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DROUGHT NOT OVER

Midland's water use down, but not enough

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

Water use in the city of Midland is on the decline, but not quite down to winter levels.

Through the first half of November, average daily water use was at 15.77 million gallons. In September and October, the daily average for the first half of the month was at just more than 18 million gallons; in August, it was at more than 23.5 million gallons per day, according to statistics from the city of Midland.

Some people continue to irrigate more than permitted.

"What we see is a lot of denial," said David Alldredge, of Alldredge Gardens.

The long-time landscaper said he tells customers not to completely shut off their systems but to at least dial them back for winter. Even if some outdoor watering is permitted next year, Alldredge said he anticipates restrictions will continue and tells residents to plan accordingly.

Steve Thorpe, building official with the city, said code enforcement issued 55 warnings for nuisance water violations and 30 warnings for non-compliance with water restrictions between Nov. 11 and Thursday. Most non-compliance incidents happened in north Midland, he said.

Officers see violations every day, Thorpe said.

In Odessa, city officials decided at the start of the month to encourage those with yards to totally turn off their sprinklers.

Andrea Goodson, Odessa public information officer, said the city didn't feel there was justification for making the request mandatory but thought it was important to ask for compliance because of the current conditions.

"The conditions aren't changing," she said. "We're not seeing an enormous

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MRT file photo

Reclaimed water stretches supply with 'yuck' factor

By Jeannie Kever
Houston Chronicle

It runs through the San Antonio River, cools industrial power plants and keeps golf courses green across the state. Starting next year, it will flow from household taps in West Texas.

As population growth and the worst one-year drought in Texas history make finding new water more supplies urgent, one source seldom comes up in polite company.

"One thing attractive about this water, as long as people are taking showers and flushing toilets, there's a source of supply," said Robert Mace, deputy executive administrator at the Texas Water Development Board.

Wastewater — the water that runs down the drain as you brush your teeth, wash dishes and clothes, shower and flush your toilet — will be increasingly important to Texas' future. The 2012 state water plan predicts use of so-called "reclaimed water" will grow by about 50 percent by 2060, to 614,000 acre-feet per year, or more than 20 million gallons.

"It takes a little bit of getting used to," said Midland Mayor Wes Perry, whose city will use treated wastewater to irrigate the grounds of Midland College. Midland also will receive some wastewater from a plant under construction in Big Spring.

"When you start talking about drinking water, that is uncomfortable," Perry said. "But if you look at other places, they're doing it. It's a psychological thing more than anything else."

California, Florida and a few other states already add treated wastewater directly to the drinking supply, but this will be a first for Texas.

Houston — more accustomed to floods than drought — sends its wastewater to Galveston Bay, although long-range plans call for more reuse.

San Antonio, El Paso, Austin and a growing number of other cities send their wastewater to golf courses, corporate campuses and industrial plants; those customers pay less than they would for water treated to drinking standards.

But nowhere in the state has gone as far as the West Texas cities served by the Colorado River Municipal Water District.

The district, which serves Big Spring, Midland, Odessa, Stanton and several other cities, gets its water from three reservoirs and a Ward County well field connected to the system in Odessa, 45 miles away.

The E.V. Spence Reservoir is almost empty, registering just 0.4 percent full last week. Lake J. B. Thomas is at 1.6 percent of capacity, and the O. H. Ivie Reservoir is at 19.07 percent of capacity.

Clearly, something had to change.

John Grant, the district's executive

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Italian campaign WWII veterans swap stories over lunch

Bill Womack, Wayne Bonner and Jerry Morgan, WWII veterans who all fought in Italy, meet for the first time Friday and quickly start telling stories and jokes.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

In the midst of a packed lunch crowd at Michael's Charcoal Grill, three veterans of the campaign to liberate Italy during World War II met to share stories for the first time.

The discussion was lively, with each interjecting to tell similar stories about their experiences in Europe. Most of the conversation was upbeat, but when each told tales of death and destruction, the mood grew somber.

Jerry B. Morgan and Bill Womack, both of Midland, had never met Wayne Bonner, of Big Spring, before the owner of Michael's organized their luncheon. He was as eager to hear their stories as they were to impart them. The conversation spanned holidays during war time; war horror stories, such as discovering concentration camps; and coming back to America after the war.

Morgan and Womack both were involved in the Battle of Anzio, which was designed to outflank German tanks to open a path toward Rome in 1944. The pair discussed their roles during the battle and shared similar stories of triumph and despair. Both were combat soldiers in the U.S. Army. Morgan was in a tank destroyer unit, while Womack was an infantry man. Bonner, an explosives expert in an infantry regiment, didn't arrive in Italy until Rome was liberated.

After discussing the battle at length, Womack brought up a comical, lighthearted story that stuck with him through the years. He said after the battle was fought,

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CELEBRATING GRIEF AWARNESS DAY

Volunteers and staff wear blue Thursday at the Rays of Hope luncheon to celebrate Children's Grief Awareness Day. The organization works with kids ages 4 to 18 who have experienced a loss because of death, divorce, separation or other loss and serves about 100 kids and families a week.

Today in History

Today is Sunday, Nov. 20, the 324th day of 2011. There are 41 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 1910, the Mexican Revolution of 1910 had its beginnings under the Plan of San Luis Potosi issued by Francisco I. Madero.

In 1967, the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Clock at the Commerce Department ticked past 200 million.

In 1985, the first version of Microsoft's Windows operating system, Windows 1.0, was officially released.

Ten years ago: The Justice Department's headquarters was named after former Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy in a ceremony presided over by President George W. Bush.

One year ago: In comments released by the Vatican, Pope Benedict XVI said male prostitutes who used condoms might be beginning to act responsibly.

Today's birthdays: TV personality Richard Dawson is 79. Vice President Joe Biden is 69. Actress Bo Derek is 55. Country singer Dierks Bentley is 36. Country singer Josh Turner is 34.

Source: Associated Press.

It's happening

Today

■ **Tejano** Lowrider Car Show, Ector County Coliseum, Odessa

Tuesday

■ **Classic** Movie Club, 7 p.m., Cigar Frog's

Saturday

■ **Midland** Downtown Farmers' Market, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 501 W. Texas Ave., under the green.

Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 27

■ PAFRA Armed Forces Rodeo at the Horseshoe.

Children's Storytime

■ "The Elf on the Shelf Storytime," 7 p.m., Tuesday, Barnes and Noble Booksellers

■ "Stars," 10:30 a.m., Saturday, Barnes and Noble Booksellers.

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Open Thanksgiving

Restaurants open on Thursday

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■ Cracker Barrel, 3100 N. Loop 250 W., 689-3137. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

■ Denny's, 3701 W. Wall Ave., 520-5306. Open 24 hours a day.

■ 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 from 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

■ Hilton Midland Plaza-La Bistro, 117 W. Wall Ave., 683-6131. Serving brunch from 11 a.m.-2 p.m.; reservations preferred, but not required.

■ I-Hop, 2507 W. Loop 250, 684-5759; 301 E. I-20, 686-0537. Open 24 hours a day.

■ McDonald's, 1111 Andrews Highway, 520-3044; 3310 W. Loop 250, 699-0768, 5 a.m.-3 p.m.

■ MD Pizza Factory, 4706 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 13. Open 4-9 p.m.

■ Way Out West Steakhouse, 515 Andrews Highway.; 697-4196. Open 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

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Thanksgiving Day meals

Polo Park Estates retirement community

Address: 2100 Castleford Road

Info: Opening its doors to senior citizens for a traditional Thanksgiving feast noon Nov. 24. There is no cost to attend, but guests are asked to RSVP to reserve a spot in the community's restaurant-style dining room.

