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Inmates haul trash from city's alleys

City Code Enforcement, Sheriff's Office oversee work release program

By Joseph Basco
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In a venture that benefits both the city and the county, the City of Midland's Work Release Cleanup Program has inmates cleaning up city alleys that are littered with discarded furniture, tree limbs and other debris.

The program went into full operations in March. Since that time, inmates picked up 917,960 pounds of garbage that was taken to the landfill. Three inmates, under the supervision of a code compliance officer licensed as a jailer, haul away large items and debris not just in alleys, but also at special events and special cleanups.

Steve Thorpe, the city's building official, explained how the program benefits both entities. On the county's side, the program gives inmates something to do, or a "feeling of freedom," away from the increasingly crowded jail. For the city, it provides more manpower for a perennial problem.

"We're making positive strives," Thorpe said. "But are we keeping up? No."

Thorpe said he does not know the exact reason why people continue to place large items in alleys, an issue that is widespread across the city. Dumpsters, Thorpe said, are the trash receptacles, not the alleys.

"Some comply, but some don't understand the purpose of an alley," Thorpe said.

The city plans to have another crew, but is hampered by a lack of a second certified jailer. In the meantime, Thorpe is encouraging residents to dispose large items at the city's Citizens Collection Station on Smith Road.

In other business, the council:

■ approved the city's first major upgrade to its radio system in 23 years.

Using certificates of obligation, the $10 million radio system will serve various city departments including police and fire. Sharlett Chowning, the city's chief information officer, said the new system is expected

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Crews continue to work to help restore power to residents

By Tyler White
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Nearly 82 contract crews responded Tuesday to the power outages that struck Oncor's West Texas district following the weekend's icy storms.

A total of 1,396 Oncor customers — 645 in Midland — still were without power as of 9:30 p.m. Tuesday, said Sue Mercer, the company's area manager. She said this is an improvement over Monday, when more than 4,492 customers were without power.

Crews came from Dallas-Forth Worth, Texoma, Brownwood, Mineral Wells, Wichita Falls, San Antonio and Oklahoma to help local personnel restore power, according to previous Reporter-Telegram reports. Mercer said the number of crews was increased from 69 to 82 on Tuesday in order to fulfill the need.

Mercer said the crews are working to first resolve the outages in the most densely populated areas of Midland and Odessa before moving out into the rural areas of the West Texas district.

Oncor will have to replace at least 265 electrical poles in the district, 156 of which are in Midland. Mercer said crews replaced 86 of them as of noon Tuesday.

She said company officials flew over the area in a helicopter to determine where additional poles were needed to be replaced.

About 23 vegetation management crews have been working to trim trees and brush that may have caused or contributed to some of the outages, Mercer said. Those crews will be coming back through the affected areas to clean up brush removed earlier.

Oncor officials are emphasizing employee safety during this time. Employees typically work 16 hours on and have eight hours off before returning to work, which Mercer said can be difficult on the body.

She said it's too early to estimate when all of the outages will be resolved, but Oncor's aim is to restore power within the Midland and Odessa city limits by midnight today. The company then will resolve outages in the surrounding rural areas of each city.

BIRD BROWSERS



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

H-E-B patrons pick out frozen turkeys in preparation for Thanksgiving on Tuesday at the H-E-B on Wadley Avenue in Midland.

DPS increases traffic, DWI enforcement over holiday

By Tyler White
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The Department of Public Safety is increasing traffic and DWI enforcement this holiday weekend, while other law enforcement agencies urge residents to use caution on roads.

AAA estimates about 3.4 million Texans will travel during the Thanksgiving holiday period that begins today and continues through Sunday, and DPS is encouraging motorists to practice safe driving habits and wear seat belts.

Highway conditions

To check highway conditions, go to www.DriveTexas.org.

During the 2012 Thanksgiving holiday weekend, troopers made 386 DWI arrests. Officers also issued more than 7,500 citations for speeding, 875 citations for not having insurance and more than 770 citations for seat belt/child safety seat violations, according to DPS.

Patrols also resulted in 258 fugitive arrests and 211 felony arrests during the holiday period last year.

Midland County Sheriff's Office and Midland Police Department will not be increasing patrols and DWI enforcement this weekend.

But Sheriff Gary Painter urges residents to stay home if the roads are icy and said people who must be on the road should be cautious when approaching overpasses because those areas will freeze first if the temperatures drop lower than 32 degrees.

MPD Chief Price Robinson said drivers should obey all traffic laws and remember that the roadways will

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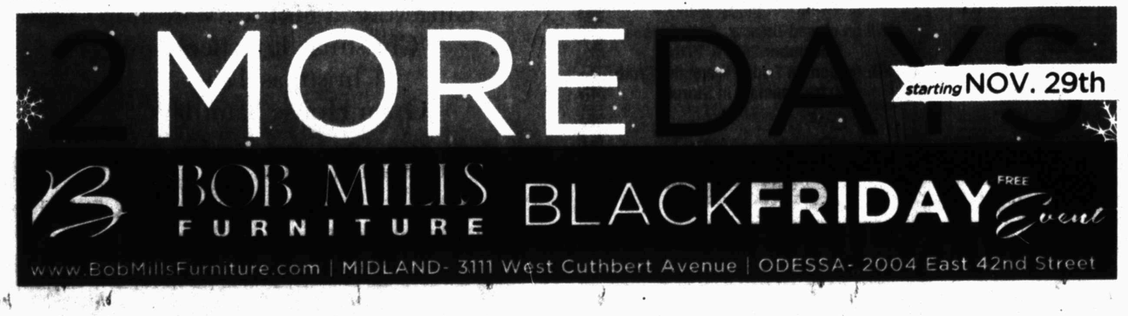
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FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Texas congressman's Twitter stock questioned

U.S. Rep. Beto O'Rourke has reported possibly violating ethics laws after participating in Twitter's public stock debut, and the financial disclosures of another Texas congressman has been questioned by a newspaper investigation.

O'Rourke, a first-term El Paso Democrat, bought $2,600 worth of Twitter shares earlier this month when the social network made Wall Street's most anticipated public offering of the year, the El Paso Times reported Tuesday.

O'Rourke reported to the House Ethics Committee this week that his participation may have violated a new law aimed at stopping members of Congress from engaging in certain stock transactions and getting special deals. He told the newspaper he didn't see a November House memo that urged caution about participating in IPOs.

But O'Rourke said that after contacting the ethics committee to report the possible violation, he was unsure whether he actually broke the Stop Trading on Congressional Knowledge Act passed in 2012.

"I asked if I had violated the law or ethics rules," O'Rourke said. "He said that's not clear."

O'Rourke's case is the first to come before the committee surrounding the new law, said Melanie Sloan, executive director of the watchdog group Committee for Ethics and Responsibility in Washington.

The financial dealings of another Texas congressman, Republican U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman, were also questioned this week in an investigation by the Houston Chronicle.

The Chronicle reported that Stockman, who was elected back into office in 2012 after serving one term in the 1990s, has failed to make federally required disclosures about business affiliations that stretch from Texas to the British Virgin Islands.

Stockman failed to file a federal disclosure form while running last year for his newly created congressional district that runs near the Texas coast, around Beaumont, and toward the Louisiana border. Every other Texas congressman filed the report, the newspaper reported.

In April and May, nearly a year after the deadline, Stockman filed reports listing income of $350,000 for 2011 and 2012 from an unexplained entity called "Presidential Trust Marketing."

Kathleen Clark, a professor of law at Washington University in St. Louis who reviewed the filings for the Chronicle, said Stockman omitted business relationships, bank accounts and the value of any businesses.

"Did anyone review this? Has the House Ethics Committee followed up? It just seems very odd. I would have a lot of questions for him," Clark said. "There are many things about the disclosure that I don't understand."

The Chronicle reported that Stockman did not respond to repeated requests for comments and that one of Stockman's staffers told a reporter his office would no longer accept questions from the newspaper. Last year, Stockman and his campaign did not respond to emails or phone calls from The Associated Press about his candidacy.

O'Rourke told the El Paso Times that he did not know that his stockbroker, who he has used since 2003, had planned to participate in the Twitter sale. He said he doesn't have any greater access to IPOs than any other of clients of his stockbroker, who O'Rourke said has previously made investments and not told him about it until later.

"This is the same deal I've had for the last 10 years," O'Rourke said. "There's nothing about me being a member of Congress that got me special treatment."



Associated Press

Purloined parrot returned

The North Texas case of a stolen parrot has been solved.

Police said a macaw named Captain Jack was returned Tuesday to Sunrise Automotive owner Bill Salmon.

Hurst police on Nov. 17 received a call about a colorful bird found dumped along a road. Investigators apparently were unaware about the earlier theft of the parrot from an Arlington business.

Arlington police on Monday asked for the public's help in finding Captain Jack, saying the bird was taken during a Nov. 15 burglary.

Hurst animal services officials took custody of the bird until learning that the owner was located.

ALPINE

2 hikers rescued from Big Bend National Park

Two hikers from Central Texas have been rescued after they were overdue from a nine-day trip to Big Bend National Park.

Officials with Customs and Border Protection on Tuesday announced the rescue and said the couple's injuries were not life-threatening.

CBP spokesman Bill Brooks said the husband and wife from Buda were found last Friday afternoon with help from an agency helicopter. Brooks did not have names of the couple, who were spotted as part of the flyover search.

The hikers were at the base of Elephant Tusk Mountain, about 10 miles west of the Panther Junction area.

Officials said the woman was dehydrated and exhausted. Both hikers were flown out for medical attention. They were found about 24 hours after the hike was supposed to end.

HOUSTON

Cabin smoke halts Skywest flight at Bush Intercontinental

Passengers aboard a Skywest Airlines flight were switched to another aircraft Tuesday after smoke was reported in the cabin of their plane as it was about to leave Houston Bush Intercontinental Airport.

Skywest spokeswoman Marissa Snow said Flight 5201, operating as a United Express flight, was bound for Palm Springs, Calif. It was backing from the gate Tuesday morning when smoke was detected from the air conditioning system. The plane returned to the gate, and the 62 passengers and four crew members got out normally.

The Houston Fire Department reported no injuries. Airport spokesman David Hebert said fire officials haven't been able to identify the smoke or odor.

St. George, Utah-based Skywest provides regional jet service for major carriers like United Airlines.

FALFURRIAS

Man charged in South Texas wreck that killed 5

Federal prosecutors in South Texas have charged a man who they say was smuggling undocumented immigrants when the vehicle he was driving struck a tree, killing five of them.

An affidavit said Manuel Rendon-Lucas told federal agents he was paid $250 for each person he was attempting to drive Saturday from a McAllen home to Houston.

The SUV driven by Rendon was packed with 14 others when Falfurrias police began pursuing it. Rendon was fleeing at a high speed when the vehicle left the road and struck the tree. Ten others, including Rendon, were injured.

Rendon faces a federal charge of smuggling illegal aliens. The affidavit indicates Rendon himself was in the country illegally.

One survivor told investigators he was going to pay $3,000 to be smuggled into the U.S.

IRVING

Retail gas prices continue to jump across Texas

Retail gasoline prices across Texas have jumped by more than a dime in the last week.

AAA Texas on Tuesday reported the average statewide per-gallon price at the pump reached $3.14, an increase from $3.01 last week.

The national average for a gallon of unleaded is $3.29.

Of the metro areas in Texas surveyed by AAA, drivers in Dallas and Fort Worth are paying the most at $3.21. Motorists in Amarillo are paying the least at $3.

After several months of declines, gas prices in many states have moved higher over the last two weeks.

AAA said that of the 3.4 million Texans forecast to travel Wednesday through Sunday for the Thanksgiving holiday, 3.1 million are expected to travel by automobile.

AUSTIN

Woman released, questions about ritual abuse case

A woman convicted 20 years ago for her involvement in a ritual child abuse case is free after the district attorney's office agreed some evidence against her was faulty.

A Travis County judge signed Fran Keller's bond on Tuesday. Attorney Keith Hampton hopes to gain her husband's release next week and eventually prove his clients' innocence.

A jury convicted the Kellers in 1992 for sexually abusing children at a preschool they operated. Therapists said they helped children recover memories of Satanic rituals and abuse.

An emergency room doctor testified that lacerations on one child were evidence of abuse. That was the only physical evidence introduced at trial and that doctor now says he made a mistake.

The couple was sentenced to 48 years and has always maintained their innocence.

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LOCAL CRIME BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MPD: Man bites baby on the nose

A Midland man was arrested early Sunday after he bit a boy on the nose and then wielded a knife during an altercation with the child's mother, according to court documents.

Jesus Angel Navarette, 20, is being held on a $75,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a weapon on a date, family or household member.


Navarette

A police officer responded to the disturbance at about 10:30 p.m. Saturday in the 4700 block of West Wadley Avenue.

The woman said that while she was playing with her son, Navarette started playing with the baby and then bit him on his nose. She said she told Navarette, who was intoxicated, to be more careful with the boy. She then pushed him to keep him away from the child, and he started slapping her, according to the arrest affidavit.

The woman ran to her room and locked the door, but Navarette followed her and used a knife to pick open the lock and enter the room. The woman said she was afraid for her life and thought Navarette was going to kill her, according to the affidavit.

The court document does not indicate the boy's age, whether his mother had him when she locked herself in another room or whether the woman was injured.

If convicted, Navarette faces five to 99 years in prison.

Police say naked man broke into bank

Police said a Midland man weathered Sunday's freezing temperatures in his birthday suit and used a fire extinguisher to break into a bank.

Police officers found 29-year-old Brandon K. Cook at West Texas National Bank, 5401 W. Wadley Ave., on Sunday and charged him with a state jail felony charge of criminal mischief between $1,500 and $20,000, a class B misdemeanor charge of criminal trespassing and two warrants for violation of probation out of Ector County, according to his arrest affidavit.


Cook

Cook was charged Monday with a third-degree felony charge of criminal mischief between $20,000 and $100,000.

He is being held on a $109,000 bond.

Officers were notified of the incident at about 3:45 a.m. Sunday by a caller who told dispatch that a nude man was running around the parking lot.

The man said he and his wife saw a cloud of white smoke in the bank parking lot. They went over and saw that a man, later identified as Cook, was discharging a fire extinguisher. They asked him if he was OK, and he said, "No." They left to get Cook some clothes, and when they came back they discovered Cook had broken into the bank, according to the affidavit.

An officer found Cook inside the bank lobby with only a white T-shirt concealing his genitals. The officer said Cook was heavily intoxicated and was acting "very agitated," according to the report.

Cook told police he found the shirt inside the bank and that all he remembered was drinking a glass of wine with his girlfriend and some friends earlier that night, and then waking up in the bank. The officer said Cook was convinced that the damage in the bank was caused by him trying to break out of the bank and not into it.

If convicted, Cook faces up to 10 years in prison for the third-degree felony charge and up to two years for the state jail felony charge.

MPD: Parents smoked weed in vehicle with 3-year-old daughter

Two parents were arrested Friday after they smoked marijuana and drove a vehicle while their 3-year-old daughter was inside, according to court documents.

Jamian Jamaal Jackson, 32, and Shaqya Marie Coleman, 29, both of Midland, each are being held on a $25,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of abandoning or endangering a child with imminent danger of bodily injury.


Jackson


Coleman

A police officer conducted a traffic stop on the suspects' vehicle at about 11:50 a.m. Friday near the 1000 block of North Carver Street.

The officer walked up to the vehicle, and when the driver, Coleman, opened the side window, marijuana smoke began to "billow out," according to the report.

The officer said he found less than 1 gram of marijuana in Coleman's purse and razor blades and a scale with cocaine residue in Jackson's backpack.

Coleman and Jackson admitted to smoking marijuana in a motel parking lot and loading their 3-year-old daughter into the vehicle, according to the arrest report.

The marijuana confiscated by police was a higher quality because it contained a higher dose of tetrahydrocannabinol, the chemical responsible for marijuana's psychological effects, according to the report.

The affidavit doesn't indicate who is caring for the girl.

If convicted, they face up to 20 years in prison for the second-degree felony charge.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Brandon K. Cook, 29, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of criminal mischief between $20,000 and $100,000.

Alja W. Hayes, 25, of Odessa, was arrested Monday on charges of theft.

Reginald B. Pace, 52, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Sergio I. Saenz, 28, of Midland, was arrested Monday on charges of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon and abandoning or endangering a child with criminal negligence.

Galen P. Zetzsche, 44, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

Fabric store fire damages merchandise

From staff reports

Items at a Midland store received smoke and heat damage Tuesday afternoon during an electrical fire, according to the city's public information officer.

Midland firefighters responded to a structure fire at about 12:30 p.m. Tuesday at Essie's, a fabric mercantile store, at 501 W. Front St.

Fire crews encountered heavy smoke and quickly extinguished the flames in the store. Two people were inside when the fire started, and both safely escaped before calling 911, said Sara Higgins, public information officer for the city.

The fire likely was caused by an electrical short at a wall outlet located beneath a work table that ultimately ignited surrounding fabric stored near the outlet, Higgins said.

She said the fire quickly spread to other fabric, causing heavy heat and smoke damage to contents and equipment inside the store. The building sustained minor structural damage.

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Hanukkah begins at sundown

Hanukkah (sometimes transliterated Chanukkah) is a Jewish holiday celebrated for eight days and nights. It starts on the 25th of the Jewish month of Kislev, which coincides with late November-late December on the secular calendar.

In Hebrew, the word "hanukkah" means "dedication." The name reminds us that this holiday commemorates the re-dedication of the holy Temple in Jerusalem following the Jewish victory over the Syrian-Greeks in 165 B.C.E.

http://judaism.about.com

Grocery store Thanksgiving hours:

■ H-E-B, 3325 W. Wadley Ave.: 6 a.m.-2 p.m.
■ Albertsons, 4706 N. Midkiff Road, 1002 Andrews Highway, 3317 N. Midland Drive : 6 a.m.-4 p.m.
■ Fiesta Foods, 703 E. Front St.: 7 a.m.-2 p.m.
■ Super Mercado, 2208 N. Big Spring St.: Closed

A glance at store hours for holiday kickoff

Thanksgiving and Black Friday store hours for several major retailers:
■ Best Buy Stores — Open at 6 p.m. on Thanksgiving until 10 p.m. on Friday.
■ J.C. Penney — Open at 8 p.m. on Thanksgiving until 9 p.m. on Friday.
■ Kohl's — Open at 8 p.m. on Thanksgiving until midnight on Saturday.
■ Sears — Open at 8 p.m. on Thanksgiving until 10 p.m. on Friday.
■ Staples — Open at 8 p.m. until midnight on Friday. Reopen at 6 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Friday.
■ Target — Open at 8 p.m. on Thanksgiving until 11 p.m. on Friday.
■ Toys R Us — Open at 5 p.m. on Thanksgiving until 10 p.m. on Friday.
■ Wal-Mart — Open 24 hours at most stores.

Source: Associated Press

Restaurants open Thanksgiving

(Not meant to represent a complete listing)
■ Buffalo Wild Wings — 5107 W. Wadley, 694-9400. Open 3 p.m-2 a.m.
■ Cracker Barrel — 3100 N. Loop 250 W., 689-3137. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
■ Denny's — 3701 W. Wall St., 520-5306. Open 24 hours a day.
■ Dos Margaritas — 1501 N. Big Spring St, 618-9536. Open 11 a.m.-10 p.m.
■ Furr's — 1116 N. Midkiff Road, 694-1619. Open from 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
■ Grand Buffet — 2510 W. Louisiana Ave., 688,8881. Open 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
■ Hilton Midland Plaza La Bistro — 117 W. Wall St., 683-6131. Serving breakfast from 7-10 a.m., lunch from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Reservations preferred but not required. Complete turkey dinner. Adults $21; senior $17; ages 6-11 $11; five and under-free. Also serving from full menu.
■ IHOP — 2507 W. Loop 250, 684-5759; 301 E. Interstate 20, 686-0537. Open 24 hours a day.
■ McDonald's — 1111 Andrews Highway, 520-3044; 3310 W. Loop 250, 699-0768; 2307 Rankin Highway 687-1705. All locations open 5:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
■ Way Out West Steakhouse — 515 Andrews Highway, 697-4196. Open 10:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
■ Whataburger — 800 Andrews Highway, 694-1648; 1905 N. Big Spring St., 684-0545; 3206 N. Midkiff Road, 697-4184. Open 24 hours a day.

Holiday closures

■ The city of Midland's offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving.

There won't be trash pickup. The landfill will be closed Thursday and Friday and will have a limited schedule on Saturday.

■ Both branches of the Midland County Public Library will be closed Thursday through Saturday and will be closing at 5 p.m. Wednesday.
■ All other county offices will be closed Thursday and Friday.
■ Thursday is a holiday for the U.S. Postal Service. Local post offices will resume operations Friday.

Club meetings, support groups today

(Subject to change)
■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon Wednesdays; B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.
■ The Knot Adoption Support Group, 11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church; Kathy Hagler, Kathy@WTIE.net.
■ Uptown Midland BPW, noon, Petroleum Club; Glenda Knox, 686-2819.

Hotlines
Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.
Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

Lottery

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Pick 3 day: 4-6-0
Pick 3 evening: 4-9-1
Pick 3 night: 7-7-4
Daily 4 morning: 7-4-8-4
Daily 4 day: 5-9-5-0
Daily 4 evening: 1-1-2-2
Daily 4 night: 9-5-4-9
Cash Five: 2-4-12-13-35
Mega Millions: 27-44-59-74-75 MB: 3 Megaplier: 5
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-5-7-8-9-13-14-15-17-18-24
All or Nothing day: 3-6-11-13-14-16-18-19-20-21-22-24
All or Nothing evening: 1-4-7-9-10-11-15-16-19-20-23-24
All or Nothing night: 2-3-4-5-11-12-13-14-15-18-22-23

Tax Collector-Assessor Kathy Reeves resigns

By Joseph Basco
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Reeves

County Tax Assessor and Collector Kathy Reeves announced her resignation Tuesday morning, ending a 30-year tenure at the Midland County Tax Office.

"This was a hard decision to come to," Reeves said, a native Midlander who has served as tax assessor and collector since 1993.

Reeves' announcement comes at a time when various county and state positions are up for election. Though Reeves did not comment on whether she would be running for any other positions, she said that the timing of her resignation was "right" and she has been "presented with opportunities" that she would like to take advantage of.

Looking back on her years of work as tax assessor and collector, Reeves thanked her staff first, describing them as "family."

"This year, we'll probably account for over $100 million that flows through this office," Reeves said. "None of that could be done without the people here."

Reeves also reflected back on the tax assessor and collector position itself, saying that it has the most personal liability. In other words, she said any of her money or property can be taken away if there is any negligence on her part or anyone else that works for her.

"It can be a heavy burden," Reeves said.

Although Reeves announced her resignation during Commissioners' Court on Tuesday, she will not be officially resigned until the next meeting on Dec. 9. On that day, tax office property appraiser Manny Natividad is expected to be the interim tax collector and assessor, pending approval from commissioners.

During her final two weeks, Reeves will transition Natividad into his new position and assist him as an external county audit takes place. Natividad, who has gone through two external county audits before, said he would feel more comfortable if Reeves stayed for a bit longer.

On Tuesday, county commissioners asked Natividad how long he would want to be tax assessor and collector, be it until the March 2014 primary elections or for the long term. Though he did not comment on whether or not he would be running for the permanent tax assessor and collector position, Natividad said to commissioners that he's "in it for the long haul."

Both Reeves and Natividad said they plan to finalize their future plans by Dec. 9.

"There's been a lot of sleepless nights on whether or not I should act on these opportunities," Reeves said. "But with a lot of counseling, praying, thinking and meditating, I have come to this decision. It's hard to leave my office family."

Hills to come alive with 'The Sound of Music Live!'

By Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Maria, former would-be nun, is about to get married.

Starring as Maria in NBC's new version of "The Sound of Music," Carrie Underwood is clad in her own T-shirt and leggings plus a wedding veil as she reverently steps through the bare-bones Manhattan rehearsal space while three dozen castmates, on their feet as if in church, sing "How do you solve a problem like Maria?"

Underwood's procession ends at the "altar" (marked by a music stand) to join her groom, Capt. von Trapp, played by jeans-and-sweater-sporting Stephen Moyer.

During this preliminary run-through a few weeks ago, much work clearly remained to get "The Sound of Music Live!" ready for airtime on Dec. 5 (8 p.m. EST), when it, along with everyone involved, will make history: More than a half-century has passed since a broadcast network has dared to mount a full-scale musical for live TV.

It would have been risky enough revisiting this Rodgers and Hammerstein classic on any terms. But this is no remake of the not-to-be-tampered-with Julie Andrews juggernaut, declares Neil Meron. Meron and longtime partner Craig Zadan are the telecast's Oscar-winning executive producers.

Instead, "The Sound of Music Live!" is the 1959 Broadway musical reimagined for TV, then given extra crackle with a live presentation.

Meron's message: Everybody knows "The Sound of Music," or thinks they do from the 1965 film nearly everyone has seen. But relatively few fans are acquainted with the stage original. Drawing from it, "The Sound of Music Live!" is meant to feel familiar, yet at the same time come across as new and different.

Consider: Moyer with castmates Laura Benanti (as Baroness Elsa Schrader) and Christian Borle (as Max Detweiler) are rehearsing a couple of weeks later a saucy song titled "How Can Love Survive?" This song will be brand-new to most viewers of the telecast — it was dropped from the movie.

"Plenty of nothing you haven't got. How can love survive?" Max tunefully teases the wealthy Elsa, who, in her posh relationship with her fiance, Capt. von Trapp, can never count theirs among "all the famous love affairs (where) lovers starve and snuggle."

This number, sung to an instrumental track recorded by a 40-piece orchestra, takes place on the sumptuous von Trapp terrace, complete with a fountain and a panoramic view of the Alps.

There are still no costumes — at the moment, Borle is wearing jeans and a Batman T-shirt — but by now the entire production has redeployed to a cavernous Long Island, N.Y., soundstage.

Grumman Studios' Stage 3, with square footage rivaling a football field's, is now home to the terrace, along with five neighboring sets evoking pre-World War II Austria including the abbey, a festival site draped with huge swastikas and the summit over which (spoiler alert) Maria, the Captain and his seven children pass to flee the Nazis at the musical's conclusion.

It is for this soaring finish that Audra McDonald reprises "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," the breathtaking anthem that Mother Abbess introduces as she sends Maria into the world and into the von Trapp household.

"In that scene, Mother Abbess is giving Maria tough love, kicking her out of the abbey," says McDonald. "But Carrie is so moving and so sweet, my challenge is to not cry when I sing it."

When she sings it, McDonald is fully capable of bringing to tears everyone within earshot. She is a classically trained soprano, a Tony- and Grammy-winning singer and stage actress who, for good measure, appeared for four seasons on ABC's "Private Practice."

Though best known as a vampire on HBO's "True Blood," Stephen Moyer, too, is a theater veteran. Last summer he returned to what he calls his first love, the musical stage, after 18 years' absence for a production of "Chicago" at the Hollywood Bowl. Then he reported for work on "The Sound of Music Live!"

Christian Borle, known to viewers from NBC's musical drama "Smash," boasts Broadway credits including "Legally Blonde: The Musical" and "Monty Python's Spamalot," and won a Tony for the comedy "Peter and the Starcatcher."

Laura Benanti, who starred last season on NBC's Matthew Perry comedy "Go On," has appeared in the Broadway musicals "Into the Woods" and "Nine," and scored a Tony for her role as Gypsy Rose Lee in the 2008 Broadway revival of "Gypsy."

And then there's Carrie Underwood. Despite her status as a multiplatinum country music superstar who rose to fame as the winner of "American Idol" in 2005, at first glance she might seem something of a wild card in the "Sound of Music" cast: She has never had a major acting role before.

"Carrie is one of the bravest artists we've ever worked with," says Meron, who notes that she arrived two weeks before the production's six-week rehearsal began with her lines fully memorized, to get a head start.

"Every day," she says during a break, "I feel like I discover new things and how to go places in acting that I didn't think I could go."

Even if she's a drama neophyte as she faces her "Sound of Music" trial by fire, Underwood, by one measure, is the cast's old hand: No one knows live TV, and its pressures, like she does.

"But this time, there's no chance of me being voted out," she laughs. "I'm here to stay."

As she speaks, it's a scant 16 days until the broadcast. By week's end, cameras (as many as a dozen) and tons of other broadcast equipment would be brought in. In the parking lot, TV trucks would join the city of dressing-room trailers.

During Thanksgiving week, the ensemble is rehearsing in full costume.

Already, the cast has recorded a "Sound of Music Live!" album, due for release Dec. 3. A home-video edition of the broadcast goes on sale Dec. 17.

If graced with good ratings, this won't be the last such musical event staged live for TV, says Meron.

And in any case it ends a drought that had persisted, in effect, since the birth of video tape made live TV unnecessary and, apart from news and sportscasts, nearly extinct. Helping close out that live-TV era: "Cinderella," performed and aired by CBS on March 31, 1957, and starring 21-year-old Julie Andrews.

A made-for-TV musical by Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II, "Cinderella" was one of many collaborations by these Broadway titans that began with their pioneering 1943 musical "Oklahoma!" and continued through "The Sound of Music" 16 years later, with Mary Martin creating the role of Maria. It ran for more than 1,400 performances and won five Tonys, including a trophy for best musical.

"There's an inevitability to what they do," says Borle, when asked what continues to set Rodgers and Hammerstein apart. "The material is so lovely, you just show up and try to do it justice."

That's what he and his co-stars plan to do the night of Dec. 5, for three hours start to finish, with no reshoots and no postproduction fixes to fall back on.

"There's an excitement about that," Benanti says. "It feels dangerous. Anything could happen!

"Even if you're only curious," she adds invitingly, "you should watch."

Man accused of taking Frampton's luggage

Associated Press

DENVER — Police say luggage belonging to '70s rocker Peter Frampton was stolen by a man who's suspected of taking several other bags from Denver International Airport.

The Denver Post reported Tuesday that 52-year-old John Allen Papelbon told a police detective he snatched seven bags from the airport this year.

The detective who went to Papelbon's home in suburban Denver said he found a bag tag belonging to Frampton. The tag was the only thing recovered from Frampton's luggage, which was stolen in July.

Papelbon is due in court Dec. 10 for a preliminary hearing. He declined to comment to The Denver Post about the case.

Authorities said airport surveillance video from Oct. 27 shows a man matching Papelbon's description walking way with luggage.

He faces theft and burglary charges.

Council

From 1A

to last between 10 to 15 years.

"We have places in the city that aren't covered by the current system," Chowning said. "This system gives us a lot better coverage."

■ approved certificates of obligation for fiscal year 2014 that will not exceed $29 million.

As previously reported, the $28 million in COs will be used to fund projects from the engineering, information systems and parks and recreation departments, such as the aforementioned radio system upgrade project.

Most of the COs will be used for road repairs and widenings, such as the expansion of Fairgrounds Road.

■ approved new water bill rates that will go into effect on Jan. 1.

The new water and sewer rates are an increase from the current rates to compensate for a deficit in the city's water and sewer fund, as previously reported. Rates increased between $1.45-$2.55 per thousand gallons compared to the current rates.

For more information, go to midlandtexas.gov/waterrates.

Enforcement

From 1A

be busy.

The Texas Department of Transportation is asking Texans to use extreme caution when traveling during the holiday season.

"Historically, the busiest travel days are the day before and the Sunday following Thanksgiving," said Phil Wilson, TxDOT executive director. "Thanksgiving is a time to be spent with family and friends, so we want to make sure Texans get to where they need to be safely."

In 2012, there were 952 serious injuries and 48 deaths from traffic crashes during the Thanksgiving holiday reporting period, said Mark Cross, TxDOT media relations representative.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Teen accused of slaying after Facebook dispute

Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — San Antonio police have arrested an 18-year-old South Texas woman over a fatal stabbing after an alleged Facebook dispute.

Bexar County court records show 18-year-old Maria Duenas was being held Tuesday on a murder charge with bond set at $250,000.

Duenas was taken into custody after Monday's death of 17-year-old Adrian Sosa. Police said Sosa died at a hospital after the stabbing at a San Antonio home where both teens lived.

A police report said the woman told investigators that she and Sosa earlier argued about something on Facebook but then the issue was resolved. Authorities are trying to determine whether the stabbing was linked to the online posting. Further details weren't immediately released.

Emergency crew rescues puppy from storm drain

Associated Press

DALLAS — Emergency personnel in Dallas have safely rescued a stray puppy possibly stuck for days in a storm drain.

Crews on Monday afternoon lured the puppy into a cage that was baited with food and hauled the animal to safety on a cold, rainy day.

City workers put a small camera down the drain after people nearby reported hearing barks as a mother dog paced near the drain.

Officials believe the puppy was part of a litter born a few weeks ago near a school. Some teachers and students knew of the dogs and a few days ago began hearing yelping from the drain.

The rescued terrier was taken to a Dallas Animal Services facility for eventual adoption. Officials will try to locate the rest of the litter for possible adoption.

North Texas has 6th earthquake in past week

Associated Press

AZLE — North Texas has recorded its sixth earthquake in the past week.

The U.S. Geological Survey said a 3.0 magnitude earthquake happened at 8:24 a.m. Tuesday and was centered in the city of Azle. A 3.3 magnitude quake was recorded early Monday with an epicenter about 4 miles west of Azle.

A 2.9 magnitude earthquake happened in the same area, just southwest of Reno, on Saturday. The area about 20 miles northwest of Fort Worth recorded three minor earthquakes last Tuesday.

The Parker County Sheriff's Office had no immediate reports of damage or injuries from any of the earthquakes.

Fire marshal: Be careful with lights, candles

By Rachael Gleason
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Midland's fire marshal warns residents to avoid a "Griswold Christmas" and other winter fire hazards as they prepare to deck the halls this weekend.

Fire calls related to Christmas lights, space heaters and candles increase during the holiday season as temperatures fall and residents use more electricity for holiday decorations, said David Hickman, who was promoted to the Midland Fire Department position in October.

Residents should keep fire extinguishers on hand and smoke detectors in good-working order, Hickman said.

Holiday lights, trees

In National Lampoon's "Christmas Vacation," Clark Griswold creates a Christmas light display that blinds neighbors and brings down power in the entire neighborhood.

It's also dangerous, said Hickman, who once saw a fire start when a man plugged all of his Christmas lights into one outlet in his garage.

"Old Christmas lights pull more power than new LED ones, and you can overload the circuit," Hickman said.

Residents also can overload circuits by plugging too many items into extension cords and strips with limited amp ratings, he said.

"We take for granted that we plug something in, turn on the switch and it's going to work," Hickman said. "Anything can wear out or fail."

The fire department recommends inspecting all wiring on outside lights and Christmas tree lights. Some artificial trees are fire resistant, but nearby materials — such as tree skirts, gifts and other decorations — can catch fire, Hickman said.

"If they have combustible materials below, they will burn violently," he said.

Hickman once investigated a fire that started when lights on an artificial tree shorted out. The fire only occurred in one area, but the smoke spread throughout the residence.

"It's plastic, so it burned really hot and put out a lot of hot, dense, greasy, black smoke," he said. "I've never seen a house so severely damaged."

Christmas tree fires are not common, but they are more likely to be deadly, according to the United States Fire Administration. About one in 40 fires started by Christmas trees end in death, compared with one death per 142 regular structure fires, according to numbers from the administration.

Candles

About five years ago, a Midland family lost nearly everything before Christmas when kids playing with candles started a fire.

They're also dangerous if left alone, Hickman said. As candles burn down, the bottom can conduct heat and cause fires in nearby materials or furniture.

"Don't place candles on anything that's combustible," he said, noting users should also read warning labels.

December is the peak time for candle fires, according to the U.S. Fire Administration.

Cooking, baking

Residents should be careful with stoves, ovens, barbecue pits and fryers as they spend more time cooking and baking this holiday season, Hickman said.

Thanksgiving is the peak day for a home cooking fire; frying poses the greatest risk, according to the U.S. Fire Administration.

"Frying turkeys is a common thing now; however, it can be very dangerous," Hickman said.

One drop of water, which can expand 1,700 times, boils and produces steam at 212 degrees, he said. Dropping a turkey with excess moisture into a fryer at 450 degrees can produce too much steam, causing the oil to boil over.

"You can have a large flash fire," said Hickman, noting residents should keep fryers outside, away from garages or combustible materials.

Space heaters, fireplaces

Many Midlanders fired up their space heaters and fireplaces last weekend when an arctic cold front brought 20- to 30-degree temperatures to the Permian Basin.

But these heating appliances can be dangerous if they are too close to beds, furniture or other materials, Hickman said.

Chimneys and space heaters should be cleaned and maintained, and residents should avoid leaving heaters on all night, he said.

"(Space heaters are) designed for short-term heating, they're not intended to be the only heating appliance for a home," Hickman said.

In 2011, heating equipment was involved in 53,600 home structure fires nationwide, causing 400 deaths and $893 million in property loss, according to the National Fire Protection Association.

Thanksgiving includes gluten-free pies, other accomodations

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Three different types of stuffing will be offered on Stacy Fox's table this Thanksgiving: traditional, gluten-free and vegan.

There will be steak for people who don't like turkey. No eggs will be used in the latkes, or Jewish potato pancakes. And the sweet potato pie will be topped with vegan marshmallows she buys at a health food store.

"My life used to be simple," said Fox, who's entertaining 18 guests in Suffern, N.Y.

At homes across the country this Thursday, tables will be set to accommodate everyone from vegans and vegetarians to those trying to eat like cavemen. The increasingly complicated feasts reflect the growing ranks of Americans who are paying closer attention to the food they put into their bodies.

The reasons vary. With two-thirds of the U.S. population either overweight or obese, many find setting rules helps ward off temptation. In other cases, people steer clear of ingredients such as dairy to alleviate bloating or to boost energy. Others worry about the long-term impact of artificial dyes, preservatives and antibiotics in their food.

While the dietary quirks of relatives or friends may seem like a mere curiosity on Thanksgiving, they're reshaping the food industry. Sales of organic packaged foods rose 24 percent to $11.48 billion over the past five years, according to market researcher Euromonitor International. Gluten-free packaged foods, made for those who are sensitive to wheat, more than doubled to $419.8 million. And the broader market of packaged foods targeted toward people with food intolerances to items like wheat, dairy or sugar rose 12 percent to $2.89 billion.

By introducing gluten-free varieties of Chex cereal in recent years, General Mills said it was able to reverse years of declines and get sales growing again. So far this year, the company said sales are up 6 percent from the same time last year, although it did not give the actual figure.

Hillshire Brands has expanded the number of sausages and meatballs made without antibiotics under its higher-end Aidells brand, which has been a bright spot for the company. And sales of Tofurky, the tofu-based turkey alternative for vegetarians, have grown each year since it was introduced in 1995, said founder and president Seth Tibbott.

Back when Tofurky was rolled out, only about 500 were sold in health food stores in Portland and Seattle. This year, Tibbott expects to sell about 350,000 of the loaves, which resemble round, boneless turkey breasts filled with stuffing.

"People do say it's close to turkey," Tibbott said, noting that the company has worked to achieve the hint of gaminess that distinguishes turkey from chicken.

Even with all the new food options, however, many remain Thanksgiving traditionalists. As a result, some with dietary restrictions find that they still have to make concessions when eating at relatives' houses.

Alison Johnson, for instance, realizes it would be unreasonable to expect her in-laws to cater to her many preferences this holiday. She's a vegetarian, and she and her husband are on a Paleo diet that shuns processed foods, legumes and most sugars. So for Thanksgiving, she plans to relax her rules a bit, stick to the side dishes and bring along her own Paleo-friendly pumpkin bars for dessert.

