 ♣ Q 8 7 4 2
Partner opens the bidding with one heart. What do you respond?

A — You have five high-card points, a weak five-card minor and your short suit is the one which partner opened. Which of these liabilities do you think qualifies your hand for a response? Pass.

Q 3 — As South, vulnerable, you hold:
♠ K Q 9 5 ♡ 10 7 6 2 ◇ 9 5 ♣ 9 8 6
Partner opens the bidding with one diamond. What do you respond?

A — As in the previous example, you have five high-card points and shortness in partner's suit, but here you have four cards in each major. Respond one heart.

Q 4 — East-West vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ 9 ♡ Q 10 6 5 ◇ K 9 8 3 ♣ A 9 8 6
Partner opens the bidding with one heart. What do you respond?

A — In support of hearts, your hand is worth some 11-12 points so, if you play limit raises, it is clearly worth a jump to three hearts. If you don't, you have to plan to make two bids, so bid two clubs before supporting hearts.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, April 2, 2012:

If you ever were to be described as dramatic, it would be this year. You have an energy, spirit and unusual sensitivity to people and situations. Note a tendency to be too proud for your own good. Pride can cause separation between you and a loved one. Don't jeopardize this relationship because of a newfound confidence. If you are single, you might get into dating much more than in past years. Anytime from summer on could bring a special person down your path. LEO always wants his or her way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ You can't help but respond to others, and they to you. The connection is evident, whether at work or on the golf course. It also gives all parties involved greater confidence. Indulge in the present vibes. Tonight: Smile and the world smiles with you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You wake up feeling perky and full of energy. Nearly wherever you are, the good vibes will possess you. The problem is that, as jubilant as you are, you might not care about your routine. Make sure that is OK. When the Bull overindulges, it is not by a little bit. Tonight: Invite a friend over.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ You generally say the correct words and do the correct actions. As you cruise into your day, you'll enjoy your conversations even more than usual. Though sometimes it is a chore, you'll get to a meeting today with ease and a smile. Your good nature permeates everyone's day. Tonight: Don't even consider being alone.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★ Treat yourself well — even better than usual. If you need to take some time off for a personal matter, do so. Consider signing up for a class to develop a favorite pastime or sport. Others might opt for a gym membership to trim up for the summer. Tonight: Indulge yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ You radiate energy. The way you walk, your smile — it all reflects your unusual vitality. Others cannot help but respond. Your mind could drift to a trip, someone at a distance or an important discussion with an erudite individual. Tonight: Practice the word "no." Too many people seek you out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Your mind drifts when it is not working overtime. You wonder about all the effort you are putting into a pro-

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You become revitalized. A boss or parent will notice your vibrancy. When asked if you want to join a common cause or project, don't hesitate, but discuss where you might be reticent. Those you must respect or impress like what they see. Tonight: As you like.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You wake up with a strong game plan, only to see it quickly dissolve. This encourages you to demonstrate flexibility and consideration for others. The choices you make now will reflect who you are, more so than with most other situations. Tonight: Take some much-needed downtime.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You have been very aware of the politics of a decision. At this point, you decide which way to go — the winning side. A partner chimes in with agreement. Do not react to a pushy friend. Let it be. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might try to understand what someone is really saying, or the reasoning behind his or her statements. Think positively, yet be aware of a tendency to fall for deception at this time in your life. Tonight: Stay detached.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Think much and say little. You might be making too big a deal about a situation or conversation. Pull back some and see what evolves. Stay as neutral as possible; your words easily could be misinterpreted. Confirm what you are hearing. Tonight: Indulge a little. Meet a friend after work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Deal directly with someone regarding an issue that involves you. You could see many issues arise that you thought were settled. Use caution if money is involved. Mistakes easily could occur. Tonight: Chat with a friend over a favorite meal.

PISCES (Feb. 21-March 20) ★★★★ Others seem to need you, whether it is your feedback, moral support or simply an offer to pitch in. When you feel overwhelmed by everything you need to accomplish, say "no." A loved one or special friend could be vitriolic. Tonight: Go with someone else's suggestion.

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BORN TODAY

Comedian Eddie Murphy (1961), astronaut Virgil Gus Grissom (1926), actor Alec Baldwin (1958)

DAILY CROSSWORD

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ACROSS
1 Jon of "Mad Men"
5 Knight fights
11 Roll of dough
14 Slangy prefix meaning "super"
15 Oust from office
16 Ornamental climbing plant
17 Roller coaster feature
18 Batter's position
19 Anonymous John
20 One completely lacking morals
23 Small batteries
24 Sound preceding "Ooff"
25 2009 Will Ferrell dinosaur movie
32 Vaudeville show
33 Landlord's contract
34 Paid athlete
36 "__ it now": "Understood"
37 Writer H.H. or Alice
38 Security breach
39 Place for pickups
40 They may be cracked using stethoscopes
41 Abacus pieces
42 Woman with varying roles in Arthurian legend
45 __ guzzler
46 Indian bread
47 What exacting judges follow
55 __ Mahal
56 Political fugitive
57 Delude
58 Big fuss
59 Singer Bette
60 Team on a farm
61 Alphabet ender
62 Animals for 5-Across
63 Call to a queue