Guests also are invited to other holiday festivities during the weekend. The community is hosting an open house and serving turkey sandwiches with pumpkin pie 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday and an open house on Saturday and Nov. 27 with entertainment from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and a complimentary lunch at noon.

To RSVP, or to learn more, please call Polo Park Estates at 682-5772.

Addie's Diner

When: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Thursday

Address: 304 E. Florida Ave.

Info: No charge for dinner. The restaurant is offering a free Thanksgiving dinner for those who are unable to prepare dinner, spend the holiday with their family, or to afford dinner.

Call: 686-2044 for more information.

Claudia's Kitchen

Address: 3601 W. Wall St., inside the Bradford

When: 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Thursday

Info: No charge for dinner. This is the second year the restaurant has opened its doors Thanksgiving to Midlanders who can't afford dinner, are unable to prepare dinner, are alone, or simply want to share this special dinner with others. Groups and individuals have contributed money and supplies to make the all-volunteer dinner possible.

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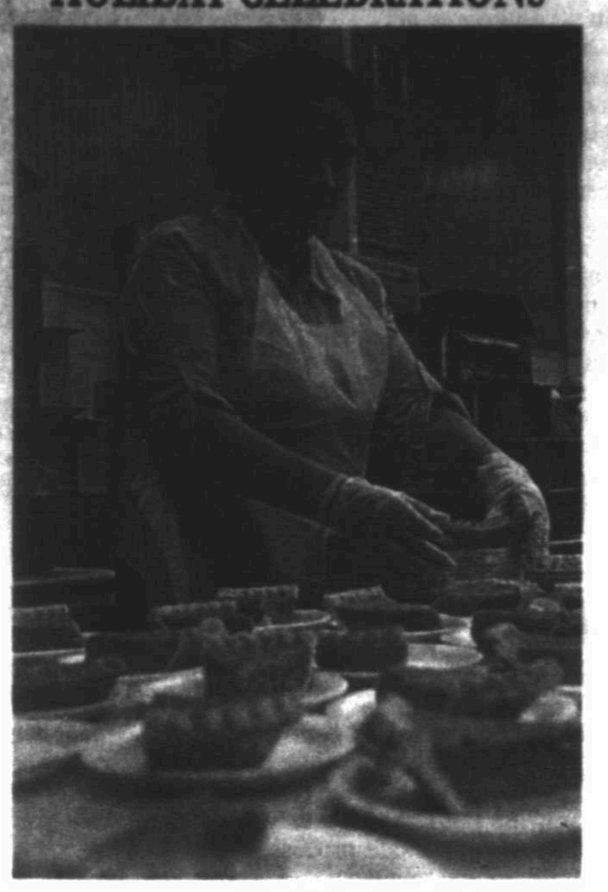

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Rosalina Aranda serves up plates of pumpkin pie for the H-E-B Feast of Sharing which was earlier this month at the Horseshoe.

- Chamber of Commerce Holiday Business Bash, Dec. 1
- H-E-B Feast of Sharing (Odessa), Dec. 1-2
- Tall City Parade of Lights and Christmas Tree Lighting, Dec. 3
- Holiday Pops at Wagner Noel, Dec. 3
- Christmas at the Mansion Community Open House, Dec. 4
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- Alpha Omega meets 8 p.m Tuesdays and 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays at 311 S. Pecos St.
- Alanon 12-Step Group meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays and noon Thursdays at La Hacienda Outreach Center, 206 N. Midkiff Road.

Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 432-582-2926.
- Laundry Group meets 8 p.m. daily and noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 104 N. Marshall St.
- Xodus Group meets 5:30 p.m. Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 7 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at 206 N. Midkiff Road.

Hotel Business in Midland during September

September 2011
(Taxable receipts)
Midland: $4,672,622
Odessa: $4,734,552
Abilene: $2,967,432
Lubbock: $6,013,193
San Angelo: $1,964,781

Midland in September 2010: $2,903,876
Midland in September 2009 $2,479,543
Midland in September 2008: $3,541,580

Top Midland hotels
(total receipts)

Hilton Midland Plaza	$698,728
Residence Inn	$404,032
La Quinta (Wall)	$371,665
Holiday Inn Express	$303,199
Courtyard/Marriott	$291,085
Hampton Inn/Suites	$238,941
La Quinta (L-250)	$238,439
Plaza Inn	$221,895
Sleep Inn	$201,098
Comfort Inn	$197,715
Fairfield Inn	$196,902
Airport Plaza Inn	$167,398
Country Inn	$161,885
Comfort Suites	$155,962
Clarion Inn	$145,961
Best Value Inn	$145,081
Studio 6	$141,707
W. Texas Inn/Suites	$137,835
Midtown Hotel	$125,491
Am. Best Value Inn	$114,686
Days Inn	$103,730

Also listed
HB Rentals $165,765
Not listed this month: Value Place

Top in Midland-Odessa

Hilton Midland Plaza	$698,728
MCM Fundome (O)	$659,796
MCM Elegante (O)	$480,532
Residence Inn	$404,032
La Quinta (Wall)	$371,665

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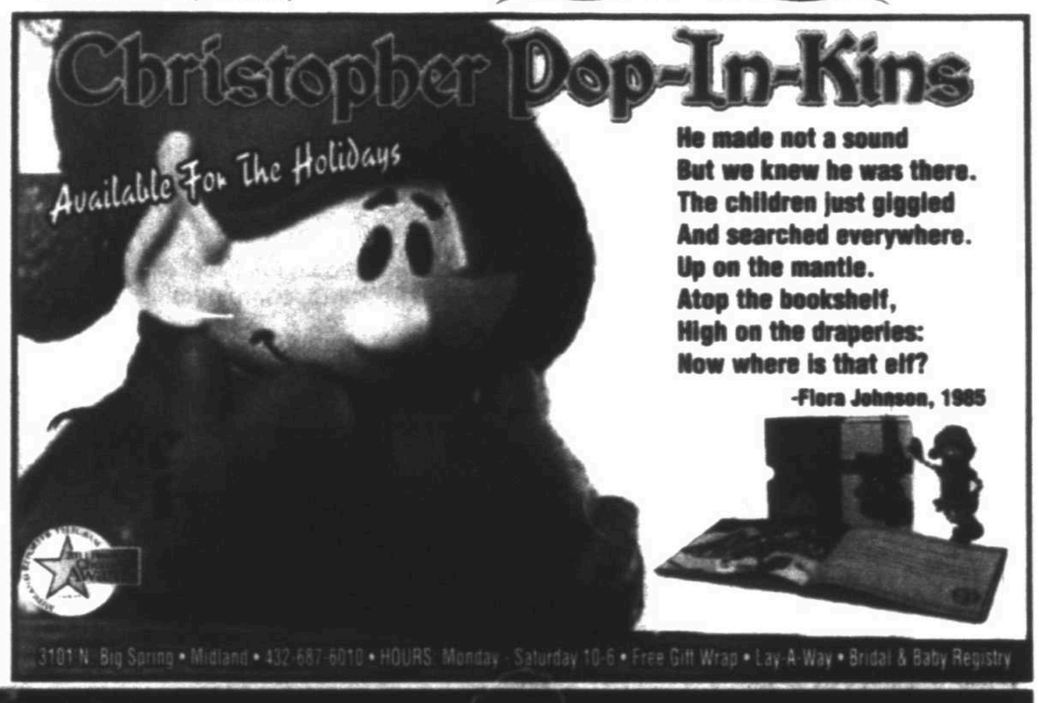