"When you start saying you're diabetic and Paleo and vegetarian, they would just throw their hands up and give up," said Johnson, who runs a recruiting firm in the Albany, N.Y., region. "I have to accommodate myself."

In other households, those with dietary restrictions have taken control. Daniel Albaugh, personal trainer in Houston, said his family feasts on Tofurky and stopped bothering with a turkey a few years ago. He and his fiance are vegans, as are his mother and sister.

"We outnumber them now," said Albaugh, 31, of his stepfather and grandmother. "They don't mind it. We gradually stopped accommodating the meat eaters."

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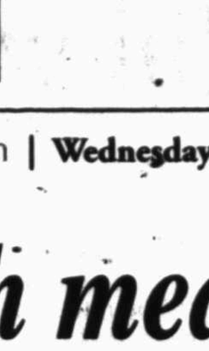
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Retailers diminish meaning of Thanksgiving

■ Reducing tradition to commercial value is high price to pay



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Washington Post Writers Group

For children, Christmastime may be the favorite holiday, even if their families don't celebrate the birth of Christ. The twinkling lights and aura of magic that suddenly transfigure the most plebian edifices are nearly as seductive as a round-trip ticket to Never-Never Land.

For adults, invariably, the favorite holiday is Thanksgiving. The reason is simple: Compared to all others, Thanksgiving is a relatively stress-free holiday.

Free of those things that separate us — religious, political and otherwise — Thanksgiving is a day of *e pluribus unum*. In George Washington's proclamation of 1789, Thanksgiving was designated as a time of duty "to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor ... a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness."

How far we have drifted.

Hear ye, hear ye, all members of Congress.

Thanksgiving is our favorite holiday for more prosaic reasons as well. No gifts, no costumes, no flowers, candies or treats to buy. All we have to do is gather with friends and family, commune over food and football and, if one so desires, prayer. What's not to love about a day like that?

A few things come to mind: Holiday decorations up too soon, Christmas trees lining supermarket storefronts, Christmas carols too early in stores. Stress and the pressure to purchase suddenly are in the air, contaminating the purity of our annual day of repose and urging us from our respite.

The once month-long break between Thanksgiving and Christmas shrinks each year so that our last turkey sandwich is hardly digested before consumer-itis sets in. Symptoms are well-known and graphic displays are in evidence — packed parking lots and human stampedes; shopping baskets overflowing with huge must-haves; debt and depression when the adrenaline subsides.

This year the break was crunched further by Thanksgiving's late date, but the trend of turning fall into one, unrelenting shopping season has been decades in the making. And though we profess to resent the imposition of perpetual holidays, we seem impotent to resist the command to consume.

Black Friday — the perennial, people-crushing, day-after-Thanksgiving sales marathon — is nearly a holiday itself. This year, Thanksgiving Day is the new black as several chains (including Wal-Mart, Best Buy, JCPenney, Toys R Us, Target, Kmart, Sears and even The Gap) plan to open on the day itself.

In so doing, these retailers further diminish the meaning of Thanksgiving while advancing the notion that time is better spent hauling away large-screen TVs than engaging in human communion. The bumper-sticker slogan — "He who dies with the most toys wins" — seems to become a cultural mantra as we abandon any pretense of human purpose beyond consumption.

Despite the seeming inevitability of these trends, many Americans wish it weren't so. A recent HuffPost/YouGov poll found bipartisan aversion to stores opening on Thanksgiving — 65 percent of Democrats, 63 percent of Republicans and 60 percent of independents say stores should be closed. Yet as Forbes points out, stores wouldn't open if there were no demand.

When the National Retail Federation asked consumers why they want to shop early, most said it was to spread out their gift budgets or to take advantage of deals too good to pass up. Virtue is in the details, I suppose. According to Accenture's annual shopping survey, 38 percent of respondents plan to visit four or more stores on Thanksgiving or Black Friday, and more than one-third say they'll shop before midnight Thursday.

Even so, one more day, one more tradition reduced to its commercial value and a few dollars saved at the expense of humility and gratitude seems a price too high for the procurement of more stuff.

In the scheme of things, this sense of loss is perhaps undeserving of lamentations, but bowing to commercial greed, especially on our national day of thanks, seems a crime against one of our best founding inventions.

If stores erect a sale, they will come. But stores don't have to. Here's a revolutionary concept: Instead, why not demonstrate gratitude for our nation by urging its people to spend time with their families, surely the most valuable insurance for a stable future.

Profits may take a short holiday, but the reward of living in a culture that values human connection and appreciates, in Washington's words from the proclamation, "the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed" — is beyond measure.

OUR VIEW

Capitalism's creep into Thanksgiving holiday was inevitable

We have seen stories about how more stores are set to open their doors earlier and earlier for Black Friday sales. The trend continues. This year, a number of Midland stores are kicking off their doorbusters and big savings not on Friday but Thursday.

The news of stores opening on Thanksgiving Day has some people mad that materialism and mercantilism have encroached on family time and the holiday spirit. After all, the sacred soil that is Thanksgiving is now being trampled on.

We see where some people are coming from. We can't believe how early people are being inundated with the commercialism. And, yes, to some degree, we see the holiday becoming less about the family and more about other things.

However, before you sign that online petition telling your least favorite big box stores where to stick their oversized sales, remember one thing. The stores are just the latest to encroach on the holiday and probably will not be the last.

For years, movie theaters have opened their doors on Thanksgiving. They offer a get-a-way to get away from families to see the best movies of the year. It is one of the highest grossing weekends of the year for the movie industry.

Also, bars have provided their own type of relief from what ails people during the Thanksgiving holidays.

And don't forget about one of the bigger distractions to Turkey Day — pro and college football.

As with other pastimes, there will be some who turn their early Black Friday shopping into a family experience. They will wait in line, get their gifts and make their credit cards sing a special holiday "cha-ching" with other family members. Maybe, it is a different type of bonding.

The fact is, with Midland's pro-business spirit, we can hardly do anything but welcome the opportunity for businesses to sell their products. We are about capitalism, and Black Friday or Thanksgiving shopping, is capitalism in its purest form. There is a supply and a demand.

Do we feel sorry for those who work at restaurants, bars, movie theaters and retail stores, specifically those who are being forced into a holiday shift? Absolutely. Is there anything that in our view, we, or anyone can really do about it? Not really.

A community can't support free enterprise only when it suits them. Shop, don't shop, watch a movie or stay home — everyone has a choice. And in this case, being "for choice" is something we totally support.

Of those who plan to shop during the holiday weekend, nearly one-quarter (23.5 percent), or 33 million people, plan to shop on Thanksgiving Day, according to the National Retail Federation.

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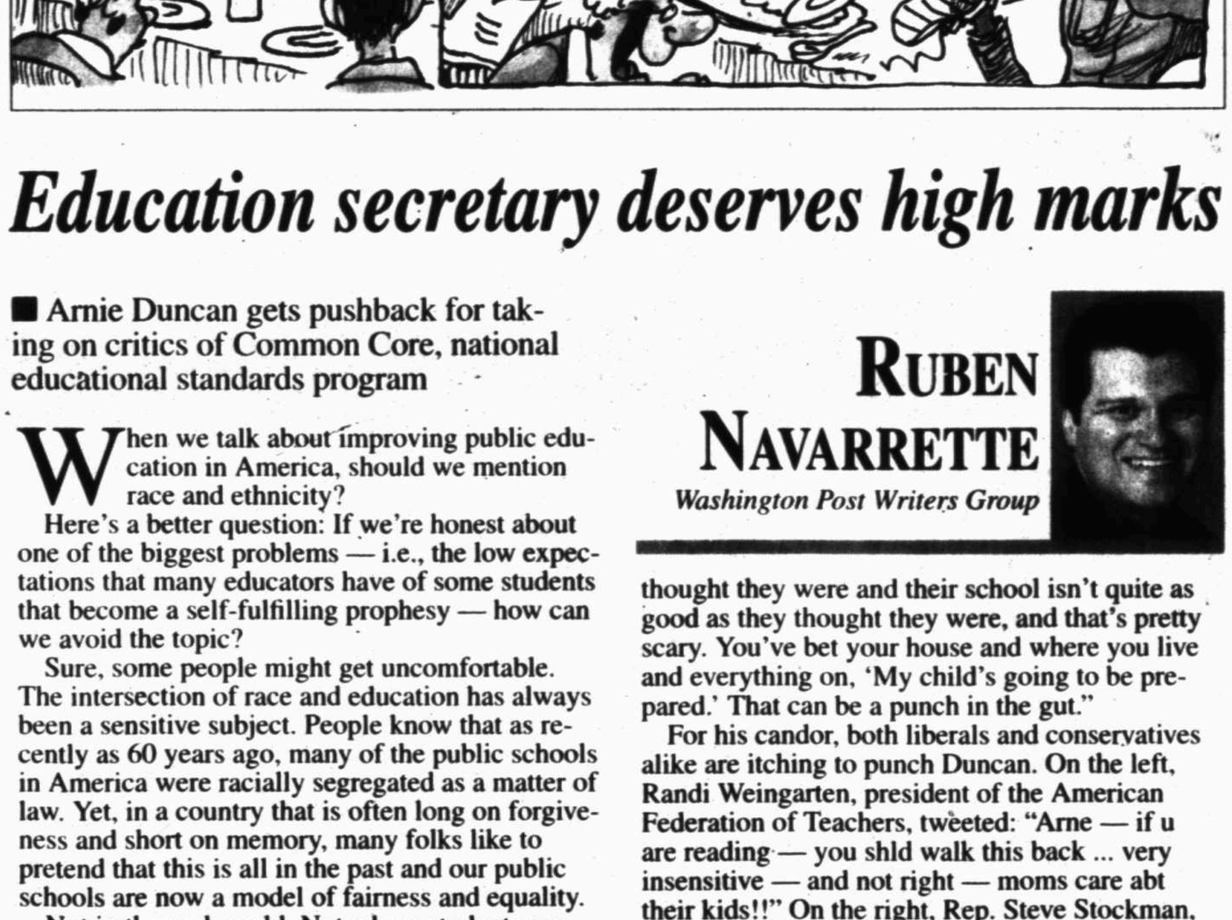
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Education secretary deserves high marks

■ Arnie Duncan gets pushback for taking on critics of Common Core, national educational standards program

RUBEN NAVARRETTE
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When we talk about improving public education in America, should we mention race and ethnicity?

Here's a better question: If we're honest about one of the biggest problems — i.e., the low expectations that many educators have of some students that become a self-fulfilling prophesy — how can we avoid the topic?

Sure, some people might get uncomfortable. The intersection of race and education has always been a sensitive subject. People know that as recently as 60 years ago, many of the public schools in America were racially segregated as a matter of law. Yet, in a country that is often long on forgiveness and short on memory, many folks like to pretend that this is all in the past and our public schools are now a model of fairness and equality.

Not in the real world. Not where students are still tracked into or away from Advanced Placement courses based on factors that, if we were honest, might include race and ethnicity. Not where parents take for granted that some schools are better than others based on the racial and ethnic composition of the student body. Not where, I've been told by inner-city school superintendents, aging property owners bristle at having to pay taxes to educate a new crop of kids that bear little or no resemblance to the old crop.

Education Secretary Arne Duncan did not avoid talking about race — and for that matter, the equally touchy subject of class — in remarks he recently made to a group of state education chiefs. He was taking on critics of the national educational standards program known as Common Core, noting that they include "white suburban moms."

His point was that many critics of Common Core — and for that matter, other education reform measures that Duncan has been championing to increase accountability — tend to blame the thermometer for the fever. These efforts have exposed weaknesses in local schools, he said, and people aren't happy about what they see. Moreover, Duncan implied that — if the illness were limited to another part of town — it's likely that some of these critics would not have cared enough to raise a fuss.

"It's fascinating to me," Duncan told the state officials, "that some of the pushback is coming from, sort of, white suburban moms who — all of a sudden — their child isn't as brilliant as they thought they were and their school isn't quite as good as they thought they were, and that's pretty scary. You've bet your house and where you live and everything on, 'My child's going to be prepared.' That can be a punch in the gut."

For his candor, both liberals and conservatives alike are itching to punch Duncan. On the left, Randi Weingarten, president of the American Federation of Teachers, tweeted: "Arne — if u are reading — you shld walk this back ... very insensitive — and not right — moms care abt their kids!!" On the right, Rep. Steve Stockman, R-Texas, tweeted that Duncan "should be fired for dismissing #CommonCore critics as just white suburban moms with dumb kids."

Don't worry, Arne. It's not personal. Both camps are just pushing their agendas. Liberals are upset because Duncan sounds like he's working for the Bush administration, which was always demanding more from schools and catching flak for it from teachers unions and other special interests. Meanwhile, conservatives equate Common Core, and any national test or agreed-upon curriculum, as part of a power grab by the federal government, and get squeamish whenever race or ethnicity is invoked — unless, of course, they're doing the invoking.

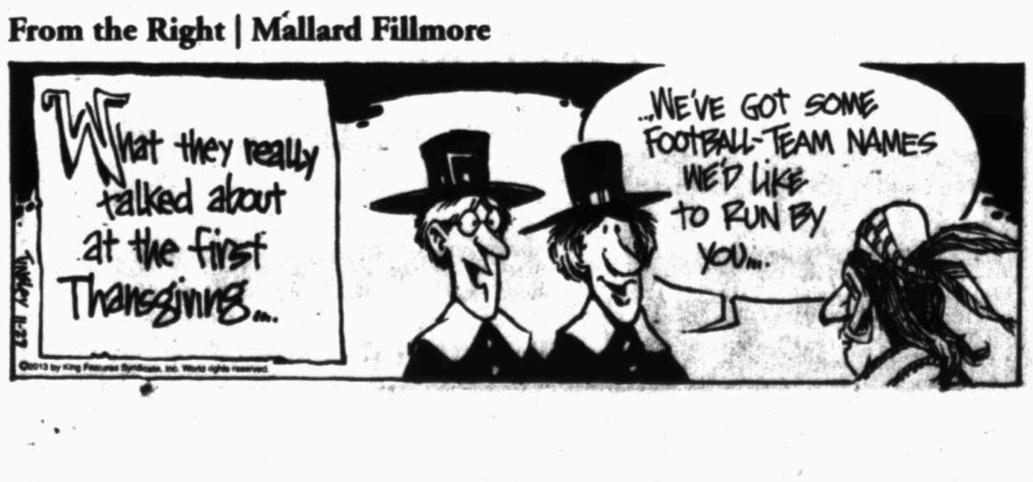
Yet what fascinates me is that anyone could think what Duncan said was the least bit controversial. It's all about assumptions. Many parents assume that their kids are brilliant, and that all they have to do is place them in a school where they'll be surrounded by other brilliant kids and they'll be fine. Homeowners assume that buying an expensive home in a pricey neighborhood automatically means that it comes with an exceptional school district. And, finally, whole communities assume that — when things go wrong, and schools fail — the damage can be contained to the other side of the tracks or the town next door. All of these assumptions are wrong.

At the risk of being unpopular, someone has to say so. Duncan did. And for it, he deserves high marks.

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Health law's Spanish sign-up tools delayed

Associated Press

CHICAGO — Add one more delay to the list for the rollout of President Barack Obama's health care law. This time, it's a postponement of the launch of online enrollment tools in Spanish.

The Spanish version of HealthCare.gov now provides basic information, but still doesn't allow users to apply for insurance coverage online. U.S. Health and Human Services spokeswoman Joanne Peters told The Associated Press on Tuesday the administration plans a quiet launch of the Spanish enrollment tools in early December without much advertising.

That leaves Spanish speakers getting help by phone from bilingual call center operators or in person from bilingual enrollment counselors while they wait for an online option. An estimated 10.2 million uninsured Latinos may be eligible for coverage through the marketplace. Most of them speak English or are bilingual, but 3.7 million rely on Spanish.

As recently as last week, the administration had told journalists the Spanish sign-up tools would be ready by the end of November. Hispanic groups had heard the same thing.

Those groups have shouldered much of the burden of answering questions from Spanish speakers, hiring additional staff to answer phones and taking calls on Spanish language radio shows.

"We want the English language Web page to be up and running and to be successful. Once we have that, then we want the Spanish language one to be up and running," said Jane Delgado, of the National Alliance for Hispanic Health. "People are frustrated when they can't complete enrollment."

But the administration was worried that launching the Spanish sign-ups would make the problems with the troubled HealthCare.gov website worse. The administration has pledged to get the site working for the vast majority of users by the end of this month. The December launch will allow Hispanic groups to give their thoughts on how the Spanish tools are working.

"We think it's important to engage with key stakeholders and organizations in this process and get their feedback," Peters, the HHS spokeswoman, said. After the Spanish enrollment tools launch and Hispanic groups provide feedback, "We will ramp up our promotional efforts to drive Spanish speakers to CuidadoDeSalud.gov," the Spanish version of HealthCare.gov.

Enrollment in the new health insurance marketplace is open until March 31. People who sign up by Dec. 23 can get coverage that starts on Jan. 1.

"We still think it's an urgent issue that Latinos be enrolled. We are confronted with the fact that there are not the types of Spanish-language tools that would have facilitated that process," said Jennifer Ng'andu, of the National Council of La Raza, a Latino advocacy group. "That makes it even more crucial for the bilingual assisters to be a part of this process and to be a central part of the strategy."

In Chicago, Luvia Quinones, of the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights, said Spanish speakers need in-person help from bilingual enrollment counselors more than a website in Spanish.

"They don't need the Spanish version to be up and running," Quinones said. It's more important, she said, that they are able to sit side by side with someone who can answer their questions in Spanish and help them enroll.

Supreme Court will take up new health law dispute

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court agreed Tuesday to referee another dispute over President Barack Obama's health care law: whether businesses can use religious objections to escape a requirement to cover birth control for employees.

The justices said they will take up an issue that has divided the lower courts in the face of about 40 lawsuits from for-profit companies asking to be spared from having to cover some or all forms of contraception.

The Obama administration promotes the law's provision of a range of preventive care, free of charge, as a key benefit of the health care overhaul. Contraception is included in the package of cost-free benefits, which opponents said is an attack on the religious freedom of employers.

The court will consider two cases. One involves Hobby Lobby Inc., an Oklahoma City-based arts and crafts chain with 13,000 full-time employees. Hobby Lobby won in the lower courts.

The other case is an appeal from Conestoga Wood Specialties Corp., a Pennsylvania company that employs 950 people in making wood cabinets. Lower courts rejected the company's claims.

The court said the cases will be combined for arguments, probably in late March. A decision should come by late June.

The cases center on the provision of the law that requires most employers that offer health insurance to their workers to provide the range of preventive health benefits. In both instances, the Christian families that own the companies say that insuring some forms of contraception violates their religious beliefs.

The key issue is whether profit-making corporations may assert religious beliefs under the 1993 Religious Freedom Restoration Act or the First Amendment provision guaranteeing Americans the right to believe and worship as they choose.

Obama, Senate spar over new sanction threats

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — An agreement secured with its greatest global foe, the Obama administration pleaded Tuesday with a more familiar if often difficult negotiating partner not to scuttle last weekend's Iran nuclear deal: Congress.

Secretary of State John Kerry delivered a video message to legislators as he urged that they not introduce new economic measures against Iran at a time the U.S. and fellow world powers are withdrawing some sanctions in exchange for the Iranians curtailing their nuclear program.

Kerry asserted that now is the time to get to work on a final agreement that removes any suspicion that Iran is trying to produce nuclear weapons.

Although Kerry was reaching out personally to key senators, Democrats and Republicans appeared determined to increase the pressure on Tehran. Many in Congress are skeptical, if not outright hostile, to the deal reached in Geneva. Two key senators already are at work on legislation to reinstate the full force of sanctions and impose new ones if Iran doesn't make good on its pledge to roll back its nuclear program.



AP file photo

Key Democratic and Republican senators are crafting legislation to reinstate the full force of Iran sanctions and impose new ones if Tehran doesn't make good on its pledge to roll back its nuclear program. Sen. Mark Kirk, seen here at a hearing in January on Capitol Hill, and Sen. Bob Menendez hope to have the bill ready for other lawmakers to consider when the Senate returns Dec. 9 from its two-week recess, according to legislative aides.

"The American people need an insurance policy to prevent a rerun of North Korea," said Sen. Mark Kirk, R-Ill., who is crafting a bill alongside Sen. Bob Menendez, D-N.J. Critics of the accord reached in Geneva believe it could allow Iran to trick international monitors while it assembles an atomic weapons arsenal, similar to North Korea last decade.

Iran sanctions evoke great passion in Washington. Although Obama sees the economic pressure as the key motivation for bringing Iran's new moderate President Hassan Rouhani to the negotiating table, pulling them back is the administration's only real carrot for securing nuclear concessions.

Menendez and Kirk hope to have their bill ready for other lawmakers to consider when the Senate returns Dec. 9 from its two-week recess, according to legislative aides.

The measure would require the administration to certify every 30 days that Iran is adhering to the terms of the six-month interim agreement and that it hasn't been involved in any act of terrorism against the United States.

Without that certification, sanctions worth more than $1 billion a month would be re-imposed and new sanctions would be added. The new penalties would include bans on investing in Iran's engineering, mining and construction industries and a global boycott of Iranian oil by 2015. Foreign companies and banks violating the sanctions would be barred from doing business in the United States.

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Special education consultant to speak with parents, educators

By Meredith Moriak
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Rick Lavoie has spent more than 40 years working with special needs children and will visit Hillcrest School Dec. 2 to share information with parents, teachers and therapists.

There will be two sessions. The morning session, from 10 a.m. to noon, is geared toward teachers and will help them understand which strategies do and do not work with special needs children.

"Teachers understand that kids with special needs learn how to read, write, spell and do math in a different way," Lavoie said. "The behavioral strategies that work for the majority of students don't always work for special needs (students). Punishing them for poor behavior and rewarding them for good behavior doesn't tend to work ..."

The cost for attending the morning session, "Strategies That Don't Work with Struggling Learners ... and Some That Do," is $25 per person. And though it is designed for teachers, content is applicable to parents, administrators and therapists.

The evening discussion, set for 6:30-8:30 p.m., will focus on the role parents play in motivating their students.

"Some things as simple as assigning a kid chores at home will instill a work ethic in a child that they can translate to the classroom," Lavoie said. "It's a school's job to teach kids how to learn and a parent's job to teach them how to work."

Lavoie recommends that parents start small and have their child master one or two small skills before expecting more from them.

"All successful people have a good work ethic and if we can teach parents how to teach that and motivate their kids at home in a positive way, it will translate to school," Lavoie said.

He will also discuss how parents can help their children with homework, something that often causes tremendous pressure in families.

Lavoie, who decided to spend his career working with special-needs children after growing up with a cousin with special needs, said he will also discuss the concept of fairness.

"Fairness doesn't mean we treat everyone the same; it means we give each person what they need," Lavoie said. "Fair does not mean equal. We need to give everyone what they need."

The evening event is free and open to the public, but reservations are required. To register for Lavoie's events, contact Hillcrest School at 570-7444 or hillcrest@hillcrestschool.org.

To learn more about Lavoie, visit www.ricklavoie.com.



BELOW
Hillander School second-graders dress as Indians Nov. 18 for a Thanksgiving meal.

RIGHT
Hillander School second-graders pose for a picture as they dress like Indians for a Thanksgiving meal.

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GIVING THANKS





Meredith Moriak/Reporter-Telegram

Pease Communication and Technology Academy sixth-graders Zoey Evans, left, and Erica Gomez wrote a newspaper article about the implementation of LearnPads at the school.

LearnPads give students new learning avenues

Editor's note: The following article was written by Pease Communication and Technology Academy sixth-graders Erica Gomez and Zoey Evans. All sixth-grade students wrote articles in communications lab following education reporter Meredith Moriak's lecture on newspaper writing. Principal Holly Roberts and Assistant Principal Gabriel Salgado selected the best article for publication in the Reporter-Telegram.

By Erica Gomez and Zoey Evans

The LearnPads have arrived at Pease Communication and Technology Academy and they are awesome. Pease is Midland ISD's communication and technology school for kindergarten through sixth-grade students, and we are all so excited.

LearnPads are Android-based tablets similar to iPads. Teachers are able to load daily lessons and applications to help us learn. They really come in handy. For ex

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Teachers experience wide range of emotions regarding students

AMBER KELLY-ANDERSON
Howard College assistant professor



The best way of uncovering what's going on with my college students is to arrive about 10 minutes before class, and keep my ears open and my mouth shut. During the countdown to phones away and books out, I busy myself prepping for class, not so much eavesdropping as listening for key things.

For example, I can usually get a feel for which readings they enjoyed or detested, what parts of assignments are confusing, or where they are getting stuck on a particular concept. They confess these things to each other, but won't bring them up later when I call for questions. Thus, it helps me identify things to tackle during class. During this time I also learn similar things about other classes on campus. Rarely do I interject into the conversations without being invited — I don't want to intrude. My one exception is when I hear, as I sometimes do, "Well, Professor Z just hates me."

"Why do you think Professor Z hates you?" I'll ask.

"He just does. I can feel it," the student responds.

"Did you key his car? Run over his dog? Tell him he has ugly children?" I ask. (Thankfully the answer to these questions is always "No.")

"Then he doesn't hate you," I say.

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NATALIE HAWKS
Burnet Elementary teacher



Take time to thank military member for their sacrifice

I love Thanksgiving. It really is my favorite holiday. To be honest, when I realized this article would run the day before Thanksgiving I got all warm and fuzzy inside.

Oh, the possibilities were endless. But, then again, maybe they were a little too endless. I was stuck. Forget writer's block. I ran into the writer's brick wall. My brain was swirling with all the possibilities until right before the deadline to submit this piece. Inspiration came (as is usually the case) from one of my students. You see, he is amazing. There is

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EDUCATIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MICHIGAN

College to provide hotel for student during break

GRAND RAPIDS — Aquinas College plans to provide a hotel room for a student who wouldn't have had a place to stay when its campus closes for the holiday break.

The Catholic liberal arts school also said it wants to further discuss the issue of homelessness among college students and put policies in place so students without anywhere to go have future options, The Grand Rapids Press reported.

"I think our awareness of the needs of homeless students has been increased," said Aquinas Provost Chad Gunnoe. I believe we can work "with community members and local and national organizations to try to come up with a sustainable solution for the future."

The Grand Rapids school's response comes after Aquinas senior Jessie McCormick created a petition on the change.org website asking school administrators to provide on-campus housing during holiday break for students without a permanent residence.

McCormick, who lives in student housing, became homeless as a teenager and was homeless as she finished high school and started at Aquinas. She has no home aside from her student housing.

"I look forward to working with the college to secure safe and stable housing for those who are in need over Christmas break," McCormick said.

The 21-year-old said she knows of nine other students who need housing, and the school said it will offer them assistance if they step forward.

"Each person will come with a different set of needs and desires," said Meg Derrer, Aquinas' associate vice president of marketing and communications. "We'll work with each one of them individually to find the most appropriate housing for them."

Aquinas plans to begin exploring what long-term solutions are available for housing homeless students on campus during future holiday breaks, such as keeping one dorm or campus apartment open. Student housing is available during fall and spring breaks.

PHOENIX

US education officials: Arizona an at-risk state

The U.S. Department of Education says Arizona is a high-risk state for failing to meet various Elementary and Secondary Education Act flexibility requirements.

Federal officials notified state Superintendent of Public Instruction John Huppenthal by letter Tuesday.

In July, Arizona officials requested to extend approval of its ESEA flexibility request through the end of the 2013-14 school year.

Federal education officials said Arizona's revised guidelines for teacher and principal evaluation and support system don't meet flexibility requirements. They've asked Arizona education officials to submit another plan within 60 days.

Many states applied to be freed from the most strenuous requirements of the No Child Left Behind law that expired in 2007.

The Obama administration is allowing states that promise to improve how they prepare and evaluate students to get a waiver.

KENTUCKY

Girls school ads knock fairy tale life

LOUISVILLE — A local ad campaign by a Catholic high school for girls in Kentucky is generating nationwide buzz with the message that young women don't need to find Prince Charming to live happily ever after.

Mercy Academy's principal, Amy Elstone, said the billboard campaign used pointed wording such as "You're Not a Princess" and "Life's Not a Fairy Tale" to highlight the private school's emphasis on critical thinking.

The posters popped up recently at a few bus stops and billboards around the city, but the message has drawn wider attention with the suggestion that what girls need to live a fairy tale life is their own minds. The girl-power theme attracted the attention of NBC's "Today" and other national outlets, and the school said it has been a smashing success.

"We just want to teach our girls that they write their story, not society, not popular culture, and we try to empower them to do that," Elstone said. The print ads were introduced during a season when eighth-grade students are making decisions about high school, and Mercy, which is an all-girls school, wanted an unconventional message as part of its marketing, she said.

"We feel like we have a unique approach to education and real-life learning, and we were struggling with a way to articulate that," she said. The school, which is affiliated with the Catholic Sisters of Mercy, has about 550 students and a $10,000 annual tuition. The school is run by a lay board of directors.

The ads are simple in composition, with a gray background decorated by well-known fairy tale symbols, like magic wands and slippers. One of the ads has a faceless prince, with the message, "Don't Wait for a Prince ... Be Able to Rescue Yourself."

"It's exactly what girls need to hear," said David Vawter, chief creative officer at Doe Anderson, the firm that designed the campaign. Vawter said Mercy was initially concerned that the message would be seen as negative, but school officials decided to embrace its edginess.

"It's a metaphor for saying you need to prepare for real life," he said.

OHIO

Fired teacher asks court to reconsider ruling

COLUMBUS — A public school science instructor who refused to remove religious materials from his classroom is asking the Ohio Supreme Court to reconsider its decision upholding his dismissal.

Attorneys for John Freshwater said the court wrongly interpreted his attempts to deal with what they call vague requests from administrators with flat-out insubordination.

The attorneys asked the court Tuesday to reconsider its decision to address what they call erroneous conclusions.

A divided court ruled last week the Mount Vernon school district had grounds to fire Freshwater in 2011 for insubordination for keeping religious books and a poster of a praying president.

The court also concluded the district infringed on Freshwater's First Amendment rights by ordering the removal of his personal Bible from his desk.

NEW JERSEY

Immigrant tuition bill will go to Christie 'as is'

TRENTON — The New Jersey Legislature plans to send Gov. Chris Christie an immigrant tuition bill without amending it to reflect the changes he wants.

Christie said Monday he would not sign the bill that passed the Senate because its benefits are too generous. He said the measure contains a loophole that could make New Jersey a magnet for students who are in the country illegally and seeking a more affordable college education.

Advocates for tuition equity called Christie's objections "nonsensical," and said the governor was flip-flopping on a promise since the bill had not changed since he pledged his support while campaigning for re-election.

Obituaries

Juana Marie Gay Galloway

Juana Marie Gay Galloway passed away on Sunday, November 24, 2013 in Midland, Texas. She was born on her grandparent's farm in Hopkins County, Sulphur Springs, Texas, November 27, 1926 to John Coyle Gay and Dessie Mildred Jordan Gay. Juana lived in several West Texas and New Mexico towns while growing up. She graduated from Ozona High School in 1944.

Mama met our Dad, Wilbur Davis Galloway, while living in Iraan, TX and they married November 22, 1958. Married to a geologist and accustomed to a nomadic way of life, they soon transferred their young family to Ft. Stockton, Monahans and finally settled in Midland, Texas in 1967. While Daddy spent many days away from home often "babysitting the rig", Mama kept their home and children in order.

Mama is predeceased by her father, mother, and our Dad. She is survived by daughter, Glenda G. Galloway; son Tommy C. Galloway and wife Jennifer; grandchildren, Brian and Courtney Fairchild; Meghann and Chris Poe, all of Midland, Texas and Davilla M. Riddle of Hawaii; great-grandchildren, Brooklyn and Brinklee Fairchild of Midland.

Mama spent forty plus years loving and caring for her parents until their deaths and then caring for Daddy during his illness. Mama was a ferocious reader and enjoyed her time escaping into her historical novels, especially interested in English and Scottish history. We grew up in a home full of books and she passed on her love of reading to both of her children. Mama was an excellent seamstress and would spend hours sewing clothes for her family and herself. If she wasn't at her sewing machine, she had a piece of handwork in her lap. She enjoyed crocheting and knitting caps for children battling cancer. She also would handpiece quilts for sick children in the hospital.

Mama was a reserved, quiet servant of the Lord. Her family came first and she always placed their needs above hers. She gave her time and talents in ways that brought her much joy. We rejoice in the faith that she is reunited with her Lord and family in Heaven.

Her family would like to extend their love and appreciation to three special people; Amy and Jessica Rios; and her loving caregiver and companion, Monica. We could not have cared for our mother without your expertise and guidance, but most importantly, the love and friendship you gave to Mama. She loved you.

Services for Juana will be held on Wednesday, November 27, 2013 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Lone Star Sanctuary for homeless animals or Hospice of Midland. On line condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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L. Brent Watson

L. Brent Watson, a respected independent Geologist and resident of Midland, Texas for over 45 years died on November 17, 2013 in Frisco, Texas following a ten year battle with Parkinson's disease.

A memorial service in Midland, Texas will take place at Grace Presbyterian Church, 2801 N Garfield St, on Friday, November 29, 2013 at 2:00 pm, with Reverend Cheryl Homsher, officiating, following a private family graveside service at Resthaven Memorial Park.

In addition to his wife of 54 years, Sara Spector Watson, Brent is survived by his daughters, Libby Crowley and her husband, Kent and Kari Bramer Hatfield and her husband, Chris. Five grandchildren, Neil Allen Crowley, Samuel Watson Crowley, Michael Brent Bramer, Meredith Marie Bramer, and Matthew Robert Bramer. He is also survived by brother-in-law, Dyson Campbell and brother-in-law, William Skoog and son-in-law Rob Bramer.

Memorials may be directed to the Down Syndrome Guild of Dallas, PO Box 821174, Dallas, Texas 75382-1174 or the Midland Community Children's Clinic, PO Box 3328, Midland, Texas 79702.

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



Manuel V. Romero

Manuel V. Romero, 86 of Midland, went home to be with his Heavenly Father on November 23, 2013 at Midland Memorial Hospital. He was born on June 30, 1927 in Balmorhea, Texas to the late Alberto and Timotea Romero.

Manuel was raised in El Barranco, Chihuahua Mexico; later moving to the United States where he entered the Armed Forces. He served in the Army and the Korean War. After his discharge, he moved to Midland.

Manuel married the late Alicia Montanez and they had a beautiful fruitful life together. Upon her death, he married Aurora Saenz and continued his beautiful life.

Manuel liked to tinker with cars and loved being a mechanic. When he was younger he would go hunting and enjoyed watching western movies. He was also a fan of wrestling. Manuel finished his life with his companion Leonor playing domino's and cards with family and friends.

Manuel was preceded in death by his parents; his sons, Manuel Romero Jr and Benjamin Romero and his sisters, Marcela Rivas and Gonzala Mendoza. He is survived by his companion, Leonor Gallegos of Midland; sons, Ruben Romero, Ismael Romero, and Ramon Quintana all of Midland; daughters, Elfida Ronquillo of Santa Elena, Chihuahua MX, Grace R. Ramirez of Midland, Oralia Oropeza of Greenville, TX, Sylvia Romero of Commerce, TX, Estela Ramirez of Midland, Alicia Mena of Midland, Ida Romero of Kyle, TX and Yolanda Costillo of Midland. He is also survived by his sisters, Paula Tejerina of Midland and Patricia Romero of Lansing, Michigan; his brothers, Fermin Romero, Isa Romero, Domingo Romero and Jose Romero all of Midland; thirty-five grandchildren, fifty-eight great grandchildren, thirty-five great-great grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

A funeral mass is set for today at 1:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Fairview Cemetery

Funeral mass is entrusted to the direction of Heavenly Gate Funeral Home. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to: heavenlygate@suddenlinkmail.com

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Rumaldo Del Bosque

Rumaldo Del Bosque, 86, of Big Spring, died Monday, November 25, 2013 at Scenic Mountain Medical Center. Private family services will be held at a later date.

He was born February 7, 1927 in Rivera, TX to Michaela (Narajo) and Rosendo Del Bosque. He was a longtime resident of Howard County. He moved to Big Spring over 50 years ago from Levelland. He was a Catholic and a member of the Disabled American Veterans and the American Legion. He was a WWII Army Veteran serving in the 1st Lightening Division in Berlin, Germany. He worked for the Veterans Administration Medical Center before retiring after 35 years. He also raised livestock.

He is survived by two sons: Oscar Del Bosque of Big Spring and Olivar Del Bosque of Houston; three daughters: Odila Morales and husband Alfredo of Midland, Olga Riepe and husband Steve of Henderson, NV and Orelia Kliebenstein and husband John of Brownwood; six stepchildren Jo Ann Mendez and husband Marcos of Big Spring, David Rodriguez and wife Liz of Big Spring, Brenda Espinoza and husband Ray of Snyder, Louisa Edmondson and husband Nuner of Big Spring, Betty Rodriguez of Midland and Guadalupe Rodriguez of Big Spring; three brothers: Julio Del Bosque and wife Thelma of Kingsville, Gilbert Del Bosque and wife Lilly of Odessa and Rosendo Del Bosque of Odessa; many grandchildren and great grandchildren along with many nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by the mother of his children Esther Del Bosque in 2008; his wife: Lydia Del Bosque in 2009; one sister and four brothers.

Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Death Notices

Carolyn Sue Turnbow

Carolyn Sue (Janosek) Turnbow, 58 of Midland passed away Thursday, November 21, 2013 in Midland.

Funeral services will be on Wednesday, November 27, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

Carolyn is survived by her husband, Gerald L. Turnbow; son, Landon J. Turnbow and wife Andrea; son, Jacque N. Turnbow; daughter, Patricia L. (Turnbow) Howland and husband Wayne; eight grandchildren: Erin, Tyler, Cody, Eva, Sebastian, Ayshia, Kaira, and Ethan; 1 great-grandchild, Carter; brother, J.W. Janosek; sister, Marian Poe.

Karen Stava

Karen Stava, 59, of Monahans, passed away Tuesday, November 26, 2013.

Visitation will be held Sunday, December 1, 2013 from 5 - 8p.m. at Harkey Funeral Home in Monahans. Funeral services will be held Monday, December 2, 2013 at 2p.m. at First Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Monahans Memorial Cemetery.

Karen is survived by her husband of 35 years, Gerald Stava; son, David (Lori) Stava; daughter, Rachel (Jay) Schmidt; brother, Rolen Phillips; sisters, Pam Sisk and Kimberly Phillips; and five grandchildren, Sabrina, Ethan, Kai, Evan and Jaxon.

Martha Sue Conly

Sue Conly, 85, of Midland, Texas passed away November 24, 2013.

Services are pending with Ellis Funeral Home.

She is survived by her husband Albert "Bert" Conly and Son Bert Conly and wife Jean.

All Obituaries must be submitted by 3:30 P.M. prior to next publication day.

OTHERDEATH

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW YORK

Jazz drummer Chico Hamilton passes away at 92

Foresttstorn "Chico" Hamilton, an influential jazz drummer and bandleader who was an architect of the West Coast cool jazz style and was known for discovering young talent, has died. He was 92.

His publicist, April Thibeault, said Hamilton died Monday night of natural causes at his home in New York.

A National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Master who was saluted as a Living Jazz Legend by the Kennedy Center, Hamilton recorded more than 60 albums as a bandleader, beginning in the 1950s, and also appeared in and scored films.

He played into his 90s and recorded an album "Inquiring Minds" last month with his Euphoria ensemble scheduled for release in early 2014.