DOWN
1 Boat's bottom
2 "Peek-__!"
3 Siamese sound
4 Longtime logo with a top hat and monocle
5 Exactly right
6 Suspicious of
7 Defense gp. with pilots
8 Mailed
9 Gadget measuring rpm
10 Church high point
11 Hairline's midpoint, perhaps
12 Swear
13 Change the color of, as hair
21 "Smooth Operator" singer
22 Lav in Leeds
25 Word before pad or tender
26 Common man with a six-pack?
27 Plump (up)
28 Basic principle
29 Severe
30 That, in Tijuana
31 Swap
32 You might brush barbecue sauce on one
35 Approves
37 "Little Red Book" writer
38 Used for support
40 Gamblers' methods
41 Dull
43 "Who __?": New Orleans Saints' fans chant
44 Keys in
47 Stow below
48 Give off
49 Disney World's Space Mountain, e.g.
50 Leer at
51 Wilma Flintstone's guy
52 Opulence
53 Highest point
54 "What __ wrong?"
55 Looney Tunes devil, casually

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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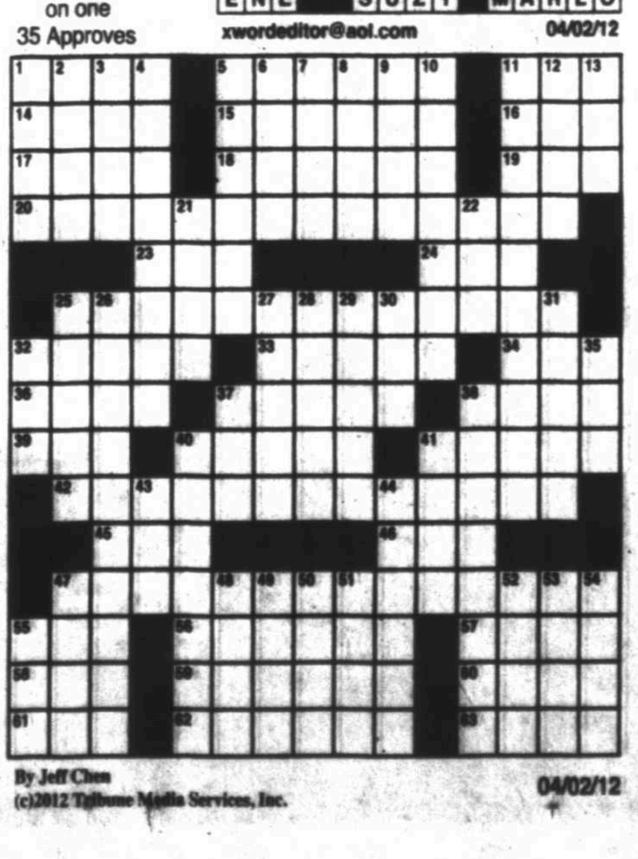

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Pursuant to Chapter 59 Texas Property Code, SecurCare Storage, LTD, DBA Colonial Storage Center #215 will hold a Public Sale of Property to satisfy landlord's lien. Property will be sold to the highest bidder for Cash. Property must be removed immediately and space broom swept. Seller reserves the right to reject any bid and withdraw property from a sale.

Auction Date: Thursday, April 12th, 2012
at 12:00 P.M.
Colonial Storage Center 0215
1010 N. Loop 250 W.
Midland, Texas 79703
432-697-5932

Unit # 230 Jennifer Garcia
Furniture, kids toys, misc. totes

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., April 18, 2012 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the Office of the City Secretary City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the followin Bid(s):

Bid No. 4792-12

For: Purchase and Installation of a 5,500 gallon water tank for the Municipal Garage.

If the contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from the office of the Purchasing Agent, City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

FOUND 1 yr old German Shepard Mix on FM 120 & Rankin. Call 432-528-0409.

FOUND 3 Chihuahuas. Call to identify, 432-631-3962.

FOUND GRAY Terrier long hair male, blue collar& orange flea collar. Corner of Cunningham & Midkiff. 432-210-8401

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LOST ROLLER derby gear on Tuesday, Mar. 20th, at the Taco Villa on Midland Dr. and Andrews Hwy. It was in a brown, wheeled bag with birds on it. Contained size 4 skates, helmet, stinky pads, etc. If found, please call 432-699-2710.

LOST 6lbs grey Morkie named Molly, wearing a pink collar, jumped out of the car Thurs night 8pm-9pm on Andrews Hwy and Midland Dr. Needs medication. REWARD! Call 432-260-8150, 432-254-7285, 563-0156

REWARD: LOST GRAY purse in parking lot of Walmart on Midland Dr. Call 432-557-6791

2000 LINCOLN 4 dr., silver, 1 owner, nice. 89,900 miles. 1204 W. Front, Mackey Auto sales. $5,995. 432-683-3561

ACURA 2004 3.5RL V6, leather, woodgrain interior, heated seats, GPS, navigation, CD changer with premimum sound moonroof, very clean, good tires, garaged, non-smoker, $7,950, 817-718-8836.

BMW 2007 525i, Titanium silver metallic, very low mileage with certified pre owned and maintenance warranty, show room condition. 432-528-9503.

CADILLAC 2002 Escalade, $9,000, 127,391 miles. Taupe exterior, taupe leather interior. Multi-CD player and 2 bar. 4WD. Luggage rack. Call Shelley at H&S Motors 432-699-1650, 432-556-6225.

CHEVROLET 2002 Z28 convertible, 25K, looks and drives new, garaged, non smoker. $12,700. 685-4013.

CHEVROLET 2004 Malibu, 4cyl, 85k miles, silver. $4,300. Call 432-853-3775.

CORVETTE 1999 w/ TX Speed Performance package. 10,999 miles. $20,000 for more details call 425-3520. Serious inquiries only.