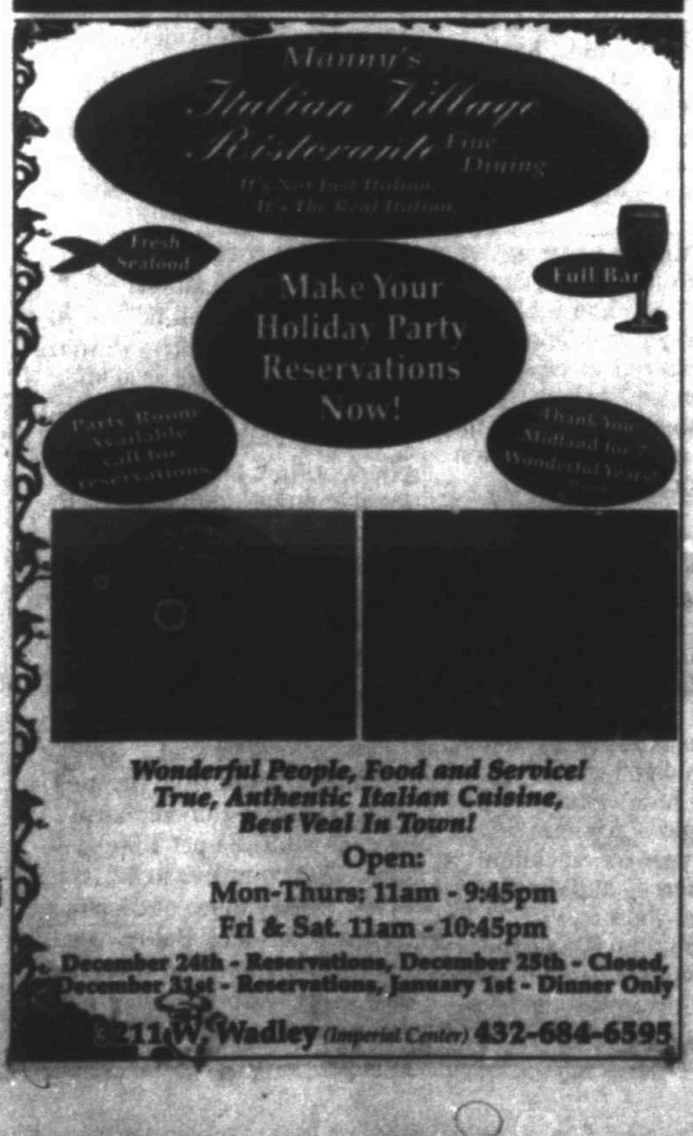

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amount of rainfall. We're not seeing any inflow into our watershed.

"It just seemed like it would be nice to conserve water that we had," she added.

Average water use in Odessa has fallen from about 16 million gallons per day to about 15 million gallons per day since the request was made, she said.

Tasa Watts, public information officer for Midland, said officials in the Tall City won't make such a request.

She said city officials continue to enforce the restrictions and ask residents to follow their typical fall and winter watering routine. The city has complied with the Colorado River Municipal Water District's requirements, which is what the city aims for, she said.

"If you typically don't water this time of year, we would encourage you to continue that same watering habit," Watts said. "Our direction goes along with the CRMWD's direction. At this point, our cap is 22 million gallons a day from them. We're in compliance. If they give us further direction, we will act accordingly."

John Grant, general manager of the CRMWD, said without additional inflows, those requirements likely will change for Midland and other cities.

O.H. Ivie Reservoir, which supplies water to Midland and Odessa, was at 19.07 percent capacity this week, according to the CRMWD, and on track to be empty by January 2013.

Grant said if levels don't change significantly, he'll likely recommend the board hold cities to their winter water usage, which is about 13.5 million gallons per day for Midland. For municipalities, winter levels likely would mean no outdoor watering next year, he said.

Alldredge said for now he tells clients to water one to two times per week with the goal of giving lawns about one-fourth of the water they receive during the summer.

If irrigation was not allowed at all next year in some West Texas areas, he said that would change the game entirely.

"I keep telling people it's going to happen," he said. "You're not going to be watering."

Kathleen Thurber can be reached at kthurber@mrt.com.

November water usage (in gallons)

Nov. 1	15,633,000
Nov. 2	16,213,000
Nov. 3	16,769,000
Nov. 4	11,065,000
Nov. 5	14,977,000
Nov. 6	22,008,000
Nov. 7	16,816,000
Nov. 8	10,965,000
Nov. 9	19,985,000
Nov. 10	11,768,000
Nov. 11	10,926,000
Nov. 12	13,037,000
Nov. 13	21,459,000
Nov. 14	14,229,000
Nov. 15	12,889,000
Nov. 16	21,630,000

AP file photo

This undated image provided by the Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge shows a pair of sandhill cranes at the refuge near Socorro, N.M. Biologists at the refuge are expecting record numbers of migrating birds this year because of severe drought conditions in neighboring Texas.

Crane conundrum

Drought leaves slim pickings for migrating birds

By Susan Montoya Bryan
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — From nesting grounds in Alaska and Idaho to the prairie potholes in Canada, thousands of sandhill cranes, snow geese and other migratory birds are making their way south to their traditional winter watering holes in the American Southwest.

The problem is a year of drought has ravaged wetlands and crops throughout Texas and New Mexico, forcing the birds to fly off course in search of water and food.

In the Texas Panhandle, there's no standing water in any of the playas, and officials at Buffalo Lake National Wildlife Refuge haven't seen many birds. It's just as dry at Texas' oldest national refuge in Muleshoe, where 27,000 birds have moved through so far this fall.

"I don't know where our birds are going," said refuge manager Jude Smith. "It's not just the cranes, but the geese and the ducks. They had bumper crop years up in the potholes with lots of reproduction, but there's nowhere for them to go."

That's why managers at Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge in south-central New Mexico are bracing for record numbers this fall and winter. With nearly 13,000 acres of wetlands, the refuge is one of the country's most well-known spots for observing migrating waterfowl. Thousands of people were expected to visit this week for the annual Festival of the Cranes.

The shallow ponds at Bosque del Apache and the adjacent Rio Grande shine like beacons as the weary birds look for a place to rest after their long journey.

"The birds will go where the water is first and where the food is second. They'll follow those two all the way south," said Jose Viramontes, a spokesman for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Bosque del Apache is managed specifically to provide habitat and protection for migrating birds and other endangered species. When farmers upstream finish irrigating for the season, water from the Rio Grande fills the refuge's impoundments, providing a place where birds can roost overnight without having to worry about predators.

But Bosque del Apache wasn't completely immune from the effects of the drought. This year's corn crop that managers depend on to feed the birds throughout the winter was decimated by a lack of rain.

To keep the birds fed, the refuge plans to spread 500,000 pounds of barley donated by a Colorado brewer.

"If we didn't have that, the birds would go elsewhere, and we know that they're safe here, so we prefer to keep them here," said Robyn Harrison, coordinator of the crane festival. "And honestly by the time they get here, they're not interested in flying any further for a while."

It can take up to three days for a crane to recover from its migration, she said.

That gives birdwatchers plenty of opportunities.

The autumn colors of the cottonwoods already have passed their peak, but cloudy skies have made for a week of beautiful sunrises and sunsets at Bosque del Apache.

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director, said planning for the direct reuse plant began several years ago, with little pushback.

"People in West Texas understand the value of water," he said. "As long as you tell them what you're doing, that it's a safe process, I think they'll accept it."

It might help that most residents already buy the water they use for drinking and cooking, mainly because the local water is hard and has a strong taste.

The $13 million plant will use two sets of filters, one to remove dirt and other solids and the second to remove dissolved solids, including salts, Grant said. The water will be disinfected and sent into the pipe carrying water from the reservoirs to treatment plants in each city.