Some of the future jazz stars nurtured in his bands included guitarists Jim Hall, Gabor Szabo and Larry Coryell; saxophonists Eric Dolphy and Charles Lloyd; and bassist Ron Carter.

Born in 1921 in Los Angeles, Hamilton performed in a high school jazz band that included saxophonist Dexter Gordon, bassist Charles Mingus and other classmates destined to become jazz greats. He told jazz writer Marc Myers that he believed he acquired the name Chico because "I was always a small dude."

He worked as a sideman in the 1940s with Slim Gaillard, Lionel Hampton, Count Basie and others. He toured with singer Lena Horne from 1948-55, and between tours he did studio work and played with bands in Los Angeles.

That's where he hooked up with baritone saxophonist Gerry Mulligan in 1952. Hamilton's subtle, creative drum playing was a key component of Mulligan's groundbreaking pianoless quartet featuring trumpeter Chet Baker that was pivotal in the creation of the mellower, more lyrical West Coast cool jazz sound. Hamilton's understated, seductive approach to the drums contrasted with the driving, hard-bop style typified by East Coast drummer Art Blakey.

"I've always seen the drums as a melodic instrument, not a percussive one," Hamilton told Myers in 2009. "I developed a touch. It may not be as loud but it's mine."

Among those inspired by Hamilton was Rolling Stones drummer Charlie Watts, who as a teenager heard a recording by Mulligan's quartet.

"As it happened, Chico Hamilton was playing drums on the first record I bought," Watts said in a Los Angeles Times interview. "I can't really explain how the music made me feel. It was just something with the sound of the brushes. But I just fell in love with it."

In 1955, Hamilton began his career as a bandleader. He recorded his first album as a leader for the Pacific Jazz label in a trio with bassist George Duvivier and guitarist Howard Roberts that was noteworthy because all three musicians played as soloists rather than strictly as rhythm section players.

Later that year, he formed an unusually instrumented chamber jazz quintet — which included cellist Fred Katz, flutist Buddy Collette and guitarist Hall — that became one of the most influential West Coast jazz bands and gained national prominence.

The group — with flutist Paul Horn and guitarist John Pisano — made a cameo appearance in the 1957 Burt Lancaster-Tony Curtis film, "Sweet Smell of Success." Hamilton's band — with Dolphy on flute — gave a memorable performance in the 1960 Newport Jazz Festival documentary "Jazz on a Summer's Day." He later revamped the band's sound, replacing the cellist with a trombonist, to give it a bluesier, more hard-edged sound, recording albums for the Impulse, Columbia and Soul Jazz labels.

EDUCATIONBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Celebrations of Light festival set for Dec. 14

Midland ISD will host the 21st annual Celebrations of Light Storytelling Festival Dec. 13-14.

World-renowned storytellers will present educational and entertaining programs to children and adults. Featured storytellers are Donald Davis of Ocracoke Island, N.C.; Willy Claflin and Maynard Moose of San Francisco; Annalon Gilbreath of Lubbock; Bill Harley of Seekonk, Mass.; Barbara McBride-Smith of Tulsa, Okla.; Charlotte Blake Alston of Lansdowne, Pa.; Laura Pershin Raynor of Ann Arbor, Mich.; Antonio Rocha of Gray, Maine; and Sue Roseberry of Midland.

School-based educational storytelling programs for fourth-grade students will take place at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Dec. 13 in the Midland High School auditorium. Participating schools include Bowie, Bush, Carver, Crockett, Emerson, Greathouse, Henderson, Houston, Long, Pease, Rusk, Santa Rita, Scharbauer and South elementaries.

The community-based storytelling programs will take place at 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Dec. 14 at First United Methodist Church, 300 N. Main St. Admission is $5 for students, $10 for adults and $20 for families.

Visit www.makingmemoriesmidland.com for more information.

99.97 percent of MISD teachers considered 'highly qualified'

Following a personnel audit, Midland ISD has determined that 99.97 percent of teachers in the district are considered "highly qualified" under No Child Left Behind guidelines.

Annually, the Texas Education Agency requires all Texas schools to complete the No Child Left Behind Teacher Highly Qualified Report. The district's 2013-2014 teachers are required to meet state and federal guidelines to be considered "highly qualified."

The subject areas in which teachers are required to be highly qualified are math, science, English, social studies, foreign languages and fine arts.

Each teacher of these subjects must have at least a bachelor's degree, a state teaching certification and a demonstrated competency in the subject area. Additionally, teacher assistants in these areas must meet requirements to be considered "highly qualified."

"Even though Midland ISD did not reach the 100 percent mark for being ... highly qualified, the human resources staff is proud to be at 99.97 percent given the high number of about 400 teachers who were hired this school year," said Paul Hooper, MISD director of Certified Personnel.

OC to host career fair Dec. 3

ODESSA — Odessa College is planning a career fair 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Dec. 3 at the Saulsbury Center in the Electronics Technology Building.

Students and other job seekers will have the opportunity to meet with potential employers such as Odessa Police Department, the Permian Basin Workforce Board, Lubbock Police Department, Odessa Regional Medical Center, Oxy, Texas Department of Public Safety, Dixie Electric, Snelling and the U.S. Army.

For more information, contact Jennifer Myers at 432-335-6505 or jsmeyers@odessa.edu or Tracy Avery at 432-335-6765.

Nominations sought for new MISD elementary school

Midland ISD is seeking nominations for the name of the new elementary school planned for the Legends Park subdivision.

Residents may email suggested name, along with reasons for the nomination, to Superintendent Ryder Warren, ryder.warren@midlandisd.net.

The naming committee will review the nominations and make a recommendation. The board of trustees is expected to determine the school's name by the February 2014 meeting.

For more information, visit www.midlandisd.net/bond.

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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle	Last Man Standing	Modern Family	Super Fun Night	Nashville "I Fall to Pieces"		KMID News	(:35) J. Kimmel	Patton Oswalt, The 1975 (N)	(:35) News Nightline
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KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Mani Erlan	Jean-Claude	Update News	Dollars & Sense	Light of the Southwest				Dr. Rik Wadge	BAS Presents	Jean-Claude	Dr. William
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KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	PBS NewsHour		Nature "My Life as a Turkey"		Nature "An Original DUCKumentary"		Nature "The Private Life of Deer"		Charlie Rose (N)		BBC News	Tavis Smiley
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FLIX	340	65			165	(5:30) ★ My Father, ...		★ Adventures in Babysitting				(:45) ★ Legally Blonde 2: Red, White & Bl...			★ ★ 50 Pills Lou Taylor Pucci.		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(5:00) ★ Dark Shado...		Mike Tyson: Undisputed Truth		24/7		Boardwalk Empire		Bill Maher		Get On	Movie
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:00) ★ Entrapment		★ Toxic Hot Seat ('13, Doc/Dra)		★★★ The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey						(:20) Ja'mie	Movie
HBO5	304	70	16	102		(5:00) ★ War of the ...		The Sopranos		★ One Day ('11, Dra) Anne Hathaway.				★ Taken 2 Liam Neeson.			Movie
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(4:50) ★ Die Hard II: ...		S. Back	(:45)	★★ Life of Pi ('12, Fant) Suraj Sharma.				Guide	JumpOff	(:10) ★ Safe House	
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BET	58	26		40		106&P	Soul Man	Soul Man	Husbands	Scandal		Scandal		Game	Game	Wendy Williams	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Top Chef "Piggin' Out"		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Atlanta Social (N)		Styled to Rock		Atlanta Social	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	The Kudlow Report		Crime Inc.		Car	Car	American Greed		Mad Money		Car	Car
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	OutFront		A. Cooper 360		Piers Morgan Live		AC360 Later		OutFront		Piers Morgan Live	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		B Grylls: Escape (N)		To Be Announced		B Grylls "Mountains"	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	GoodLuck	★★★ Toy Story 3			ToyStory	ToyStory	Austin	GoodLuck	Wander	★ Full-Court Mirac...	
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	Count	NBA Basketball Miami Heat vs. Cleveland Cavaliers (L)					NCAA Basketball Maui Invitational (L)				SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	Score.	NCAA Basketball Maui Invitational (L)					NCAA Basketball NIT Season Tip-Off (L)		SportsC.		NFL Live (N)	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	Movie	★ Bon Voyage, Charlie Brown			★★★ A Boy Named Charlie Brown				The 700 Club		★ A Boy Named C...	
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FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Restaurant ...		Rest. "Soul Searching"		Stakeout (N)		Restaurant (N)		Rocks "Up in Smoke"		Restaurant Stakeout	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Big 12 Showcase	Cowboys Insider	Mavs Pre (L)	NBA Basketball Golden State Warriors vs. Dallas Mavericks Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)					Maveric-ks Live (L)	Honors Jerry	WPT Poker Borgata Open	
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HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	(5:00) ★ Window Wo...		★ Christmas Magic ('11, Dra) Lindy Booth.				★ The Christmas Ornament Kellie Martin.				★ The Three Gifts	
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Love It or List It		Property Brothers		Property Brothers		HouseH	House (N)	Property Brothers		Property Brothers	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		Bible Secrets		Bible Secrets		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(5:00) ★★ Diary of a Mad Black Woman		★★ Madea Goes to Jail (2009, Comedy) Derek Luke, Keshia Knight Pulliam, Tyler Perry.				★★ Madea's Family Reunion ('06, Com) Maya Angelou, Blair Underwood, Tyler Perry.				★★ Madea Goes to Jail Tyler Perry.	
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		All in With C. Hayes		Rachel Maddow	
NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live!	NHL Hockey Boston Bruins vs. Detroit Red Wings (L)					NHL Overtime (L)		NFL Turning Point		Coach's	NFLTP
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	★ Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs				F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	★★★ Transporter 2 Jason Statham.				★★ The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift				★★★ The Rundown			
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Witness "The Harpy"		Paranormal Witness		Para. Witness (N)		Haunted HWay (N)		Paranormal Witness		Haunted Highway	
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Conan		Holmes (N)	Conan
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TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Cheaps-kates	Cheapska-tes "Shelly"	Cheaps-kates	Cheaps-kates	Cheaps-kates	Cheaps-kates	Hoarding "My Teeth Are Lost in the Pile"		Cheaps-kates	Cheaps-kates	Hoarding "My Teeth Are Lost in the Pile"	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Castle "Reality Star Struck"		Castle "Target"		Castle "Hunt"		Castle "Scared to Death"		Hawaii Five-0 "Ike Maka"		The Mentalist "Red Is the New Black"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Griffith	A. Griffith	Griffith	Griffith	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Hot In	The Exes	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Chasing Ghosts"		NCIS "Berlin"		NCIS "Revenge"		NCIS "Double Blind"		NCIS "Damned If You Do"		NCIS "Extreme Prejudice"	
WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	America's Funniest Home Videos		Met Your Mother	Rules of Engage.	Rules of Engage.	Parks and Rec

College education can benefit an entire family



ESTHER CEPEDA
Washington Post Writers Group

CHICAGO — Want to boost the number of low-income Hispanic students who graduate from high school and go on to college? Then find a way to get their parents on board first.

I just watched "The Graduates," PBS' two-part special in English and Spanish on the many roots of the Latino high school dropout crisis. Of all the issues discussed, the one that seems most intractable is students' sense of responsibility to their struggling families.

As viewers follow six students through their final years of high school, the filmmaker Bernardo Ruiz touches on a systemic lack of learning resources for underprivileged students, society's low expectations for poor Hispanic students, the barriers that kids without legal status face, gang violence and teen pregnancy.

But it was the story of Chastity Salas — we meet her as a junior at Fannie Lou Hamer Freedom High School in the South Bronx — that illustrates a nearly universal barrier to low-income, first-generation college students: leaving an impoverished family behind in order to better yourself.

Chastity lived in a homeless shelter with her mother and three younger brothers. For her, school was a sanctuary. Teachers saw that she was a bright student and connected her to a program run by the New York Children's Aid Society.

"There was a time when she was seriously thinking about not going to college at all, turning 18, putting all the bills in her name and taking care of them — like really shouldering the entire responsibility of supporting her family," said Emily Task, the Student Success Center coordinator at the Children's Aid Society who was interviewed for the documentary. "She really said to me directly, 'College is not going to support my family. It's selfish and stupid and really not worth even thinking about.'"

In my own experience as a teacher and an active member of a community with a large population of Hispanic students living in poverty, I can't overstate how often I hear this from academically strong low-income students.

"What will happen to my family if I leave for college?" is a constant concern, especially those students from large, close-knit families where several generations live together under the same roof. Often it's the curse of the eldest sibling who has taken on a caregiving role in the family.

"Junior year, everyone's talking about college and things like that, and I was like, 'I don't want to hear it, because I have to focus on other stuff — my family is my priority, my family is everything,'" said Chastity, recalling how she felt before she got one-on-one help to navigate the college selection and application process.

Chastity's successful admission into college was inspirational, but how I wish the filmmakers would have delved more into how Chastity's mother — who herself had dropped out of high school in her junior year — and brothers eventually played into her decision to invest in herself.

Underscoring this much-needed attention to a family's influence on underprivileged students were the film's interspersed success stories. Claudio Sanchez, an NPR education correspondent, movingly explained his desire to start working after high school to support his struggling family. However, he knew his mother wouldn't have allowed it. So Sanchez went on to college.

Unfortunately, not all parents feel this way.

Increasingly, programs that help get underrepresented youth into college require parents to commit to financing a tiny portion of schooling costs before a student is accepted. Without a family's upfront promise to send their child to college, too high a percentage of students get all the way through a program and then turn down scholarships and opportunities in order to stay home and work.

Parents, especially those who have completed less than 12 years of schooling, don't always instinctively understand the long-term benefits of letting their kids pursue a college degree — especially in a time of scary news stories about student loan debt and high recent-grad unemployment.

Students need to be informed about the many ways they can eventually help their families by getting an education. For instance, Nicholas Salas, one of Chastity's brothers, noted that she is "very motivating. She's actually one thing that keeps me in school."

And just as important: Teaching parents that such an investment can lift an entire family.

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LEVEL

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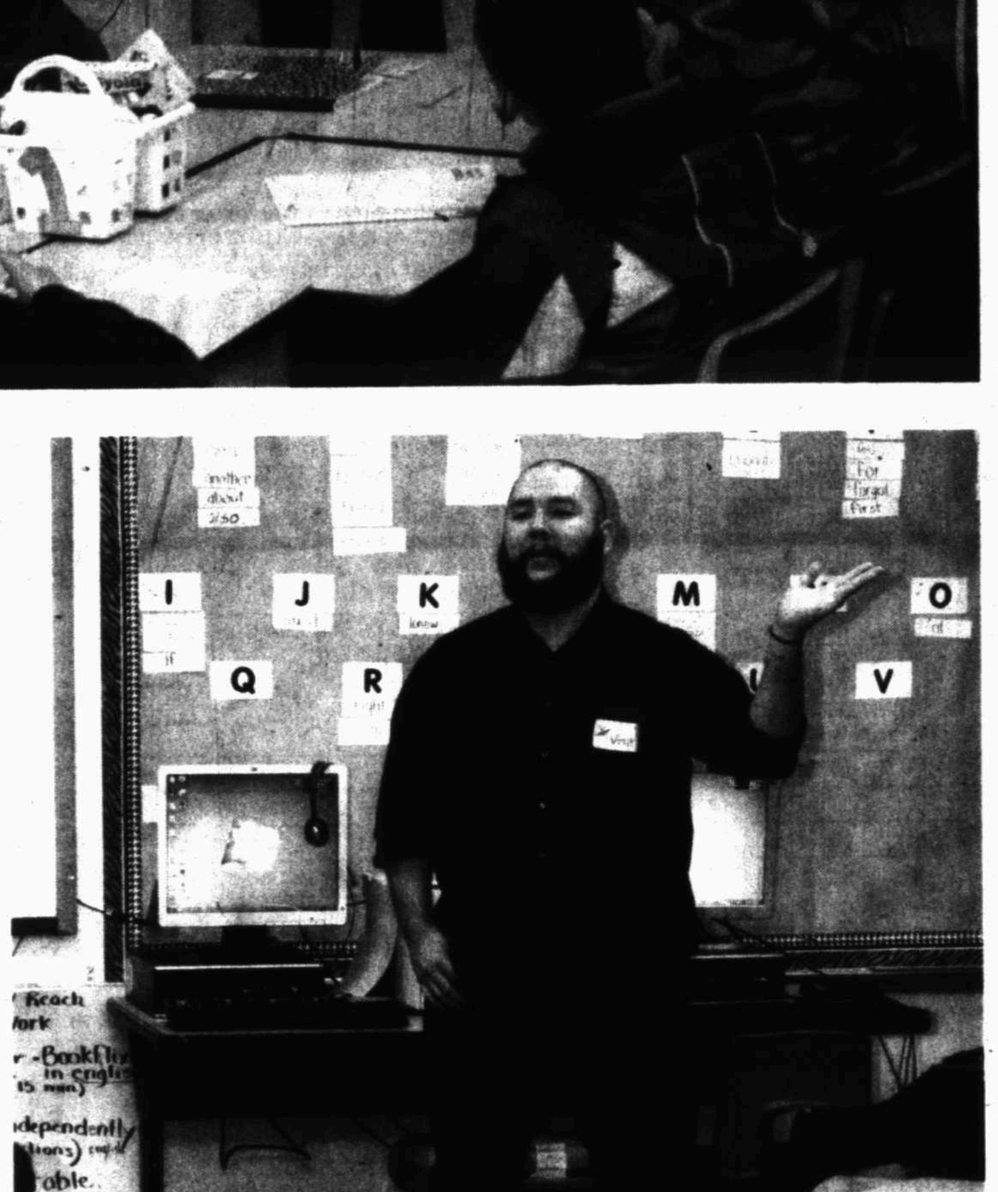
Yesterday's Answer: RANCID, CANYON, DEPICT, CHOSEN

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CAREER DAY



ABOVE
Midland College Athletic Director Forrest Allen speaks to students at South Elementary Tuesday morning as part of Career Day.

RIGHT
Professional photographer Rafael Aguilera speaks to students at South Elementary Tuesday morning as part of Career Day.

Photos by Tim Fischer

Career Day inspires students to dream big for the future

South Elementary School students learned about everything from scientific inventions to running a library Tuesday during the school's annual career day.

"The day is both an educational and inspirational opportunity for students," said counselor David Cook, who organized the event.

More than 15 community members were scheduled to participate in Tuesday morning's event that was meant to inspire students before they left for Thanksgiving.

Planned presenters

- Rafael Aguilera, photographer
- Forrest Allen, Midland College athletic director
- Gerardo Arzate and Rodrigo Giacinti, directors of a health and rehabilitation program
- Nic Barrera, Midland Reporter-Telegram vice president of sales
- Hal Combs, The Petroleum Museum facilities director
- Albert Flores, four-time Grammy winning percussionist
- Sean Holcomb, former NFL player for the New England Patriots
- Joe James, business owner
- Victor Lopez, NewsWest 9 anchor
- Midland Police Department representatives
- Fred Newman, scientist and inventor
- Brian Smith, Midland RockHounds director of public relations
- John Trischitti, Midland County Public Library director
- Ben Wall, Unlock Ministries executive director
- Liz Zenteno, MC Cogdell Learning Center associate director

LEARNING

From 1B

ample, the students can do their homework even when they are sick. Students can go at the speed they need to complete the lesson. Teachers can also upload and download activities that support the lesson for the day. The teachers can monitor the LearnPads everywhere they go. The good part for the teachers and the parents is that the kids will not have an excuse for losing their homework.

The LearnPads have a lot of handy gadgets and apps that help the student with problems on their homework, a test or a practice handout. The calculator apps help with math. The dictionary helps with language arts classes and the videos help the students review and understand the lessons.

"My favorite thing on them is that we get to watch videos that help us learn and understand what we're doing," said sixth-grader Thomas Davila.

Kindergarten teacher Robin Torres said all of her students love the LearnPads.

"They think that they are iPads. They're learning and they don't even know it," Torres said. "It keeps them learning in an entertaining way."

LearnPads are also beneficial when students are absent.

"They really help us catch up when we are absent, or when we miss out on a lesson," said sixth-grader Jinel Duran.

Teachers are able to load daily lessons by creating learning objects for each lesson. The students scan the quick response codes to get to the lessons. Every subject has a QR code and once the student scans the QR code it becomes a whole new cyber world.

"Seeing the kids excited about using them is my favorite part," said fifth-grade teacher Shelia Chambers.

From the teacher's point of view and from what we have heard, they are a good learning tool. The apps help them a lot with the lessons and help them learn what they need to in a fun way.

"Every student can do it on their own. They can explore on their own," said second-grade teacher Linda Clary, who guides and monitors her students as they work on their LearnPads.

Sixth-grade teacher Michelle Urias said the LearnPads are a modern way of education.

"Our students are so techy, why not put a LearnPad in their hand to enhance their learning," Urias said. "I think that not only does it engage their learning but it also helps with behavior. It is a win for the teachers and a win for the students."

Fourth-grader Tiana Jackson said the LearnPads are beneficial because she doesn't have to use paper and pencil.

That is another advantage — saving paper and not using as much as we used in the past years, for example, to print out assignments, homework, charts, passages and practice sheets.

Sooner or later there won't be any books, teachers, classrooms or anything that we have today. Everything will probably be taught by electronic devices, computers, tablets and many more things that we can't even imagine.

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Psalm 103:8
The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love.

HAWKS

From 1B

no other word to describe this kid. He's 110 percent all boy, not afraid to question anything, and he's tough as nails. I could go on and on but the most pertinent fact about this incredible kid and many kids like him is that he is the man of the house while his father is stationed in Afghanistan. He is the oldest of four boys, brothers who band together in times of need, especially when dad is deployed. He comes to school day in and day out usually with a smile on his face and his deep brown eyes sparkling with curiosity about the day's science lessons.

But last week, he looked ragged and exhausted. He was totally emotionally spent. I knew we would face difficult times together and I was armed with amazing quotes, inspirational thoughts, and patriotic sayings to make him feel less sad. (Totally didn't help by the way.) It turns out he had spent the previous day speaking to each grade level during their PE time about the upcoming Christmas for the Troops project at our school. He stood proudly in the gym for six different class periods holding a sign that called out his dad's name, and he talked about how his father is in the Army. What courage.

I could sit here and write about how thankful I am for my God, my family and my career. Or I could write about how Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks for the bounty of blessings we have received throughout the year. But I refuse to do that. This Thanksgiving as I sit around the table I won't be just thankful that the big football game is going to be on later, or that we will be having my grandmother's fabulous carrot cake for dessert. This Thanksgiving, I am thankful for sacrifice. Thousands of men and women like my student's father sacrifice their time and even their lives to protect our country we hold so dear. I am thankful for pride and courage because without that, my student could have crumbled under the pressures of his military parent's absence. I am thankful for pain and sadness because those feelings cause us to reflect and heal. And those feelings won't last forever because we are confident that his dad will return in June 2014.

But until then, we have "adopted" my student's father, as well as his fellow soldiers. We will be showering them with gifts from home this holiday season. If you would like to donate or contribute to our cause, please feel free to contact Burnet Elementary.

Please enjoy your Thanksgiving celebration, but do take time to thank a military member — past, present or future — for their willingness to serve and protect not just our country but our world. After all, my friends, that thank you embodies the true spirit of Thanksgiving.

Natalie Hawks is a fifth-grade science and social studies teacher at Burnet Elementary in Midland ISD.

ANDERSON

From 1B

And I'm right. The professor doesn't hate this or any student. None of us do. While I frown on generalizations, I don't believe it is out of turn to say most of my colleagues are like me: We have strong feelings about our students, none of which are hate. If we truly hated students, I can't fathom how we would do our job year after year. When I talk about Robert Frost's poem "Fire and Ice" in my literature class, the students and I talk about hate and what a strong, all-consuming emotion it is. Hating anyone is exhausting. Hating students and still teaching? No way.

Rather, we are hopeful our students will reach their potential. We are thrilled when they have breakthroughs and are over the moon when they succeed. We are inspired by their determination. We are humbled by their spirit. We root for them. We want it all for them.

But wanting them to win and teaching them to do it are two different things. Therefore, we are sometimes frustrated when they won't take our help, even though we offer it over and over. We wake up in the middle of the night worrying about them. We shake our heads, wondering how we can get through to them, picking through our brains for something we haven't thought of that might be the key to unlocking the subject for them. And we are disappointed when we sometimes realize that in the end, we want their success more than they do.

Disappointment is probably the worst part of teaching. Students who don't show up, either physically or mentally, are in the long run hurting themselves more than they are us. But our investment in them makes it hard for professors. When students cheat in my class, particularly students I have worked with extensively, it's a gut punch.

After one such incident, a student wrote me a long email apologizing, telling me it was nothing personal, that he hoped I didn't hate him. I understood why the cheating had happened — it was a mistake, made in the moment, without real thought to the consequences. Even though I did take it personally because I had taught this student for several different courses, I was disappointed, not angry. And I was nowhere close to hate.

In the end, our concern for our students and our ardent desire for their success colors our feelings toward them. A semester for me is a gauntlet of emotions, sometimes within the same day. Hope, fear, frustration, disappointment, weariness, elation, relief, glee — they all pass through my life at some point regarding my students.

Students may misread my strictness, formality and standards as dislike. Nothing could be further from the truth. I'm not one of those professors who friends students on Facebook or lets them call me by my first name. We won't hit the basketball court after class or hang out on Friday night. Instead I'll give them feedback, throw myself into giving them the best of myself and my subject, and help them as long as they are willing to help themselves. If I hated students, or was even indifferent, I wouldn't bother with all those things.

A former student once told me, after leaving my class, that she had never wanted so much for a teacher to like her until taking my class. I replied, "I always liked you. How hard you worked for me? That earned my respect."

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Wisconsin man works to improve school in Africa

By Patrick Anderson
Associated Press

LA CROSSE, Wis. — Jim Liska is always thinking of things to bring on his next trip to Tanzania. Could be a necklace for one of the neighbor kids. Could be technology and funding for the Tanzanian school Liska has helped transform during his annual three-month visits.

The 73-year-old retired Sparta educator has spent the past six years working to improve conditions at Korongoni Secondary School, near the foothills of Mount Kilimanjaro. Back in Wisconsin, he has built a strong support network, enlisting the Kiwanis Club of Sparta and the school district.

"This isn't my project," Liska said. "It's really a project of the Sparta community."

Liska joined Sparta public schools as a teacher in 1962 and didn't leave the district until 1998, when he retired as principal of Lawrence-Lawson Elementary School.

It has been 14 years since he left the district, but Sparta students still know his name. They know when they donate money to Liska's cause, they're paying for classroom materials and new buildings for students more than 8,000 miles away.

Helping Korongoni has become an important learning opportunity for Sparta students, said Sam Russ, Sparta High School principal. Organizing drives and fundraisers, Sparta students help contribute to the $12,000 to $14,000 Liska scrapes together each year for Korongoni.

"It really opens their eyes that we shouldn't take things for granted here," Russ told the La Crosse Tribune.

Liska has helped Korongoni grow from 90 students to nearly 800. The money he raises in Sparta pays for improvements and classroom necessities.

Donations went to eye exams when Liska noticed Korongoni students didn't wear glasses. Donations went to a water tank when well water and glacial runoff dried up and Korongoni suffered days of water shortages.

Donations went to a new kitchen, a new school entrance and new ceilings to give classrooms more privacy.

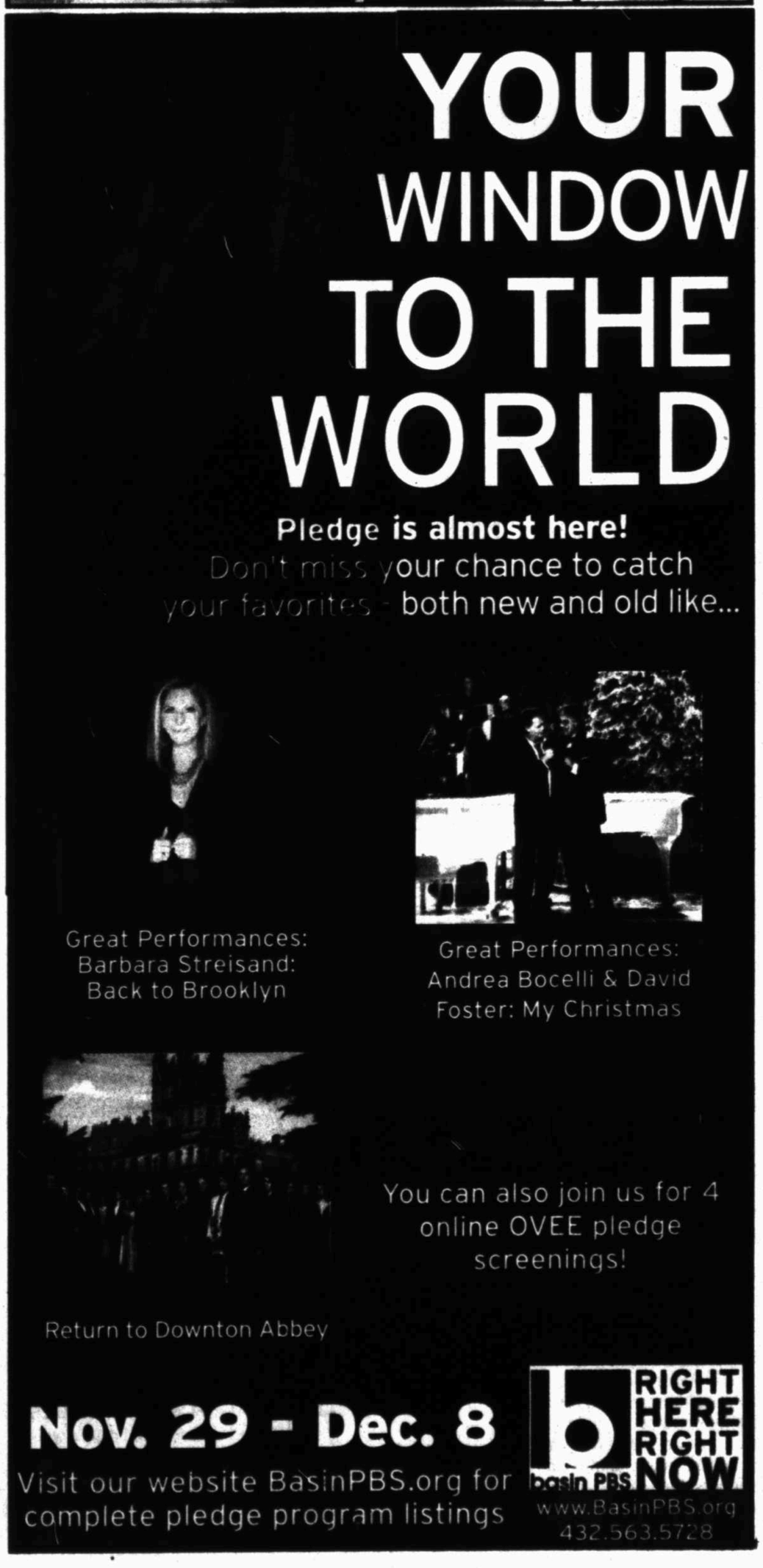
Liska leaves again for Tanzania on Jan. 9, but he already has plans for the money raised this year. He wants to give Korongoni a paint job.

Liska is a devoted volunteer at Korongoni, but he tries to distance himself from decision making. Not easy for a retired principal, Liska said, but he's not there to tell people how to teach. He wants school leaders and residents to have the freedom to make those kinds of choices."The decisions should not be made by me," Liska said.









HONORROLL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

A number of Midland Independent School District junior high students have been named to the "A" Honor Roll for the second six weeks

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Abell Junior High

Seventh grade

BRITNEY ARMENDARIZ
SATHVIK DEME
EMILY HILLMAN
ALEX NGUYEN
MILAN PATEL
FIORELLA RANGEL
IPPOLIT
MARISSA REED
AVRIE RYAN
TARA SHANNON
ERIN SPENCE
LAURA WERNER

Eighth grade

DYLAN BLASE
COURTNEY CALLOWAY
SHUBHRA DIMRI
TANNER ELLIS
ANDREA ESPINOZA
ALYSSA GARZA
MATTHEW HALL
BRIANNA HARTTER
KORY HOWELL
TYLER IRWIN
BRYCE JONES
REGAN LAWRENCE
ARELY LEYVA
PATRICK OKIMI
DILAN PATEL
NEIL PATEL
YVONNE RITTER
NICOLAS SHORES
COLBY STANDARD
ALEXANDER TELESCA
MARCEL THIO
AUREE THOMAS
ASHLEY ULATE
AUSTIN WILLIAMS

Alamo Junior High

Seventh grade

NOAH ALANIZ
SIERRA ANDERSON
EDITH ARANDA
DOMENIQUE ARREOLA
ORION BARRIENTES
JOCELYN BENT
JACELIN BERNAL
CAITLIN BLAKES
ESMERALDA BORUNDA
SIMONE BROWN
KAYLEA BUSBEE
ALFREDO CALZADA
CASSIDY CANTU
LILLIAN CARMAN
VALERIA CASTILLO
KAYLEE CHEEK
CRISTIAN COLUNGA-LUJAN
MAKENZIE COPELAND
BRYCE ELLINGTON
MEAGAN GARCIA
KADE GARNER
MAKAYLA GRAY
NOAH HARRISON
KAIRAH HENDRICKS
JUAN LUNA
DAEDRIAN MADRID
DOMINIK MANCHA
PAIGE MARTIN
NORMA MATA
ELIZABETH McRAE
DEBORAH MENDOZA
ANGELA MONROY
ZACHARY MORALES
MISTY MURRAY
JORGE ORTEGA
STARLIT PARGAS
ELSIE PINEDA
SERGIO REYES
JACOB RUIZ
ANAHI SANCHEZ
BRAYDEN SIMON
MATISON SMITH
NATHAN SMITH
GUADALUPE SUCHIL
LANE TANG
THAWNG THANG
VAN LILY THIHLUM
JACOB THOMAS
CRISTIAN VALERIANO

Eighth grade

MACKENZI ABBOTT
LUIS ARANDA
YSABEL AVILA
MELODY BARRAZA
KAITLYN CANTU
JEREMIAS CARRASCO
BIANCA CASTANEDA
ANNISTON ELVENA
BRENT FINNELL
BROOKLYNN FINNELL
CORMAC FISH
NATHAN FLETCHER
MARK GARCIA
MORIYAH GUTIERREZ
JOSHUA LINDNER
BRITTANY MADISON
ALVARO MARTINEZ
DAKOTA MEEKS
MEGAN MOORE
McKENAH PATEL
SAVANNAH PERALES
CRYSTAL RODRIGUEZ
EDEN ROMERO
OMAR RUIZ
INGRID RUIZ ANAYA
SHAYLEE WILLIAMS

Goddard Junior High

Seventh grade

MADISON ADAMS
DEVIN BARRERA
IRELAND BENNY
KANDUS BOX
CHLOE CALHOUN-RIVERA
CRISTAL CARRASCO
COLE CARRIGER
BAYLEN CRITES
DANIEL DELAO
TYLER DIRICKSON
LAUREN EDWARDS
WADE ELLIOTT
CATHERINE FABRO
TEMI FLOWERS
YARETZI GARCIA
LAYNIE GORDEN
VICTORIA GRAY
LINDA GUZMAN RAMIREZ
ROGER HAGUE
ALEXANDREA HONEYFIELD
AARON HOWELL
KAITLYN KENNEDY
JESSICA MELENDEZ
MELANIE MENDOZA
ZACKARY MORRIS
ALYSSA MUNOZ
BELINDA NORRICK
MADISON O'NEAL
MADISON OLIVAS
JOSHUA RAMOS
MIRANDA RUIZ
SHELBY SCHMIDT
EMMA SIMMONS
JACOB TRELA
ANNA VARK
ABEER WAHEED
SHERIDAN WALTHER
SARA WHEELESS

Eighth grade

EADEN ARRIOLA
CARLY BARKER
GABRIELLA BARRAZA
MERRICK BEACH
MIA BEJIL
ABIGAIL BUENDIA
ISSIAH BUSTILLOS
BRIGHTON BUTLER
DOMINIQUI CAROTHERS
COURTNEY CATES
ALYSSA COTTRELL
FAITH DE LA GARZA
SARAH DEHLINGER
CHRISTIAN DOAN
BRANDI FIELDS
MYCA FLOWERS
JENNA GADDY
ELENA GARZA
SIMON GLENN
BAILEY GOODRUM
AMAYA HINOJOS
CAMRYN JORDAN
ABIGAIL JUAREZ
KARISSA KIDDER
MELANIE LEE
ALAINA MARQUEZ
KIMBERLY MARQUEZ
JORDAN McDONALD
COREY NICHOLAS
DAILEY PARKER
KAITLYN PIPKIN
DAVID PURDY
LAUREN READY
REAGAN REAM
KINZIE ROEMER
CANTON SHERMAN
SAMUEL SPEIGHT
JAYCI STREUN
CLARENCE TAYLOR
LAUREL UTSMAN
ADRIANNE VIGIL
BRADEN VINES
KYLIE VONHOLLE
MATTHEW WILKINS
CHRISTINA YANEZ

San Jacinto Junior High

Seventh grade

BRITTON BOREN
CAMILLE COURTNEY
HAYLEY DE BIVAR BRANC
LOGAN ELLIS
MADELINE FLORES
LOGAN GLENN
ALYSSA HAMILTON
EMMA JOHNSON
LAURA KATOR
MACY KIDWELL
CALLAN LANCASTER
AIDEN LAURITZEN
ALEJANDRO LUMPKIN
MAKENZIE MOON
ALEXANDRA MOYLETT
GERRON NIEMANN
JACOB OCHOA
JACQUELINE OMALLEY
SEAN PORTER
AUSTIN PRICE
NASYA QUINTELA
WILLIAM RODRIGUEZ
ANDREW SANCHEZ
DYLAN WILLIAMS
SHAYLYN WISE

Eighth grade

MAKAYLEE CARTER
MAYA DUARTE
GENTRY FOREMAN
DAISY GONZALEZ
ALAYSHA GREEN
ROBERT HASKELL
SYDNEY HOBBS
LOGAN HOLMES
HUNTER INGRAM
CAITLIN LAURITZEN
BRANDON LOPEZ
WYATT MATOTT
JASMINE MCCALISTER
JOSEPH McCLAINE
COLLIN McCULLOUGH
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MICHAEL SANCHEZ
KHAIT SARAPAO
ZOE SEGURA
REAGAN SQUIRE
ALLISON STEWART
WEI JIN SUN
NOAH TINKER
MATTHEW TUBBS
ANH VO
DYLAN WADE
ELLEN WARREN
MOLLIE WRIGHT
COLBIE YORK

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Greenwood High School

Freshmen

Tami Bott
Kelley Cooper
Jiles Finch
Colby Karcher
Fabian Madrid
Paladin Mathes
Stephany Rivas
Aydan Rivera
Brady Robbins

Sophomores

Zena Bishop
Blake Cain
Madeline Campbell
Colton Good
Garrett Grafe
Brantley Griffin
Faustino Madrid
Allanson McCarty
Alexandra McConnell
Nicole Moss
Sarah Perkins
Anthony Ruiz
Jordan Shoults
Joshua Swopes
Traleese Tuala
Rylee Young

Juniors

Amanda Bell
Marissa Brewer
Jonathan Brookshire
Alyson Drennan
Bethany Earp
Sykler Gallentine
Breanna Hartley
Marcus Hernandez
Ethan Jones
James Killebrew
Jayden Lane
Caitlin Long
Justin McKinney
Keri Nguyen
Allison Smith
Austin Ulcak
Javier Vizcaino

Seniors

Brittani Beggs
Connor Brockman
William Bujnoch
Kevin Campbell
Sawyer Cobb
Brandon Cowan
Brandon Elliott
Jeffery Franklin
Kayla Galindo
Ashlea Gilliam
Anthony Madrid
Payden Merryman
Lauren Morgan
Briana Pando
Hannah Peine
Ashley Sullivan
Natalea Sunderland
Brandi Watkins

Kentucky girls school ads knock fairy tale life

By Dylan Lovan
Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — A local ad campaign by a Catholic high school for girls in Kentucky is generating nationwide buzz with the message that young women don't need to find Prince Charming to live happily ever after.