INFINITY 2001 QX4 silver ext., black leather int $7800 new satellite radio added with CD player, excellent mileage, this car may be viewed at H&S Motors 1200 N. Loop 250 W. Call Shelly at 432-699-1650, 432-556-6225

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MERCEDES 1997 E320, garage stored,only 55k mi, like new, $12,850. 432-559-9966.

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2005 FORD F250 Super Duty Crew cab King Ranch 4WD, 6 3/4' bed, 6.0L Turbo Diesel, 70K, white over bronze. $24,500. Call 432-664-9048.

CHEVROLET 2001 Silverado 1500, extended cab Z71, red, with gray cloth, 5.3 vortec, 100k miles, grill guard, headlache rack and bed box. $10,250 Call 432-697-0010.

CHEVROLET 2006 1500 Silverado, 4 door crew, V8, automatic transmission, excellent condition, has new tires and lots of extras. 42,000 miles. $18,250. Call 432-689-0898.

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FORD F-550 XLT, Super Duty, 2008, V-8 Power stroke diesel, 6.4 liter, crew cab, 1 ton, duel wheel, custom work bed, Miles—118,357, Color—white, Tires—Michelin 10ply. Has several accessories, great shape, field ready. 45K. Call 432-689-6492

GMC 2011 Sierra 1500, Crew Cab, SLE, 15,000 miles, Silver Exterior, Black Interior Trim with Cloth, Running Boards, Tool Chest, Fog Lights. $29,500, 432-853-5229.

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BUICK 2002 Rendezvous CXL, 94K, loaded, 1owner, very good condition, $7,000. Call 432-694-0258.

CHEVROLET 2009 Tahoe LT, 95k miles, clean, great shape, $25,900 432-296-3399

CHEVROLET 2010 Equinox LT, gold mist, front wheel drive, on star system, camera, fully loaded, excellent condition, 48,000 miles, $17,900 or OBO. Call 432-847-6935.

GMC 2005 Yukon SLT, 5.3 V8, 83k miles, sandstone with tan leather, DVD system, sunroof, excellent condition. $14,900. Call 432-697-0010

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HONDA 2001 1100CC Shadow, fully loaded, chrome, goodies, pipes, blue metallic, 31k mi, $4,999, 432-683-1374, email pictures available.

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HONDA 2007 VTX-1300, 11.5k miles, black, Mustang seats, windshield, pipes. $6500. Call 349-3703

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RVs

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RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37/38 Case No. 0275181
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 19, 2012 — Status/Permit No. 735191
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr 30, 2012
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HENRY RESOURCES LLC, [RRC Operator No. 378535] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 32, Bk. 39 T1N, T&P RR CO / DUNN, L O Survey, A-646, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) and BETTY SUE (STRAWN) Fields, MARTIN County, being 21.8 miles SW direction from STANTON, 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.**

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3236	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1224.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1050.0	
Lease Lines :	1246.0 F WEST L,	1224.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines :	1246.0 F WEST L,	1224.0 F SOUTH L

FIELD: BETTY SUE (STRAWN)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3236	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1224.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1050.0	
Lease Lines :	1246.0 F WEST L,	1224.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines :	1246.0 F WEST L,	1224.0 F SOUTH L

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

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

BETTY SUE (STRAWN) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 12500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Blair Kenley, at (432) 694-3000.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37/38 Case No. 0275180
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 16, 2012 — Status/Permit No. 735184
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Apr 27, 2012
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: BETTY SUE (STRAWN)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3233	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1320.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	917.0	
Lease Lines :	1320.0 F East L,	1336.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines :	1320.0 F East L,	1320.0 F North L

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	3233	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1320.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	917.0	
Lease Lines :	1320.0 F East L,	1336.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines :	1320.0 F East L,	1320.0 F North L

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

BETTY SUE (STRAWN) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 12500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Blair Kenley, at (432) 694-3000.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37/38 Case No. 0275289
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 23, 2012 — Status/Permit No. 735558
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 4, 2012
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

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FIELD: BETTY SUE (STRAWN)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	2936	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1169.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	963.0	
Lease Lines :	1169.0 F EAST L,	2640.0 F NORTH L
Survey Lines :	1169.0 F EAST L,	2640.0 F NORTH L

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	2936	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1169.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	963.0	
Lease Lines :	1169.0 F EAST L,	2640.0 F NORTH L
Survey Lines :	1169.0 F EAST L,	2640.0 F NORTH L

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

BETTY SUE (STRAWN) : OIL Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 12500 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, Blair Kenley, at (432) 694-3000.

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 37/38 Case No. 0275247
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Mar 21, 2012 — Status/Permit No. 735065
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, May 2, 2012
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	1935	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1224.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	1106.0	
Lease Lines :	1224.0 F WEST L,	2526.0 F SOUTH L
Survey Lines :	1224.0 F WEST L,	2526.0 F SOUTH L

FIELD: BETTY SUE (STRAWN)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	1935	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1224.0	
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Entry Level Staff Accountant
Teraco, Inc. FT
Teraco, Inc. is an industry leading plastic card manufacturer located in Midland. We currently have a job opening in our Accounting Department. We are looking for someone who has experience in accounts payable, journal entries, general ledger, and payroll. We also are looking for someone who is detail oriented, has a strong work ethic, can meet deadlines, and is willing to expand in their knowledge base. Experience with the ERP system, Monarch, is preferred. An undergraduate degree in business accounting or finance is required. Benefits include: paid vacation and holiday, tuition reimbursement, 401K, and medical insurance. Email your inquiries to: resume@teraco.com

Licensed Irrigator
Alldredge Gardens Full Time
3300 Fairgrounds Road, Midland
Wanted Licensed Irrigator, Top pay, current Drivers License.Apply in person.