NASA took the idea further, installing a urine-to-water recovery system on the International Space Station in 2009.

Big Spring's plant will give customers slightly more distance, diluting the wastewater with raw water. The plant will begin producing 2 million gallons of treated wastewater a day by late 2012.

Reclaimed water will make up just a fraction of the drinking water supply, and even Grant stops short of predicting it will become a dominant force in West Texas.

"There's still a bit of a yuck factor with putting it into the drinking water supply," Mace said.

People are more comfortable with indirect use programs like that in San Antonio, which sends the water to golf courses, the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, the Toyota manufacturing plant and a Microsoft data center.

The San Antonio River flowing through the downtown River Walk is augmented with treated wastewater, too.

Other cities release treated wastewater into a stream or river, sending it along for the next user, and El Paso injects it into an aquifer, allowing it to mingle with fresh groundwater before pulling it out to treat as drinking water.

Houston, which sends its wastewater to Galveston Bay, asked state regulators in 2004 to allow it to divert treated wastewater to other uses, but environmental groups successfully argued that any diversion threatened aquatic life in the bay.

An agreement last spring ensured the city will continue to send at least half of its wastewater to the bay.

But even in Houston, demand for water is expected to outstrip supply by nearly 35 percent by 2060, and the latest long-range plan calls for one-third of new water supplies to come from reclaimed water, said Jason Afinowicz, project manager for the 1,840-page plan.

Just because the idea is in the long-range plans, however, doesn't mean it will happen.

Jun Chang, deputy director of the city's Public Works and Engineering Department, said the city could find other sources of water or reduce demand through conservation.

Jim Blackburn, a lawyer and faculty member for Rice University's department of civil and environmental engineering, said there's no one-size-fits-all answer.

"For Houston to send its wastewater to the bay, it's a wonderful thing," he said. "For San Antonio to put it into the river, that might be the only thing that's saving the whooping crane."

But there's a downside, he said. Much of the water reaching Lake Livingston is water from the drains and toilets in Dallas.

"If everyone recycled wastewater, Houston wouldn't have enough water," Blackburn said.

How much will people pay to desalinate brackish water?

By Jeannie Kever
Houston Chronicle

EL PASO — For El Paso and a growing number of Texas cities, the question isn't whether they have enough water. Rather, what price people are willing to pay to make it drinkable?

Aquifers beneath the Chihuahua desert are filled with brackish groundwater, belying the seared landscape above. Salty water rushes down rivers. And the Gulf of Mexico offers a virtually unlimited supply.

For centuries, Texans had cheaper ways to quench their thirst. But population growth — up 20 percent over the past decade, to 25 million people, and predicted to almost double by 2060 — is driving up demand, just as the supply is shrinking. The latest draft of the state water plan predicts existing supplies will fall by 10 percent in the next 50 years.

But Texas has more than 2.7 billion acre-feet of brackish groundwater, enough to meet current demands for more than 176 years.

For many cities, the cost of desalination — up to four times that of other water treatments, sometimes even more for seawater desalination — is no longer a deal-breaker.

The state's first permanent seawater desalination plant will open on South Padre Island in 2014. Until then, all of the state's 44 desalination plants — most of them small, scattered across West Texas and the Rio Grande valley — treat brackish groundwater.

The El Paso plant is the state's largest, capable of producing 27.5 million gallons of water a day for city customers and those on the Fort Bliss Army post.

"It's a piece of the puzzle," said John Balliew, vice president of operations for El Paso Water Utilities, which worked with the U.S. Army to build the $91 million plant.

Most years, desalination is a small piece, as El Paso uses fresh groundwater and draws about half its water supply from the muddy Rio Grande.

But not even a city that receives less than 9 inches of rain a year is immune to the drought sweeping the rest of the state, and Balliew said the river is almost certain to produce less water next year.

Seawater desalination has been slow to catch on in the United States, although it is common in the Middle East, the Caribbean and elsewhere.

There are a few plants in Florida and California, and many U.S. Navy ships have small desalination plants.

The state Water Development Board launched several demonstration projects for seawater desalination over the past decade. Last spring, voters in the Laguna Madre Water District, which serves South Padre Island, Port Isabel and the surrounding area, authorized a full-scale plant.

Other cities along the coast are considering similar ventures, although none have decided how to pay for them.

And that's the catch, even as the seemingly inexhaustible supply of seawater washes ashore.

Gavino Sotelo, general manager of the Laguna Madre Water District, said building and operating a seawater plant probably will cost three times as much as a similar plant to treat surface water from the Rio Grande, which currently provides the district's main source of water.

"Voters here know what our situation is with the river," Sotelo said, noting that the Rio Grande peters out before reaching the Gulf during dry years. "They know we can't continue to rely on a river that everybody on both sides of the border uses at once."

The $13.2 million plant will be built on the bay to offer some protection from hurricanes, with water piped less than half a mile across the island.

Other coastal communities are thinking about seawater desalination, too, although details are fuzzy.

A $255 million plant in Freeport is part of the Houston region's long-range plan, with a potential date of 2050. San Antonio has similar long-range plans, involving about 140 miles of pipeline to bring the water to the city.

For now, count San Antonio among the growing number of cities bullish on brackish water desalination.

A plant above the Wilcox Aquifer in south Bexar County will open in 2016, said Chuck Ahrens, vice president for water resources at the San Antonio Water System. It could be expanded as the city lessens its dependence on the Edwards Aquifer.

Edwards Aquifer water is cheap, plentiful and pure. But, unlike other Texas aquifers, it is subject to federal regulations to protect endangered species in aquifer-dependent springs.

Water customers will cover the desalination plant's $145 million price tag through higher rates, Ahrens said.

Cost isn't the only factor. Before building a plant, operators must address environmental concerns, including how to dispose of the salty concentrate the process produces.

El Paso has changed its relationship with water over the past few decades, both embracing its desert heritage — fewer green lawns and a year-round culture of conservation — and developing new water sources.

In addition to the Rio Grande, the city relies upon two aquifers, the Mesilla Bolson and the Hueco Bolson, both of which also dip into Mexico.

Both provide freshwater, but the Hueco has almost four times as much brackish water, said Christina Montoya, a spokeswoman for El Paso Water Utilities.

The utility and the Army independently began planning a desalination plant for the Hueco water in the early 2000s and worked together to build the Kay Bailey Hutchison Desalination Plant, which opened in 2007 on Fort Bliss.

The plant covers 18,000 square feet — about one-third the size of a football field — and is so mechanized it requires just 14 people to operate around the clock.

Start-up costs — building the plant, drilling the wells, buying the membranes through which the water is filtered — are high.

But Balliew said the operating costs in El Paso are manageable.

Freshwater from the two aquifers provides the city's cheapest source of drinking water, at about 45 cents for 1,000 gallons, he said.

Treating water from the muddy Rio Grande is more expensive, about $1.85 per 1,000 gallons. That compares to $2.10 for every 1,000 gallons of desalinated brackish water, Balliew said.

Unlike the river, however, the city's supply of brackish groundwater isn't expected to run dry anytime soon.

VETERANS

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two clerks showed up at his post. At the time, Womack continued, the pair wouldn't admit where they were during the battle, but years later they came clean. While en route, the enlisted men met with two beautiful Italian women and were invited to a party, he said. When they were walking into the apartment, he later found out, a bullet ricocheted off the door, narrowly missing them. Without hesitation, they went into the shelter and quickly let reality subside as they began to drink and party with the women. Hours later, they realized they were making a mistake and attempted to leave. It took two days to find transportation to bring them back to the line. At that point, the battle was won. In fear of the consequences, the clerks kept their secret until years after the war when Womack reunited with them in Texas.