Mercy Academy's principal, Amy Elstone, said the billboard campaign used pointed wording such as "You're Not a Princess," and "Life's Not a Fairy Tale," to highlight the private school's emphasis on critical thinking.

The posters popped up recently at a few bus stops and billboards around the city, but the message has drawn wider attention with the suggestion that what girls need to live a fairy tale life is their own minds. The girl-power theme attracted the attention of NBC's "Today" and other national outlets, and the school said it has been a smashing success.

"We just want to teach our girls that they write their story, not society, not popular culture, and we try to empower them to do that," Elstone said. The print ads were introduced during a season when eighth-grade students are making decisions about high school, and Mercy, which is an all-girls school, wanted an unconventional message as part of its marketing, she said.

"We feel like we have a unique approach to education and real-life learning, and we were struggling with a way to articulate that," she said. The school, which is affiliated with the Catholic Sisters of Mercy, has about 550 students and a $10,000 annual tuition. The school is run by a lay board of directors.

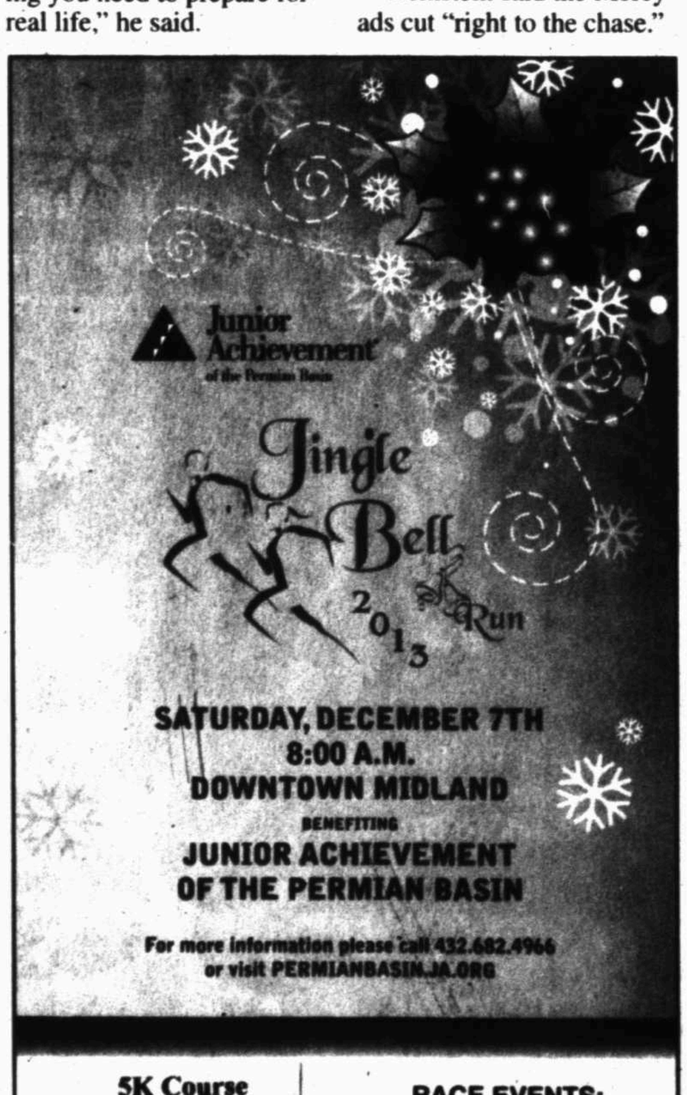
The ads are simple in composition, with a gray background decorated by well-known fairy tale symbols, like magic wands and slippers. One of the ads has a faceless prince, with the message, "Don't Wait for a Prince ... Be Able to Rescue Yourself."

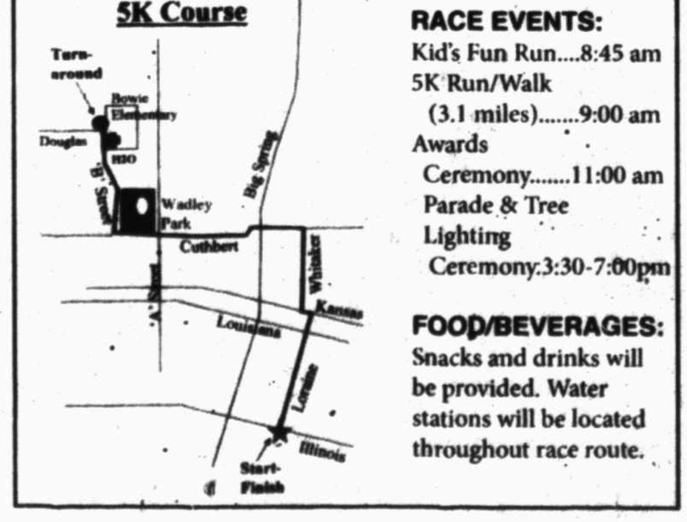
"It's exactly what girls need to hear," said David Vawter, chief creative officer at Doe Anderson, the firm that designed the campaign. Vawter said Mercy was initially concerned that the message would be seen as negative, but school officials decided to embrace its edginess.

"It's a metaphor for saying you need to prepare for real life," he said.

The ad campaign echoes a message that has become increasingly common, encouraging girls and women to live independently and question traditional gender roles. For instance, Facebook Chief Operating Officer Sheryl Sandberg's bestselling book, "Lean In," urges women to more aggressively pursue their career goals.

Weinstein said the Mercy ads cut "right to the chase."





RACE EVENTS:
Kid's Fun Run....8:45 am
5K Run/Walk (3.1 miles).....9:00 am
Awards Ceremony.....11:00 am
Parade & Tree Lighting Ceremony.3:30-7:00pm

FOOD/BEVERAGES:
Snacks and drinks will be provided. Water stations will be located throughout race route.

Attention Readers
In Observance Of The
Thanksgiving Holiday

The Midland Reporter-Telegram's Holiday Hours will be:
Wednesday, November 27th - 8am-3pm
Thursday, November 28th - CLOSED
Friday, November 29th - 8am-3pm

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CLASSIFIED WORD ADS

Publishing On:	Deadline is:	
Fri., November 29th	Wed., November 27th	3 PM
Sat., November 30th	Fri., November 29th	12 PM
Sun., December 1st	Fri., November 29th	12 PM
Mon., December 2nd	Fri., November 29th	12 PM

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Mon., December 2nd	Wed., November 27th	3 PM
Tues., December 3rd	Wed., November 27th	3 PM

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Tues., December 3rd	Wed., November 27th	3 PM

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TODAY: Sunny
High: 49
Low: 32

THURSDAY: Sunny
High: 58
Low: 32

FRIDAY: Sunny
High: 58
Low: 39

Local forecast

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 49 and calm winds becoming south around 5 mph in the afternoon. Tonight's forecast calls for partly cloudy conditions with a low around 32 and south winds around 5 mph. There will be patchy freezing fog before 9 a.m.

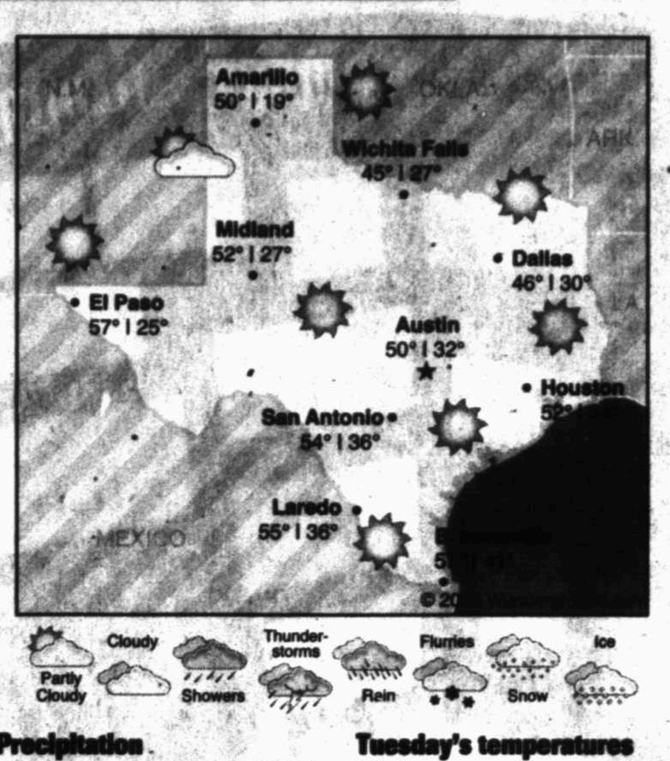
On Thanksgiving Day, look for sunny skies with a high around 58 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph. Expect mostly clear conditions at night, with a low around 32 and south winds around 5 mph.

Friday, the forecast calls for sunny skies during the day, mostly clear skies at night, with a high around 58 and a low around 39.

The high on Tuesday reached 49, while the low dropped to 32. The record high for Nov. 26 is 83 set in 1961, 1990 and 1995. The record low is 13 set in 1993.

National forecast

A major storm will focus over the Northeast today, while cold air blasts into the South and much of the balance of the nation is dry. In the Northeast, heavy rain will drench the coastal mid-Atlantic and central and southeastern New England. The rain is forecast to be heavy enough to cause flash flooding.



Precipitation

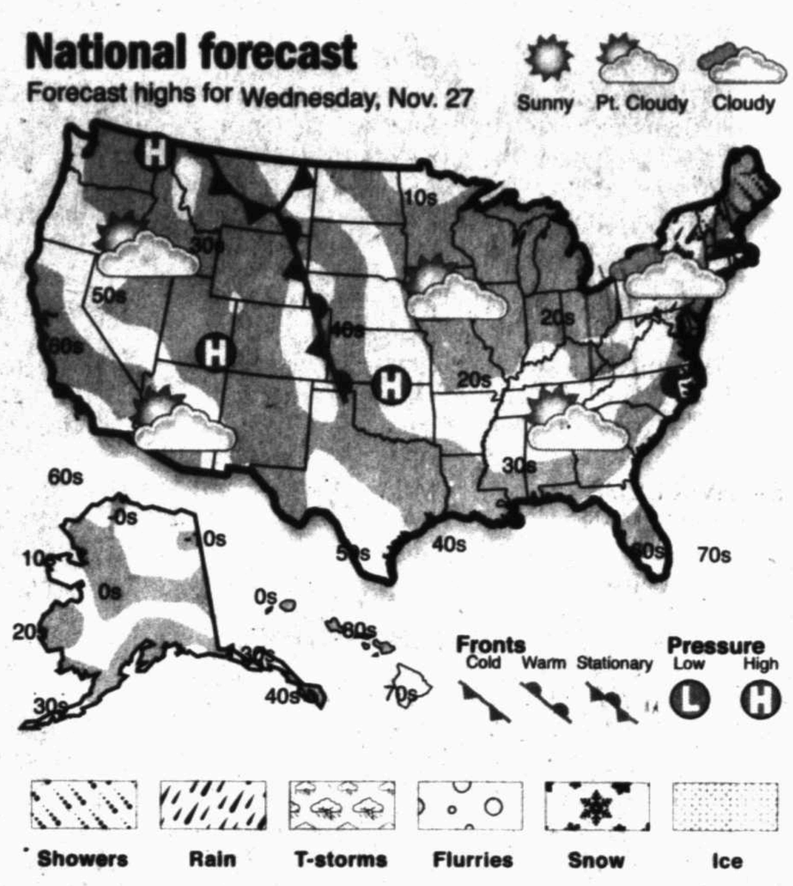
Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.57 in.
Year total	7.07 in.
Normal total (year to date)	13.91 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	49
Low	32
Normal high	63
Normal low	35
Sunrise	7:07 a.m.
Sunset	13.91 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Nov. 27



Woman who left abusive ex struggles with lingering ties

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 was married to a man who ruled my every move. After years of torture and abuse, I finally became frightened enough to leave. Since then I have met a wonderful, caring, loving man who I wouldn't trade for the world. He treats me with kindness, respect and love. He makes me laugh and smile and appreciate life. I am allowed to be myself and function how I will. I am happier than I have ever been.

My question is, sometimes I miss my emotionally and physically abusive ex. I have no desire to BE with him, but after all those years, it's hard to adjust some days.

Is something wrong with me? I would never leave my current relationship for my ex. I feel like I have found my soul mate. But these lingering thoughts trouble me. Am I normal? What do I do? I don't have a girlfriend to confide in. — FOUND MY SOUL MATE

DEAR FOUND: I'm touched that you would confide in me. Yes, you are normal. Time has a way of dulling emotional pain, and with time we tend to gloss over unpleasantness. Your ex may not have been brutal and controlling all the time, and you are remembering the happier times.

I don't think that what you are missing has much to do with HIM. What you may be missing is the adrenaline rush you got from the drama.

DEAR ABBY: I had an inappropriate relationship with a senior officer at the firm where I work. It ended a year ago. I was married at the time — I am now divorced — and he is married.

Occasionally during the past year, he has made advances, but I rejected them. However, today his advances were persistent and almost demanding. For the first time, I felt a little threatened.

I don't want to cause trouble for him, his job and certainly not his family. But what do I do? I'd like to think he has gotten the message, but what if it continues? I like the guy; I'm just not interested anymore. — DON'T WANT TROUBLE

DEAR DON'T WANT TROUBLE: It appears "Romeo" hasn't quite gotten the message, so it's time to make EXPLICIT your wishes in this matter. If he continues to persist, then you will have to report it to human resources.

DEAR ABBY: I have a great husband who has only one quirk. He often forgets to zip his fly. At home, who cares? But it happens in public too often and creates an uncomfortable scene when my friends are around.

Should I be hard on him, or just sympathize and keep my mouth shut? And what should I do when it's clear that he's the only one who doesn't know? — JUST ZIP IT

DEAR JUST ZIP IT: Has your husband always forgotten to zip his fly, or is his forgetfulness something recent? If it is recent, and you have noticed other lapses in what should be automatic behavior, then it is time he had a neurological evaluation by a physician.

Because this happens with some frequency, work out a code with him to remind him his fly is open — or take him aside and quietly point out that he needs to make an adjustment.

DEAR READERS: Tomorrow is Thanksgiving, and no Thanksgiving would be complete without the traditional prayer penned by my dear mother:

Oh, Heavenly Father,
We thank Thee for food and remember the hungry.
We thank Thee for health and remember the sick.
We thank Thee for friends and remember the friendless.
We thank Thee for freedom and remember the enslaved.
May these remembrances stir us to service,
That Thy gifts to us may be used for others.
Amen.

Have a safe and happy celebration, everyone! — Love, ABBY

TO MY JEWISH READERS: At sundown the eight days of Hanukkah begin. I can't believe how early it has fallen this year. To all of you I wish a joyous Festival of Lights!

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 Wednesday, Nov. 27, 2013:

This year you will express strong social needs, yet you still will maintain your responsibilities. Others will respond positively. You easily could be witness to a major wish or desire becoming a reality. If you are single, you will spread your wings, network and meet many different types of people. You will date until you meet someone you want to be with. Give yourself the gift of time. Do not rush into commitment. If you are attached, you could become far more social as a couple and love every moment. LIBRA knows how to make you smile.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You are ready for turkey. You inadvertently make others smile, which helps them get into the Thanksgiving mood. You might not be up for spending time away from home. Curl up with a good book and make it early. Tonight: Visit with an old pal.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You efficiently will clear out a lot of work and/or errands. It appears as if you are assuming a strong role in the holiday celebrations. Someone might surprise you with a phone call later today. Make time to visit with this person. Tonight: Get into the holiday spirit.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Getting started this morning seems close to impossible. Indulge yourself by getting in an extra hour of sleep or by taking a nap later. By late afternoon, you will be joining friends and celebrating the holiday with people you enjoy a lot. Tonight: Get ready to greet a friend.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You'll smile a lot today, even if you're very busy. In your book, being together with family and friends is a perfect recipe for living well. Catch up on news, as an out of town friend appears on the scene. Remember, people count more than turkey. Tonight: Happy at home.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Last-minute errands and an important purchase could occupy part of the day. Later in the day, you'll let go of other responsibilities in order to start enjoying your Thanksgiving activities. Tonight: Catch up on others' news.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You'll wake up ready to go. Complete matters that have little to do with Thanksgiving but need to be done. You might surprise yourself at how quickly you free yourself up. An office party might be in order. Tonight: Honor the holiday by kicking up your heels.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You might be dragging your feet today. When it dawns on you that tomorrow is Thanksgiving, and friends start calling, your mood will perk up. Visit with someone you rarely have an opportunity to see. Share some cheer together. Tonight: More friends swirl around you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Prioritize and move forward. You have a lot of ground to cover. You also will want some special time with a visiting friend or relative. You might choose not to share everything that is on your mind. Tonight: Let go and just do what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Requests continue to flood your desk, and you might feel as if you do not want to decline. You will surprise yourself and say "no" midday to late afternoon. You might see someone who you want to sit down with and visit. Tonight: You might have an impromptu party.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Many of you might be taking off for Thanksgiving. If you are not, you could opt for a new adventure that allows more openness about the holiday and between you and others. Resist thinking about Christmas and spending more money. Tonight: Stay in the present.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You naturally will gravitate to one person at a time to socialize, which is not your normal style. Someone at a distance might walk into your life anytime from the late afternoon on. Tonight: Make sure that the music meets the moment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ You could have your plans set, but you are OK with someone else's wishes. Defer to this person. Relax with the moment and enjoy others' tastes and desires. By midafternoon, you will want more one-on-one time with an associate or dear friend. Tonight: Visit all you want.

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BORN TODAY

Musician Jimi Hendrix (1942), author Caroline Kennedy (1957), martial artist Bruce Lee (1940)

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Christmas come early?

East-West vulnerable. East deals.

NORTH
♠ A 4 3
♡ K Q 8 6
♢ 10 9 8 6 4 2
♣ Void

WEST
♠ K 9 6
♡ 10 4 3
♢ A J
♣ A Q 8 7 3

EAST
♠ J 10 8 5
♡ A J 9 2
♢ K Q 5 3
♣ 2

SOUTH
♠ Q 7 2
♡ 7 5
♢ 7
♣ K J 10 9 6 5 4

The bidding:

EAST	SOUTH	WEST	NORTH
Pass	3♣	Pass	Pass
Dbl	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: Six of ♣

Study the hand and decide who, if anyone, erred in the bidding or play.

West passed the double thinking that Christmas had come early. South let the opening lead run around to his queen and next led the king of clubs from his hand. The horrible split in the trump suit doomed him to three losers in that suit plus one loser in each of the other three suits. Six losers in all and a score of plus 300. What is your verdict?

Your first thought might be to blame West for leading a spade rather than a heart. A heart lead would have gained a trick for East-West and produced a result of plus 500. West's spade lead worked out poorly, but he can't be faulted for choosing it. It was just unlucky.

We do blame West for choosing to pass the double! He had a vulnerable game bonus in plain sight and he should have bid three no-trump instead. That contract would have produced an overtrick or two and earned the vulnerable game bonus.

When you are in a competitive auction and you have game or slam prospects, take time to consider the vulnerability. Should you be vulnerable and your opponents' are not, you should usually just pursue your own prospects and not bother with a small penalty that might be available.

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 One-on-one contest
5 Pub orders
9 Creator
14 Sicilian smoker
15 Shout to a storeful of customers
16 Elegant headgear
17 Line on an envelope
20 Noel beginning
21 Current to avoid
22 Gives the nod
23 Pago Pago's land
28 Dudley Do-Right's gal
29 Green prefix
30 Golfer Woosnam
33 Down __: Maine region
36 "Gotta run!"
40 Paul Hogan role
44 Side of the 1860s
45 __ Lisa Vito: "My Cousin Vinny" role
46 Cold-sounding commercial prefix
47 "I'm not impressed"
49 '60s White House daughter
52 Classic cartoon shout
58 NYSE overseer
59 Green roll
60 Tropical trees
62 Zero in Morse code, any part of which will finish the title of the Oscar-winning song found at the ends of 17-, 23-, 40- and 52-Across
67 Stopped lying?
68 MBA seeker's first hurdle
69 Napa prefix
70 Array for a Boy Scout
71 Comes to a stop
72 Quick cut

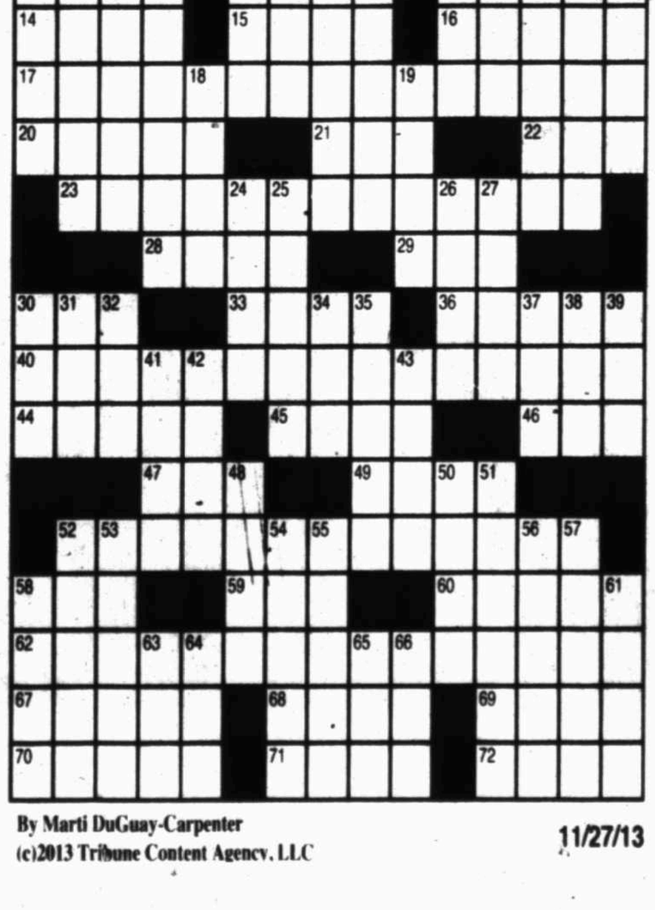
DOWN

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2 City east of Syracuse
3 Sci. of insects
4 Nonprofessionals
5 Pantry pest
6 Green expanse
7 Cast-of-thousands member
8 Pub order
9 High-elev. spot
10 A leg up
11 Sung-into instrument
12 Slezak of "One Life to Live"
13 Shoots the breeze
18 Plagued by drought
19 Church recess
24 "Where Is the Life That Late __?": Cole Porter song
25 Forty-niner's stake
26 Rights gp.
27 Ghostly sound
30 Post-ER area
31 Son of Prince Valiant
32 "There's __ in 'team'"
34 __-mo
35 Potato sack wt., perhaps
37 B. Favre's career 508
38 Velvet finish?
39 Collectible car
41 Search everywhere in
42 Front row seat
43 Apply amateurishly
48 It may be slung at a diner
50 Matador's cloak
51 Oft-baked veggies
52 Long (for)
53 Blessed outburst?
54 Evade
55 Butler's last words
56 Of yore
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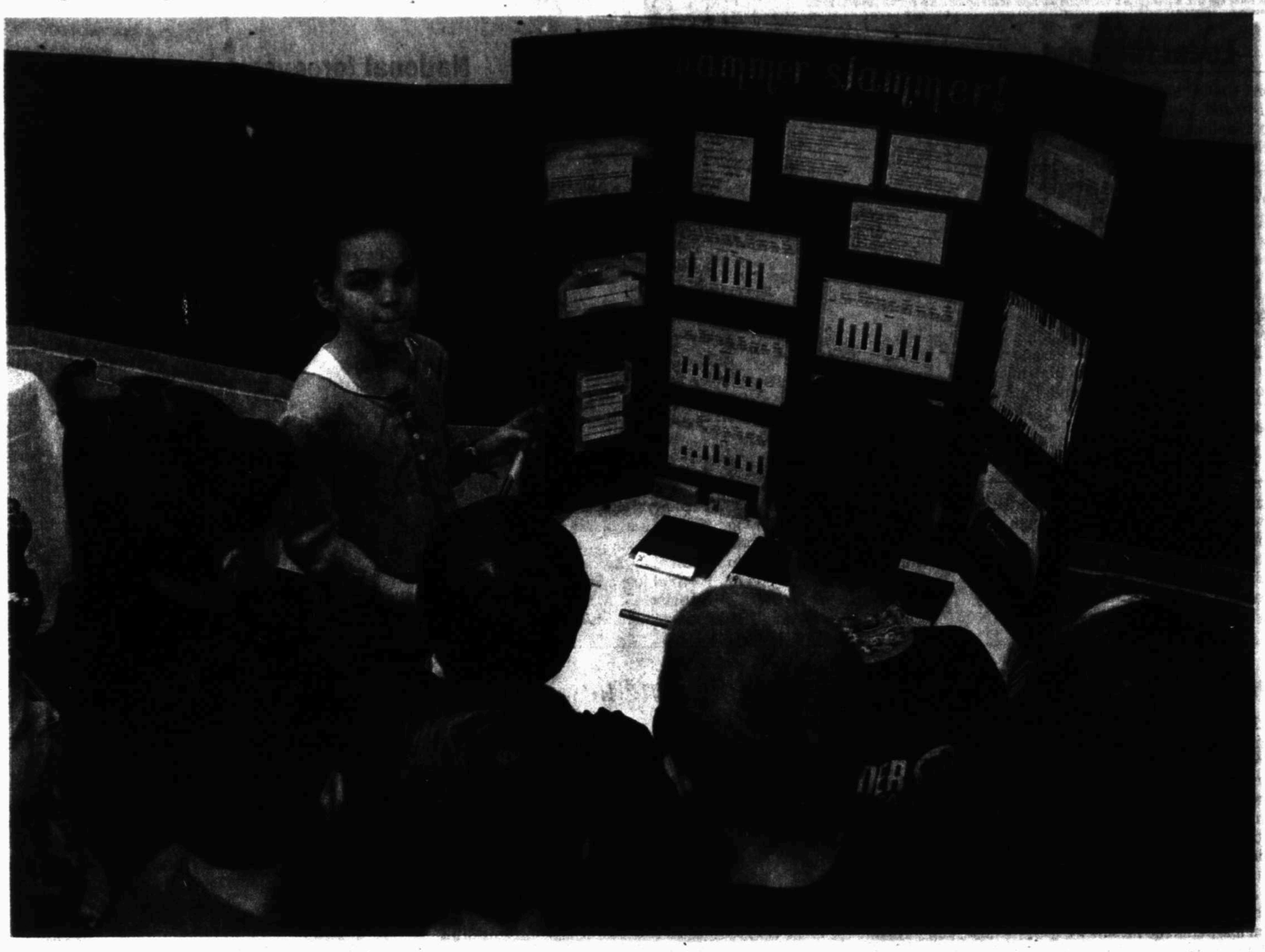
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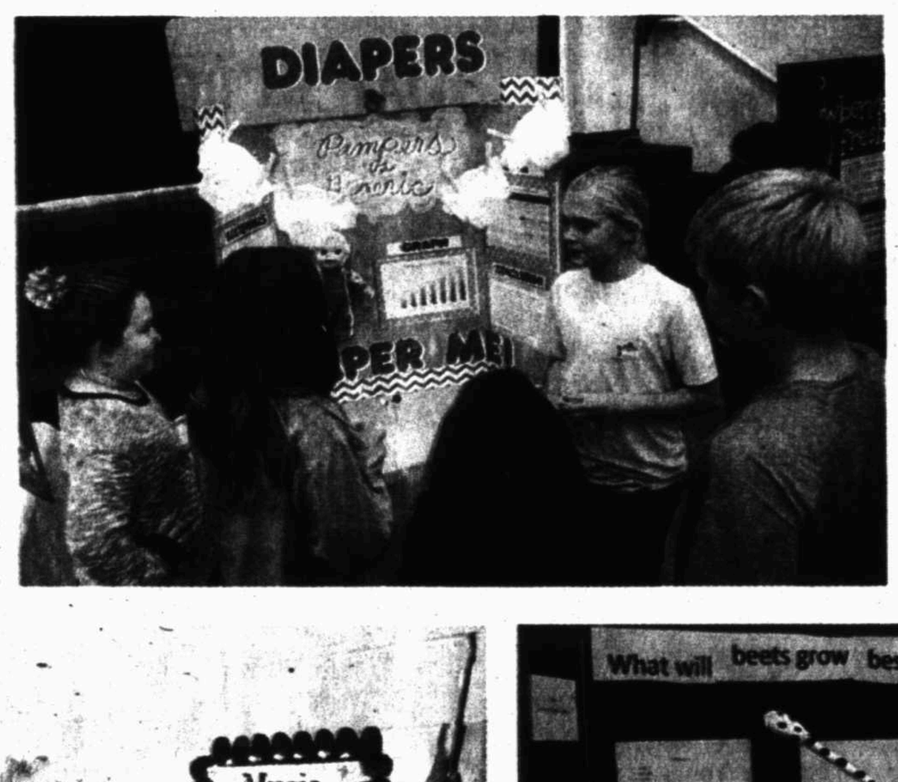


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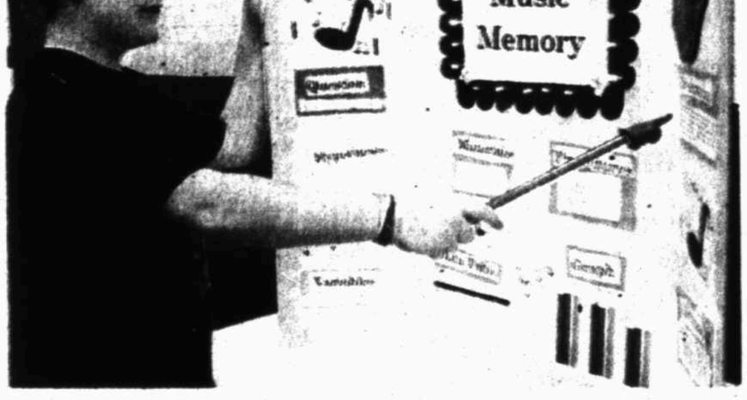
Top
Hillander fifth-grader Grace Austin presents her science fair project about how heat can effect the hardness of metals. The fair was Nov. 19

Right
Hillander fifth-grader Olivia Harper presents her science fair project determining which diaper brand is the most absorbent.

Far right
Hillander fifth grader Emma Grimes presents her science fair project to Hillander teacher Valerie Aldrin Nov. 19.



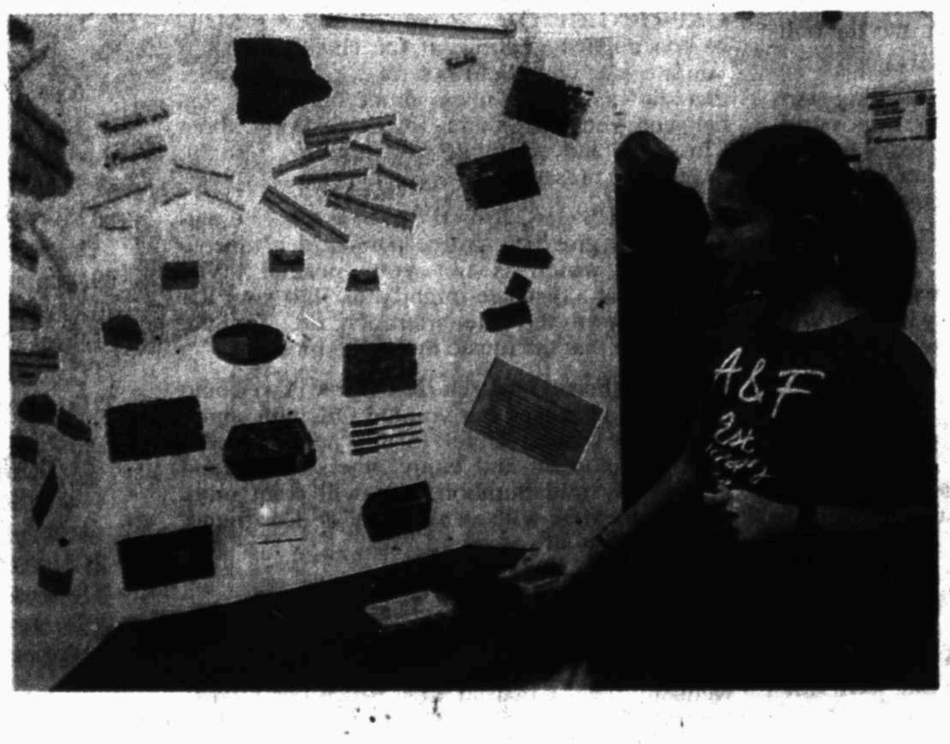








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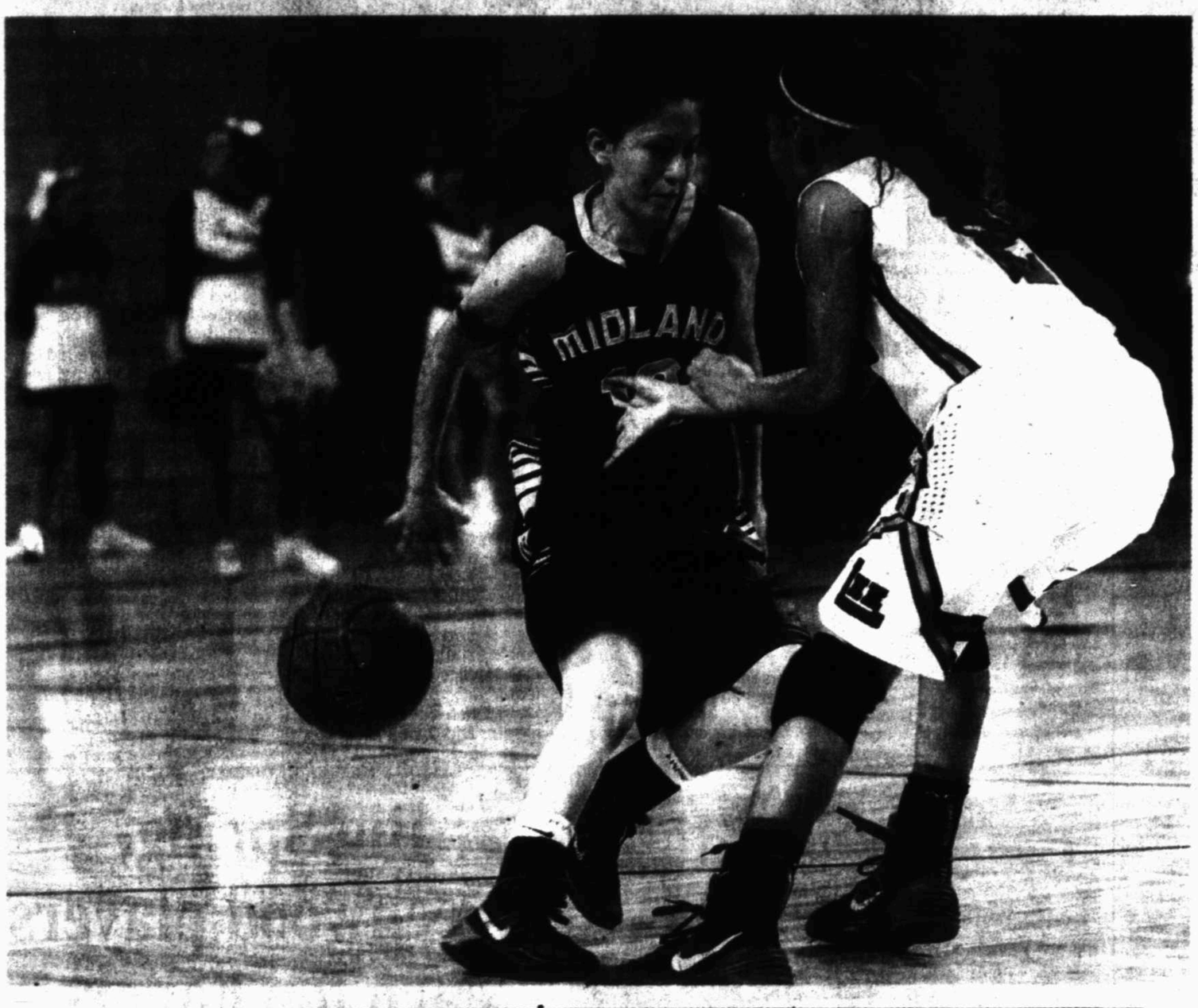
Above far left
Hillander sixth-grader Zack Heller talks about his science fair project about how music can help with memory and learning.

Above
Hillander fifth-grader Rachel Howard poses for her father, Neil, as he takes a picture of her with her science fair project.

Left
Hillander fifth-grader Briana Galan talks about her science fair project about how water and sunlight affect grass growth.

Far left
Hillander sixth-grader Claire Christmann presents her science fair project to parent Michael Den Bleyker. Her project was about which detergent works the best at removing stains.

STREAK CONTINUES





Above: Midland High's Arcie Guardiola (10) dribbles behind her back against Lee High's Allison Valdez (2) Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

Right: The Midland High girls basketball team celebrates on the bench during the game against Lee High Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

James Durbin/ Reporter-Telegram

MHS runs past short-handed Lee in contest

By Jonathan Hull
jhull@mrt.com

Lady Bulldogs	59
Lady Rebels	41

Lee knew it was going to be short-handed going into Tuesday's girls basketball game with rival Midland High. The Lady Rebels also knew some of them were going to have play out of their normal positions at times.

That lack of depth and chemistry ultimately cost the Lady Rebels in a 59-41 loss to the Lady Bulldogs in a District 2-5A matchup at Chaparral Center. The win marked the 16th straight for Midland High (4-2, 2-0 in District 2-5A in the rivalry.

"It was a good win, but it's just another game," MHS sophomore guard Alexandrea Washington said, playing down the win streak. "Yeah, it's Lee so it's a rivalry, but it's just another game and we've got to keep going. We've got to keep getting better."

Because of injuries to guards Shanses Ray and Bri'An Washington, the Lady Rebels (8-4, 0-1) were forced to play with just seven players, including just two true guards — Daija Stanford and Allison Valdez.

As a result, players such as senior Jackie Rivas, who normally plays as a post, was forced to spend more time on the perimeter, slightly out of position. And while Rivas is fully capable of knocking down shots from outside — she finished with a team-high 11 points including one 3-pointer — the Lady Rebels' chemistry was off on both ends of the floor.

"Me moving Jackie in and out is difficult because all she's ever done really is play inside," Lee coach Monica Ramirez said. "She's got an ability most big girls don't have, which is to shoot the three, but she admittedly said she had to think a lot more during the game.

"Our chemistry was never there consistently for us."

Midland High, meanwhile, was clicking to start the game and opened on a 10-2 run with Washington and junior post Aubrie Elliott each scoring four points during the run. Lee managed to cut it to 12-5 by the end of the first, but managed to make just one field goal in the opening period.

The Lady Rebels appeared to adjust in the second period as they started to use their size to pick up offensive rebounds and score on second chance points. A putback by Rivas just before the buzzer cut MHS' lead to 19-18 at halftime.