AUTOMOTIVE

Tire Technician
Big 3 Tire FT
2004 South Fairground Rd.
Apply in person Monday-Friday, 7am-5pm.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Employment Development Specialist
Able Center FT
Odessa, TX 79762
Experience in developing jobs and working with people with disabilities. Minimum 2 years college. Have good written & communications skills. Able to work some weekends and evenings. Salary DOE. Please send resume to: marilyn@ablecenterpb.org or facebook.com/ABLECenter.

CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Admin Assistant
Able Center FT
Odessa, TX 79762
Good written and verbal communication skills. Experience in finance, office and non-profit desired. Must be able to work some weekends and evenings. People with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Salary DOE. Please send resume to: marilyn@ablecenterpb.org or facebook.com/ABLECenter.

Administrative Assistant
Seeking a "Customer Service Oriented" Administrative Assistant. Candidate must be resourceful, self-motivated, have strong verbal and written communication skills, be a team player and a great work ethic. Must be productive while working unsupervised. Please send resume to: 4410 N. Midkiff, Suite D1, Midland, TX 79705.

Insurance Customer Service Clerk
Area Insurance
INSURANCE customer service clerk needed. Bilingual preferred. Training provided. Competitive pay in a friendly environment. Please bring resume to: Area Insurance. 1302 N. Big Spring St., Midland, or FAX to 432-570-6048.

Office Assistant
Permian Petroleum Services, Inc. FT
Family owned oil field trucking company needs adaptable office assistant for invoice preparation, data entry and various other clerical duties. MUST have experience in computer skills with knowledge of Quickbooks and Excel. Very casual and flexible atmosphere. Please fax resume to 687-1643, mail to P. O. Box 3663, Midland, TX 79702, email to rvmaskell@gmail.com, or apply to 4601 Rankin Highway.

OFFICE CLERK

ATLANTIC Operating, Inc., a Midland based independent oil and gas operator, has an immediate opening for a detail-oriented person to assist with accounting data entry and office duties. Working knowledge of Excel and Word are required. Experience with Wolfepak software is a plus. The position offers a very competitive salary and an excellent benefit package.

Qualified individuals must submit a resume, references, and salary history to:
Atlantic Operating, Inc.
Attn: Accounting
P.O. Box 3759
Midland TX 79702
or email to sandyk@atlanticoi.com

Office
Full-time, knowledge in A/P, A/R, payroll, Quickbooks, Word and Excel. Attention to detail is a must. Must work Saturday's. Two days off per week including Sunday's. Apply in person: Carter's Furniture, 2101 West Wadley, Suite #6, Midland, Tx.

Secretary
Mid-West Transport PT
Mid-West Transport, Midland TX, has immediate opening for a Secretary. 432-355-6760

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Carpenters and Laborers
Campbell Construction Co. FT
Campbell Construction Company seeking a Carpenters and Laborers.
Pre-employment drug test required
Good Benefits Salary DOE
Apply at 241-A Spring Park Drive, Midland or send resume to
PO Box 11293, Midland, TX 79702 or fax to (432) 683-5943

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customer Service Reps
Fred Loya FT
Immediate opening for customer service rep. in Midland. Must be able to work M-F 8am-7p Sat. 9am-2pm. Bilingual a plus. Computer skills required. Candidates must be energetic, organized and independent. Pleasant personality and professional appearance are a must. We offer comprehensive benefits such as health insurance & 401K. Must have at least one year experience in customer service. Apply in person at: 407 Andrews Hwy.

Smoker's Outlet
Cashiers needed for Smoker's Outlet. Apply at either Midland locations. Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

OILFIELD RELATED POSITIONS AVAILABLE:
Vanderra Resources, an established company new in Midland, now hiring for **Office Personnel, HR,** and **Billing Departments, Foremen** and **Laborers**. Oilfield experience needed. Please contact **817-879-0449**.

Hunt

Region Production Engineer

A privately held exploration and production company, Hunt Oil has successfully conducted worldwide petroleum operations for over 75 years. We are seeking a Region Production Engineer for the following opportunity:

- Support workover activities by candidate selection, procedures, vendor selection, cost estimates, and occasional wellsite supervision.
- Support artificial lift activities by candidate selection, procedures, installation design, and cost estimates.
- Support region well completions by procedures, vendor selection, cost estimates, and occasional wellsite supervision.
- Assist in design and management of CO2 EOR projects.
- Responsible for well plug and abandon candidate selection, procedures, and regulatory work.
- Downhole workover experience is required.
- Minimum of 5 years production engineering experience.
- BS in Engineering
- Small office atmosphere

If you are interested in working in a challenging environment for a stable company that offers competitive salary with an excellent comprehensive benefits package please mail your resume to the address below.

200 N. Loraine
Suite # 1310
Midland, TX, 79701

Experienced Directional Drillers and MWD Engineers
Crescent Directional Drilling, L.P. FT
Help wanted for Experienced Directional Drillers and MWD Engineers. Please call 432-618-1135 or email gshipman@crescentdirectional.com

HEALTHCARE

CHAIRSIDE ASSISTANT
Our office is searching for a Chairside Assistant that is energetic, knowledgeable in the dental field and enjoys a fast pace. We offer a challenging opportunity in a team oriented environment where your talent and involvement is truly appreciated. Experience in the dental and/or orthodontic field is preferred. Please send resumes to **4610 N. Garfield Ste. A9 Midland, TX 79705**

CNA or Nurse
Confidential FT
Need a well experienced CNA or Nurse for sitting with elderly woman. References required. Call Yadira 432-741-9091.