Morgan also told a story about his father-in-law sending him a flask of whiskey for Christmas while he was stationed in France. He said it was customary to share with his fellow soldiers, but the gesture ended up preventing him from sampling the drink. He said before even taking the first sip, he passed the bottle to his right, but by the time he got the flask back, it was empty. Feeling disappointed might be an understatement, he said. But in the end, it might have been better that he was completely sober. During the gathering, a U.S. plane crashed in a large field nearby. His division immediately was tasked of fighting a pitched battle to rescue the downed airmen. Although he didn't get any whiskey that Christmas, the grateful pilots gave them the shoes off their feet and jackets as a gesture of gratitude once they were rescued.

"There is nothing as great as paratroopers and airmen's boots," Morgan quipped.

> "We were almost drunk off the fresh milk."
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> — WAYNE BONNER
> World War II veteran

When the trio began discussing fond memories of their war time experiences and the joy they had when they were told the war was won, Bonner said the Scottish bagpipes were his last memory overseas. More than 60 years after he left, he said he still has a special place in his heart for the instrument's unique sound because it reminds him of victory and of the completion a long, grueling mission. While en route from Europe to the New York harbor, he said the captain gave his group of soldiers a large bottle of champagne. Although he said he enjoyed the drink, the fresh milk he was about to taste after exiting the ship was even better.

"We were almost drunk off the fresh milk," Bonner said. "Once we landed, there was milk, steaks and potatoes. The entertainment was also great. We were so happy to be back."

But before the veterans could depart the war-torn continent, they each saw death, destruction and the horrors of war.

Morgan and Womack both witnessed the Dachau concentration camp firsthand. They both grew quiet as they shared stories of piles of bodies on train cars and the ovens.

"The bodies and smells stayed with me," Womack said somberly as the two veterans listened intently. "It was bad seeing friends die in war, but I could justify that. I just couldn't get my head around the senseless death."

But when each's respective time was up, they were more than happy to leave. Each went their separate way after the war. College, families and work occupied most of their postwar lives. None had any desire to stay in service or to return to their former combat grounds.

"I remember being asked if I would like to join the reserves after returning," Womack said with a wry smile. "I also remember asking the recruiter if he would like a fat lip."

The trio seemed to enjoy each other's company, almost as much as they enjoyed their steak sandwiches. The lunch affair ended with each writing their names, phone numbers and email addresses on paper so they could stay in touch. To be sure, this won't be the last gathering of World War II veterans at Michael's.

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Gingrich's business network getting second look

By Philip Elliott
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Newt Gingrich calls it giving advice. Most people would call it cashing in on his prominent name.

The former House speaker has raked in millions of dollars since leaving office more than a decade ago. Now as a rising GOP presidential candidate he's facing renewed scrutiny of the intricate network of consulting firms, advocacy organizations and other businesses that, taken together, some have called Newt Inc.

"I do no lobbying of any kind. I never have. A very important point I want to make. I have never done lobbying of any kind," Gingrich told Fox News Channel this week, defending himself over questions about his time since he left the speaker's office under a political cloud in January 1999.

Gingrich's finances — and the elaborate consulting and communications empire he built since leaving Congress — are now getting a second look as the man who for years was the ultimate Washington insider campaigns as a reformer who can change Washington.

His presidential campaign imploded earlier this year but polls show him having risen just weeks before Iowa's presidential caucuses kick off the GOP nominating contests. Lingering questions about his business associations threaten that standing.

He also has described himself as "historian," hired by some firms that sought advice on policy matters.

Gingrich's business network has for years given the Georgia Republican a far-reaching platform for his views.

At times, he has espoused some public policy positions that closely track the financial interests of companies that underwrite a think tank he founded, the Center for Health Transformation. He has, for example, pushed for electronic medical records and government funded medical research while collecting paychecks from pharmaceutical companies and hospital chains that backed the proposals.

Health companies paid as much as $200,000 a year in dues to the think tank, which was created in 2003 to find ways to make health care better, cheaper and more modern. It has been a significant part of Gingrich's empire, with him spending — at one point in recent years — one-third or more of his time on the think tank.

The Washington Post reported it collected at least $37 million in the last eight years.

In recent days, Gingrich also has been defending himself amid the disclosure that he brought in more than $1.6 million from 1999 to 2008 to advise Freddie Mac, the federally backed mortgage giant he routinely criticizes and some conservatives blame for the housing crisis.

Gingrich tried to spin his consulting fees into a positive, saying: "It reminds people that I know a great deal about Washington. We just tried four years of amateur ignorance and it didn't work very well. So, having someone who actually knows Washington might be a really good thing."

During the 2008 campaign, Gingrich called on then-Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama to return campaign contributions from the mortgage company executives; Obama refused.

Yet Gingrich has been compensated for consulting work by the same group, and hasn't shown any indication he'd return the money.

"There's a huge difference between what you do when you're in public office and you're dealing with the public trust and what you do as a private business person who has no direct power and no direct responsibility and you're sitting there offering advice," Gingrich told Fox, where he was once a paid contributor.

Gingrich is trying to move beyond the questions about Freddie Mac and is acknowledging he has worked for some of the biggest names in business, including Microsoft, General Electric and PhRMA, a trade group that represents pharmaceutical research and biotechnology companies.

But over the years, he has used frequent opinion columns to promote some of those companies.

For example:

- Gingrich warned against specialty hospitals allowing doctors to cherry-pick easy cases, echoing concerns of the American Hospital Association and Hospital Corporation of America. The two companies helped fund Gingrich's health care think tank.
- In The Baltimore Sun and The New York Sun, Gingrich criticized congressional efforts to cut spending for the National Cancer Institute, where research dollars have helped develop drugs that earn millions of dollars for pharmaceutical companies that belong to Gingrich's think tank.

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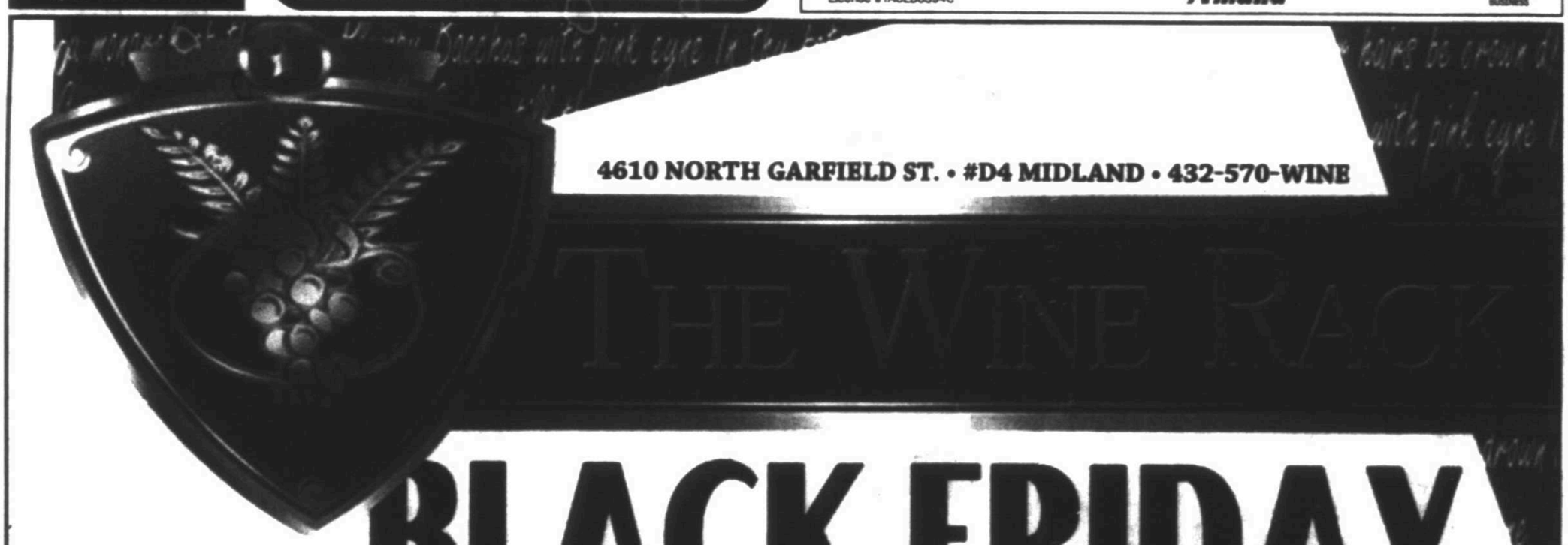

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GOP outsider Paul gaining traction in Iowa

By Thomas Beaumont
Associated Press

VINTON, Iowa — Texas Rep. Ron Paul is emerging as a significant factor in the Republican presidential race, especially in Iowa.