"Listen, they're tough," MHS coach Wes Torres said. "They're tough to block out and they're tough to get rebounds from and at times we struggled with that. But our girls overall did a great job

Please see **MHS**/2C

More basketball

See Tuesday's high school basketball roundup.

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No set date for decision on Manziel's future

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

COLLEGE STATION — Texas A&M coach Kevin Sumlin says he doesn't know when Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel will decide whether to enter the 2014 NFL draft.

A report this weekend said that Sumlin said that the redshirt sophomore quarterback would make a decision on his future before Texas A&M's bowl game.

On Tuesday, Sumlin said his comments were misconstrued.

"I didn't say that he's going to make a decision before the bowl game is played," Sumlin said. "I never said that."

He said he and his staff will gather information on Manziel and other Aggies who are eligible for early entry into the draft after the regular season ends on Saturday to help them make their decisions when the time is right.

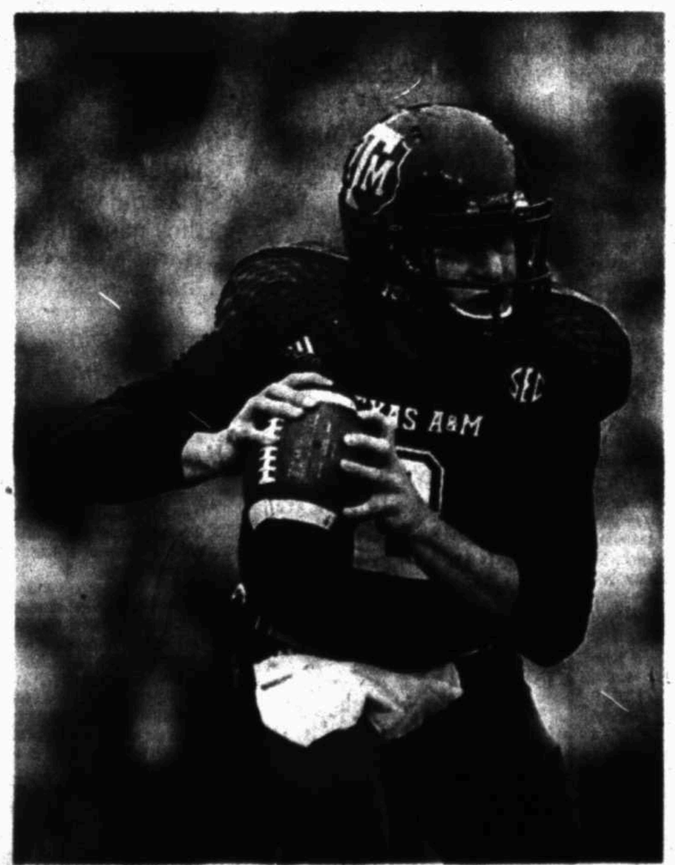
"We'll have an analysis by the NFL, I'll talk to some different people and what I try to do is give our guys as much factual information that I can gather from the NFL specifically instead of what's being said on television or on blogs and things like that," Sumlin said. "That's my job as a coach to give them as much information as I can so they can make the best decision for them and their family."

Manziel has refused to discuss his plans, saying he's focused on his remaining games this season. But most believe that he will enter the draft after two stellar seasons in College Station.

Manziel has thrown for 3,537 yards and 32 touchdowns and ran for 665 yards and eight more scores for No. 19 Texas A&M this season. He became the first freshman to win the Heisman last year, setting numerous school and Southeastern Conference records while leading Texas A&M to an 11-2 mark and a victory over No. 1 Alabama in its first season in the SEC.

Sumlin encourages players to take their time with the decision and noted that Damontre Moore, one of his players who declared early for the draft last season, did it before the bowl game, and Luke Joeckel made his decision after the game.

"Everybody's different," Sumlin said. "You've got time."



Associated Press

Texas A&M quarterback Johnny Manziel (2) scrambles to pass in the first half of a college football game against LSU in Baton Rouge, La., on Saturday.

MHS grad on Baseball Hall of Fame ballot

From staff reports

Midland High grad and four-time World Series champion Mike Timlin is on the Baseball Hall of Fame ballot for the first time.

Timlin — who won two World Series rings while with the Toronto Blue Jays (1992, 1993) and two more with the Boston Red Sox (2004, 2007) — pitched 18 seasons as a reliever.

Timlin was probably his best at the end of his career, making an astonishing 81 appearances with a 2.24 ERA for the Red Sox in 2005 at age 39. Timlin finished his career in 2008 with a 75-73 record, 3.63 ERA and 141 saves.

Timlin was also the winner of the 2007 Lou Gehrig Memorial Award for character and integrity on and off the field.

The right-hander also played for the Seattle Mariners, Baltimore Orioles, St. Louis Cardinals and Philadelphia Phillies during his 18-year career in the majors.

Unflinching CB enjoys a career season for Cowboys

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

IRVING — Dallas Cowboys cornerback Orlando Scandrick doesn't want to hear any talk about how tough it is to cover slot receivers in today's pass-happy NFL.

"I don't think anybody cares," he said Tuesday. "I think they just want the end result. And the end result is, you give up a first down, you suck. Replace you.

"I live by the saying, '90 percent of the people don't care about your problems, and the other 10 percent is happy you got them.'"

Those comments pretty much sum up Scandrick. He's blunt, unflinching and always sports what coach Jason Garrett calls a boulder-like chip on his shoulder.

"That's the way I live my life," said Scandrick, a 2008 fifth-round pick for the Cowboys who replaced struggling, injury-hampered 2012 first-round pick Mo Claiborne as a starter this season.

"I always have something to prove. I always have a goal. I'm never content, and I'm always striving for the best, for excellence."

And many times this season, he's achieved it. In stating his case for his first Pro Bowl berth, Scandrick has career highs in interceptions (two) and pass breakups (12). And, according to Pro Football Focus, he's allowed just 0.75 yards per cover snap, which ranks fifth among corners.

"Ever since he's walked on campus, he's played above expectations," Jerry Jones told Dallas' KRLD-FM. "He's

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Texas Tech beats Houston in Brooklyn

Texas Tech	76
Houston	64

By Denis Gorman
Associated Press

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — Senior forward Jaye Crockett and sophomore guard Toddrick Gotcher each scored 16 points to lead four players in double figure scoring as Texas Tech beat Houston 76-64 in the consolation game of the Progressive Legends Classic on Tuesday night at the Barclays Center in Brooklyn, N.Y.

Junior guard Robert Turner finished with 15 points and junior forward Jordan Tolbert added 14 for the Red Raiders (5-2).

Junior forward TaShawn Thomas led Houston (5-2) with 18 points. The only other player in double figure scoring was sophomore guard L.J. Rose, who had 11.

Texas Tech never trailed and led as much as 19. At the half, the Red Raiders enjoyed a 46-31 advantage. Their cause was aided by the Cougars' sloppiness with the ball. Houston committed seven turnovers in the first half that the Red Raiders turned into 12 points.

DAILY ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

WHAT'S ON TV

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Maui Invitational, fifth place game, 4 p.m., ESPN2

Maui Invitational, third place game, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2

NIT Season Tip-Off, semifinal, 8:30 p.m., ESPN2

Maui Invitational, championship, 9 p.m., ESPN

NBA

Miami at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m., ESPN

NHL

Boston at Detroi, 6:30 p.m., NBCSN

SOCCER

UEFA Champions League, Copenhagen at Juventus, 1:30 p.m., FSN

UEFA Champions League, Manchester United at Bayer Leverkusen, 1:30 p.m., FS1

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Acquired C George Kottaras from Kansas City for a cash consideration.

CINCINNATI REDS— Agreed to terms with INF-OF Skip Schumaker on a two-year contract. Designated OF Derrick Robinson for assignment.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Named Blake Doyle hitting coach and Eric Young Sr. baserunning/outfield and first base coach.

MIAMI MARLINS — Named Mike Berger vice president, assistant general manager and Jeff McAvoy director of pro scouting.

NEW YORK METS — Agreed to terms with OF Chris Young on a one-year contract.

PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Agreed to terms with C Nevin Ashley and RHP Cody Eppley on minor league contracts.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Agreed to terms with LHP Javier Lopez to a three-year contract.

FRONTIER LEAGUE

NORMAL CORNBELTERS — Signed 1B Mike Schwartz to a contract extension.

SCHAUMBURG BOOMERS — Signed 2B Jordan Dean to a contract extension. Signed OF Ryan Normoyle.

TRAVERSE CITY BEACH BUMS — Signed RHP Chris Bossenbery.

WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Signed INF Evan Button, RHP Tyler Claburn, RHP Daniel Cropper and RHP Travis Tingle to contract extensions.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

MINNESOTA TIMBERWOLVES — Traded F Derrick Williams to Sacramento for F Luc Mbah a Moute.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

NFL — Suspended Seattle CB Walter Thurmond four games for violating the NFL policy and program for substances of abuse.

ARIZONA CARDINALS — Signed LB Jojo Dickson to the practice squad.

ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed OT Terren Jones. Waived WR Brian Robiskie.

CLEVELAND BROWNS — Agreed to terms with QB Alex Tanney. Claimed TE Andre Smith off waivers from Dallas. Waived OL Patrick Lewis and WR Brian Tyms.

DALLAS COWBOYS — Released TE Andre Smith. Signed CB Sterling Moore. Released LB Taylor Reed from the practice squad.

INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed LB Josh McNary from the practice squad. Waived TE Justice Cunningham and WR David Reed. Placed S Delano Howell on the injured reserve list.

MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Terminated the practice squad contract of OT Jamaal Johnson-Webb. Signed DB Kip Edwards to the practice squad.

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Released DL Marcus Forston and DB Justin Green.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Placed C Jim Cordle on the injured reserve list. Signed C Stephen Goodin from the practice squad. Signed OL Steven Baker to the practice squad. Terminated the practice squad contract of DB Brandon Jones.

NEW YORK JETS — Placed LB Troy Davis on the injured reserve list.

SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Activated WR Michael Crabtree from the PUP list. Waived QB McLeod Bethel-Thompson.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Signed CB Perrish Cox.

TENNESSEE TITANS — Agreed to terms with KR Leon Washington and DT Frank Kearse. Waived KR Devon Wylie and C Kevin Matthews.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed WR Josh Bellamy from the practice squad. Signed CB Peyton Thompson to the practice squad. Waived OB Jerome Murphy. Placed DE Stephen Bowen on the injured reserve list.

Canadian Football League

WINNIPEG BLUE BOMBERS — Named Kyle Walters general manager.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL — Suspended Carolina F Kevin Westgarth two games for boarding Ottawa D Mark Borowiecki during a Nov. 24 game.

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Reassigned F Jeremy Morin to Rockford (AHL).

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Placed F Jared Boll on injured reserve, retroactive to Nov. 22. Recalled F Sean Collins from Springfield (AHL).

NEW YORK RANGERS — Assigned F J.T. Miller to Hartford (AHL).

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Recalled F Matt Pelech from Worcester (AHL). Assigned F Matt Nieto to Worcester.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Reassigned D Dmitry Korobov to Syracuse (AHL).

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Reassigned D Dmitry Orlov to Hershey (AHL).

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended St. John's RW J.C. Lipon two games for receiving a match penalty for an illegal check to the head of an opponent in a Nov. 23 game at Wilkes-Barre/Scranton.

GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS — Named Phil Cronin director of game operations.

ECHL

ECHL — Approved the expansion membership application of the Indianapolis Fuel for admission to the league, beginning in Oct., 2014.

IDAHO STEELHEADS — Announced D Hubert Labrie and G Josh Robinson were assigned to the team from Texas (AHL) and F Austin Fyten was reassigned to the team from Oklahoma City (AHL).

READING ROYALS — Announced F Stanislav Galiev was reassigned to Hershey (AHL).

Central Hockey League

ALLEN AMERICANS — Signed G Mark Guggenberger. Acatavted F Darryl Bootland from a leave of absence.

ST. CHARLES CHILL — Suspended D Tony DeHart.

TULSA OILERS — Signed D Andrew Eastman.

WICHITA THUNDER — Placed F Alexandre Carrier on waivers. Claimed G David Brown off waivers.

LACROSSE

National Lacrosse League

EDMONTON RUSH — Re-signed D Ryan Dilks. Agreed to terms with G Aaron Bold and F Zack Greer on two-year contracts.

OLYMPICS

U.S. ANTI-DOPING AGENCY — Announced the American Arbitration Association North American Court of Arbitration for Sport (AAA), rendered its decision in the case of cyclist Richard Meeker, finding that Meeker committed an anti-doping rule violation, and will serve a two-year suspension.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

COLUMBUS CREW — Re-signed D Josh Williams. Signed D Waylon Francis and D Matt Wiet.

USL PRO

PITTSBURGH RIVERHOUNDS — Added a PDL franchise.

National Women's Soccer League

SKY BLUE FC — Named Jim Gooley director of sales.

W-League

W-LEAGUE — Announced the addition of Sedona FC Strikers, which will begin play in 2014.

COLLEGE

AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE — Named John Griffin associate commissioner for communications and brand marketing.

FLORIDA ATLANTIC — Withdrew the resignation of football coach Carl Pelini and fired him because he "failed to timely report certain conduct" of a member of his staff.

MISSOURI-KANSAS CITY — Named Carla Wilson director of athletics.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE — Fired football coach Tony Samuel.

ST. JOHN'S — Reinstated men's freshman basketball G Rysheed Jordan after a one-game suspension.

ST. JOSEPH'S (Ll) — Named Shanley Hill director of intercollegiate athletics and the chairperson for the physical education department.

VANDERBILT — WR Chris Boyd announced he will enter the NFL draft.

WEBER STATE — Fired football coach Jody Sears.

NFL STANDINGS

AMERICAN CONFERENCE					
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	8	3	0	.727	288	230
N.Y. Jets	5	6	0	.455	186	287
Miami	5	6	0	.455	229	245
Buffalo	4	7	0	.364	236	273
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	7	4	0	.636	263	260
Tennessee	5	6	0	.455	250	245
Jacksonville	2	9	0	.182	142	324
Houston	2	9	0	.182	199	289
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Cincinnati	7	4	0	.636	275	206
Pittsburgh	5	5	0	.455	243	256
Baltimore	5	6	0	.455	227	215
Cleveland	4	7	0	.364	203	265
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Denver	9	2	0	.818	429	289
Kansas City	9	2	0	.818	270	179
San Diego	5	6	0	.455	269	260
Oakland	4	7	0	.364	213	269

NATIONAL CONFERENCE					
East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	6	5	0	.545	298	279
Philadelphia	6	5	0	.545	276	260
N.Y. Giants	4	7	0	.364	213	280
Washington	3	8	0	.273	252	338
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	9	2	0	.818	305	196
Carolina	8	3	0	.727	256	151
Tampa Bay	3	8	0	.273	211	258
Atlanta	2	9	0	.182	227	309
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Detroit	6	5	0	.545	286	277
Chicago	6	5	0	.545	303	309
Green Bay	5	5	1	.500	284	265
Minnesota	2	8	1	.227	266	346
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Seattle	10	1	0	.909	306	179
San Francisco	7	4	0	.636	274	184
Arizona	7	4	0	.636	254	223
St. Louis	5	6	0	.455	266	255

Monday's Score

San Francisco 27, Washington 6

Thursday's Games

Green Bay at Detroit, 11:30 a.m.

Oakland at Dallas, 3:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Baltimore, 7:30 p.m.

GLANTZ-CULVER LINE

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Texas	5½	4½	(66)	Texas Tech
Mississippi	3	3	(52)	at Mississippi St.
Friday				
at Nebraska	2½	3	(48)	Iowa
Toledo	7½	7½	(55½)	at Akron
at Ball St.	33	34½	(55½)	Miami (Ohio)
at Cent. Michigan	16½	18½	(57½)	E. Michigan
at Ohio	17	16½	(51)	UMass
at Marshall	1½	3	(64½)	East Carolina
Bowling Green	1	1½	(51)	at Buffalo-x
at LSU	24½	25	(54)	Arkansas
at Troy	4	6	(58½)	Texas St.
at FAU	28	28½	(42)	FIU
at UCF	25	27	(49½)	South Florida
Fresno St.	8½	8½	(71)	at San Jose St.
Miami	2½	2½	(56)	at Pittsburgh
at Washington	14½	14	(65)	Washington St.
at Houston-y	10	9½	(61)	SMU
at Oregon	21	21½	(67½)	Oregon St.
Saturday				
Ohio St.	14	14½	(58)	at Michigan
Boston College	2½	2	(52½)	at Syracuse
Maryland	2	2½	(51)	at NC State
at Vanderbilt	14	14	(42)	Wake Forest
at North Carolina	5½	5	(60)	Duke
at West Virginia	8½	9	(54)	Iowa St.
Northwestern	4	3½	(59½)	at Illinois
at Indiana	21	21	(68)	Purdue
Rutgers	4	3	(49)	at UConn
Tennessee	4	4	(53)	at Kentucky
at Michigan St.	14½	14½	(41)	Minnesota
at Memphis	7	8½	(47)	Temple
at UAB	13½	14½	(61½)	Southern Miss.
South Alabama	10	9½	(60)	at Georgia St.
at Utah St.	20	20½	(58½)	Wyoming
at Utah	14	17	(56)	Colorado
BYU	14½	14½	(64½)	at Nevada
at Rice	12½	13	(49)	Tulane
Georgia	3	3½	(57½)	at Georgia Tech
at Missouri	3	4½	(66½)	Texas A&M
Virginia Tech	13	13	(42)	at Virginia
Alabama	9½	10½	(54½)	at Auburn
at Boise St.	35	35	(64)	New Mexico
Baylor	14	12½	(64)	at TCU
at Florida	OFF	OFF	(OFF)	Florida St.
at Colorado St.	14	14½	(59½)	Air Force
Kansas St.	16½	16	(51½)	at Kansas
at Wisconsin	23½	24	(49½)	Penn St.
at UTSA	14	15½	(53)	Louisiana Tech
at New Mexico St.	4½	4	(63½)	Idaho
San Diego St.	3	3½	(54)	at UNLV
at W. Kentucky	4	6	(55½)	Arkansas St.
North Texas	3	5	(49½)	at Tulsa
at La.-Lafayette	13	14½	(58½)	Louisiana-Monroe
at Middle Tenn.	21	22½	(56½)	UTEP
at South Carolina	6	5	(58)	Clemson
at Southern Cal	3½	3½	(51½)	UCLA
at Stanford	14	14	(49)	Notre Dame
at Arizona St.	14	12	(60½)	Arizona
at Hawaii	4½	6½	(59½)	Army

x-at Ralph Wilson Stadium
y-at Reliant Stadium
Off Key
Florida and Florida St. QB's questionable

NFL

Tomorrow

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Detroit	4	6	(50)	Green Bay
at Dallas	8½	9½	(46½)	Oakland
at Baltimore	2½	3	(40½)	Pittsburgh

HSBASKETBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 43 LAMESA 32

Morgan Ashton scored 15 points and Lindsey Mills added 10 as the Lady Mustangs rolled to a non-district victory on Tuesday at home.

Midland Christian (7-0) jumped out to a 21-13 lead at halftime, and then rolled from there.

The Lady Mustangs will return to action at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday at Abilene Wylie.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 43, LAMESA 32

Lamesa (2-2) — Huey 5, Contreras 3, Cortez 4, Maxwell 16, Jackson 4

Midland Christian (7-0) — Lisa Blair 6, Megan Ashton 2, Morgan Ashton 15, Lindsey Mills 10, Abby Needham 4, Bailey Wright 1, Caroline Hammond 3

Lamesa	6	7	13	6—32
Midland Christian	10	11	9	13—43

Free throws — Lamesa 5-11, MCS 11-18. 3-point goals — Lamesa 1 (Contreras), MCS 2 (Morgan Ashton, Mills). Total fouls — Lamesa 15, MCS 13. Fouled out — Lamesa, Cortez; MCS, Needham.

Next game: Midland Christian at Abilene Wylie, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

LUBBOCK TITANS 56 GREENWOOD 44

LUBBOCK — The Greenwood girls basketball team dropped a non-district game to the Lubbock Titans on Tuesday.

Amanda Bell had 16 points and Oriana Ortiz added 14 for the Rangerettes (3-5).

Greenwood next hosts Lubbock Cooper next Tuesday.

LUBBOCK TITANS 56, GREENWOOD 44

Greenwood (3-5) — Jesse Weber 3, Kali Zimmerman 5, Amanda Bell 16, Oriana Ortiz 14, Grace Sunderland 2, Callie Gilbert 4

Lubbock Titans — Jossalun Sheppard 24, Haven Middleton 4, Lindsay Hoage 3, Casey Thornton 2, Attest Drossey 23

Greenwood	8	13	11	12—44
Titans	15	12	14	15—56

Free throws — GHS 8-13, LT 12-15. 3-point goals —GHS 6 (Zimmerman, Bell 4, Ortiz), LT 2 (Sheppard, Hoage). Total fouls — GHS 15, LT 13. Fouled out — None.

Next: Lubbock Cooper at Greenwood, 6:15 p.m. Tuesday

GARDEN CITY 54 GRADY 26

GARDEN CITY — Holly Hafmann scored a game-high 28 points to lead Garden City to a non-district victory over Grady.

Hannah Halfmann added 11 for the Lady Kats (7-1).

Grady (2-2) was led by Lupita Jimenez with seven points as no Lady Wildcat was in double figures.

GARDEN CITY 54, GRADY 26

Grady (2-2) — Carli Richards 4, Jenny Fields 5, Kristen Blocker 6, Lupita Jimenez 7, Brittney Garza 5, Faith Hunt 2

Garden City (7-1) — Kamie Halfmann 4, Brylie Schaefer 3, Hannah Halfmann 11, Carrie Hollingsworth 4, Lexie Schaefer 4, Holly Halfmann 28

Grady	3	4	14	5—26
Garden City	14	12	18	12—54

Free throws — GHS 4-5, GCHS 13-24. 3-point goals — GHS 4 (Fields, Blocker, Jimenez, Garza), GCHS 5 (K. Halfmann, B. Schaeffer, Ha. Halfmann 3). Total fouls — GHS 17, GCHS 10. Fouled out — None.

Next: Reagan County at Garden City, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday

FORSAN 55 GRAPE CREEK 20

SAN ANGELO — Forsan held Grape Creek scoreless in the second period, allowing the Lady Buffaloes to pull away for an easy non-district win on Tuesday.

The Lady Buffaloes were led by Mary-Ashley McDaniel's 13 points, while Maria Ortiz had 12 and Brittney Hergert added 11.

Forsan (3-1) plays host to Post at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday.

FORSAN 55, GRAPE CREEK 20

Forsan (3-1) — Brittney Hergert 11, Ali Knight 5, Reagan Hagood 4, Rachel Hergert 3, Emily Roman 4, Mary-Ashley McDaniel 13, Kendall Phillips 5, Maria Ortiz 12

Grape Creek — Wheeler 3, Garner 5, Garasz 3, Lopez 5, Baughman 3

Forsan	14	19	11	11—55
Grape Creek	5	6	9	0—20

Free throws — Forsan 13-25, GC 5-14. 3-point goals — Forsan 4 (Hagood, Knight, McDaniel 2), GC 1 (Garasz). Total fouls — Forsan 17, GC 19. Fouled out — Wheeler.

Next: Post at Forsan, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday

Boys

LAMESA 69 MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 51

Lamesa held Midland Christian to single digits in the first and third quarter to defeat the Mustangs in non-district action at the McGraw Events Center.

Jeremy Baily had 17 points and Daniel Venzant had 14 to lead Midland Christian (2-1).

The Mustangs return to action next Tuesday with a home game against Denver City.

LAMESA 69, MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 51

Lamesa (3-0) — Dre Smiley 9, K.J. Hunter 4, Kendrick Hunter 9, Jaleel Edwards 10, T'quod. Maxwell 5, Keshawn Hunter 4, Ramon Arguelles 4, Darius Jackson 4, Jahlan Edwards 15, Dueda Douglas 2, Adrian Cruz 2

Midland Christian (2-1) — Daniel Venzant 14, Devin Nguyen 9, Jeremy Baily 17, Luke McComic 8, Daniel Parkhurst 3.

Lamesa	15	22	15	15—69
MCS	9	20	7	15—51

Free throws — LHS 6-10, MCS 15-25. 3-point goals — LHS 4 (B. Hunter, Edwards 2, Maxwell), MCS 4 (Nguyen, Baily 2, Parkhurst). Total fouls — LHS 24, MCS 10. Fouled out — B. Edwards.

Next: Kermit at Lamesa, 6 p.m. Tuesday.; Denver City at Midland Christian, 8 p.m. Tuesday

COAHOMA 54 O'DONNELL 46

COAHOMA — Braxton Iden scored a game-high 19 points to help Coahoma beat O'Donnell in a game that featured Coahoma coach Kim Nichols coaching against his son and O'Donnell coach Blake Nichols.

O'Donnell got off to a 18-8 first quarter lead but the Bulldogs (2-1) had a strong second quarter to take a 26-25 lead at the half and the momentum.

Sheamon Warnake added 14 points for Coahoma.

COAHOMA 54, O'DONNELL 46

O'Donnell (5-0) — Wilsey 15, M. Rivas 12, AJ Rivas 4, Todd 2, Jacquez 13.

Coahoma (2-1) — Kody Barber 8, Colge Miller 2, Braxton Iden 19, Sheamon Warnake 14, Cam Cordova 4, Hayden Jones 6, Kyler Fiorito 5

O'Donnell	18	8	15	5—46
Coahoma	9	26	7	17—54

Free throws — OND 16-18, CHS 9-25. 3-point goals — OHS 3 (Wilsey 2, M. Rivas), CHS 4 (Sheamon 2, Iden, Fiorito). Total fouls — OHS 22, CHS 20. Fouled out — M. Rivas, AJ Rivas.

Next: Grady at Coahoma, 8 p.m. Tuesday

ANDREWS 57 FORT STOCKTON 52

ANDREWS — Andrews rallied from a 1 point deficit heading into the fourth quarter to pull out a non-district win against Fort Stockton on Tuesday.

The Mustangs were led by Corey Duran's 13 points, while Caleb O'Connor scored 12 and Juan Hultron added 10.

The Mustangs play at Midland Classical at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

ANDREWS 57, FORT STOCKTON 52

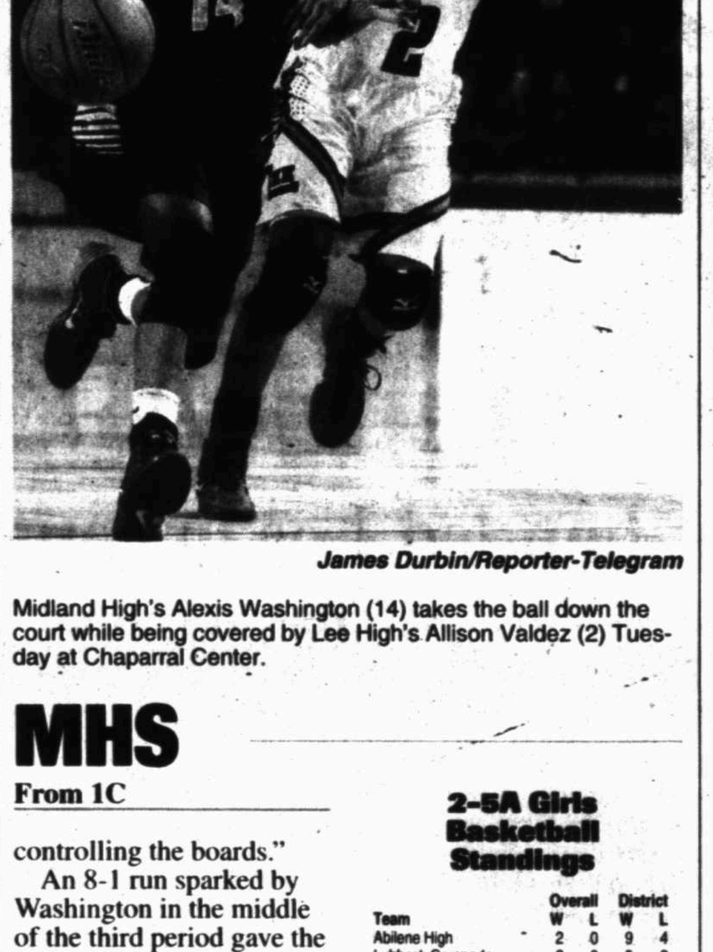
Port Stockton (0-1) — Costa 16, Garrison 21, Rios 2, Deerington 2, Olivas 7, Acosta 2, Martinez 2

Andrews (2-1) — Gaga Miller 3, Juan Hultron 10, Devin Fitzgerald 3, Omilson Ocsant 3, Caleb O'Connor 12, Corey Duran 13, Anthony Maholly 4, Kason Teal 9

Fort Stockton	15	14	14	9—52
Andrews	15	11	10	15—57

Free throws — FS 3-10, AHS 10-18. 3-point goals — FS 3 (Garrison 3), AHS 3 (Teal, Duran 2). Total fouls — FS 18, AHS 16. Fouled out — None.

Next: Andrews at Midland Classical, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midland High's Alexis Washington (14) takes the ball down the court while being covered by Lee High's Allison Valdez (2) Tuesday at Chaparral Center.

MHS

From 1C

controlling the boards."

An 8-1 run sparked by Washington in the middle of the third period gave the Lady Dawgs some cushion. After MHS sophomore post knocked down an 18-foot jumper and Lee sophomore Yaritza Rivas answered by going 1 of 2 at the line, Washington knocked down back-to-back 3-pointers within 28 seconds of each other, putting MHS up 35-25 with 1:08 left in the third.

"My teammates just did a good job getting me the ball," said Washington, who had a game-high 20 points. "They got me some open looks and I was able to make them."

The Lady Rebels closed the period strong with Hannah Payne scoring down low off a pass from Stanford and Yaritza Rivas getting an off-balance putback to fall as time expired on the period, cutting the Lady Dawgs' advantage to 36-31.

But Washington remained hot to start the fourth period, hitting a 3-pointer and following it up with a pull-up jumper on Midland High's next possession. With Midland High back up by 10, 41-31, with 6:15 left to play.

A three-point play by Valdez and a putback by Payne allowed the Lady Rebels to hang close at 43-36 with 5:32 left, but fatigue seemed to finally catch up with Lee at that point.

The Lady Rebels managed just five points in the final three minutes of the game, while Midland High began dominating on the boards, grabbing defensive rebounds and quickly moving into a transition offense. And it didn't hurt that the Lady Dawgs went 12 of 14 at the free-throw line in the final period.

Elliott finished with a double-double for Midland High with 10 points and 10 rebounds, while Lancaster added 10 points.

"You can't be mad at (Torres) for doing what he did," Ramirez said. "That was great coaching. If I had a bench like that I would run us all game, too. Daija and Allison had to play the whole game and they naturally got tired. It was good coaching by him."

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MIDLAND HIGH 59, LEE 41

Midland High (4-0, 2-0 in 2-5A) — Alexandrea Washington 20, Aubrie Elliott 12, Claire Lancaster 10, Miranda Mast 7, Desare' Allen 5, Alexis Washington 4, Val Hall 1

Lee (0-4, 0-1) — Jackie Rivas 11, Hannah Payne 8, Yaritza Rivas 7, Allison Valdez 6, Daija Stanford 6, Savannah Sutton 3

Midland High	12	7	17	23—59
Lee	5	13	13	10—41

Free throws — MHS 18-24, Lee 10-20. 3-point goals — MHS 3 (Alexa. Washington 3), Lee 3 (Stanford, Sutton, J. Rivas). Total fouls — MHS 13, Lee 18. Fouled out — None. Rebounds — MHS 44 (Elliott 10), Lee 34 (Payne 11). Assists — MHS 9 (Mast 3), Lee 4 (Stanford 3). Turnovers — MHS 22, Lee 13.

Next: Midland High vs. Canyon, 2 p.m. Saturday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock; Lee at Odessa High, 6 p.m. Tuesday.

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2-5A Girls Basketball Standings

Team	Overall W	Overall L	District W	District L
Abilene High	2	0	9	4
Lubbock Coronado	2	2	0	5	3
Midland High	**2**	**0**	**4**	**2**
Odessa Permian	1	1	4	3
Abilene Cooper	1	1	0	5
Lee	**0**	**1**	**8**	**4**
Amarillo Tascosa	0	1	2	5
Odessa High	0	2	0	5
San Angelo Central	0	2	3	6

Tuesday's Scores

Midland High 59, Lee 41

Abilene Cooper 56, Odessa High 38

Abilene High 52, Odessa Permian 45

Lubbock Coronado 57, San Angelo Central 37

Dec. 3

Lee at Odessa High

Amarillo Tascosa at San Angelo Central

Abilene Cooper at Odessa Permian

Abilene High at Lubbock Coronado

All games at 6 p.m.

Big Spring, Greenwood players earn top honors

From staff reports

A pair of players from Big Spring earned superlative honors, and one player from Greenwood was named to the first team of the 4-3A All-District Volleyball team announced on Monday.



Bell

Greenwood's Amanda Bell, a junior, was the lone player from Greenwood to earn first team honors. Bell, who plays both at setter and at outside hitter for the Rangerettes, frequently led the team in kills and also assists.

Big Spring senior Morgan Seaton shared Outstanding Hitter honors with Monahans' Kathleen Wolf, and Lady Steer junior Stevi Ward was named Newcomer of the Year.

Big Spring, who made its first appearance at the state tournament since 1977 last week, had three players earn first team honors. Senior Kelsie Guinn and juniors Julianna Rodriguez and Erin Pollard were named to the first team.

Abilene Wylie's Layne Little was named the district's Most Valuable Player.

4-3A All-District Volleyball Team

Most Valuable Player — Layne Little, Sr., Abilene Wylie

Outstanding Defensive Specialist — Kimi Bailey, Jr., Monahans

Outstanding Hitters — Kathleen Wolf, Sr., Monahans; Morgan Seaton, Sr., Big Spring

Outstanding Setters — Lindsey Senter, Jr., Abilene Wylie; Megan McLean, Jr., Abilene Wylie

Newcomer of the Year — Stevi Ward, Jr., Big Spring

First Team

Abilene Wylie — Bailey Turner, Sr.; Cassidy Hannah, Sr.; Maci Davis, Jr.

Monahans — Karley Pounds, Sr.; Jayde Thomas, Sr.; Nikki Salazar, Sr.

Big Spring — Julianna Rodriguez, Jr.; Erin Pollard, Jr.; Kelsie Guinn, Sr.

Sweetwater — Aly Heredia, Sr.; Morgan Gomez, So.

Snyder — Chelsea Lambaren, Jr.

Greenwood — Amanda Bell, Jr.

Second Team

Abilene Wylie — Kenzie Whitaker, Jr.; Ariel Dumont, Jr.; Abigayle Young, Sr.

Monahans — Kamry Grey, Sr.; Bailey Slade, Sr.; Reina Rey, Sr.

Big Spring — Kinsey Wash, Sr.; Tulsi Patel, Sr.; Ebony Zavala, Sr.

Sweetwater — Kayle Choiming, Sr.; Shaneese Brown, Sr.

Snyder — Morgan Gamble, Sr.; Bailey Garcia, Soph.

Greenwood — Layne Banks, Soph.; Regan Shockley, Jr.; Cylie Mebane, Fresh.

Honorable Mention

Monahans — Kelly McDaniel, Sr.; Landry Owens, Sr.

Academic All-District

Note: Players must maintain a 90 average or better during the volleyball season

Big Spring — Tulsi Patel; Kinsey Wash; Morgan Seaton; Ebony Zavala; Kelsie Guinn; Stevi Ward

Greenwood — Grace Sunderland, Sr.; Shawnda Price, Sr.; Kambree Ebenstein, Sr.; Marissa Brewer, Jr.; Regan Shockley, Jr.; Amanda Bell, Jr.; Krista Somers, So.; Callie rose Gilbert, So.; Maddie Grace Campbell, So.; Cylie Mebane, Fresh.

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NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS



Associated Press

Golden State Warriors shooting guard Klay Thompson (11) goes to the basket in front of New Orleans Pelicans shooting guard Eric Gordon (10) in the second half of a basketball game in New Orleans on Tuesday.

WIZARDS 116 LAKERS 111

WASHINGTON — John Wall stayed hot with 31 points and nine assists and Nene had a career high 30 to carry the Washington Wizards to a 116-111 victory over Los Angeles on Tuesday night that broke the Lakers' three-game winning streak.

Paul Pierce scored 16 points and Kevin Garnett had 12 as the Nets won for the first time since beating Phoenix on Nov. 15.

NETS 102 RAPTORS 100

TORONTO — Andray Blatche scored 24 points, Joe Johnson had 21 and the Brooklyn Nets snapped a five-game losing streak, beating the Toronto Raptors 102-100 on Tuesday night.

MAGIC 109 HAWKS 92

ATLANTA — Arron Afflalo scored 26 points, Victor Oladipo and Andrew Nicholson added 18 apiece and the Orlando Magic snapped a 17-game road losing streak with a 109-92 victory over the Atlanta Hawks on Tuesday night.

Al Horford and Jeff Teague each finished with 15 points for the Hawks, who lost consecutive games for the first time this season.

The Magic began the night having lost four straight overall and five in a row on the road. They won away from Orlando for the first time since last March 4 at New Orleans.

WARRIORS 102 PELICANS 101

NEW ORLEANS — Klay Thompson scored 22 points and tied a career high with eight assists, and the Golden State Warriors snapped a three-game skid with a 102-101 victory over the New Orleans Pelicans on Tuesday night.

Eric Gordon had a chance to win it for New Orleans with an open 3-pointer from the left corner in the final seconds, but the shot rimmed out and Anthony Davis couldn't quite reach the rebound.

Jermaine O'Neal returned from right knee and groin injuries that had sidelined him for four games and did not look at all rusty, sinking his first seven shots en route to 18 points — including a clutch baseline hook with 2:06 left. David Lee added 19 points.

Ryan Anderson had 21 points and 12 rebounds for New Orleans. Davis finished with 14 points and 11 rebounds.

Stephen Curry struggled to find his usual accuracy, missing 13 of 20 shots, but scored seven of his 16 points in a tight fourth quarter for Golden State. Harrison Barnes added 14 points.

New Orleans appeared to be seizing momentum when Davis' dunk on a pick-and-roll feed from Tyreke Evans tied it at 93.

Golden State called a timeout and responded with O'Neal's basket and Thompson's 3. Jrue Holiday, who had 17 points, hit a big 3 for New Orleans, and the Pelicans eventually pulled to 100-99 when Davis tipped in an alley-oop pass as he was fouled by Curry.

After O'Neal scored the go-ahead basket, Davis once again pulled the Pelicans within a point with his vigorous, one-handed putback jam of Evans' miss. But there was no more scoring after that.

Gordon finished with 16 points for the Pelicans, who have lost two straight. Jason Smith had 14 points and Evans 12.



Associated Press

Dallas Stars left wing Ryan Garbutt (16) is congratulated by teammate Trevor Daley (6) after scoring on Anaheim Ducks goalie Jonas Hiller during the third period of a hockey game in Dallas on Tuesday.

Stars score 3 in 53 seconds in win over Ducks

Stars	6
Ducks	3

Associated Press

DALLAS — Cody Eakin, Stephane Robidas and Ryan Garbutt scored in a 53-second span of the third period, and the Dallas Stars beat the Pacific Division leading Anaheim Ducks 6-3 on Tuesday night for their first home win in more than month.

The Stars trailed 2-1 before the three-goal flurry against Jonas Hiller. Antoine Roussel scored twice for Dallas, and Alex Chiasson added an empty-net goal in the final minute.