CNA's and LVN's
Senior Care of Midland
Needs 1 LVN, 10pm-6am and PRN, CNA's, 2pm-10pm and 10pm-6am. New administrative staff. $1,000 Sign on Bonus. Apply in person at 3000 Mockingbird Lane, Midland, TX 79705. EOE

Home Health Nurses
Memorial Home Health & Hospice FT
Home Health Nurses needed at Memorial Home Health and Hospice in Seminole, TX. Current RN or LVN license required.
Full time with benefits at no cost to the employee, including mileage reimbursement while on duty.
Please contact Carolyn at (432)758-4986 or cahaw@seminolehospitaldistrict.com.
MEMORIAL HOSPITAL SEMINOLE HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Optician
Phillips Eye Clinic FT
4311 W. Wadley Ave. **Midland, TX 79707**
Experienced preferred but not required. Please apply in person.

Providers/Caregivers
St. Joseph's Home Health Inc. FT
St. Joseph's Home Health Inc is currently hiring bilingual Providers/Caregivers. Please contact Jacob at: 432-684-5858.

Registered Dental Assistant
Quality cosmetic and general practice in need of a Registered Dental Assistant. We have state of the art equipment and an excellent working environment. If you have the desire to become a member of our team please send resume to: PO Box 8870, Midland, Tx 79708.

Registered Nurse
Full Time and Part Time positions available for **Registered Nurse** with psychiatric nursing experience. Bilingual a plus. Above average pay scale and benefits. Please call **Gail @ 432-684-7118.**

RNs and LVNs
Encompass Home Health FTor PRN
Immediate start in our pediatric division, days, nights and weekend shifts available. Please contact Chad at 866-953-3444 or email: crigsby@ehhi.com

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

All Positions Available
The Grand Texan FT
All Positions Available. Maintenance, Housekeeping and Frontdesk. Apply at: 4300 West Wall St, Midland, Tx 79703.

GM/AGM
Looking for a GM/AGM to operate a new limited service hotel in Big Spring Texas. Proven hotel mgmt track record of successful hotel operations, strong direct sales experience & financial mgmt, leadership, employee relations, customer service, communication skills, strong work ethic. Competitive salary and benefits. Send resume to hotel_resumes@yahoo.com

Maintenance/Breakfast Host
Holiday Inn Express PT
5309 N. Loop 250 W. **Apply in person**
Midland, TX 79707 **No phone calls**
Now hiring part time Breakfast Host & part time Maintenance (30-35 hours a week). Professional appearance required. Will train the right person. Serious inquiries only. Previous applicants need not apply. Apply in person only. No phone calls. Competitive pay.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

Security Officers
AlliedBarton Security Services FT
SECURITY OFFICERS NEEDED ASAP in the Midland/Odessa area. Contact Rebecca Barnett at ALLIEDBARTON SECURITY SERVICES for consideration. (423) 685-3235 EOE M/D/F/V

MANUFACTURING & OPERATIONS

Entry Level Positions
Teraco, Inc. FT
Teraco, Inc. is an industry leading plastic card manufacturer located in Midland. We currently have job openings in our Personalization and Production Departments. Those who apply must be willing to work nights. Candidates will need to pass a background check and drug test. At least a high school diploma or equivalent is required. Benefits include: paid vacation and holiday, tuition reimbursement, 401K, and medical insurance. Stop by 2080 Commerce Dr. to fill out an application.

OTHER JOBS

CINDY CLEAN NOW HIRING FOR PART TIME
$12 per hr. $50 sign on bonus! Must be over 18, non-smoker, available 8am to 5pm, have a car, and a cell phone. Call (800) 914-4670 ext. 5, leave message and mention Midland or online at www.cindyclean.net.

Crew Help
Schlotzsky's FT/PT
Schlotzsky's is hiring full and part time positions Bakers and Shift Leaders positions. Flexible scheduling, clean grease free restaurant, $7.25-$9.00 an hour. Please come by 5211 West Wadley or 1109 Andrews Highway to apply.

Floral Designer/Delivery & Counter Help
Becky's Flowers FT
Midland, TX 79701
Openings for new flower shop in Midland. Call for appointment 699-0011 or 934-1344.

Loader Operator
Pipe yard in Midland, TX needs a Loader Operator. Loading/unloading trucks with oilfield casing, racking pipe down on pipe racks. Starting pay $18/hour and benefits. Apply in person at: 3610 E. Highway 158, Midland, TX 79706. Phone 432-682-0110. Only qualified applicants please.

Now Accepting Applications For The Following:
Henry Howard Services, LLC has openings in the West Texas areas: **Sales person, Dispatcher, Mechanics, and CDL Drivers** for Vacuum transports, Rolloff trucks and End dump trucks. Must have Tank vehicle and HazMat endorsements or able to get it within 90 days of hire. Must have clean driving record and able to pass DOT drug screen. Oilfield experience required. Please send resume or requests for application to: PO Box 387 Carthage, TX 75633, **operations@henryhowardservicesllc.com** or Fax **903-693-8623** or call **903-754-3011**.

Now Hiring
Warfield Travel Plaza FT
The Warfield Travel Plaza is hiring for all positions- full/part-time, all shifts available! Cashiers, Janitors, Waitresses, Cooks, Dishwashers, Subway Food Staff + Western Auto Mechanics & Tire Installers! Apply in person at the Warfield Travel Plaza, 10400 I-20 @ FM 1788, Midland.

Pool Cleaner
Midessa Pool Company FT
Seeking Pool Cleaner. No experience necessary. Salary depending on experience. Call 432-687-1666.