He's been long dismissed by the GOP establishment, but the libertarian-leaning candidate is now turning heads beyond his hard-core followers — and rising in some polls — just weeks before the state holds the leadoff presidential caucuses and four years since his failed 2008 bid.

Paul's sharp criticism of government spending and U.S. monetary policy hasn't changed since then.

And while his isolationist brand of foreign policy may be a non-starter for some establishment Republicans, its appeal among independents is helping Paul gain ground in a crowded Republican field. His boost is an indication of just how volatile the Republican presidential race is in this state and across the country.

"The good news is the country has changed in the last four years in a way I never would have believed," Paul told about 80 Republicans and independents at the Pizza Ranch restaurant in this town Friday. "In the last four years, something dramatic has happened."

What has helped Paul rise here has been more methodic than dramatic.

His campaign here is a stark comparison to the shoestring, rag-tag operation of four years ago that attracted a narrow band of supporters.

This time, he has built an Iowa organization with the look of a more mainstream campaign. He has raised more money and started organizing his campaign earlier than before. Paul was the first candidate to begin airing television ads this fall, and has maintained the most consistent advertising schedule in Iowa.

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tured, methodical, traditional campaign with Ron Paul here in Iowa more often," said Drew Ivers, an Iowa Republican Party central committee member and Paul's Iowa campaign chairman.

Paul is better-known this time, and has spent almost twice as much time in Iowa at this point in the 2012 campaign than in his bid for the 2008 caucuses. Paul finished in fifth place, closely behind Arizona Sen. John McCain and former Tennessee Sen. Fred Thompson.

The intense focus on Iowa this time may be working, with surveys showing Paul is reaching deeper into the caucus electorate.

A recent Bloomberg News poll showed him in second place in Iowa, behind Herman Cain and narrowly ahead of former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and former U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Two weeks earlier, The Des Moines Register's poll showed Paul in solid third place, behind Cain and Romney.

But it's unclear whether Paul can cobble together a broad enough electorate to win the caucuses with a plurality of the vote. At the very least, he will impact the results of the Jan. 3 contest. But to what degree is anyone's guess.

The one thing that hasn't changed from four years ago is Paul's style.

He remains the mild-mannered, professorial former obstetrician, delivering long explanations of the history of U.S. monetary and trade policy.

In Vinton, he stoked the audience when he called for cutting $1 trillion from the federal deficit his first year in office, primarily by vastly reducing U.S. foreign aid.

But he also called for shrinking the military budget by reducing the U.S. military presence around the world, arguing Congress and military contractors are too closely tied together.

"Yes, we have to have national security, but we don't get it by bankrupting our country and being in everyone's face constantly," Paul said.

The sentiment rings true with Charles Betz, a 47-year-old network engineer from nearby Tama, Iowa. He typically has been an independent voter, but is registered as a Republican so he can caucus for Paul on Jan. 3.

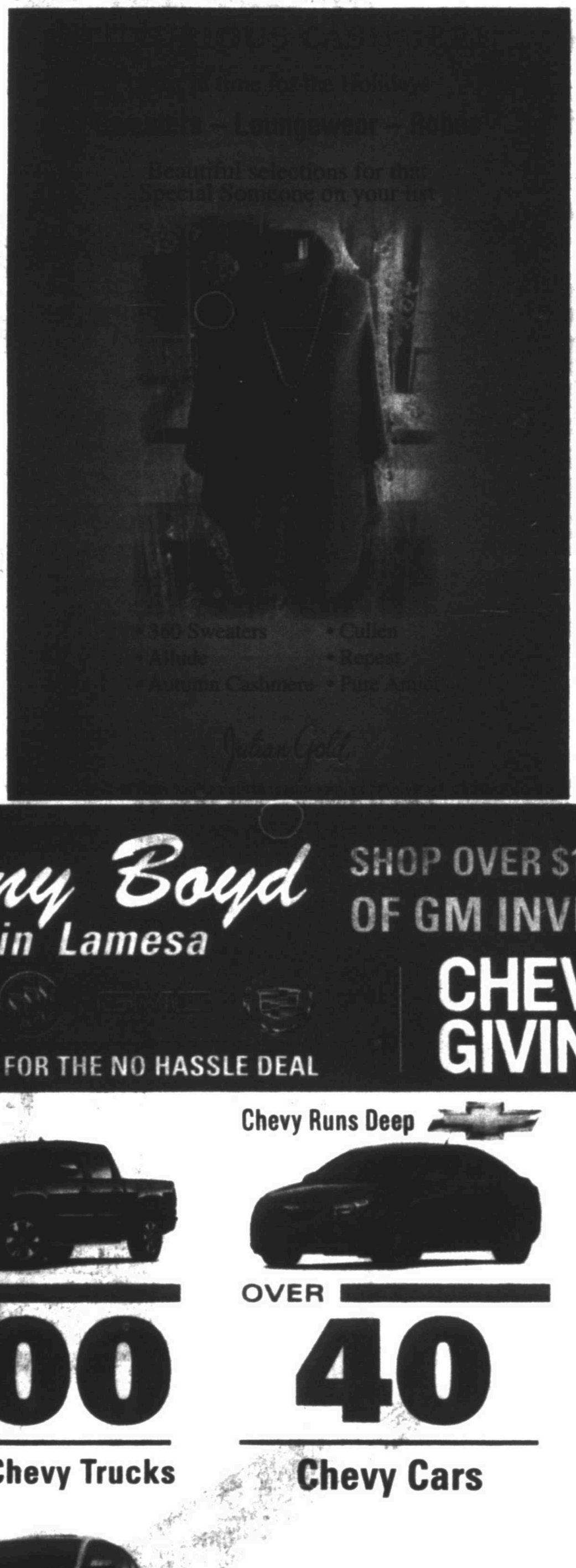
It's Paul's foreign and national security policy that has drawn fire from establishment Republicans. Former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum, who is competing with Paul in Iowa for the outsider vote, has been critical of Paul's stance.

So has Iowa Gov. Terry Branstad, a Republican who has been courted by most of the GOP candidates.

"I gave Paul credit for having the most ambitious plan to reduce the debt, which he does," Branstad told The Associated Press. "But I don't agree with him on foreign policy, at all. I'm real concerned with his views on that."

Paul's rivals have particularly criticized his view that Iran does not pose a serious threat to the U.S., a point Paul made again Friday.

"Think about how the war drums were beating to get into Iraq. None of it was true, and I don't believe the stories now about why we should be shaking in our boots over Iran," he said. "They are absolutely incapable of attacking us."



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What happened to the promise of the Perry campaign?