Eakin's sixth goal of the season tied it 2-2 with 14:35 left. Only 25 seconds later, Robidas was between the circles when he scored his fourth of the season.

Garbutt then gathered a loose puck and scored with a backhanded swipe with 13:42 left to make it 4-2.

Roussel was in the crease when he netted his second goal with just under 8 minutes left. Hiller quickly argued with the referee to no avail, trying to get an interference call.

Dan Ellis stopped 28 shots, winning for only the second time in seven games. Dallas had been 0-2-2 at home since a 5-1 victory over Calgary on Oct. 24.

Emerson Etem, Nick Bonino and Dustin Penner scored for the Ducks, who are 10-4-3 in their last 17 games. Penner's tally was a power-play goal with 6½ minutes left.

The Stars played the first of three straight home games. Next is Friday night against the Central Division-leading Chicago Blackhawks, who have an NHL-best 38 points — one more than Anaheim and St. Louis.

This was the second of three meetings this season for the former Pacific Division rivals who used to play six times a season. It was the only trip to Dallas for the Ducks, who won 6-3 at home on Oct. 20 and will host the Stars again on Feb. 1.

Hiller, who faced 32 shots, gave up three goals on 12 shots against the Stars in the previous matchup before he was pulled from the game.

Bonino's seventh of the season came with 36 seconds left in the second period. He took a pass from Andrew Cogliano, and the puck went off his skate before he used his stick to score from the right side of the net for a 2-1 lead.

Etem scored from in front 6:06 into the game to give the Ducks a 1-0 lead.

Roussel tied it when the puck caromed in off his skate with 6:47 left in the second period. Officials reviewed the goal before ruling that it wasn't kicked into the net by Roussel to the left of Hiller after a pass from Vernon Fiddler.

TUESDAY IN THE NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	6	8	.429	—
Philadelphia	6	9	.400	½
Boston	6	10	.375	1
Brooklyn	4	10	.286	2
New York	3	10	.231	2½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	11	3	.786	—
Atlanta	8	7	.533	3½
Charlotte	7	8	.467	4½
Washington	6	9	.429	5
Orlando	5	9	.357	6

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	13	1	.929	—
Chicago	6	7	.462	6½
Detroit	6	8	.429	7
Cleveland	5	10	.286	9
Milwaukee	2	11	.154	10½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	13	1	.929	—
Houston	10	5	.667	3½
Dallas	9	6	.600	4½
Memphis	7	7	.500	6
New Orleans	6	8	.429	7

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Portland	13	2	.867	—
Oklahoma City	9	3	.750	2½
Denver	7	6	.538	5
Minnesota	6	8	.500	5½
Utah	2	14	.125	11½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	10	5	.667	—
Golden State	9	6	.600	1
Phoenix	7	7	.500	2½
L.A. Lakers	7	8	.467	3
Sacramento	4	9	.308	5

Tuesday's Scores

Washington 116, L.A. Lakers 111
Brooklyn 102, Toronto 100
Orlando 109, Atlanta 92
Golden State 102, New Orleans 101

Today's Games

Philadelphia at Orlando, 6 p.m.
Indiana at Charlotte, 6 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.
Memphis at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Cleveland, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Denver at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
Atlanta at Houston, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Washington at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
New York at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.

TUESDAY'S BOX SCORES

WIZARDS 116, LAKERS 111

L.A. LAKERS (111): Johnson 4-7 0-0 11, Hill 5-10 0-0 10, Gasol 8-15 1-1 17, Blake 6-11 1-1 15, Meeks 3-5 2-2 10, Williams 1-7 0-0 2, Young 6-12 2-4 16, Farmar 9-11 1-2 22, Henry 2-5 3-3 8. Totals 44-83 10-13 111.

WASHINGTON (116): Webster 8-15 0-0 20, Nene 13-22 4-6 30, Gortat 6-8 3-4 15, Wall 10-18 11-12 31, Ariza 6-14 0-0 13, Vesely 1-3 0-0 2, Temple 1-3 0-0 2, Maynor 1-4 0-0 3, Singleton 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 46-87 18-22 116.

L.A. Lakers	**29**	**26**	**22**	**34 — 111**
Washington	**31**	**28**	**23**	**34 — 116**

3-Point Goals—L.A. Lakers 13-28 (Farmar 3-4, Johnson 3-6, Meeks 2-3, Young 2-4, Blake 2-5, Henry 1-2, Williams 0-4), Washington 6-21 (Webster 4-8, Maynor 1-3, Ariza 1-7, Temple 0-1, Wall 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Lakers 38 (Hill 8), Washington 49 (Webster 9). Assists—L.A. Lakers 30 (Gasol, Farmar 8), Washington 25 (Wall 9). Total Fouls—L.A. Lakers 19, Washington 14. A—19,204 (20,308).

NETS 102, RAPTORS 100

BROOKLYN (102): Pierce 5-8 5-5 16, Garnett 5-11 2-2 12, Blatche 10-16 4-4 24, Livingston 1-3 3-4 5, J.Johnson 7-18 4-4 21, Plumlee 4-5 1-1 9, Anderson 3-8 0-0 6, Taylor 4-7 1-2 9, Teletovic 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 39-77 20-22 102.

TORONTO (100): Gay 3-12 2-2 9, A.Johnson 2-7 2-2 6, Valanciunas 3-6 1-1 7, Lowry 8-15 6-6 24, DeRozan 9-15 5-5 27, Hansbrough 2-5 1-2 5, Ross 3-7 0-0 7, Buycks 1-3 0-0 3, Novak 3-6 4-4 12, Augustin 0-1 0-0 0, Fields 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 34-78 21-22 100.

Brooklyn	**26**	**29**	**26**	**21**	**— 102**
Toronto	**29**	**23**	**25**	**24**	**— 100**

3-Point Goals—Brooklyn 4-14 (J.Johnson 3-5, Pierce 1-3, Taylor 0-1, Blatche 0-1, Anderson 0-4), Toronto 11-26 (DeRozan 4-6, Novak 2-4, Lowry 2-5, Gay 1-2, Buycks 1-2, Ross 1-4, Augustin 0-1, A.Johnson 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Brooklyn 42 (Garnett, Livingston, J.Johnson 6), Toronto 43 (Hansbrough, Valanciunas 7). Assists—Brooklyn 25 (Livingston 7), Toronto 18 (Lowry 6). Total Fouls—Brooklyn 18, Toronto 24. Technicals—Brooklyn delay of game. A—16,421 (19,800).

MAGIC 109, HAWKS 92

ORLANDO (109): Afflalo 9-18 4-4 26, Davis 3-9 2-2 8, Vucevic 4-7 4-5 12, Nelson 3-11 1-2 8, Oladipo 7-11 3-3 18, Nicholson 8-11 1-1 18, Moore 5-8 1-1 12, Harkless 1-3 1-2 3, Lamb 1-1 0-0 2, O'Quinn 0-1 0-0 0. Price 0-1 0-0 0, Jones 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 42-83 17-20 109.

ATLANTA (92): Carroll 3-8 2-2 9, Millsap 4-7 2-3 10, Horford 7-10 1-2 15, Teague 4-11 6-6 15, Korver 1-6 0-0 3, Ayon 0-5 2-2 2, Williams 3-9 2-2 11, Martin 2-3 2-2 7, Scott 1-6 1-2 4, Mack 3-5 0-0 6, Antic 1-2 3-4 6, Schroder 1-1 2-2 4, Jenkins 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 30-73 23-27 92.

Orlando	**26**	**23**	**36**	**24**	**— 109**
Atlanta	**25**	**29**	**20**	**19**	**— 92**

3-Point Goals—Orlando 8-22 (Afflalo 4-7, Oladipo 1-2, Nicholson 1-2, Moore 1-3, Nelson 1-7, Harkless 0-1), Atlanta 9-22 (Williams 3-5, Martin 1-1, Antic 1-1, Scott 1-2, Teague 1-2, Carroll 1-3, Korver 1-6, Horford 0-1, Mack 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 48 (Vucevic 15), Atlanta 43 (Carroll 7). Assists—Orlando 29 (Nelson 10), Atlanta 22 (Williams 8). Total Fouls—Orlando 20, Atlanta 19. A—13,164 (18,729).

WARRIORS 102, PELICANS 101

GOLDEN STATE (102): Barnes 6-12 1-2 14, Lee 6-14 7-7 19, O'Neal 9-12 0-0 18, Curry 7-20 0-0 16, Thompson 8-18 3-6 22, Green 2-6 2-2 7, Speights 2-3 2-2 6, Nedovic 0-2 0-0 0, Bazemore 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 40-88 15-21 102.

NEW ORLEANS (101): Aminu 2-3 0-0 4, Davis 6-9 2-2 14, Smith 6-14 2-2 14, Holiday 7-16 0-0 17, Gordon 6-12 2-4 16, Anderson 8-17 2-2 21, Amundson 0-1 0-0 0, Roberts 0-2 0-0 0, Evans 5-11 2-3 12, Morrow 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 41-87 10-13 101.

Golden State	**28**	**29**	**19**	**26**	**— 102**
New Orleans	**18**	**31**	**28**	**24**	**— 101**

3-Point Goals—Golden State 7-19 (Thompson 3-6, Curry 2-5, Barnes 1-2, Green 1-4, Bazemore 0-1, Nedovic 0-1), New Orleans 9-19 (Holiday 3-5, Anderson 3-6, Gordon 2-5, Morrow 1-2, Evans 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 53 (Curry, O'Neal 8), New Orleans 50 (Anderson 12). Assists—Golden State 25 (Curry 9), New Orleans 22 (Holiday, Gordon 7). Total Fouls—Golden State 14, New Orleans 21. Technicals—Golden State defensive three second. A—15,330 (17,188).

LeBron hosting Thanksgiving for Heat in Cleveland

Associated Press

MIAMI — LeBron James will have his favorite Thanksgiving foods — turkey, yams and macaroni and cheese — on his holiday table Thursday.

More importantly, that table will be surrounded by his favorite people.

If an upside exists to the Miami Heat having to spend Thanksgiving and Christmas on the road, a schedule quirk that the NBA champions are not happy about, it's that one of those swings is through Cleveland. Miami visits the Cavaliers on Wednesday, and altered its postgame travel schedule so James could host Thanksgiving dinner at his northeast Ohio home.

"We would have loved to have been here for the holidays, Thanksgiving and Christmas being here in Miami," James said. "We don't mind playing on those holidays. Wish we could have been here, but I am happy that I'm able to do something for the team for Thanksgiving."

James has tried to address every detail, like telling the team to wear casual attire and asking Shane Battier what beer he wants with dinner. James' wife and his chef will split the cooking duties.

"We're not at home with our families for Thanksgiving but it couldn't work out any better that at least we could be in someone else's home," Miami's Dwyane Wade said.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Scores

SOUTHWEST

Cent. Arkansas 60, Troy 53
Cent. Michigan 66, Texas A&M-CC 64
Concordia-Austin 95, Schreiner 80
North Texas 84, Incarnate Word 67
SMU 72, Sam Houston St. 53
Southwestern (Texas) 62, Mary Hardin-Baylor 58
Stephen F. Austin 88, Samford 78
Texas A&M 88, Ark.-Pine Bluff 55
Texas A&M-Kingsville 79, St. Edward's 69
UALR 90, S. Arkansas 58

MIDWEST

Ashland 80, Seton Hill 75
Baldwin-Wallace 101, Olivet 89
Benedictine (Kan.) 72, Park 52
Bethel (Minn.) 75, Bethany Lutheran 63
Cardinal Stritch 91, Trinity (Ill.) 71
Carroll (Wis.) 67, Lake Forest 51
Cincinnati 75, Mass.-Lowell 49
Concordia (Mich.) 91, Aquinas 86, OT
Crown (Minn.) 79, Macalester 74
Heidelberg 82, Albion 59
Hillsdale 76, Cedarville 59
Indiana 77, Evansville 46
Indiana Tech 54, Michigan-Dearborn 42
Loras 77, Wis.-Eau Claire 64
Madonna 74, Lourdes 66
Malone 92, Waynesburg 70
Michigan Tech 81, Bemidji St. 74
Milwaukee 89, Judson 58
Minn. St.-Moorhead 93, Jamestown 69
Missouri St. 84, Liberty 52
Northwestern (Minn.) 80, Hamline 66
Northwestern Ohio 83, Davenport 81
Ohio 76, Mercer 67
Ripon 76, Beloit 60
Saginaw Valley St. 97, Grace Bible 73
Siena Heights 86, Adrian 53
St. John's (Minn.) 85, Wis.-River Falls 58
Valparaiso 85, UCF 70
W. Michigan 99, Oakland 88
Wartburg 77, Carleton 73
Wis.-Parkside 83, Minn.-Duluth 70
Wis.-Whitewater 73, St. Norbert 62

SOUTH

Andrason (SC) 84, Lincoln Memorial 79, OT
Auburn 78, Tennessee St. 73
Belmont 102, Brescia 66
Berry 85, Columbia International 67
Brevard 85, Tusculum 73
Centre 84, Transylvania 75
Charleston Southern 105, Trinity Baptist 58
Christian Brothers 85, Harding 76, OT
Colgate 86, Tulane 84
Cumberland (Tenn.) 89, Mid Continent 86
Dillard 67, Spring Hill 43
Georgetown (Ky.) 95, Martin Methodist 75
Georgia Tech 76, MVSU 59
Guilford 73, Randolph-Macon 71, OT
Marshall 74, W. Kentucky 64
Middle Tennessee 80, Murray St. 62
Mississippi 84, NC A&T 59
NC Central 101, Bethel-Tenn. 86
NC State 82, Florida Gulf Coast 62
Nicholls St. 79, UTSA 73
North Florida 65, Savannah St. 61
Point (Ga.) 70, Bryan 65
SE Louisiana 82, W. Illinois 52
Spalding 76, Anderson (Ind.) 68
Tenn. Wesleyan 97, Milligan 90
Tennessee Hospitality 85, Alb.-Huntsville 59
UNC Wilmington 72, Campbellsville 55
Virginia 69, Hampton 40
Virginia Tech 75, Furman 54
W. Carolina 78, Limestone 69
Wiley 66, Xavier (NO) 57
Wingate 73, Lenoir-Rhyne 59

FAR WEST

Montana St. 77, CS Northridge 62
Washington 83, Montana 79

EAST

Albany (NY) 70, Rider 59
Baruch 61, Hunter 51
Bentley 89, S. New Hampshire 84
Boston College 75, Sacred Heart 67, OT
Brockport 103, William Peace 100, OT
Buffalo 81, Robert Morris 66
CCSU 74, NJIT 71
Columbia 61, American U. 47
Drew 84, King's (Pa.) 73
E. Mennonite 91, Ferrum 85
Felician 80, Post (Conn.) 74
Fordham 79, Manhattan 75
Hobart 85, Buffalo St. 83
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Mount St. Mary's 66, Bucknell 64
Navy 67, Mid.-Eastern Shore 59
Penn 85, Niagara 68
Penn St. 84, Monmouth (NJ) 52
Plymouth St. 83, Castleton St. 80
Princeton 71, George Mason 66
St. John's 65, Longwood 47
St. Joseph's (LI) 58, Yeshiva 56, OT
St. Peter's 70, Binghamton 57
Staten Island 78, York (NY) 70
Thiel 64, Penn St. Behrend 52
Towson 75, UMBC 60
UConn 76, Loyola (Md.) 66
Yale 79, Lafayette 76

TOURNAMENT

CBE Hall of Fame Classic
Third Place
Texas 77, DePaul 59

Cancun Challenge-Mayan

First Round
Bowling Green 67, Presbyterian 45
Oral Roberts 67, Georgia Southern 65

Cancun Challenge-Riviera

First Round
West Virginia 78, Old Dominion 60
Wisconsin 63, Saint Louis 57

EA Sports Maui Invitational

Semifinals
Syracuse 92, California 81

Consolation Bracket

Arkansas 87, Minnesota 73
Gonzaga 113, Chaminade 81

Gulf Coast Showcase

Semifinals
Louisiana Tech 103, Ill.-Chicago 78
St. Bonaventure 70, Wagner 67

Consolation Bracket

S. Illinois 67, Stetson 48
San Diego 83, UNC Greensboro 71

Progressive Legends Classic

Third Place
Texas Tech 76, Houston 64

Progressive Legends-Brookings

Championship
S. Dakota St. 74, Lehigh 61

Third Place
Texas Southern 83, Howard 54

Today's games

EAST

Mount St. Vincent at St. Francis (NY), 1 p.m.
Brown at Bryant, 3 p.m.

SOUTH

St. Andrews at Campbell, 11 a.m.
Fort Valley St. at Jacksonville St., noon
Jackson St. at Mississippi St., 1 p.m.
E. Michigan at Kentucky, 3 p.m.
VMI at William & Mary, 6 p.m.
James Madison at Winthrop, 6 p.m.
Florida A&M at UAB, 7 p.m.
Bethel (Tenn.) at UT-Martin, 7 p.m.
Northwestern St. at Louisiana-Lafayette, 7:05 p.m.

MIDWEST

Youngstown St. at Kent St., 6 p.m.
Alcorn St. at Wright St., 6 p.m.
IPFW at E. Illinois, 7 p.m.

SOUTHWEST

Texas-Pan American at Lamar, 7 p.m.

FAR WEST

Bethune-Cookman at Colorado St., 3 p.m.
Richmond at Air Force, 8 p.m.
Idaho vs. Boise St. at CenturyLink Arena, Boise, Idaho, 8 p.m.
Prairie View at New Mexico St., 8 p.m.
Sonoma St. at San Francisco, 8 p.m.
San Jose St. at Portland, 9 p.m.
Ball St. at Utah, 9 p.m.
Vermont vs. Illinois St. at War Memorial Gymnasium, San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.
New Orleans at Hawaii, 11 p.m.

TOURNAMENTS

Cancun Challenge-Maya

At Cancun, Mexico

Third Place
Presbyterian vs. Georgia Southern, 12:30 p.m.

Championship
Bowling Green vs. Oral Roberts, 3 p.m.

Cancun Challenge-Riviera

At Cancun, Mexico

Third Place
West Virginia-Old Dominion loser vs. Saint Louis-Wisconsin loser, 6 p.m.

Championship
West Virginia-Old Dominion winner vs. Saint Louis-Wisconsin winner, 8:30 p.m.

Carrs/Safeway Great Alaska Shootout

At Anchorage, Alaska

First Round
Tulsa vs. Indiana St., 10:30 p.m.
TCU at Alaska Anchorage, 1 a.m.

EA Sports Maui Invitational

At Lahaina, Hawaii

Seventh Place
Minnesota vs. Chaminade, 1:30 p.m.

Fifth Place
Arkansas vs. Gonzaga, 4 p.m.

Third Place
Syracuse-California loser vs. Baylor-Dayton loser, 6:30 p.m.

Championship
Syracuse-California winner vs. Baylor-Dayton winner, 9 p.m.

Gulf Coast Showcase

At Estero, Fla.

Seventh Place
UNC Greensboro vs. Stetson, 11 a.m.

Fifth Place
San Diego vs. S. Illinois, 1:30 p.m.

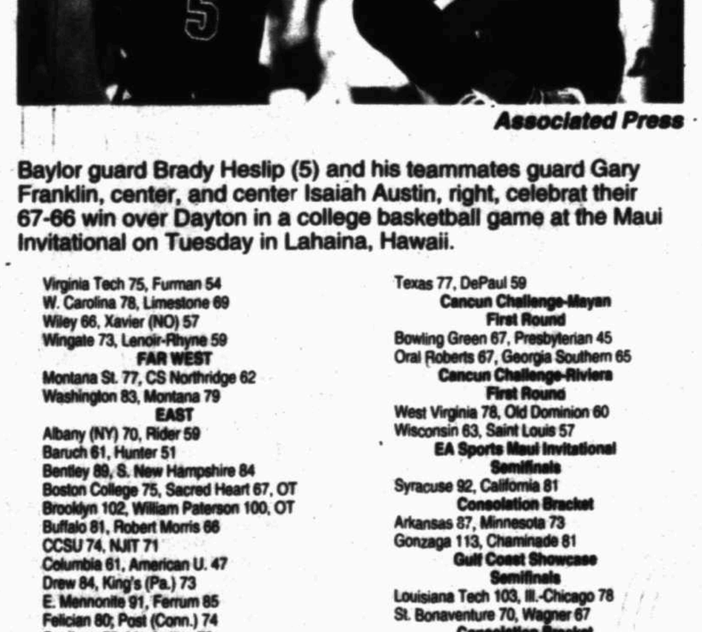
Third Place
Louisiana Tech-Ill.-Chicago loser vs. Wagner-St. Bonaventure loser, 6 p.m.

Championship
Louisiana Tech-Ill.-Chicago winner vs. Wagner-St. Bonaventure winner, 7:30 p.m.

NIT Season Tip-off

At New York

Semifinals
Arizona vs. Drexel, 6 p.m.
Alabama vs. Duke, 8:30 p.m.



Associated Press

Baylor guard Brady Heslip (5) and his teammates guard Gary Franklin, center, and center Isaiah Austin, right, celebrat their 67-66 win over Dayton in a college basketball game at the Maui Invitational on Tuesday in Lahaina, Hawaii.

EDDIE PELLS

Associated Press

Fighting hurts both sides in NHL lawsuit

For a preview of what evidence on Day 1 of an NHL concussions trial might look like, head over to YouTube, type in "NHL brawls" and take your pick of any of the 481,000 choices offered there.

In a league where both sides give a wink to barefisted fighting — and in a case in which raw emotion could play as big a role as the still-developing science of concussions — it will be hard for either the players or the NHL to claim the moral high ground.

A group of 10 retired players, seizing the moment in wake of the $765 million settlement the NFL recently offered its concussed retirees, filed a class-action lawsuit on Monday. They claim the league hasn't done enough to protect players from head injuries.

They'll certainly present a compelling case based in part on decades of head-jarring contact via body checks into the boards, unbroken tumbles to the ice and, yes, all those punches to the head that so many claim are a necessary part of the game.

Meanwhile, the NHL has promised a vigorous defense. It claims to have been well ahead of the pack when it comes to mitigating head injuries. And, in fact, when compared to other pro leagues — especially the NFL, which spent decades pushing off legitimate scientific research in the face of compelling evidence — the NHL could be considered a trendsetter.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	24	16	6	2	34	66	46
Tampa Bay	24	15	8	1	31	72	61
Toronto	24	14	9	1	29	66	60
Detroit	25	11	7	7	29	63	70
Montreal	24	13	9	2	28	64	51
Ottawa	24	9	11	4	22	68	77
Florida	25	7	13	5	19	56	81
Buffalo	25	5	19	1	11	44	79

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	25	15	9	1	31	72	58
Washington	24	12	10	2	26	72	68
N.Y. Rangers	24	12	12	0	24	48	59
New Jersey	24	9	10	5	23	50	58
Carolina	24	9	10	5	23	49	67
Philadelphia	23	10	11	2	22	60	66
Columbus	24	9	12	3	21	62	71
N.Y. Islanders	24	8	13	3	19	68	82

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	25	17	4	4	38	92	71
St. Louis	23	17	3	3	37	82	52
Colorado	22	17	5	0	34	69	45
Minnesota	25	15	6	4	34	64	58
Dallas	23	12	9	2	26	67	66
Nashville	24	12	10	2	26	58	69
Winnipeg	26	11	11	4	26	69	78

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Anaheim	27	17	7	3	37	83	71
San Jose	23	15	3	5	35	79	52
Los Angeles	25	16	6	3	35	67	53
Phoenix	24	14	6	4	32	80	78
Vancouver	26	12	9	5	29	67	68
Calgary	23	8	11	4	20	64	84
Edmonton	25	7	16	2	16	65	89

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

Tuesday's Score

Dallas 6, Anaheim 3

Today's Games

Montreal at Buffalo, 6 p.m.
Carolina at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
Winnipeg at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m.
Ottawa at Washington, 6 p.m.
Nashville at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Boston at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 7 p.m.
St. Louis at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Kingsbury downplays need for indoor facility despite AD demands

By Don Williams
Lubbock
Avalanche-Journal

LUBBOCK — Kliff Kingsbury's not breathing down Kirby Hocutt's neck to build his team an indoor practice facility. The Texas Tech football coach makes it sound as if he cares little whether one ever gets constructed.


Kingsbury

"We've practiced out here a long time without one," Kingsbury said Monday. "We'll make do with what we have."

Kingsbury was asked where an indoor workout facility ranks on his priority list or if it's a priority at all.

"No, not that I harp on, no," he said. "We've won a lot of games here practicing outside, and we play outside, so ... "

That doesn't mean the Red Raiders won't someday get their indoor practice facility, maybe even before Kingsbury's beard turns gray.

Hocutt, the Tech athletic director, said an indoor workout facility for football "is a priority for us as it relates to our future facilities planning and development."

Tech has recently rekindled discussions with San Antonio architectural firm Marmon Mok to talk over size, scope and possible locations for such a facility.

"I think it speaks to the need we see that we do have for an indoor training facility," Hocutt said.

Hocutt said Tech would have to come up with an architectural plan, have specifics to put in front of donors and then raise private funding. He guessed such a structure would take $15 million to $17 million depending on size and features, cautioning that he had little on which to base his cost estimate.

Hocutt said it's premature to discuss potential locations, time frames or features.

"We're still not far enough along in that process to publicly discuss anything we're looking at," he said, "because right now everything is very conceptual."

The subject seemed relevant in the last few days when a winter storm brought sub-freezing temperatures to Lubbock for 76 consecutive hours — from Thursday into Monday afternoon.

Snow had to be cleared from the Jones AT&T Stadium turf before the Red Raiders practiced on Sunday.

"We had a tractor out there moving it off, which took a little while yesterday, but we got it done," Kingsbury said. "It's been fine. It is what it is. We've practiced outside for a long time up here."

Kingsbury's shrugging off a perceived need for an indoor facility is nothing new at Tech. His old coach, Mike Leach, snorted in disgust at the idea of weather influencing where his team practiced. Leach seemed to take it as a badge of toughness to be outside on the worst weather days.

The last three years, it was much the opposite.

Tommy Tuberville, who was sensitive to weather effects on his team's preparation, tried to push an indoor workout facility up the priority list. He favored building an indoor workout facility over one of the team's two existing practice fields, adjoining the Red Raiders' football building and weight room.

Then the Red Raiders could opt inside on extreme-weather days.

Chelsea advances in Champions League despite another loss to Basel

By Steve Douglas
Associated Press

Chelsea qualified for the final 16 of the Champions League despite losing again to Basel. AC Milan and Arsenal won, but did not yet advance.

Mohamed Salah's late goal Tuesday earned Basel a 1-0 win and a second straight Group E victory over the 2012 champions. But Chelsea is guaranteed a top-two finish after Schalke drew with Steaua Bucharest.

Milan cruised past Celtic 3-0, but needs a point against Ajax in its last match after the Dutch side upset already-qualified Barcelona 2-1 to keep alive its hopes. It was the first loss for Barca after a 25-game unbeaten streak dating back to last May's loss to Bayern Munich in the Champions League semifinals.

Arsenal also requires another point after beating Marseille 2-0 in Group F. Napoli lost 3-1 to Borussia Dortmund to leave both teams three points behind the English side.

Chelsea sailed through its group with three straight victories since opening up with a 2-1 home loss to Basel. It knew a point would be enough to advance and that appeared to hold back manager Jose Mourinho's team, which failed to have a shot on goal before Salah sprinted clear of Chelsea's defense to clip a left-footed shot over advancing keeper Petr Cech in the 87th minute.

"I did not like anything from the first minute," Mourinho said. "A bad performance, a deserved defeat. But because of other results, we qualify.

Mourinho's team joined Barcelona, Bayern Munich, Manchester City and Atletico Madrid in the round of 16. "That is the only positive thing from this night."

As the holder, Chelsea failed to reach the knockout stage last year, albeit from a much harder group than this season.

Arsenal finishes group play against Napoli and will advance for the 14th straight season by avoiding a three-goal defeat in Italy.

"It's an interesting one, a difficult one, but we have played other difficult games away from home against difficult opponents and have done well, so that's what we have to put in our mind," Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger said.

In Group G, Zenit St. Petersburg and FC Porto were left to compete for the second qualification spot behind Atletico after both earned 1-1 draws.

Zenit relied on a 74th-minute own goal by Atletico defender Toby Alderweireld to hold the Spanish side in Russia and stayed a point ahead of Porto, which also scored a second-half equalizer, by Jackson Martinez, to draw with Austria Vienna.

Six months after losing to Bayern in the final, Dortmund wouldn't have gotten out of its group if it had lost to Napoli. But Marco Reus' penalty kick and scored by Jakub Blaszczykowski and Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang revived the German side's hopes.

"It was a match to remember," Dortmund coach Juergen Klopp said. Dortmund completes the group with a trip to Marseille, which is seeking to avoid a sixth straight defeat after falling at Arsenal courtesy of goals by Jack Wilshere. His first came after just 29 seconds before adding another in the 65th minute.

It will be a winner-takes-all match at the San Siro in two weeks as Milan's victory in Glasgow was matched by Ajax's surprise triumph over Barca.

Kaka and Cristian Zapata pounced on poor defending of corner kicks by Celtic to score in the 13th and 49th minutes for Milan. Italy striker Mario Balotelli wrapped up victory in the 59th.

Meanwhile, Barcelona's unbeaten run finally came to an end in Amsterdam.

Ajax took a two-goal lead by halftime on goals by Thulani Serero and Danny Hoesen, but was forced to hang on for the three points after Joel Veltman was sent off for bringing down Neymar in the area, earning Barcelona a penalty kick. Xavi Hernandez calmly converted it.

"You can only dream about this," Hoesen said. "They are probably the best team in the world and to be able to score the winning goal is amazing."

Barca was missing the injured Lionel Messi and fielded a makeshift backline with fullbacks Jordi Alba and Dani Alves and goalkeeper Victor Valdes also absent.

The Champions League resumes Wednesday, when Real Madrid, Paris Saint-Germain and Manchester United all can qualify.

Longhorns' Ash done for season but could have 2 years left

By Randy Riggs
Austin American-Statesman

AUSTIN — The suspicion many have had for weeks about David Ash was confirmed by the Longhorns on Monday. The junior quarterback's season is officially over.

It basically ended at halftime of Texas' Big 12 opener against Kansas State on Sept. 21 at Royal-Memorial Stadium, when he was pulled because of a recurrence of symptoms of the concussion he'd sustained late in the loss at BYU on Sept. 7.

Coach Mack Brown said Ash is eligible to appeal to the NCAA to get a season back, which would leave him with two more seasons of eligibility and that the Belton product is expected to be cleared to participate in spring football.

"He's a competitor, and I know he wants to play again," Brown said.

Monday's announcement was not surprising. As the weeks passed after Kansas State, the likelihood that he would return this season grew more and more remote, although Brown and other UT officials consistently declined to rule him out for good.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Thursday
SOUTH
Stillman (6-4) at Alabama St. (7-4), 3 p.m.
Mississippi (7-4) at Mississippi St. (5-6), 6:30 p.m.
SOUTHWEST
Texas Tech (7-4) at Texas (7-3), 6:30 p.m.
Friday
EAST
Bowling Green (8-3) at Buffalo (8-3), 12:30 p.m.
Miami (8-3) at Pittsburgh (6-5), 2:30 p.m.
SOUTH
East Carolina (9-2) at Marshall (8-3), 11 a.m.
Texas St. (6-5) at Troy (5-6), 1 p.m.
Arkansas (3-8) at LSU (8-3), 1:30 p.m.
FIU (1-10) at FAU (5-6), 2 p.m.
South Florida (2-8) at UCF (9-1), 7 p.m.
MIDWEST
Toledo (7-4) at Akron (4-7), 11 a.m.
Iowa (7-4) at Nebraska (8-3), 11 a.m.
Miami (Ohio) (0-11) at Ball St. (9-2), noon
E. Michigan (2-9) at Cent. Michigan (5-6), 1 p.m.
UMass (1-10) at Ohio (6-5), 1 p.m.
SOUTHWEST
SMU (5-5) at Houston (7-4), 11 a.m.
FAR WEST
Fresno St. (10-0) at San Jose St. (5-6), 2:30 p.m.
Washington St. (6-5) at Washington (7-4), 2:30 p.m.
Oregon St. (6-5) at Oregon (9-2), 6 p.m.
Saturday
EAST
Rutgers (5-5) at UConn (1-9), 11 a.m.
Boston College (7-4) at Syracuse (5-6), 2:30 p.m.
Iowa St. (2-9) at West Virginia (4-7), 3 p.m.
SOUTH
Florida St. (11-0) at Florida (4-7), 11 a.m.
Temple (1-10) at Memphis (3-7), 11 a.m.
Duke (9-2) at North Carolina (6-5), 11 a.m.
Wake Forest (4-7) at Vanderbilt (7-4), 11:21 a.m.
Maryland (6-5) at NC State (3-8), 11:30 a.m.
Southern Miss. (0-11) at UAB (2-9), noon
South Alabama (4-6) at Georgia St. (0-11), 1 p.m.
Southern U. (7-4) vs. Grambling St. (1-9) at New Orleans, 1:30 p.m.
Alabama (11-0) at Auburn (10-1), 2:30 p.m.
Georgia (7-4) at Georgia Tech (7-4), 2:30 p.m.
Virginia Tech (7-4) at Virginia (2-9), 2:30 p.m.
UTEP (2-9) at Middle Tennessee (7-4), 2:45 p.m.
Arkansas St. (7-4) at W. Kentucky (7-4), 3 p.m.
Tennessee (4-7) at Kentucky (2-9), 6 p.m.
Louisiana-Monroe (5-6) at Louisiana-Lafayette (8-2), 6 p.m.
Clemson (10-1) at South Carolina (9-2), 6 p.m.
MIDWEST
Kansas St. (6-5) at Kansas (3-8), 11 a.m.
Ohio St. (11-0) at Michigan (7-4), 11 a.m.
Minnesota (8-3) at Michigan St. (10-1), 11 a.m.
Northwestern (4-7) at Illinois (4-7), 2:30 p.m.
Purdue (1-10) at Indiana (4-7), 2:30 p.m.,
Penn St. (6-5) at Wisconsin (9-2), 2:30 p.m.
Texas A&M (8-3) at Missouri (10-1), 6:45 p.m.
SOUTHWEST
North Texas (7-4) at Tulsa (3-8), 12:30 p.m.
Tulane (7-4) at Rice (8-3), 1 p.m.
Baylor (9-1) at TCU (4-7), 1:30 p.m.
Louisiana Tech (4-7) at UTSA (8-5), 1:30 p.m.
FAR WEST
Air Force (2-9) at Colorado St. (6-6), 1 p.m.
Colorado (4-7) at Utah (4-7), 1 p.m.
Wyoming (5-6) at Utah St. (7-4), 1 p.m.
BYU (7-4) at Nevada (4-7), 2:05 p.m.
Idaho (1-10) at New Mexico St. (1-10), 2:30 p.m.
Notre Dame (8-3) at Stanford (9-2), 6 p.m.
UCLA (8-3) at Southern Cal (9-3), 7 p.m.
Arizona (7-4) at Arizona St. (9-2), 8:30 p.m.
New Mexico (3-8) at Boise St. (7-4), 9:15 p.m.
San Diego St. (7-4) at UNLV (6-5), 9:30 p.m.
Army (3-7) at Hawaii (9-11), 10 p.m.
FCS PLAYOFFS
First Round
Lafayette (5-6) at New Hampshire (7-4), 11 a.m.
Furman (7-5) at South Carolina State (9-3), noon
Bethune-Cookman (10-2) at Coastal Carolina (10-2), noon
Sacred Heart (10-2) at Fordham (11-1), noon
Tennessee State (9-3) at Butler (9-3), noon
Southern Utah (8-4) at Sam Houston State (8-4), 2 p.m.
South Dakota State (8-4) at Northern Arizone (9-2), 7 p.m.
Samford (8-4) at Jacksonville State (9-3), 7 p.m.