Positions Available
Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
3203 Sage Street
Midland, TX 79705
Now hiring for the open positions at our facility. We have an opening for a
• 2-10 LVN • PRN RN • LVN
Please apply in person.

PT Local Coordinators
CIEE PT
Bring the World to TX! PT Local Coordinators needed to work with high school exchange students. Must be self-motivated and 25 years plus. www.ciee.org/localcoordinator or call 866-219-3433.

Route Person/Shop Hand
Jordan Amusements FT
Route Person/Shop HandNeeded - Must have valid driver's license, communication skills, trust worthy and pass drug test. Apply in person or fax resume to Jordan Amusement Co. 10100 W. Hwy 80. 432-563/747 or email resume to: bjamco2@aol.com

SALES JOBS

Route Sales & Service
A major coffee company seeks two self-motivated, full time employees- one to perform ROUTE SALES and one to perform SERVICE duties in the Midland/ Odessa area. Food related experience preferred, but not required. Send resumes to Human Resources, P.O. Box 3758, San Angelo, Texas 76902.

Service Attendant
Town and Country Ultra Wash FT
Town and Country Ultra Wash needs full-time Service Attendant and Supervisors. Nights and weekends required. Good starting pay, benefits and 401K. Apply at: 1201 S. Midland Dr.

Shop Assistant
Permian Petroleum Services, Inc. FT
Need experienced Shop Assistant to service and wash trucks, change truck tires and assist mechanics. Must be 21 years or older and have valid driver's license with clean driving history. Competitive wages, paid health insurance, uniforms and vacations. Retirement plan, vision and dental insurance available. Apply to 4601 Rankin Highway, Midland, fax resume to 432-687-1643, call 432-682-0434 or email rvmaskell@gmail.com.

SHOP HANDS, MACHINE SHOP, and DRIVERS
Adobe Oilfield Services is now hiring. For more info, please call 432-337-3731 or to fill out an app, come by the office **806 S. Pagewood.**

Survey Assistant For Outside Crew
Schumann Engineering Co., Inc. PT
Call 432-684-5548.

Warehouse/Delivery Driver
Company FT
Warehouse/Delivery Driver needed. 8am-5pm, Monday-Friday. Must have a good driving record. Please apply at: 5120 Andrews Highway.

Warehouse/Delivery Person
Dinette Designs & Barstools F/T
Warehouse/Delivery man. Will recieve, assemble, lift and deliver furniture. Valid TDL and must pass drug/background test. Non-smoking environment. Apply in person 1025 N. Midkiff. No phone calls.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Escrow Assistant
West Texas Abstract FT
Local title company is interviewing for an Escrow Assistant position for immediate employment. Previous title experience is desired but not mandatory for the right person who has the desire to pursue a rewarding career. Computer knowledge is a must along with the ability to interact with a broad base of clients. Exceptionally company benefits including health insurance as well as a 401K plan. Competitive salary DOE. Send resumes to West Texas Abstract, 3700 N. Big Spring, Midland, Texas 79705.

Sales Agents
Texas State Low Cost Insurance FT
JOB FAIR! Texas State Low Cost Ins. is having a job fair on April 5th from 10am-4pm at 1102a Big Spring. Interviews on site. Looking for self-motivated sales driven agents to join our team. No exp. needed. Can't make it? Send resume to fax 512-458-2690 or newcareer@txlowcost.com

REAL ESTATE

Leasing Agent and Maintenance Person
Santa Fe Apartments FT
For Santa Fe apartments. Stop by pick up application at 5010 W. Loop 250 North, 79707 or call 432-349-3968.

RESTAURANT & FOOD SERVICE

Cooks & Servers
Sedona Grill
201 W. Wadley
Midland, TX
Earn up to $1,000 per week. Experienced Cooks and Servers. Please apply in person

SALES JOBS

CASHIER/RECEPTIONIST, ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Well established firm seeks an energetic Receptionist/Cashier to join our office staff. Cashier duties include data entry, other reception and routine clerical duties. Accounts Payable duties include accounts payable, and other duties as assigned. Successful applicant must have excellent phone and people skills. Previous data entry experience, superior organization skills, professional appearance and a positive attitude are required. THESE ARE FULL TIME POSITIONS. We offer a competitive opportunity with comprehensive fringe benefits. Qualified applicants should reply in confidence with resume and salary expectations to:

ML28 c/o Midland Reporter- Telegram,
201 E. Illinois Midland, TX 79701

Parts Counter Associate
Roberts Truck Center, LLC **Apply in Person to pick**
10101 W. I-20 **up application or drop**
Midland, Texas 79706 **off resume.**
Seeking a full time Parts Counter Associate. Experienced preferred.
Roberts Truck Center, LLC is and Equal Opportunity Employer.

SKILLED LABOR

Certified Mechanic/CCL Crane Operator
Texas 21st Century Transport FT
Stanton, TX 79782
Now hiring Certified Mechanic. Must have own tools. Also hiring CCL Crane Operator. Apply within: 708 N. Lamesa Hwy, Stanton, Tx 79782 or call 432-607-2071.

DELIVERY DRIVER
Culligan Water Systems now hiring. Please apply in person 10018 W. Business I-20, Midland. Benefits, 401K, and insurance provided.

Ditching Operators
Mineral Technologies, Inc. FT
New oilfield service company in need of experienced ditching operators that are dependable and reliable! CDL license a plus but not required. Applicants must also pass a drug test. Pay is due on experience (or we can say DOE). Please call Don Pearce at 432-528-4126 for more information!