■ Missteps along the way raise questions about how hard the governor is working. Is there enough time to change that?

JASON EMBRY
Cox News Service

Gov. Rick Perry's first 24 hours as a presidential candidate in Iowa showed so much promise.

The day after announcing his candidacy Aug. 13 in South Carolina, Perry arrived in Waterloo, Iowa, to speak to a local Republican dinner. And he was masterful that night. Mobbed by reporters and photographers from the moment he arrived, Perry worked the room as well as he could, moving from table to table to introduce himself to voters one at a time.

After making his speech, Perry returned to his seat to hear from U.S. Rep. Michele Bachmann, who had won the Iowa Straw Poll the previous day. Bachmann was as arrogant in Waterloo as Perry was humble — she refused to emerge from her campaign bus until it was her turn to speak and only had direct contact with the voters who sought her autograph at the end of a long evening.

Perry won the night because he was the more approachable candidate, and he showed that accessibility again the next day when he spent more than four hours talking individually to voters at the Iowa State Fair.

Perry looked in those initial appearances like someone who knew the kind of work that running for president would require, particularly considering his late arrival in the GOP field.

But much of what happened between then and now sent the opposite message.

Perry has made numerous trips this fall to Iowa, site of the GOP's first nominating contest. He was there Monday and Tuesday and will be back Saturday. But he has yet to blanket the state with a schedule that allows him to hit five or six events a day for several days at a time. It's worth noting that former U.S. Sen. Rick Santorum is keeping that kind of schedule, and he's doing worse in the polls than Perry.

But there is — or at least there was — a greater voter curiosity about Perry than Santorum, which would allow Perry to capitalize on those events. Perry, after all, still has a gift for one-on-one exchanges with voters. And if nothing else, he could better prepare for debates by taking more questions from voters.

It's the debates, of course, that have really shown that Perry either isn't preparing or that his preparations aren't working.

Yes, anybody who is speaking to an auditorium of hundreds and a television audience of millions could get nervous and freeze up, as Perry did last week. But his failure to recall that he wanted to close the U.S. Department of Energy indicated, fairly or not, that he just hadn't spent much time thinking and talking about the issues he would confront as president.

Furthermore, Perry had a golden opportunity in earlier debates to explain how he would translate the perceived magic formula of the Texas economy to the national level. But he has offered little more than platitudes about spending restraint and regulatory relief, doing little to distinguish himself from the field.

That works fine when you're running against Texas Democrats and working two shows a night in Midland, but a national audience expects more.

Perry has since offered more detail about his plans for the country.

But some of those proposals are either recycled (the flat tax) or so unlikely to become law that they appear desperate (Constitutional amendment to end lifetime judicial appointments). And now it may be too late. A Bloomberg poll released this week showed four candidates in a tight race for first place in Iowa. Unfortunately for Perry, he's in fifth.

Each of the candidates ahead of Perry is within striking distance, however, and each has weaknesses Perry can exploit. But it's going to take every hour Perry has, and even that may not be enough. He's been left in the single digits, desperate to overcome his earlier misreading of the electorate.

He's Michele Bachmann.

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Opinion

Appeals court judge provides fodder for counterargument

■ In writing for the majority, a Reagan appointee might galvanize a Supreme Court majority to say "Enough!"

GEORGE WILL
Washington Post Writers Group

Shortly before the Supreme Court agreed to rule on the constitutionality of Obamacare's individual mandate, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit affirmed, 2-1, its constitutionality. Writing for the majority, Judge Laurence Silberman, a Reagan appointee, brusquely acknowledged upholding the mandate means there is no limit to Congress' powers under the commerce clause. Fortunately, Silberman's stark assertion may strengthen the counterargument. Silberman forces the Supreme Court's five conservatives to face the sobering implications of affirming the power asserted with the mandate.

Does Congress' enumerated power to *regulate* interstate commerce empower it to *compel* individuals, as a condition of living in America, to engage in a commercial activity? If any activity, *or inactivity*, can be said to have economic consequences, can it be regulated — *or required* — by Congress? Can Congress forbid the inactivity of *not* purchasing a product (health insurance) from a private provider? Silberman says yes:

"We acknowledge some discomfort with the government's failure to advance any clear doctrinal principles limiting congressional mandates that any American purchase any product or service in interstate commerce. But to tell the truth, those limits are not apparent to us, either because the power to require the entry into commerce is symmetrical with the power to prohibit or condition commercial behavior, or because we have not yet perceived a qualitative limitation. That difficulty is troubling, but not fatal, not least because we are interpreting the scope of a long-established constitutional power, not recognizing a new constitutional right."

Some discomfort about saying limited government is essentially a fiction? Silberman's distinction between interpreting the scope of a government power and recognizing a right is spurious because *rights begin where powers end.*

So argues Florida International University's Elizabeth Price Foley, constitutional litigator for the Institute for Justice. She is amazed by Silberman's disregard of "the inherently symbiotic relationship between the scope of government powers and individual rights."

She says Silberman has two false assumptions. One is that Congress *compelling* acts of commerce is "symmetrical" with prohibiting or regulating commerce. The other is that the lack of any principle to limit Congress when purporting to regulate interstate commerce is unimportant because it concerns only government power, not an important liberty interest of individuals.

Silberman's supposed symmetry between compulsion and regulation ignores the momentous invasion of liberty by the former. If compulsion is authorized whenever Congress touches anything affecting commerce, this Leviathan power dwarfs all other enumerated powers.

Seventy-five years ago the Supreme Court stopped defending many liberty interests it decided were unimportant. Since the New Deal, Foley says, the court has, without "textual or even contextual basis," distinguished between economic and non-economic liberty. The latter has received robust judicial support. But economic liberty — freedom of individuals to engage in, *or not engage in*, consensual commercial transactions — has received scant protection against circumscription or elimination by government. This denial of judicial protection has served the progressive agenda of government supervision of economic life.

Judge Brett Kavanaugh, dissenting on the D.C. circuit court, dryly praised Silberman's "candor" in "admitting that there is no real limiting principle" to the commerce clause jurisprudence embraced by the court's majority. Kavanaugh, like Foley, emphasizes the *asymmetry* between, on the one hand, *regulating* or *prohibiting* commercial activity and, on the other hand, *compelling* such activity.

He says the limitlessness means "a law replacing Social Security with a system of *mandatory* private retirement accounts would be constitutional. So would a law *mandating* that parents purchase private college savings accounts." Kavanaugh rejects the majority's (Silberman's) attempt "to mitigate the dramatic implications of its no-limiting-principle holding" by noting that "Congress is subject to a political check:"

"As the Supreme Court has told us time and again, the structural principles of the Constitution ... protect individual liberty. And the courts historically have played an important role in enforcing those structural principles. ... That Congress is subject to a political check does not absolve the judiciary of its duty to safeguard the constitutional structure and individual liberty."

There is an abdication of judicial duty in Silberman's complacent conclusion, which is: We can articulate no limit on Congress' power flowing from the commerce clause; get over it. This might galvanize a Supreme Court majority to say "Enough!" and begin protecting individual liberty from a commerce clause that the court itself has transmogrified into an anti-constitutional gift to Congress of a virtually unlimited police power. This case can begin restoring Madison's constitutional architecture for a government limited by the enumeration of its powers.

OUR VIEW

Midlanders should make it a merry Christmas for many

The Christmas shopping season will be upon us in less than a week, and we are urging Midlanders to get into the Christmas spirit this season by remembering those who might not have great expectations for a merry Christmas.

It's generally accepted in the United States that Black Friday, the day following Thanksgiving, is the opening of the traditional Christmas shopping season. With a robust economy on hand, low unemployment and most other economic indicators on the rise, we expect Midland retail businesses to flourish this Christmas season.