STATEWIDE PAIRINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

CLASS 5A DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Arlington Martin 52, Odessa 2
DeSoto 34, Coppell 30
Southlake Carroll 51, Lee 7
Euless Trinity 42, Mansfield Timberview 21
Regional
Arlington Martin (10-2) vs. DeSoto (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Midlothian
Southlake Carroll (11-1) vs. Euless Trinity (10-2), 4 p.m. Friday, Arlington's AT&T Stadium
Region II
Area
Dallas Skyline 51, Sachse 10
Spring Westfield 47, Round Rock Cedar Ridge 7
Allen 42, Mesquite Horn 14
The Woodlands 24, Round Rock 23
Regional
Dallas Skyline (11-1) vs. Spring Westfield (12-0), 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Georgetown ISD Stadium
Allen (12-0) vs. The Woodlands (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Waco's Floyd Casey Stadium
Region III
Area
Cypress Fairbanks 24, Katy Cinco Ranch 14
Galena Park North Shore 61, Fort Bend Hightower 0
Houston Lamar 36, Alief Taylor 0
Pearland 39, Fort Bend Austin 15
Regional
Cypress Fairbanks (10-1) vs. Galena Park North Shore (12-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Houston's Tully Stadium
Houston Lamar (11-0) vs. Pearland (11-1), 1 p.m. Friday, Sugar Land's Mercer Stadium
Region IV
Area
Converse Judson 50, SA Northside Warren 15
Laredo United 16, Los Fresnos 10
SA Madison 49, SA Northside O'Connor 20
Mission Sharyland 23, Harlingen 20
Regional
Converse Judson (10-2) vs. Laredo United (9-2), 2 p.m. Friday, Corpus Christi's Cabaniss Field
SA Madison (9-3) vs. Mission Sharyland (12-0), 2 p.m. Friday, Corpus Christi's Buccaneer Stadium

CLASS 5A DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Abilene Cooper 45, Arlington Lamar 24
Cedar Hill 42, Lewisville Hebron 21
Keller Fossil Ridge 39, San Angelo Central 7
Denton Ryan 34, Waco Midway 33
Regional
Abilene Cooper (8-4) vs. Cedar Hill (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Stephenville
Keller Fossil Ridge (9-3) vs. Denton Ryan (9-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Denton's Apogee Stadium
Region II
Area
Dallas Jesuit 46, Rockwall 26
Lake Travis 41, Humble Atascocita 16
Longview 27, McKinney Boyd 10
A&M Consolidated 41, Austin Westlake 16
Regional
Dallas Jesuit (9-3) vs. Lake Travis (10-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Stadium
Longview (11-1) vs. A&M Consolidated (9-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, Midlothian
Region III
Area
Katy 51, Cypress Woods 7
Fort Bend Elkins 48, Port Arthur Memorial 21
Houston Memorial 49, Cypress Ridge 13
Marvel 51, Fort Bend Bush 44
Regional
Katy (12-0) vs. Fort Bend Elkins (10-2), 1 p.m. Friday, Houston's Tully Stadium
Houston Memorial (8-4) vs. Marvel (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Sugar Land's Mercer Stadium
Region IV
Area
SA Johnson 23, SA Northside Brandeis 17, OT
Laredo Alexander 56, Brownsville Rivera 0
Cibolo Steele 40, SA Reagan 23
Edinburg North 39, Harlingen South 14
Regional
SA Johnson (10-2) vs. Laredo Alexander (9-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Corpus Christi's Buccaneer Stadium
Cibolo Steele (11-1) vs. Edinburg North (11-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Corpus Christi's Cabaniss Stadium

CLASS 4A DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Amarillo 42, EP Chapin 35
Denton Guyer 42, Waco 13
Wolfforth Frenship 37, EP Del Valle 2
N. Richland Hills Birdville 34, Crowley 18
Regional
Amarillo (7-5) vs. Denton Guyer (10-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field
Wolfforth Frenship (12-0) vs. N. Richland Hills Birdville (10-2), 5 p.m. Saturday, Sweetwater
Region II
Area
Dallas South Oak Cliff 63, Frisco Centennial 37
Wylie 49, Mansfield Summit 18
Dallas Highland Park 58, Dallas Kimball 21
Mansfield Legacy 70, McKinney North 49
Regional
Dallas South Oak Cliff (11-1) vs. Wylie (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Allen
Dallas Highland Park (11-1) vs. Mansfield Legacy (10-2), 12:30 p.m. Friday, Arlington's AT&T Stadium
Region III
Area
Magnolia West 33, Humble Summer Creek 26
Pearland Dawson 21, Houston Reagan 7
Georgetown 33, Nederland 7
Houston Stratford 34, Friendswood 7
Regional
Magnolia West (9-3) vs. Pearland Dawson (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Galena Park ISD Stadium
Georgetown (10-2) vs. Houston Stratford (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Bryan HS
Region IV
Area
Leander Rouse 35, Buda Hays 10
SA Harlandale 33, Rio Grande City 28
SA Northside Brennan 55, Austin McCallum 0
Victoria West 38, Laredo Martin 7
Regional
Leander Rouse (9-3) vs. SA Harlandale (10-2), 6 p.m. Friday, San Marcos' Bobcat Stadium
SA Northside Brennan (12-0) vs. Victoria West (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, San Antonio's Heroes Stadium

CLASS 4A DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Canyon 45, EP Bowie 6
Aledo 75, Saginaw Boswell 14
Canutillo 28, Canyon Randall 21
Wichita Falls 31, Everman 28, 2OT
Regional
Canyon (12-0) vs. Aledo (11-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, Snyder
Canutillo (9-3) vs. Wichita Falls (7-5), noon Saturday, Grande Communications Stadium
Region II
Area
Frisco 24, Dallas Lincoln 21
Ennis 64, Lucas Lovejoy 13
Mesquite Poteet 42, Dallas Wilson 7
Whitehouse 38, Sulphur Springs 14
Regional
Frisco (9-3) vs. Ennis (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Arlington's AT&T Stadium
Mesquite Poteet (11-1) vs. Whitehouse (12-0), 1 p.m. Friday, Allen
Region III
Area
Elgin 56, Crosby 28
Rosenberg George Ranch 42, Fort Bend Marshall 21
Brenham 31, Dayton 30
Texas City 28, Fort Bend Ridge Point 0
Regional
Elgin (12-0) vs. Rosenberg George Ranch (12-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Houston's Berry Center
Brenham (11-1) vs. Texas City (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Cypress' Berry Center
Region IV
Area
Cedar Park 43, Kerrville Tivy 21
Port Lavaca Calhoun 27, CC Flour Bluff 21
SA Alamo Heights 24, Austin Vandegrift 21
CC Calallen 42, Alice 0
Regional
Cedar Park (11-1) vs. Port Lavaca Calhoun (11-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, San Marcos' Bobcat Stadium
SA Alamo Heights (9-3) vs. CC Calallen (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Victoria

CLASS 3A DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Big Spring 56, Andrews 7
Stephenville 63, Springtown 21
Lubbock Cooper 35, Abilene Wylie 25
Burnet 55, Kennedale 35
Regional
Big Spring (9-3) vs. Stephenville (10-1), 2 p.m. Friday, Abilene Wylie
Lubbock Cooper (10-2) vs. Burnet (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Brownwood
Region II
Area
Decatur 48, Wilmer-Hutchins 7
Tyler Chapel Hill 38, Crandall 14
Frisco Lone Star 35, Princeton 0
Kilgore 21, Kaufman 14
Regional
Decatur (9-3) vs. Tyler Chapel Hill (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Forney
Frisco Lone Star (8-4) vs. Kilgore (11-0), 2 p.m. Friday, Forney
Region III
Area
Jasper 58, Waco La Vega 20
West Orange-Stark 61, West Columbia 7
Carthage 44, Navasota 14
Silsbee 37, Stafford 13
Regional
Jasper (8-3) vs. West Orange-Stark (10-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Humble's Turner Stadium
Carthage (11-1) vs. Silsbee (9-2), 4 p.m. Friday, Beaumont's Provost-Umphrey Stadium
Region IV
Area
Gonzales 19, Fredericksburg 7
Rockport-Fulton 14, Kingsville 6
La Grange 50, Fischer Canyon Lake 8
Ingleside 26, Rio Grande City Grulla 20
Regional
Gonzales (8-4) vs. Rockport-Fulton (5-6), 6 p.m. Saturday, Victoria
La Grange (11-0) vs. Ingleside (9-3), 2 p.m. Friday, San Marcos' Bobcat Stadium

CLASS 3A DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Lubbock Estacado 47, Snyder 20
Graham 34, Glen Rose 0
Shallowater 43, Monahans 35
Vernon 34, Liberty Hill 7
Regional
Lubbock Estacado (6-6) vs. Graham (12-0), 8 p.m. Saturday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium
Shallowater (12-0) vs. Vernon (10-2), 3 p.m. Saturday, Amarillo's Dick Bivins Stadium
Region II
Area
Gainesville 36, Bonham 28
Gladewater 34, Atlanta 33
Argyle 55, Melissa 27
Gilmer 48, Pittsburg 0
Regional
Gainesville (11-0) vs. Gladewater (6-6), 4 p.m. Saturday, Royse City
Argyle (12-0) vs. Gilmer (11-1), 6 p.m. Friday, Dallas' Kincaide Stadium
Region III
Area
Fairfield 69, Waco Connally 12
Sour Lake Hardin-Jefferson 44, Sweeny 22
Rockdale 75, Center 28
Coldspring-Oakhurst 37, La Marque 10
Regional
Fairfield (12-0) vs. Sour Lake Hardin-Jefferson (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Brenham
Rockdale (8-4) vs. Coldspring-Oakhurst (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, College Station HS
Region IV
Area
Cuero 51, Geronimo Navarro 44
Sinton 27, Zapata 0
La Vernia 41, Wharton 7
Port Isabel 40, Orange Grove 7
Regional
Cuero (8-3) vs. Sinton (10-2), 7 p.m. Friday, San Antonio's Farris Stadium
La Vernia (11-1) vs. Port Isabel (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, CC Calallen

CLASS 2A DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Bushland 36, Clyde 20
Wall 35, Idalou 14
Eastland 40, Littlefield 0
Bangs 27, Denver City 25
Regional
Bushland (10-2) vs. Wall (12-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Lubbock's Lowrey Field
Eastland (12-0) vs. Denver City-Bangs winner, TBD
Region II
Area
New Boston 14, Whitesboro 7
Malakoff 38, Van Alstyne 25
Pottsboro 14, Redwater 13
Daingerfield 41, Farmersville 35
Regional
New Boston (11-1) vs. Malakoff (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Longview
Pottsboro (11-1) vs. Daingerfield (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Paris
Region III
Area
Godley 40, Tatum 15
Franklin 42, Kirbyville 14
Newton 74, Whitney 21
White Oak 35, Grandview 14
Regional
Godley (9-3) vs. Franklin (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Waco ISD Stadium
Newton (12-0) vs. White Oak (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lufkin
Region IV
Area
Cameron Yoe 26, Aransas Pass 18
Troy 29, Marion 20
Hallettsville 51, Jourdanton 6
McGregor 36, Goliad 12
Regional
Cameron Yoe (11-1) vs. Troy (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Belton's Crusader Stadium
Hallettsville (12-0) vs. McGregor (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Manor

DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Canadian 49, Hawley 20
Sonora 28, Post 21
Cisco 37, Spearman 6
Abernathy 7, Crane 0
Regional
Canadian (11-1) vs. Sonora (11-1), 2 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth
Cisco (12-0) vs. Abernathy (11-1), 2 p.m. Friday, Snyder
Region II
Area
Leonard 35, Blooming Grove 21
Sadler S&S Consolidated 28, Tolar 6
Scurry-Rosser 25, Gunter 21
Cooper 64, Henrietta 20
Regional
Leonard (9-3) vs. Sadler S&S Consolidated (12-0), 1 p.m. Saturday, Allen
Scurry-Rosser (12-0) vs. Cooper (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Royse City
Region III
Area
Waskom 53, Rosebud-Lott 37
Crawford 21, Arp 13
Centerville 46, Garrison 27
Corrigan-Camden 62, Hughes Springs 34
Regional
Waskom (12-0) vs. Crawford (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Waxahachie
Centerville (11-1) vs. Corrigan-Camden (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Crockett
Region IV
Area
East Bernard 38, Stockdale 0
Poth 37, Schulenburg 14
Rogers 69, Dilley 0
Refugio 42, Danbury 13
Regional
East Bernard (11-0) vs. Poth (10-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Bastrop
Rogers (12-0) vs. Refugio (11-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Houston's Pridgeon Stadium

CLASS A DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Stratford 36, Anson 0
New Deal 41, Seymour 17
Stamford 56, Panhandle 21
Sundown 28, Windthorst 7
Regional
Stratford (11-0) vs. New Deal (11-1), 4 p.m. Saturday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium
Stamford (10-1) vs. Sundown (8-3), 2 p.m. Friday, Big Spring
Region II
Area
Goldthwaite 32, Simms Bowie 6
De Leon 14, Lindsay 7
Collinsville 35, Italy 0
Hico 32, Quinlan Bobes 7
Regional
Goldthwaite (7-4) vs. De Leon (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Brownwood
Collinsville (9-2) vs. Hico (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Springtown
Region III
Area
Bosqueville 41, Price Carlisle 13
Alto 47, Hull-Daisetta 42
Pineland West Sabine 54, Colmesneil 0
Mart 71, San Augustine 13
Regional
Bosqueville (9-3) vs. Alto (9-3), 6 p.m. Friday, A&M Consolidated
Pineland West Sabine (10-0) vs. Mart (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Rusk
Region IV
Area
Thorndale 60, Kenedy 7
Ganado 37, Brackettville 14
Shiner 14, Mason 13
Flatonia 28, La Villa 14
Regional
Thorndale (9-1) vs. Ganado (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Converse
Shiner (8-3) vs. Flatonia (9-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Cuero

DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Wellington 58, Sudan 36
Farwell 31, Shamrock 12
Booker 40, Ralls 36
Seagraves 40, Gruver 18
Regional
Wellington (10-0) vs. Farwell (7-4), 2 p.m. Friday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium
Booker (9-2) vs. Seagraves (8-4), 4 p.m. Saturday, Plainview
Region II
Area
Iraan 28, Munday 21, 2OT
Albany 32, McCamey 0
San Angelo TLC 49, Hamlin 18
Muenster 37, Wink 12
Regional
Iraan (11-0) vs. Albany (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Big Spring
San Angelo TLC (10-0) vs. Muenster (11-0), 3 p.m. Friday, Stephenville
Region III
Area
Chilton 28, Hubbard 6
Tenaha 63, Frost 8
Lovelady 21, Maud 8
Bremond 48, Detroit 6
Regional
Chilton (10-2) vs. Tenaha (9-1), 2 p.m. Friday, Athens
Lovelady (5-6) vs. Bremond (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Buffalo
Region IV
Area
La Pryor 26, Burton 12
Sabinal 50, Bartlett 16
Falls City 53, D'Hanis 0
Milano 44, Bruni 22
Regional
La Pryor (8-4) vs. Sabinal (10-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Antonio's Gustafson Stadium
Falls City (11-0) vs. Milano (10-2), 2 p.m. Friday, Buda

SIX-MAN
DIVISION I
Region I
Regional
Happy 68, Grady 61
Turkey Valley 57, Borden County 22
State Quarterfinals
Happy (10-2) vs. Turkey Valley (9-3), TBD
Region II
Regional
Ira 40, Garden City 38
Crowell 52, Water Valley 46
State Quarterfinals
Ira (12-0) vs. Crowell (11-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Jayton
Region III
Regional
May 66, Blum 35
Savoy 22, Gordon 6
State Quarterfinals
May (12-0) vs. Savoy (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Springtown
Region IV
Regional
Aquilla 77, Ladonia Fannindel 26
Abbott 60, Oakwood 12
State Quarterfinals
Aquilla (7-5) vs. Abbott (7-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Clifton

DIVISION II
Region I
Regional
Follett 70, Amherst 0
Matador Motley County 56, New Home 0
State Quarterfinals
Follett (11-1) vs. Matador Motley County (8-4), 6 p.m. Friday, Pampa
Region II
Regional
Loraine 60, Dawson 14
Grandfalls-Royalty 57, Blackwell 8
State Quarterfinals
Loraine (11-1) vs. Grandfalls-Royalty (11-1), 6 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium
Region III
Regional
Newcastle 52, Guthrie 16
Strawn 52, Jayton 6
State Quarterfinals
Newcastle (9-2) vs. Strawn (10-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Mineral Wells
Region IV
Regional
Calvert 43, Richland Springs 28
Milford 78, Blanket 42
State Quarterfinals
Calvert (10-1) vs. Milford (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Clifton

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DIVISION II
Region I
Regional
Midland Christian 46, Dallas Parish Episcopal 6
Dallas Christian 21, Fort Worth Christian 10
Katy Pope John XXIII 22, San Antonio Holy Cross 14
Austin Hyde Park 21, Austin Regents 0
State Semifinals
Midland Christian (12-0) vs. Dallas Christian (12-0), 4 p.m. Saturday, Abilene's Bulldog Stadium
Katy Pope John XXIII (9-2) vs. Austin Hyde Park Baptist (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, College Station's Tiger Stadium
State Championship
Midland Christian-Dallas Christian winner vs. Katy Pope John XXIII-Austin Hyde Park winner, Noon Saturday, Dec. 7, Tiger Stadium, Corsicana

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Associated Press

Houston Texans quarterback Case Keenum (7) leaves the field after a football game against the Jacksonville Jaguars on Sunday in Houston. The Jaguars won 13-6.

Texans have long way to go to be relevant

JOHN MCCLAIN
Houston Chronicle

If the NFL season ended today, the Texans would have the second pick in the draft, and the last team they defeated, Tennessee, would qualify for the final AFC wild-card playoff berth with a 5-6 record.

If the Texans had won their last three home games against teams that have losing records — St. Louis, Oakland and Jacksonville — they'd be tied for the last playoff spot in the AFC.

"Yeah, that's extremely frustrating, especially when you look at some of the games we've lost and some of the situations we've been in," coach Gary Kubiak said Monday, one day after a 13-6 loss to Jacksonville. "For five weeks in a row, we've lost by less than a touchdown.

"If you (win three) of those, (we're) playing for opportunities to play in the playoffs. That makes it very difficult, but it is what it is."

It is a 2-9 record with a nine-game losing streak going into what's guaranteed to be a 10th consecutive defeat against New England at Reliant Stadium on Sunday.

There's nothing the hapless and helpless Texans can do to avenge last season's embarrassing losses to the Patriots, but it was New England that precipitated this free fall into oblivion.

Remember when the Texans were 11-1 and proudly wore their letter jackets to New England? The Patriots stripped and manhandled them 42-14, and the only letter remaining on those jackets was "L" for losers.

Beginning with that defeat, the Texans are 3-12 in the regular season.

"I know we're struggling," Kubiak said. "I know it's tough."

Many who follow the Texans predicted Kubiak wouldn't still be around on Monday after the humiliating loss to the Jaguars, but owner Bob McNair granted him a reprieve.

Or perhaps McNair wanted to punish his head coach by throwing him out there against Bill Belichick for a third time in two seasons.

Belichick and quarterback Tom Brady helped the Patriots spoil the Texans' second trip to New England by beating them 41-28 and eliminating them from the playoffs in the divisional round.

Before the season, Sunday's game was supposed to be a big-time confrontation between Super Bowl contenders. Now we have a contender for the Super Bowl and another for the toilet bowl.

Half-empty outlook

The Texans, 1-5 at Reliant Stadium, are in this predicament because their offense has been abysmal in nine consecutive games.

You don't have to look beyond the second half to see just how dreadful the Texans' offense has been. While losing by one, three, three, five and six points in Case Keenum's five starts, the Texans have labored to score touchdowns.

In their victories over San Diego and Tennessee, the Texans scored 24 and 17 points in the second half.

Evidence of their ineptness can be found in the second-half point totals of their last nine games: 0, 0, 3, 7, 6, 3, 7, 6, 3. That's 35 second-half points.

Offense used to be Kubiak's specialty, but quarterback Matt Schaub's meltdown and benching, coupled with injuries to running back Arian Foster and tight end Owen Daniels, have reduced the offense to rubble.

The Texans are so bad they've failed to score an offensive touchdown in the last two games against the Raiders and Jaguars, who have a combined record of 6-16.

The hallmark of Kubiak's offenses has been ball control. They led the NFL in average time of possession in each of the last two seasons: 32 minutes, 41 seconds in 2011 and 32:53 last season.

Ball control, built around a strong running game with Foster and Ben Tate, helped the Texans win the AFC South title and playoff games in each of the last two years.

Run game on decline

With Foster on injured reserve and Tate playing with four cracked ribs, the running game generates only 116.4 yards a game — down from 132.7 last season and from 153 in 2011.

The Texans' 31:40 time of possession is sixth.

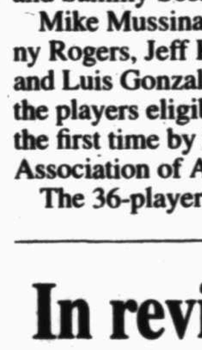
"When we're doing what we do best, we usually hang on to the ball," Kubiak said. "(Sunday), it'll be extremely important."

The Texans have a better chance of watching Belichick play air guitar to Bon Jovi on the visiting sideline than they do of controlling the ball and keeping Brady on the bench.

Maddux, others on Hall of Fame ballot

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Four-time Cy Young Award winner Greg Maddux, two-time winner Tom Glavine and two-time AL MVP Frank Thomas are among 19 newcomers on this year's Hall of Fame ballot, joining steroid-tainted holdovers Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa.



Maddux

Mike Mussina, Hideo Nomo, Kenny Rogers, Jeff Kent, Moises Alou and Luis Gonzalez also are among the players eligible to be voted on for the first time by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

The 36-player ballot will include Armando Benitez, Sean Casey, Ray Durham, Eric Gagne, Jacque Jones, Todd Jones, Paul Lo Duca, Richie Sexson, J.T. Snow and Mike Timlin, the Hall said Tuesday.

Voters are the approximately 600 writers who have been members of the BBWAA for 10 consecutive years at any point. Ballots are due by Dec. 31, and results will be announced Jan. 8.

Players elected along with choices announced Dec. 9 by the expansion era committee (1973 and later) will be inducted July 27 at Cooperstown. Among those on the committee ballot are retired managers Bobby Cox, Tony La Russa and Joe Torre; late Yankees owner George Steinbrenner; and late players' union head Marvin Miller.

Last year, the BBWAA failed for the first time since 1996 to produce any inductees. Craig Biggio came closest to receiving the necessary 75 percent, falling 39 shy with 388 (68.2 percent).

Jack Morris, who will be on the ballot for the final time this year, was second with 67.7 percent, followed by Jeff Bagwell (59.6), Mike Piazza (57.8), Tim Raines (52.2), Lee Smith (47.8) and Curt Schilling (38.8).

Making their first appearances on the ballot, Clemens was at 37.6 percent, Bonds at 36.2 and Sosa at 12.5. McGwire received 16.9 percent on his seventh try.

Players remain on the ballot if they receive at least 5 percent support and can stay in the voting for up to 15 years.

Other returnees include Don Mattingly, Edgar Martinez, Fred McGriff, Rafael Palmeiro, Alan Trammell and Larry Walker.

In revised suit, A-Rod accuses Selig of cowardice

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Alex Rodriguez's lawyers updated his lawsuit against Major League Baseball and Bud Selig, adding new criticism of the commissioner for not testifying in the union's grievance to overturn the 211-game suspension given to the New York Yankees star last summer.

Rodriguez

The lawyers filed a 33-page amended complaint Tuesday in federal court in Manhattan, expanding on the suit originally filed Oct. 3 in New York Supreme Court.

Arbitrator Fredric Horowitz last week refused to compel Selig to testify in the grievance, and Rodriguez then walked out of the hearing without testifying. The sides rested last Thursday after 12 days of sessions, and a decision on whether to uphold or alter the discipline is expected in January.

"Mr. Selig chose to hide in his office in Milwaukee rather than come testify at the grievance hearing in New York. In Mr. Selig's world, apparently the 'buck' does not stop with Bud," the new complaint said. "Mr. Selig lacked the courage of his convictions to explain under oath the reasons for the suspension and the conduct of his investigators. His silence on these issues speaks volumes and leads to only one logical conclusion — his actions, and those of the MLB personnel he controls, were aimed at destroying the reputation, career and business prospects of Alex Rodriguez."

Rodriguez was suspended Aug. 5 for alleged violations of the sport's drug agreement and labor contract, and he played pending a determination of the grievance.

As he did in the original complaint, Rodriguez accused Selig of conducting a "witch hunt" against him. The three-time AL MVP criticized the methods MLB employed in its investigation of the Biogenesis of America anti-aging clinic, accused of distributing banned performance-enhancing drugs.

A-Rod's lawyers included a photograph of Selig posing with a fan wearing a red shirt that had "A-ROID" written across the front. While the lawsuit attributes the photo to NESN.com, the NESN's website says the photo was from the 2009 All-Star FanFest and was taken from NBCSportsRadio's Twitter feed.

"Sadly, this cowardly stance by Mr. Selig is consistent with his past and highly inappropriate conduct in posing, smilingly, with a young fan wearing a T-shirt with a derogatory message directed at Mr. Rodriguez," the amended lawsuit said. "One cannot imagine the Commissioner of any other professional sport — or indeed the CEO of any business — doing something similar with respect to one of his or her players or employees."

MLB had the suit removed to federal court, and Rodriguez's lawyers are trying to persuade U.S. District Judge Lorna G. Schofield to remand the case back to New York state court. A hearing is scheduled for Jan. 23.

Rodriguez claimed Selig interfered with his existing contracts and prospective business relationships. MLB says the case should be heard in federal court because of provisions of the Labor Management Relations Act, known as Taft-Hartley, and intends to ask for the suit to be dismissed.

Later Tuesday, Rodriguez's lawyers released a stack of documents, including a presentation dated Oct. 21.

Rangers look to fresh start with Fielder

By Evan Grant
The Dallas Morning News

ARLINGTON — Prince Fielder arrived in Arlington on Monday pumped to talk about his fresh start with the Rangers.

"I'm very excited," Fielder said, then put on a size 58 jersey with the No. 84.

He will wear No. 84 in honor of his birth year, as something of a symbol of his rebirth with the Rangers.

"I'm here, so I might as well accept it," Fielder said before drooling over the short right field fence in Arlington, which he said he "definitely plans to look into."

And, well, blah, blah, blah.

By Monday, the Rangers' acquisition of Fielder was kind of like Miley Cyrus twerking or the Cowboys' third-down inefficiency. It was old news.

Miley is now dancing with large lip-synching cats. The Cowboys are converting third downs. The baseball world has already put the Fielder-for-Kinsler blockbuster in its rear-view mirror thanks to what appears to be an accelerated off-season.

The Yankees have already signed Brian McCann, once a Rangers target, and may be nearing a deal for Carlos Beltran, another possible Rangers' fit.

So what do you do next, Jon Daniels?

"The market may be moving a little more quickly than usual," Daniels said. "If there is a situation where we want to move quickly, we will. If the right deal is there, we will do it. If not, we will be patient and wait for the right one."

In other words, don't expect the Rangers to chase Beltran and offer up extra years or a kettle full of dollars out of panic. Shin-Soo Choo may be more expensive in the long-term than Beltran, but might also be a better fit. If Choo goes off the market, there is still Jacoby Ellsbury and Nelson Cruz and Curtis Granderson.

And that's just for left field (or somewhere in the outfield), which appears to be the Rangers' top priority for a "next step." Unless it isn't.

"On paper, left field is something we could upgrade," Daniels said. "But we will look at everything."

Looking at everything means looking at risks and returns. With any of the upper-tier free agents, the Rangers are looking at giving up a draft pick as compensation and draft picks have once again become valuable. They are especially valuable for a team that will have its budget for international free agents slashed in 2014 as a penalty for going well over their allotted pool of bonus money in 2013.

That's not to say the Rangers would let a draft pick get in the way of doing a deal to improve the club, but it will have to be considered.

"It's a real factor," Daniels said. "We've given up draft picks before and we will do so again, but it is an absolute factor."

If Beltran is gone, Choo and Ellsbury remain real options for the Rangers. Scott Boras is the agent for both Choo and Ellsbury, so the chances of a fast resolution are slim. There has been contact with Cruz, but little in the way of negotiations. Oh, and Robinson Cano? The Rangers cannot.

The addition of Fielder and the resolution of the middle infield jam gave the Rangers all the flexibility in the world with which to finish out the off-season. As this front office is wont to do, it also opens the door for creative thinking. If the free-agent market is spinning too fast for the Rangers, there are always other avenues.

Speaking of: On Monday, Japanese baseball officials traveled to meet with MLB counterparts to try to resolve snags in the "posting" system that brought the Rangers Yu Darvish following 2011.

If those issues are resolved, star pitcher Masahiro Tanaka figures to be posted. It will likely take more than $100 million to land Tanaka, including the posting fee, but it's also looking like it will take more than $100 million to land Choo.

If the Rangers were to land Tanaka, however, they would take the initial hit up front for the posting fee, then have a fairly manageable contract for five or six seasons. They also wouldn't have to give up a draft pick to acquire him. And they would have oodles of pitching depth that might allow them to approach Baltimore about Matt Wieters to catch or Cleveland about Carlos Santana as a switch-hitting DH/catching option. There are other names and other potential fits, too.

The point: It is still early, and there are a number of options for the Rangers to explore.

They don't have to be forced in any one direction. And they don't have to sort through anymore entanglements.

Prince Fielder's arrival Monday gave him a new beginning and gave the Rangers fresh options.

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indispensable back there for us."

Defensive coordinator Monte Kiffin also heaped praise on Scandrick, comparing him to former Tampa Bay star corner Ronde Barber, and suggesting he's playing at a Pro Bowl level.

"Orlando is really having an outstanding year," Kiffin said. "I know somebody made a statement that slot corners, nickel corners, don't make the Pro Bowl. Well, he's not just a nickel corner. He plays outside, too. He's a starter outside. He has been all year. He moves in to play the nickel.

"Now, that's even harder than just being a corner outside all day long and starting every game and never coming off the field. He's great. We do it with Orlando the same we did it with Ronde Barber. Ronde started outside and Ronde slid inside, you know."

Said coach Jason Garrett, "Orlando has had some really big, important games for us."

That was definitely true last week in the 24-21 win over the New York Giants. After begging the coaches to let him cover Victor Cruz, Scandrick held the Pro Bowl slot receiver to just two catches for 47 yards and stripped the ball from him in the first quarter, a tone-setting takeaway that resulted in safety Jeff Heath scoring on a 50-yard return.

A few days later, Cruz blamed his meager production on Scandrick cheating.

"He always holds on every play," Cruz told NJ.com. "...He grabs and holds on everyone."

Told Cruz's comments, Scandrick responded in a manner that reflects his high level of self-confidence.

"I know it might have felt like it was two guys on him, or a double team," Scandrick said. "But what I say to that is, I didn't have one penalty."

Scandrick said his stellar play this season is a result of hours spent studying opponents. But the biggest contributing factor to Scandrick just may be his feisty demeanor.

"I mean, he'll have a little edge at practice today, and it will just be a walkthrough," Garrett said. "That's part of what makes him a really good football player."

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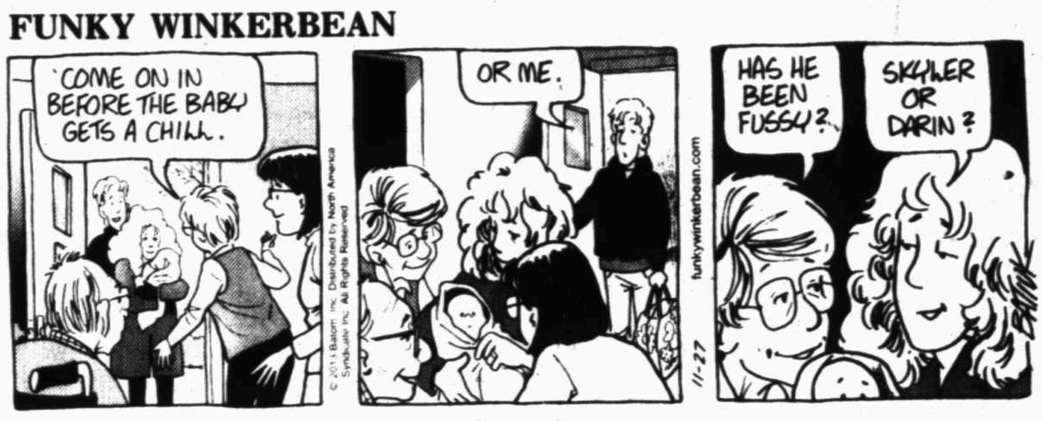
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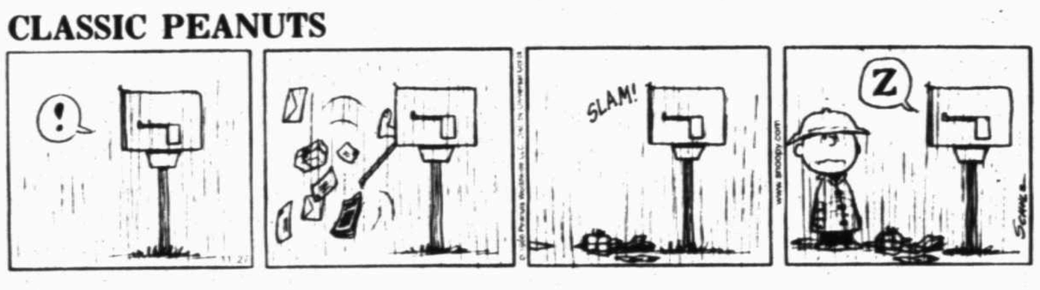
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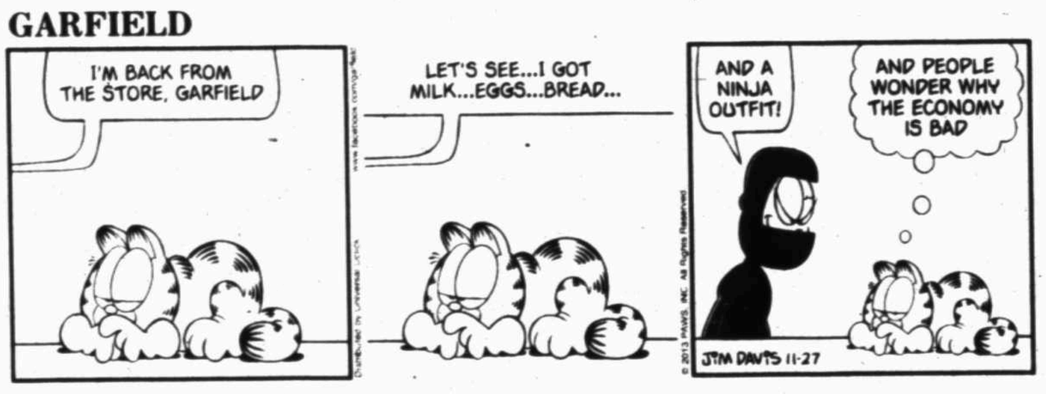
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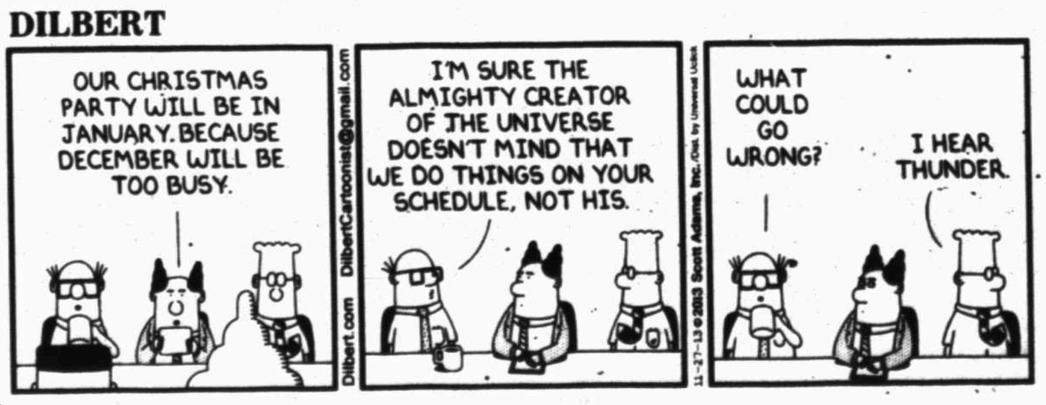
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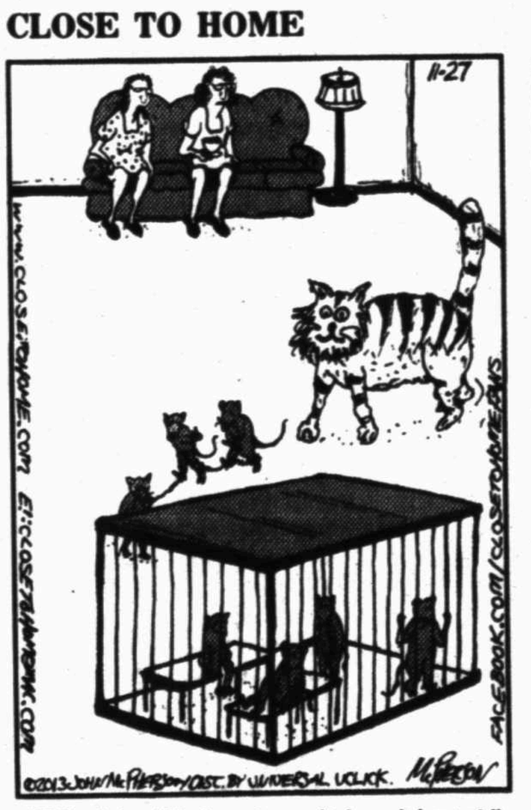
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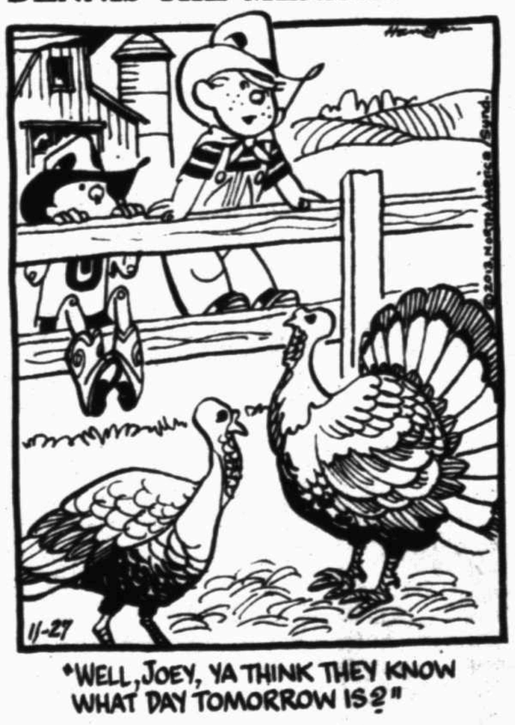


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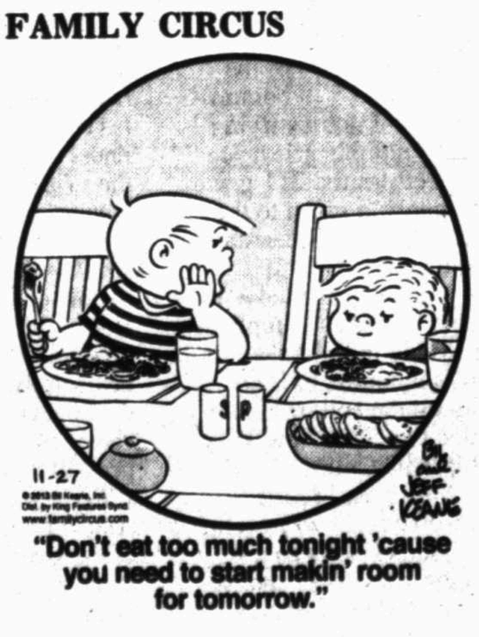
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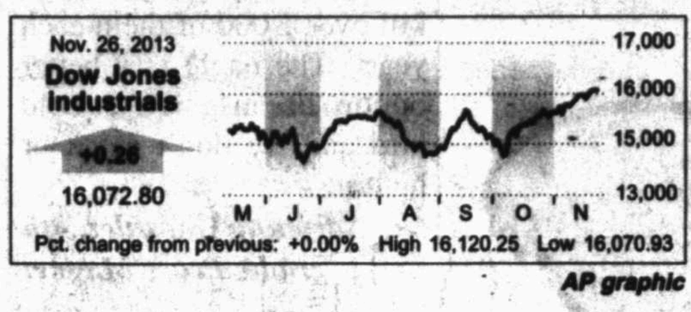
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FAMILY CIRCUS

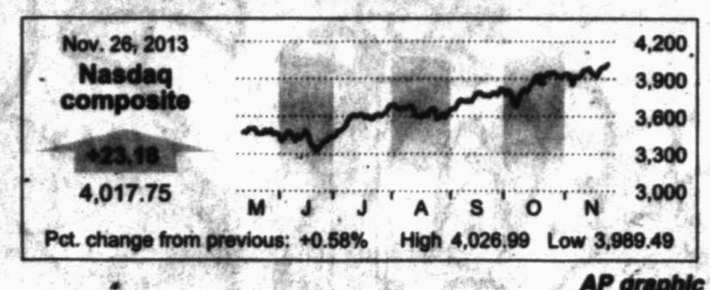


"Don't eat too much tonight 'cause you need to start makin' room for tomorrow."

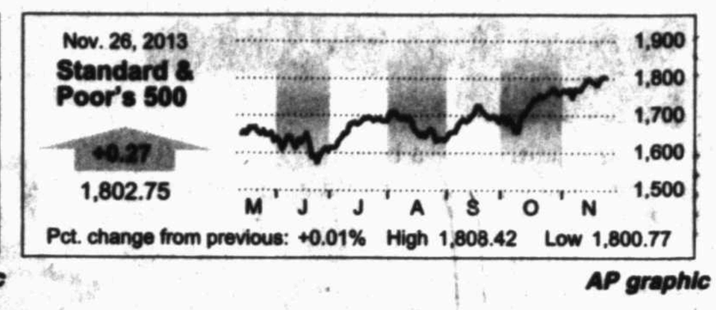
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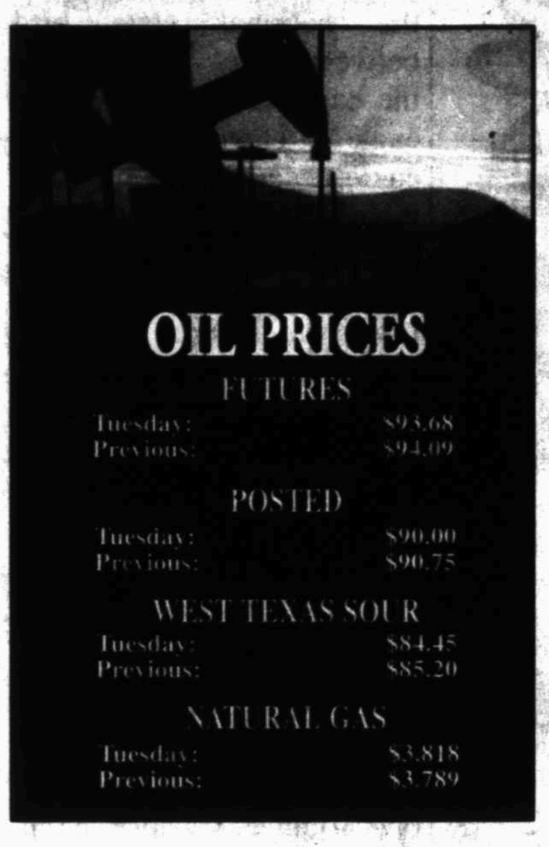
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Donated men's dress attire is shown on a shelf July 3 at the Men's Warehouse during the annual National Suit Drive. Men's Wearhouse is offering about $1.54 billion for its rival, Jos. A. Bank.