DOT Safety Director
Needed for Oilfield Service Company. Knowledge of OSHA and DOT Regulations is required. Bilingual Spanish preferred. Please call 432-813-0039 to schedule an interview with David.

Journeyman, Electricians & helpers
WW Electrical FT
Electrical contractor seeking Journeyman Elecfricians and experience helpers. To apply please call 432-352-8582, leave message.

Journeyman Electricians & SCADA
Journeyman Electricians and SCADA Automation Technicians 8xperienced in industrial installsions, hazardous wiring, automation & control. Excellent pay & benefits. Career positions. Fax resume to: 505-326-0019 or email to HR@RESOURCEPRODUCTION.COM

Landscape Maintenance Foreman
Arbor-Tech Horticulture
International Society of Arboriculture
Weekly pay with benefits. Experienced individuals only. Please call 432-682-8222.

Maintenance Repair Person
Smith Pipe of Abilene FT
Due to expansion/additional machines, we are accepting applications for a Maintenance Repair Person for our Abilene yard. Must have knowledge/skills in welding, hydraulics and electrical. Good pay, insurance and 401K. Apply in person at Smith Pipe of Abilene, 7435 Hwy 277 South, Abilene, TX 79606 or call 325-691-1085 for an application. EOE

Manual Lathe Operator & Shop Hand
Premier Tools F/T
Manual Lathe Operator and Shop Hand needed. Apply in person at: 2915 South County Rd. 1255, Midland, TX 79703 or call 432-563-1784

Now Hiring
Mattlock Drilling FT
Are you needing a change? Want to work close to home?
Have at least 8 months experience working as a actual hand on a drilling rig and have never worked for us. Then Mattlock Drilling is the place for you. We offer insurance after 90 days and vacation after a year.The schedule is 12 days on and 4 off. NO CAMP JOBS.
Hiring for
- Drillers
- Derrickhands
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Top Wages. If interesed come in and apply at 12505 WCR 54, Odessa Texas, 79765. Off of business 20 and the coors road. NO PHONE CALLS. Drug and Alcohol Testing. EOE

Plant Maintenance
Smith Pipe of Abilene FT
Smith Pipe of Abilene is seeking someone with experience in plant maintenance, operations and troubleshooting. Must have good mechanical abilities, pneumatic skills, and the ability to efficiently maintain a coating plant. Qualified candidates should apply in person at 7435 Hwy 277 South, call 325-691-1085 for an application, or email resume to cowen@smithpipe.net. EOE

Plumber Helpers
Apply in person at 1101 W. Florida. Salary DOE. We offer benefits, paid holidays, paid vacation & 401k.

Production Manager
Confidential FT
Needed Production Mgr (must have paint and sandblast experience) and Maintenance person. Please apply in person to 9504 W Cnty Rd 127, Midland, TX 79706 432-563-1224.

Roofer's Helpers
P&H Roofing & Remodeling FT
Roofer's Helpers, 10 temporary pos, P&H Roofing & Remodeling, Midland. 4/1/12-11/30/12. Unload materials/tools; unroll roofing as directed; remove old roofing materials; locate worn or torn areas; sweep & clean roofs before applying roofing materials; cover roofs with layers of roofing felt or asphalt strips before installing tile, slate, or composition materials; check to ensure that completed roofs are watertight; clean work areas & equipment; maintain tools/equipment. Transportation provided for multiple worksites within Midland & Ector counties. Must be able to lift 75lbs. No exp req'd, will train. $10.48/hr, $15.72/hr OT, 40 hrs/wk, OT varies, 8a-5p, M-F. To apply email resume to pauline_tomlinson@yahoo.com or call 432-212-6712. Refer to JO#6188786.

Shop/Field Mechanic
Basin Engine and Pump
Shop and Field Mechanic needed for Industrial Oilfield Shop. Tools, Uniforms provided. Benefits package. Pay DOE. Please submit resume by fax to 432-570-1118 or email to ehavm@basinengine.com. Applications may be filled out at 1914 South County Road 1083 - Midland, TX.

Welders/Fabricators
Energy Fabrication FT
Now accepting applications for Welders & Fabricators. Top pay, 401K and paid vacation. Apply in person: 3750 Kermit Highway, Odessa, TX 79764.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

Class A CDL Drivers & Heavy Equip. Operators
P&P Oilfield Services immediate opening for Class A CDL Vacuum Truck Drivers with tankers endorsement and clean driving record and able to pass DOT drug/alcohol test. Health insurance after 90 days and vacation after a year. Pay depends on experience. Need Experienced Heavy Equipment Operators, dozer, excavator, blade. Health insurance after 90 days and vacation after a year. Pay depends on experience. Send resume to P.O. Box 52907 Midland, TX 79710 or call 630-928-2771 to set up an interview.

Class A CDL Truck Drivers
Silverline Transportation 432-563-1894
Prefer drivers with Pneumatic Tanker experience. Benefits include: driver $2,000 sign-on bonus, medical, life & dental insurance, paid vacation, & 401k. Applicants having experience hauling sand and/or dry cement helpful. Good driving record, DOT, drug & alcohol testing required. Apply in person, call for interview or online @ www.silverlinetx.com
Also hiring for Field Coordinators.

Delivery Driver
Catalyst Oilfield Services FT/PT
Delivery Driver needed for oilfield chemical company. Class A CDL with Hazmat required. Competitive hourly pay with overtime. Company offers 401K, paid employee health insurance and paid vacation. Please call Roman, 432-894-1416.