Men's Wearhouse now in pursuit of Jos. A. Bank

By Michelle Chapman
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Never say never.

Just when it looked like a potential combination of Men's Wearhouse and Jos. A. Bank was dead in the water, the script has been flipped.

Now it's Men's Wearhouse that is offering about $1.54 billion for its rival. Less than two weeks ago, Jos. A. Bank dropped a $2.3 billion bid for its competitor. A combination could create a menswear powerhouse of more than 1,700 outlets.

The announcement that Men's Wearhouse was interested in a possible deal came as a bit of a surprise Tuesday. The retailer had received an unsolicited offer of $48 per share from Jos. A. Bank Clothiers Inc. in September. But it rejected that bid in October, calling it "opportunistic" and "inadequate."

Jos. A. Bank was still in the hunt back then though, and said it would be open to raising its offer if allowed to assess whether an increased bid was justified. But Men's Wearhouse wouldn't give the Hampstead, Md., company access to nonpublic information, and Jos. A. Bank dropped its bid Nov. 15.

While Men's Wearhouse publicly scoffed at Jos. A. Bank's offer, the proposal clearly gave it some food for thought. Lead director Bill Sechrest said in a statement Tuesday that the Houston company's board decided to review its strategic options after Jos. A. Bank's buyout bid went public.

In addition, Men's Wearhouse faced pressure from its biggest shareholder, Eminence Capital LLC. On Tuesday Eminence urged Men's Wearhouse to talk with Jos. A. Bank. The hedge fund argued that a combination of the two businesses would create value and increase the growth potential of Men's Wearhouse. Eminence owns 9.8 percent of Men's Wearhouse's stock.

Men's Wearhouse Inc. appears to have now come around to Eminence's view, with Sechrest stating that the potential acquisition of Jos. A. Bank at $55 per share has "strategic logic" and could benefit its shareholders, workers and customers. The per share offer is a 9 percent premium to Jos. A. Bank's $50.32 Monday closing price.

Jos. A. Bank said Tuesday that its board will evaluate the offer and respond "in due course."

The decision by Men's Wearhouse to go from an acquisition target to the bidder is known in the investment world as the Pac-Man defense. The phrase comes from the famous video game, in which Pac-Man was able to go from being hunted by ghosts to turning around and gobbling them up once he swallowed a power pellet.

Men's Wearhouse said Tuesday that it is familiar with being the bidder, with prior acquisitions including Joseph Abboud, After Hours and Moores. The company said it wouldn't rebrand Jos. A. Bank or remodel any stores if a deal goes through.

Jos. A. Bank sells men's tailored and casual clothing, sportswear and footwear. While it targets a more established male professional, it's known for generous promotions like buying one suit or sport coat and getting three for free.

Men's Wearhouse sells men's sportswear and suits through its namesake chain of stores, as well as Moores and the K&G retail chain. Recently, the company has been going after younger shoppers with suits featuring slimmer silhouettes.

The company anticipates the transaction for Jos. A. Bank, which it plans to finance with cash and debt financing, would substantially add to its earnings in the first year following the closing.

Oil drifts below $94

The price of oil fell Tuesday as traders wait to see if the government reports a 10th straight weekly increase in U.S. crude oil supplies.

Benchmark U.S. crude for January delivery fell 41 cents to close at $93.68 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Meanwhile, the average price for gasoline in the U.S. inched up another penny to $3.29. That's the highest average price since Oct. 27, but is still 13 cents cheaper than at this time last year.

A day after assessing a deal between Iran and six world powers on the country's nuclear program, traders began looking ahead to figures on U.S. crude and gasoline stockpiles.

Data for the week ending Nov. 22 is expected to show a decline of 1.5 million barrels in crude oil stocks and a increase of 1 million barrels in gasoline stocks, according to a survey of analysts by Platts, the energy information arm of McGraw-Hill Cos.

Crude oil supplies rose by 400,000 barrels for the week ended Nov. 15, the ninth straight weekly increase.

Brent crude, a benchmark for international oils, slipped 12 cents at $110.88 a barrel on the ICE exchange in London.

Gold unchanged

In metals trading, gold was flat at $1,241.40 an ounce.

Other metals edged lower.

Silver for December delivery dropped 3.4 cents, or 0.2 percent, to $19.85 an ounce. Copper for the same month dropped 1 cent, or 0.3 percent, to $3.21 a pound.

Platinum for January delivery fell $5.90, or 0.4 percent, to $1,371.90 an ounce.

MIDLAND STOCKS

Midland-Headquartered Publicly Traded Companies

Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $73.70 Down 0.18

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $107.43 Up 2.76

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $31.53 Up 1.25

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $51.61 Up 0.73

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $27.28 Up 0.27

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.40 Down 0.45

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $29.42 Up 0.46

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $12.99 Down 0.11

NYSE

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
BkofAm	1042565	15.88	+.07
S&P500ETF	782189	180.68	+.05
Penney	400808	9.36	+.17
iShEMkts	366926	41.65	+.14
Alcoa	364263	9.65	+.06

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SB.com n	37.30	+4.68	+14.3
Voxeljet n	44.89	+5.50	+14.0
Workday	82.60	+9.30	+12.7
PampaEng	6.65	+.87	+11.2
YPF Soc	29.37	+2.71	+10.2

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
ChinZenix	2.28	-.63	-21.8
OmegaP	13.57	-1.32	-8.9
NamTai	7.27	-.67	-8.4
HarvNRes	3.61	-.32	-8.1
DxGldBll rs	30.14	-2.42	-7.4

Diary

Advanced	1,708
Declined	1,363
Unchanged	112
Total issues	3,183
New Highs	193
New Lows	67
Volume	8,235,839,449

Amex

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
ImmunoCll	79297	3.31	-.19
NwGold g	45474	4.98	-.23
Organovo	41989	9.55	-.04
AltiNevG	33008	3.18	-.11
CheniereEn	27576	40.50	+1.15

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
WirelessT	2.34	+.27	+13.0
NewConcEn	2.39	+.25	+11.7
MGT Cap	3.14	+.27	+9.4
IntelPrMds	2.55	+.19	+8.1
Univ Insur	11.17	+.74	+7.1

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
SwedLC22	10.50	-1.19	-10.2
MexcoEn	7.40	-.45	-5.7
ImmunoCll	3.31	-.19	-5.4
Pedevco rs	2.95	-.17	-5.4
CT Pfrs	6.25	-.35	-5.3

Diary

Advanced	217
Declined	196
Unchanged	26
Total issues	439
New Highs	12
New Lows	11
Volume	101,060,878

Nasdaq

Most Active ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	801337	45.89	+1.07
AriadP	764112	4.68	-.45
NuanceCm	631029	13.10	-2.89
Cisco	462365	21.21	-.06
SiriusXM	411319	3.68	+.02

Gainers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
Mediabist	4.13	+1.94	+88.6
EchoTh rsh	4.65	+1.96	+72.9
EliteLtd	2.13	+.44	+26.0
LiveDeal	3.67	+.74	+25.2
AlimeraSci	2.43	+.39	+19.1

Losers ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
InterCld wt	3.35	-1.00	-23.0
NuanceCm	13.10	-2.89	-18.1
IntrCloud n	8.21	-1.04	-11.2
JA Solar rs	9.54	-1.09	-10.3
USecBcCA	4.40	-.50	-10.2

Diary

Advanced	1,638
Declined	905
Unchanged	120
Total issues	2,663
New Highs	253
New Lows	32
Volume	1,808,468,992

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	26	35.28	-.09	+4.7
Abraxas	...	41	3.69	+.12	+68.5
AdamsEx	.84e	...	12.58	-.02	+18.8
AMD	...	...	3.45	+.06	+43.8
AlcatelLuc	...	...	4.17	+.16	+200.0
Alcoa	.12	28	9.65	+.06	+11.2
AlonUSA	.24a	16	13.24	+.25	-26.8
ACapAgy	3.20m	5	19.92	-.62	-31.1
Amgen	1.80	18	113.67	-.29	+31.9
Anadarko	.72	26	90.57	+.05	+21.9
Annaly	1.65e	3	9.86	-.34	-29.8
Apache	.80	14	93.74	+.50	+19.4
Apple Inc	12.20	13	533.40	+9.66	+.2
ApldMatl	.40	83	17.52	+.25	+53.1
AriadP	...	...	4.68	-.45	-75.6
ATMOS	1.48f	17	44.67	-.13	+27.2
AutoData	1.92f	27	80.31	+.19	+41.1
BP PLC	2.28f	11	47.14	-.33	+13.2
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	14.38	-.06	-5.9
BakrHu	.60	23	58.92	-.11	+39.3
BkofAm	.04	21	15.88	+.07	+36.8
B iPVix rs	...	...	44.84	+.25	-64.8
BarrickG	.20	...	16.21	-.18	-53.7
BasicEnSv	...	...	15.09	+.06	+32.3
BerkHa A	...	...	161748	40.00	+1529.00	+30.4
BerryPet	.32	17	50.76	-.12	+51.3
BlkHillsCp	1.52	20	50.73	-.35	+39.6
BostonSci	...	23	11.73	-.16	+104.7
BrlfdSq	1.40	31	51.88	-.97	+60.9
BrownFA	1.16f	27	74.49	-.21	+21.8
BrownFB	1.16f	28	75.39	-.16	+19.2
CVS Care	.90	18	66.09	-.69	+36.7
Cameron	...	19	55.33	+.33	-2.0
Camtek h	...	...	4.68	+.12	+234.3
Caterpillar	2.40	17	84.36	-.04	-5.9
Celestic g	...	21	10.00	-.05	+22.7
CenterPnt	.83	31	23.58	+.29	+22.5
CntryLink	2.16	...	30.68	-.02	-21.6
ChesEng	.35	20	26.31	+.04	+58.3
Chevron	4.00	10	122.78	-.96	+13.5
Chicos	.30f	19	18.67	+.74	+1.0
Cimarex	.56	22	100.57	+2.25	+74.2
Cisco	.68	12	21.21	-.06	+7.9
Citigroup	.04	13	53.01	-.28	+34.0
ClayEng	...	...	73.70	-.18	+84.3
CocaCola	1.12	21	40.25	-.12	+11.0
ColoREI n	.72	...	14.61	+.42	+34.0
ColgPalm s	1.36	27	66.01	+.06	+26.3
Comcast	.78	21	49.76	-.13	+33.2
ConAgra	1.00	18	32.48	-.17	+10.0
ConchoRes	...	51	107.43	+2.76	+33.4
ConocoPhil	2.76	12	72.93	+.12	+25.8
Corning	.40	13	17.08	...	+35.3
CrackerB	3.00	22	109.58	-8.54	+70.5
CroeTim	2.24e	13	28.52	-.16	+5.9
DCP Mid	2.88f	21	47.70	-.48	+14.3
DR Horton	.15	15	19.93	+.88	+.8
DTE	2.62	19	67.19	-.98	+11.9
Datarm rsh	...	...	2.30	...	+16.2
Dawson	...	16	31.53	+1.25	+19.5
DeltaAir	.24	11	29.04	-.13	+144.7
DevonE	.88	...	61.27	-.33	+17.7
Disney	.75f	21	71.18	+1.44	+43.0
DomCnn	1.28	40	38.79	-.22	+20.0
eBay	...	23	48.76	-.28	-4.4
EMC Cp	.40	19	23.54	-.21	-7.0
EOG Res	.75	42	169.20	+.01	+40.1
EmpDist	1.02f	17	22.80	-.19	+11.9
Energen	.58	28	74.51	+1.18	+65.2
EngyTsfr	3.62f	10	54.12	-.07	+26.1
EnPro	...	36	56.00	+.04	+36.9
EntPrPt	2.76f	23	62.87	-.07	+25.5
Ericsson	.43e	...	12.40	-.01	+22.8
ExtranH	...	23	32.46	-.29	+48.1
ExxonMbl	2.52	10	94.27	-.82	+8.9
Facebook	...	96	45.89	+1.07	+72.4
FordM	.40	13	16.87	-.07	+30.3
ForestOil	...	15	4.46	-.01	-33.3
FrontierCm	.40	66	4.64	-.03	+8.4
GATX	1.24	16	50.62	-.17	+16.9
GasMuNT	.80	...	10.80	+.05	+37.5
GAInv	2.70e	...	34.38	-.02	+23.6
GenElec	.76	20	26.78	+.05	+27.6
GenMotors	...	16	37.67	+.12	+30.7
GlfNthnEn	.92f	16	23.68	-.23	+17.6
Groupon	...	...	9.19	+.12	+89.1
HalconRes	...	21	3.95	-.06	-42.9
Halliburtn	.60f	18	53.18	+.48	+53.3
HewlettP	.58	...	25.09	-.23	+76.1
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	47.07	-.39	-15.9
iShJapan	.15e	...	12.02	-.05	+23.3
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	39.38	+.21	-2.6
iShEMkts	.77e	...	41.65	+.14	-6.1
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	65.95	...	+16.0
iShR2K	1.70e	...	112.82	+.83	+33.8
IntegrysE	2.72	15	53.78	-1.49	+3.0
Intel	.90	13	23.85	-.10	+14.7
InterDig	.40a	36	33.74	+.27	-17.9
JPMorgCh	1.52	13	57.17	-.48	+30.9
JohnJn	2.64	21	95.06	-.57	+35.6
KimbClk	3.24	22	108.13	-.23	+28.1
KindME	5.40f	30	81.14	-.84	+1.7
KindMM	5.40f	48	76.00	-.31	+.7
LegacyRes	2.34f	...	27.28	+.27	+14.6
Lubys	...	67	7.98	+.07	+19.3
MktVGold	.46e	...	21.66	-.54	-53.3
McDnlds	3.24f	18	98.20	-.72	+11.3
Merck	1.76f	30	49.58	-.08	+21.1
MeritMed	...	65	16.24	+.01	+16.8
MexcoEn	...	...	7.40	-.45	+14.9
MicronT	...	20	20.31	+.45	+220.3
Microsoft	1.12	14	37.35	-.29	+39.8
Nabors	.16	39	16.87	+.06	+16.7
NatGrid	3.17e	...	63.02	-.10	+9.7
NOilVarco	1.04	15	81.75	-.86	+19.6
NewmtM	.60m	...	24.72	-.81	-46.8
NokiaCp	...	...	7.93	-.17	+100.8
NuanceCm	...	10	13.10	-2.89	-41.3
NvMdAd	.80e	...	12.00	+.04	-21.1
NvPMI	.88	...	12.07	+.06	-19.1
NuvPI	.86	...	12.27	...	-18.0
NSTFI3	.63e	...	12.63	+.05	-13.6
NTXQI	.70e	...	13.00	+.06	-17.9
Nvidia	.34f	20	15.64	+.13	+27.6
OccilPet	2.56	17	97.63	+.16	+27.4
Oracle	.48	15	34.93	+.15	+4.8
Pandora	...	...	28.79	+.83	+213.6
ParTech	...	...	5.48	+.09	+12.0
ParkDrl	...	...	7.93	+.07	+72.4
PattUTI	.20	15	23.61	+.22	+35.7
Penney	...	...	9.36	+.17	-52.5
PennaRE	.80f	...	17.95	+.06	+1.8
Prmian	.86e	17	13.86	-.10	+13.1
Petrobras	.27e	...	15.97	-1.04	-18.0
Pfizer	.96	17	31.89	-.25	+27.2
PioNtrl	.08	46	183.54	+2.50	+72.2
PlainsAAP	2.40f	19	51.80	-.39	+14.5
PwShs QQQ	.98e	...	84.63	+.44	+29.9
Praxair	2.40	22	128.07	...	+15.2
PrmEgy	...	10	47.04	+.14	+104.5
ProctGam	2.41	21	84.64	-.77	+24.7
Qualcom	1.40	19	73.65	+1.16	+19.1
RangeRs	.16	92	78.48	-.97	+24.9
RiteAid	...	96	5.76	+.21	+323.5
Rowan	...	18	34.78	-.01	+11.2
RoyDShllA	3.60	9	66.87	-.64	-3.0
SpdrDJIA	3.49e	...	160.50	-.11	+22.9
S&P500ETF	3.39e	...	180.68	+.05	+26.9
SabnR	3.89e	13	51.22	-.28	+28.7
SanderFm	.80f	17	68.95	-.41	+45.0
SandRidge	...	...	5.69	-.01	-50.4
Sapient	...	29	15.75	+.13	+49.1
Schlmbrg	1.25	18	89.46	-.35	+29.1
SigmaAld	.86	22	87.02	+.06	+18.3
SiriusXM	.05e	53	3.68	+.02	+27.3
Smucker	2.32	20	105.62	+1.31	+22.5
Sprint n	...	...	8.15	+.33	+46.8
SPDR Fncl	.32e	...	21.50	-.02	+31.2
SP Util	1.46e	...	38.13	-.38	+9.2
SunocoLog	2.52f	19	70.06	+.29	+40.9
TaiwSemi	.50e	...	17.46	+.29	+1.7
TelefEsp	.67e	...	16.46	+.11	+22.0
TeslaMot	...	...	120.50	-.34	+255.8
Tesoro	1.00	17	56.96	-.35	+29.3
3M Co	2.54	20	132.15	+.92	+42.3
Torchmark	.68	14	76.03	+.31	+47.8
TriContl	.70e	...	19.48	+.02	+21.4
TylerTech	...	92	102.00	+.83	+110.6
US Airwy	...	8	23.81	-.43	+76.4
UBWV	1.28f	19	32.02	+.30	+31.5
Vale SA	.78e	...	14.72	-.43	-29.8
ValeroE	.90	16	44.35	-.23	+30.0
VangEmg	1.38e	...	40.88	+.03	-8.2
VulcanM	.04	...	57.32	-.11	+10.1
Walgrn	1.26	23	59.54	-.35	+60.9
WalterEn	.04	...	14.13	-.47	-50.6
WealthInt	...	...	16.13	+.18	+44.1
WellsFargo	1.20	12	44.31	-.17	+29.6
WstnRefin	.88f	8	38.63	+.10	+37.0
WhitingPet	...	14	61.93	+1.57	+42.8
WmsCos	1.52f	40	35.68	-.12	+9.0
XcelEnrgy	1.12	15	28.10	-.11	+5.2
Xerox	.23	12	11.26	+.03	+65.1
Zynga	...	...	4.46	-.04	+89.0

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INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
16,109.63	12,765.32	Dow Jones Industrials	16,072.80	+.26	...	+22.65	+24.81
7,245.43	5,023.73	Dow Jones Transportation	7,213.11	-4.75	-.07	+35.92	+42.07
537.86	439.79	Dow Jones Utilities	492.22	-6.66	-.94	+7.97	+9.65
10,226.34	8,074.25	NYSE Composite	10,167.89	-8.31	-.08	+20.42	+24.75
2,471.19	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,371.80	-8.92	-.29	+.69	-.57
4,007.09	2,935.88	Nasdaq Composite	4,017.75	+23.18	+.58	+33.06	+35.38
1,808.10	1,385.43	S&P 500	1,802.75	+.27	+.01	+26.40	+28.87
19,188.98	14,510.69	Wilshire 5000	19,154.85	+28.83	+.15	+27.74	+30.76
1,128.52	798.51	Russell 2000	1,134.53	+9.80	+.87	+33.58	+40.46

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Bright or Turkey? What's the right choice?

Which would make a better _____ of the United States – a bald eagle or a turkey?

More than 200 years ago, the Founding Fathers wanted to choose an animal for the great seal of the United States. They wanted an animal that would _____ what the newly formed United States of America was all about.

For six years, _____ bitterly debated which animal would be the country's symbol. Finally in 1782 the bald eagle was selected.



Vote for the turkey!

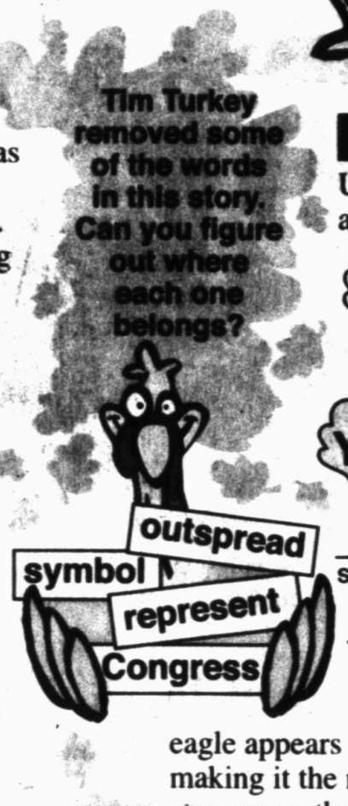
Not everyone thought the bald eagle was the right animal. Benjamin Franklin thought the turkey was a better symbol. Franklin wrote to his daughter, referring to the eagle's ***"bad moral character,"*** saying, ***"I wish the bald eagle had not been chosen as the representative of our country! The turkey is a much more respectable bird, and withal a true original native of America."***

Vote for the bald eagle!

The bald eagle supporters finally had their way and it has been the national bird of the United States since 1782, when it was placed with _____ wings on the great seal of our country.

But, Ben Franklin's words remind us that the turkey is also a special creature. In truth, if someone calls you a turkey, take it as a compliment!

Standards Link: History: Students recognize national symbols such as the bald eagle.



Do all turkeys gobble?

Unscramble the letters in each leaf pile to discover the answer (four words).

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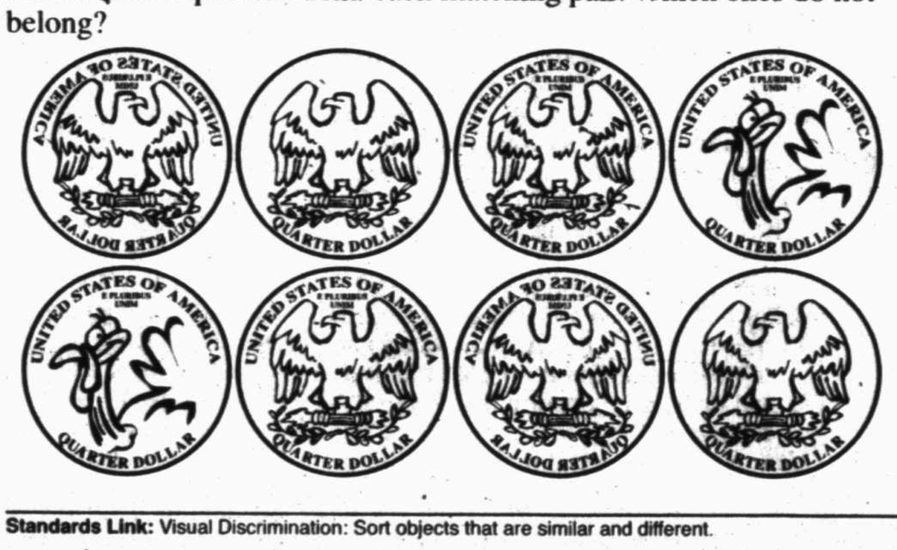
Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

What does a national bird do?

As the national symbol of the United States, the bald eagle appears in many government buildings and on official documents, making it the most pictured bird in all of America. The eagle also appears on the President's flag and billions of bills and coins.

Nice try, turkey!

Look at these quarters. Find each matching pair. Which ones do not belong?



Standards Link: Visual Discrimination: Sort objects that are similar and different.

Extra! Thanksgiving Hunt

Look through today's newspaper to find:

- the word **Thanksgiving**
- something you are thankful for
- the word **turkey** or a picture of one
- an interesting news story to discuss at Thanksgiving dinner

Standards Link: Reading Comprehension. Follow simple written directions.

Turkey Tidbits

Turkey Puzzle

In 2011, about 272 million turkeys were raised. About 46 million of those turkeys were eaten at Thanksgiving, 22 million at Christmas and 19 million at Easter. How many were eaten during the rest of the year?

_____



Space Turkey

When Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin sat down to eat their first meal on the moon, their foil food packets contained roasted turkey and all of the trimmings.

Standards Link: Number Sense: Calculate sums and differences to millions.

Turkey Puzzle Answer: 185 million.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle, then in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

TURKEY
EAGLE
NATIONAL
COINS
SYMBOL
ROASTED
BILLS
GREAT
GOBBLE
WINGS
SEAL
BALD
MOON
DEBATE
THANKFUL

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Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognizing identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

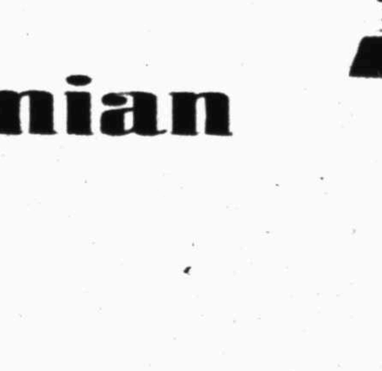
BEYOND Kid Scoop

Giving Time

Look in the newspaper for information about people helping others in your community. Is there something you and your friends can do to help others?

Standards Link: Social Science: Students recognize the importance of public virtue and the role of citizens.

What has feathers and webbed feet?



ANSWER: A turkey in scuba gear.

Weekly Writing Corner

Turkey National Bird

I think the turkey shouldn't be our national bird. We eat turkey, and probably hunters kill over 1,000 of them each year. The eagle is a better option because it's a bold bird and we don't eat it or hunt it.

Adrienne Gonzalez, 4th grade, Pease Magnet

If I had the choice to pick the national state bird between the turkey and the eagle, I would pick the eagle. I would pick the eagle because it can fly and it also has good night vision. Also, you would think of the turkey as something to eat if it was the national state bird we wouldn't be able to eat it. Since it can't fly, other animals can easily kill it. In my opinion, the eagle is the better choice.

Claire Christmann, 6th grade, Hillander

I would pick the eagle to be our national bird because it is a fearless bird. It is a marvelous bird to represent our country because he is an excellent bird like our country. I think the turkey would be a great bird too, because, it is a fearless bird, who is protective. But, whoever picked the eagle knew what they were doing.

Grayson Price, 6th grade, Hillander

If I was to choose if the turkey or the eagle could be the national bird of the United States, I would pick the eagle. The reason I would pick the eagle is because the eagle is smart, majestic, stubborn, and has keen vision. The bird also resembles freedom and peace which America has. This is why I think the eagle is best suited to be the national bird of United States.

Natalie Boone, 6th grade, Hillander

Yes, the turkey would be a good national bird. It is a very brave and beautiful bird. But at the same time, it wouldn't be a good national bird because the turkey is a famous food for Thanksgiving and no one would be able to eat it for dinner.

Riggs McDonald, 6th grade, Hillander

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The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:33 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Sunrise at Fairgrounds, LLC for a zone change from PD, Planned District for a Housing Development to an Amended Planned District on the following described property: On Lot 2, Block 84, East Midland Addition, Section 16, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located on the west side of N. Fairgrounds Road, approximately 950 feet south of Golf Course Road.

The meeting facility is accessible to disabled persons. A wheelchair entry ramp is located at the southeast entrance to City Hall. A parking space designated for use by disabled persons is available near the southeast entrance doors. Any disabled person needing special accommodations or hearing impaired persons wishing to have an interpreter should request services through the Administrative Services Department at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting by contacting Compliance Coordinator for the City of Midland, at (432) 685-7251. If communication via TDD is required, please call 1-800-735-2989.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Midland Odessa Urban Transit District will receive competitive sealed proposals for General Construction Work for the EZ Rider Administration Building. Sealed proposals (prepared according to the Instructions to Proposers and Request for Competitive Sealed Proposals) will be received at Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc., 1700 W. Wall, Ste 100, Midland, Texas 79701 until **2:00 PM, local time, December 19, 2013**. Proposals received prior to this time will be securely kept, unopened. Proposals received after this time will not be considered. Proposal Documents will be available beginning November 21, 2013 for a refundable deposit of $150.00 per hard copy set or digital copies for non-refundable cost of $18.48 per CD. electronic documents are available for download at No Charge and may be secured from Parkhill, Smith & Cooper, Inc. Engineers-Architects-Planners, 1700 W. Wall, Ste 100, Midland, TX 79701, 432-697-1447.

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Legal & Public Notices

APPLICATION HAS been made with the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Food and Beverage Certificate and a Wine and Beer Retailer's Permit by Reyna's Deli located at 3100 S. County Road 1210 Midland, TX 79706. Officers of said corporation are Raymond Martinez III, Owner.

Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08 — Rule 38 Case No. 08-0285890
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Nov 26, 2013 — Status/Permit No. 773541
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Dec 17, 2013
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit,
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 40, Blk. 39 T2S, T&P RR CO / WALCOTT, E S Survey, A-846, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 8.5 miles S direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

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

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, YOU MUST FILL OUT, SIGN AND MAIL, FAX, E-MAIL OR DELIVER TO THE AUSTIN OFFICE OF THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS THE ENCLOSED NOTICE OF INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST. A COPY OF THE INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST ALSO BE MAILED, DELIVERED, FAXED OR E-MAILED ON THE SAME DATE TO THE APPLICANT AT THE ADDRESS SHOWN ON THE SERVICE LIST. THIS INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE NO LATER THAN 5:00 PM ON:

Dec 17, 2013

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The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	TEXAS TEN 'ZZ'	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	1	
Lease/Unit Acres :	1297.3	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	660.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	2678.0	
Lease Lines :	660.0 F NORTH L,	660.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines :	660.0 F NORTH L,	660.0 F EAST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 2 additional fields: (1) BRANFORD RANCH (STRAWN), (2) PARKS (ATOKA, LOWER). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for these fields.

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

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) :	Special Rules 467.0, 80.0 acres.
BRADFORD RANCH (STRAWN) :	Oil Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.
PARKS (ATOKA, LOWER) :	Oil Statewide rules 467/1200, 40.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11970 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, NORMA DONOVAN at (972) 969-3843.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., 12-4-2013 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 7249-14
For: Video Projector Upgrade for Midland Center

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. In determining 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

Legal & Public Notices

The City Council of the City of Midland, Texas will hold a public hearing at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 in the Council Chamber, City Hall, 300 North Loraine, on a request by Sam's Real Estate Business Trust for a zone change from PD, Planned District for a Shopping Center to an Amended Planned District on the following described property: On Lot 1A, Block 2, Westridge Park Addition, Section Three less 2.352-acres, City and County of Midland, Texas.

Generally located on the northeast corner of the intersection of Tradewinds Boulevard and Westridge Boulevard.

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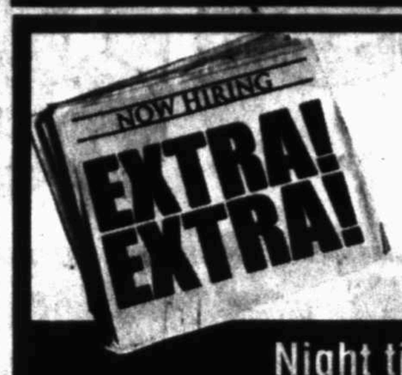
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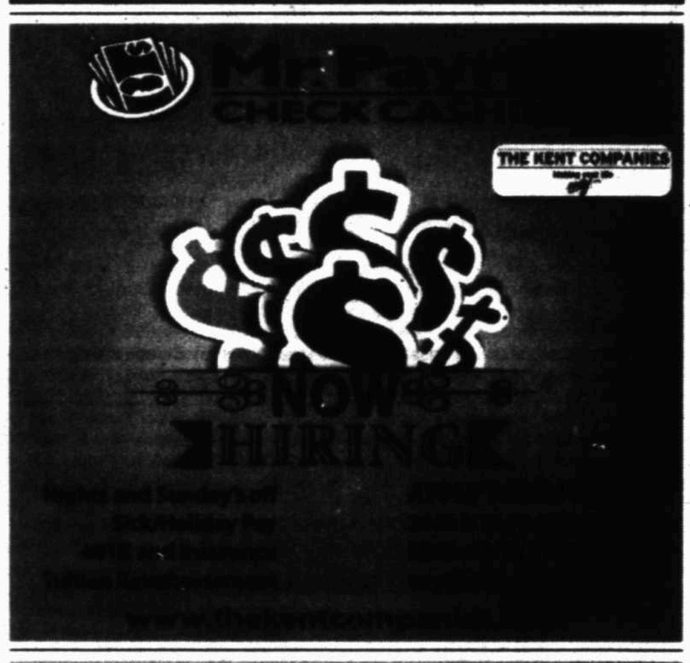
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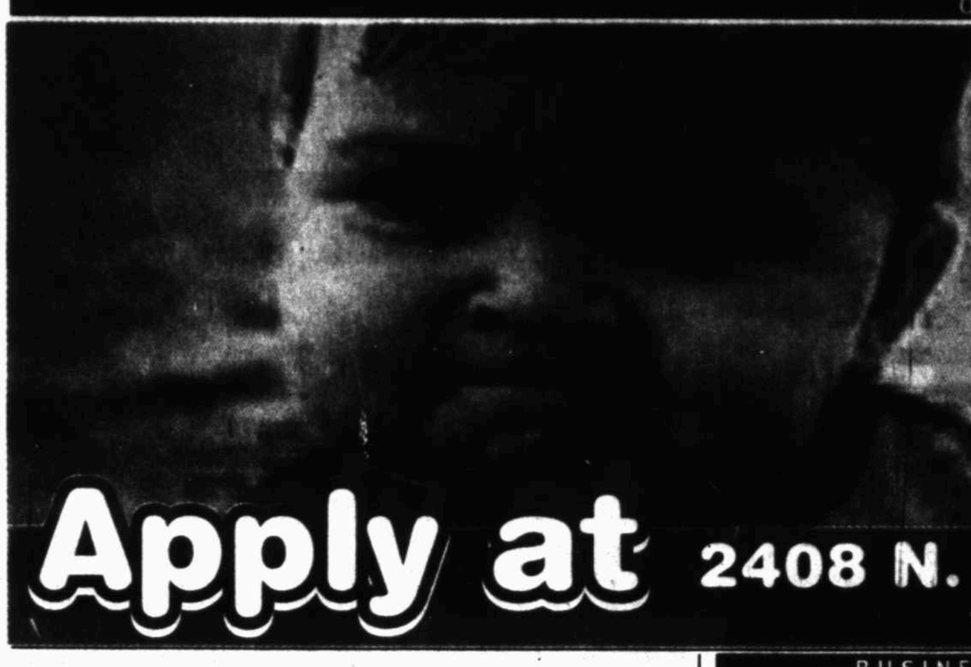


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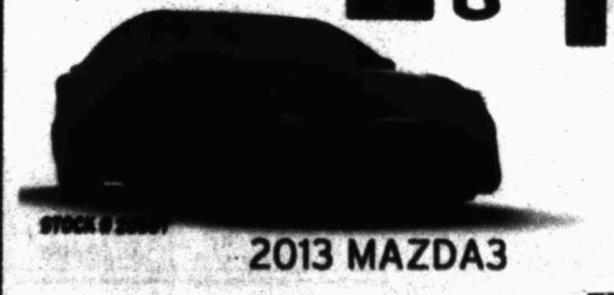
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Acreage

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In Observance Of The Thanksgiving Holiday

The Midland Reporter-Telegram's Holiday Hours will be:

Wednesday, November 27th - 8am-3pm
Thursday, November 28th - CLOSED
Friday, November 29th - 8am-3pm

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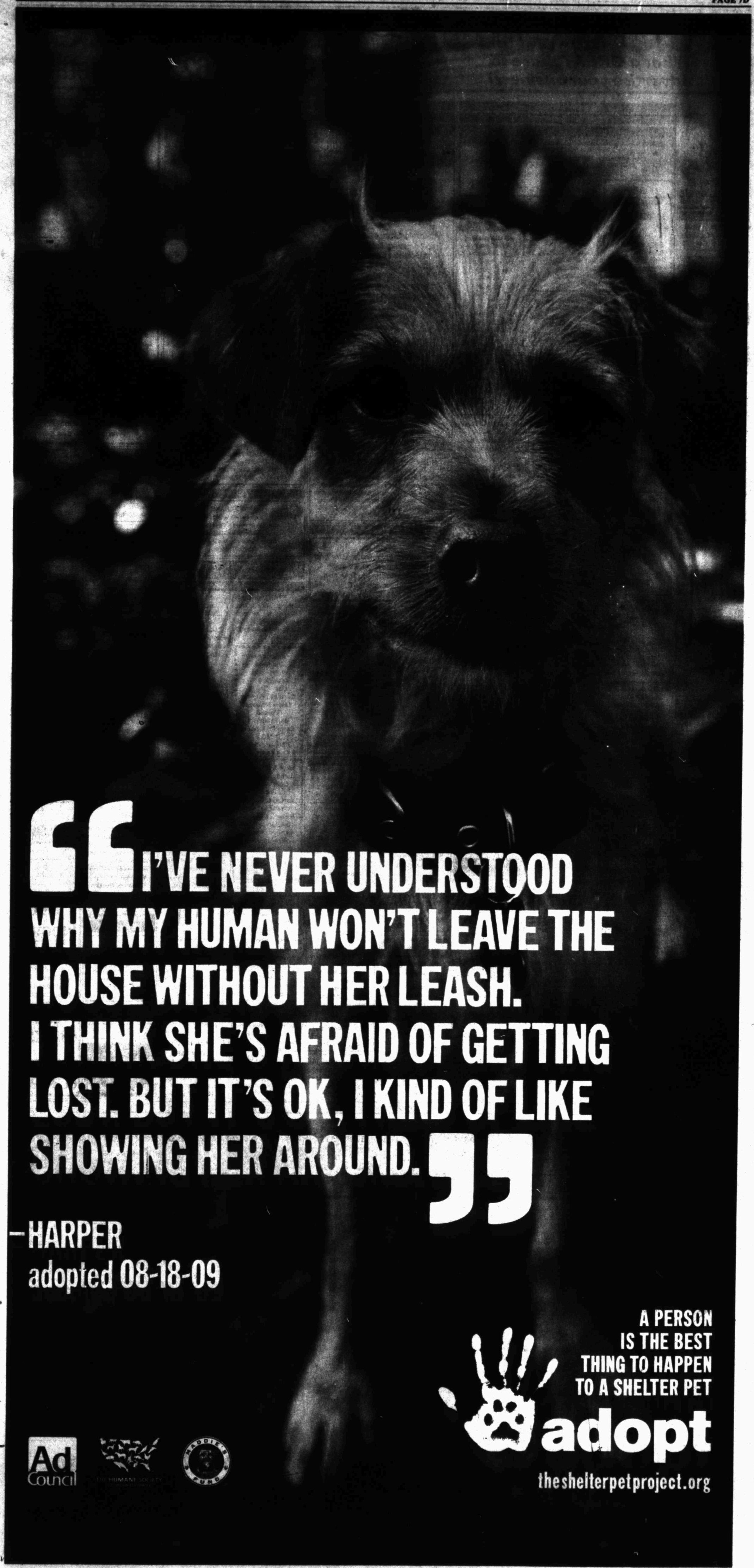
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