Drivers
Onyx Contractors FT
Onyx Contractors - Flatbed Division. Looking to hire a driver with Class A CDL. Pipe Hauling experience preferred. Hourly pay - Great benefits. Contact Cody at 432-559-9939 or email resume to cody@onyxcontractors.com

Hot Shot Truck Driver
G & W Trucking FT
Hot Shot truck driver wanted in the Midland area. Class A CDL, and drug screen required. Call 800-572-6338 or apply at Texas Work Force Commission for more information.

LEAD DISPATCHER
Lead Dispatcher for oilfield service company. Oilfield exp preferred, Salary DOE. Insurance, paid vacation, 401k, Sign On Bonus and dental. On call 24hrs and every 3rd weekend. Call for interview between 8am and 5pm, Mon.-Fri. 432-563-1894.

Rental Car Delivery Drivers
Looking for retired or those individuals with flexible schedules and a good driving record to deliver vehicles for Dollar and Thrifty Car Rental. These vehicles will be delivered up to 400 miles from the Midland International Airport. If interested please stop by the counter at the Midland International Airport for more information.

Route Driver
Permian Presort Services
Part-time position, hours are 12:30 pm-5:45 pm Monday-Friday, starting at $8.50 per hour. Must have good driving record, pass a drug screen, able to lift up to 40 pounds and have a valid drivers license. This job requires hustle, but is a great Part-time position. Apply in person: Permian Presort Services, 606 North Weatherford, Midland, Tx 79701.

Route Drivers
Confidential FT
Odessa, TX 79764
Men and women, will train. Call 432-210-9344 or apply in person: 3306 Brazos, Odessa, Tx 79764.

Semi Truck Driver
G & W Trucking FT
Semi Truck Driver needed. Must have a Class A CDL. HAZMAT Endorsement a plus. Drug test required. Call 325-573-6338 or go by Texas Work force Commission and fill application.

Treater Truck Driver
X-Chem FT
X-Chem is seeking a Treater Truck Driver for our Midland location. The Treater Truck Driver is responsible for delivering chemical to customer locations, treating wells, monitoring raw material inventory supply, and other duties, as needed.

The ideal candidate will have 1-3 years experience in a similar role, a high school diploma (or equivalent), and a current Class A CDL with Tanker and Hazmat endorsements.

We offer competitive salary and outstanding benefits including 401(K) with matching funds, major medical, dental, vision, life, long and short term disability. Additionally, we offer an employee credit union, tuition reimbursement, paid vacation and holiday policy, and much more!

Qualified candidates, please contact Jenny Johnson in Human Resources at 972-721-6712 or jenny.johnson@nch.com

Vacuum & Tank Truck Drivers
Permian Pertroleum Services, Inc. FT
Need Class A CDL vacuum and tank truck drivers with tank endorsement and clean driving records. Must be experienced. Offering sign-on bonus, competitive wages, paid health insurance, uniforms and vacations. Retirement, family medical, dental and vision insurance available. Apply to 4601 Rankin Highway, Midland, Texas, mail resume to P. O. Box 3663, Midland, TX 79702, fax to 432-687-1643, call 24-hour phone 432-682-0434 or email rvmaskell@gmail.com.

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4 BEAUTIFUL kittens. Free to good home. Call 432-288-3791.
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FREE TO GOOD HOME. Great Pyrenees mixed puppies, Call 432-352-4159.

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Midland Reporter-Telegram
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Home Furnishings

REMODELING SALE: off white sofa, 2 cozy chairs, coffee table, end table, mirrors, decor, excellent condition. Call 432-553-1715 or 432-687-7421

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2 SPACES IN the Garden of the Last Supper. Rest Haven Memorial Park. $2,395 each. 254-771-5477.
ANTIQUE DINING $3,500, pool table $2,000, 5 bar stool $75ea, 2 chairs $125 each, 432-352-8110.
GARAGE SALE Items plus furniture, Hummingbird newsletters, Old Look & Life magazines, records, collectables, Low prices. Call 694-9491. Dealers welcome.
LINCOLN 150 WELDER on trailer with hoses, toolbox and riser. Ready to work, $900. 432-853-2622.

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Oil & Gas

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KENMORE SEWING machine in cabinet. This sewing machine does work and has many attachments. Please call with questions 432-686-8528
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RESTHAVEN CEMETERY, Garden of Love, space 2, spot 305, $1,300. Call 432-425-8913

Sporting Goods

LITTLE LEAGUE Pitching Machine. Used 4 times, Worth $300, will sell at $100. 687-2854

Animals & Pets

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Pets

BOSTON TERRIER pup $200 OBO. 9wks, and needs a good home asap. Loves to play with other pets. Call 361-813-4509
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the HENRY RESOURCES LLC, [RRC Operator No. 378535] has made application for a spacing and density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 37 and 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.37 and 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DISTANCE BETWEEN WELLS requirement of Rule 37, and the DENSITY requirement of Rule 38, for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 19, Blk. 39 T1N, T&P RR CO Survey, A-436, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) and BETTY SUE (STRAWN) Fields, MARTIN County, being 22.2 miles W direction from STANTON, 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.

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	1937	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1811.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	955.0	
Lease Lines :	3924.0 F WEST L,	1811.0 F SOUTH-WEST L
Survey Lines :	1320.0 F SOUTH L,	1352.0 F EAST L

FIELD: BETTY SUE (STRAWN)

Lease/Unit Name :	KIMBERLY	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	1937	
Lease/Unit Acres :	6447.8	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	1811.0	
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Lease Lines :	3924.0 F WEST L,	1811.0 F SOUTH-WEST L
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Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

BETTY SUE (STRAWN) : Oil, Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 12500 feet.

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