This should be a joyous time for all Midlanders because we have been given much and most of us have prospered from it. We should be willing to share some of our gain for the benefit of all.

We think that to whom much is given, much is required. We should respond in kind to the generosity we've all been shown this year. There should be no reason for anyone in our city to go without a merry Christmas.

As you provide for your family's Christmas this year, we challenge you and your family members this Christmas season to search for ways to make a Christmas bright for someone else. Despite the economic growth of our region, there remain great needs among many citizens in our area.

It should be easy to find a place to give or volunteer your services this season. Just in one edition of our newspaper this past week, we ran across several giving or helping opportunities with organizations like the Music for Cause food drive, the red kettles' program of the Salvation Army, several Christmas programs for our active duty soldiers and a new hunger initiative.

In addition, dozens of churches across the city have projects from food drives to providing clothing and toys for children. Nearly all of these organizations would welcome donations or volunteer work.

Our city is not without the need or without the programs to answer those needs. What we do need is your involvement. Make this Christmas a family effort. Show your family how we can be of true service to others. It also could turn out to be a great teaching tool for your children.

Giving of yourself is the best way to ensure you have a happy Christmas. So give the gift of love this year, and our city will be better off because of it.

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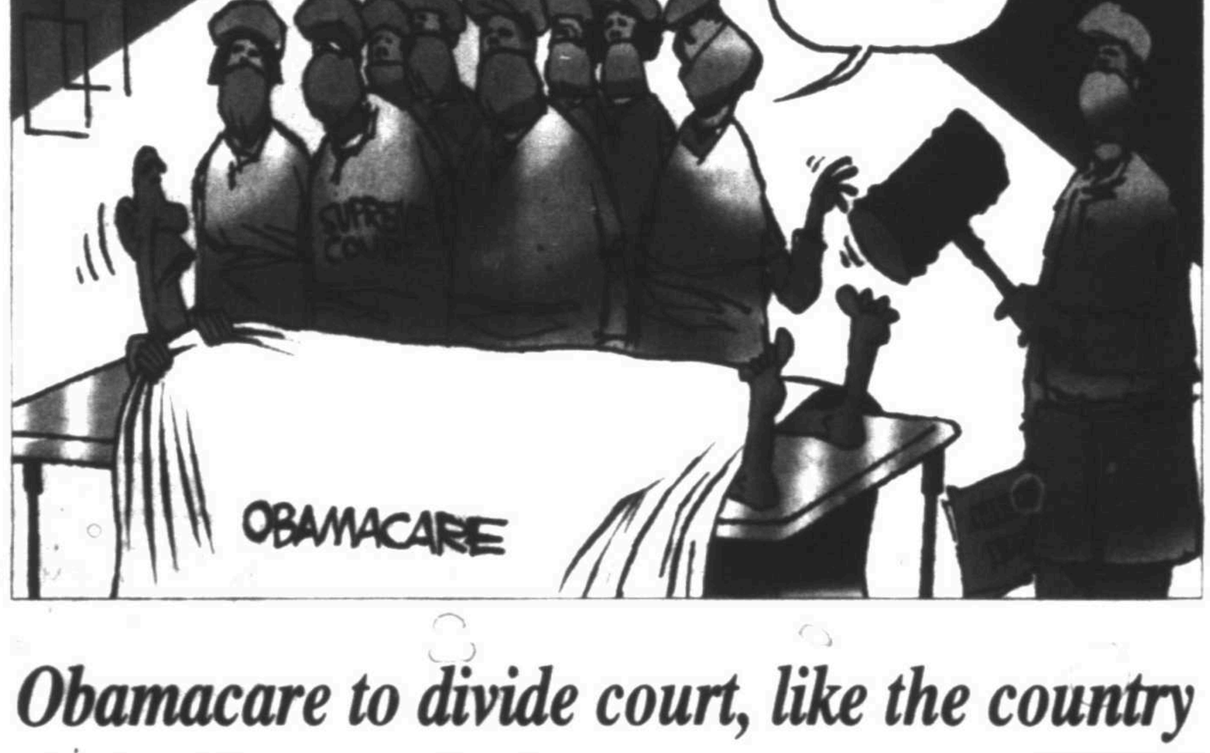

Obamacare to divide court, like the country

■ America and Congress was split on the insurance mandate; expect the same of the Supreme Court.

WILLIAM MURCHISON
Creators Syndicate

As anticipated, the U. S. Supreme Court will join 300 million fellow Americans in rendering judgment on Obamacare. But with this difference: The high court's judgment, expected next June, will be the judgment that sticks.

The rest of us — members of Congress and lower court federal judges included — merely spout off with force and vehemence. We love the health care law. We hate it. It makes us sick, except when it excites rejoicings. The sole reaction we withhold from the law is indifference.

That's the problem, isn't it? A law meant to reorder the way 300 million people receive and pay for health care — a law that strokes all of our mental and physical muscle — requires broad popularity and acceptance.

Its fate should not hang on the deliberations of nine men and women educated to thread constitutional needles, as the high court must thread them, seeking to determine how much power to assign government over our health care choices.

The basic question set for adjudication is whether the federal government may compel Americans to purchase health insurance. Opinions at the lower court level are divided on this urgent question. Some say yes, others no, which of course is why our highest court has to advise us who is right. Most observers expect the court to divide over the question, possibly five votes to four. There you have it again — the reason Congress and the Obama administration badly overcooked and oversauced this grand legislative casserole.

Determined to do a job they deemed overdue, congressional Democrats cut a stick off the nearest tree and informed Americans what was going to happen. The bill was going to pass. Did we understand that? If not, how come? Whish-whish, went the stick.

Thus, the bill finally passed. But the whish-whish of the stick — a rigged congressional process with no room for honest discussion of the Democrats' plan — only made things worse. Congressional Democrats, it was clear, didn't care about consensus or general acceptance. They had the votes. That was enough.

My-way-or-the-highway is a variety of politics occasionally popular with democratic leaders. Nonetheless, it has grave limitations. When said democratic leaders intend sweeping cultural and economic change, the smart and respectful thing is to achieve broad agreement on ends and means. The "capital-d" Democratic thesis was markedly different. It was: We're doing this! No efforts at reconciliation of widely divergent viewpoints or objectives were wanted. Nancy and Harry knew what was wanted or anyhow kept telling us so.

Enter the Supreme Court to try and wrap this thing up neatly. It will be some trick the Obama White House and its congressional allies pull on potential supporters by declining reasonable conversation among such reasonable folk as can be found in modern politics. Whatever the high court says now, by a one- — possibly two-vote margin — will only stir up more anger and hard feelings.

Congress did an ineffably dumb thing in enacting Obamacare: It pressed too hard. It treated grown-up Americans like kindergartners, incapable of doing a lot more than drooling in joyful assent. Thereby Congress — with President Obama's invaluable assistance — divided the country still further over a sensitive policy matter that no court, howsoever high, can decide on without contributing to further divisions. It's such brilliant statesmanship. Thank you, Nancy. Thank you, Harry.

In the meantime, a sense of trepidation wells up as to whether significant harm to liberty — leave health aside — is in prospect. The high court just might let Congress get away with compelling purchase of health insurance, as part of the power to regulate interstate commerce. After all, a court dominated by New Dealers held nearly 70 years ago (Wickard vs. Filburn) that the Agriculture Department could forbid a farmer to grow wheat to feed his own livestock.

The point is one you might think would cause certain congressmen to step gingerly, delicately, before marching into territory not previously under federal jurisdiction. It would seem such congressmen were in short supply when the roll was called for Obamacare.

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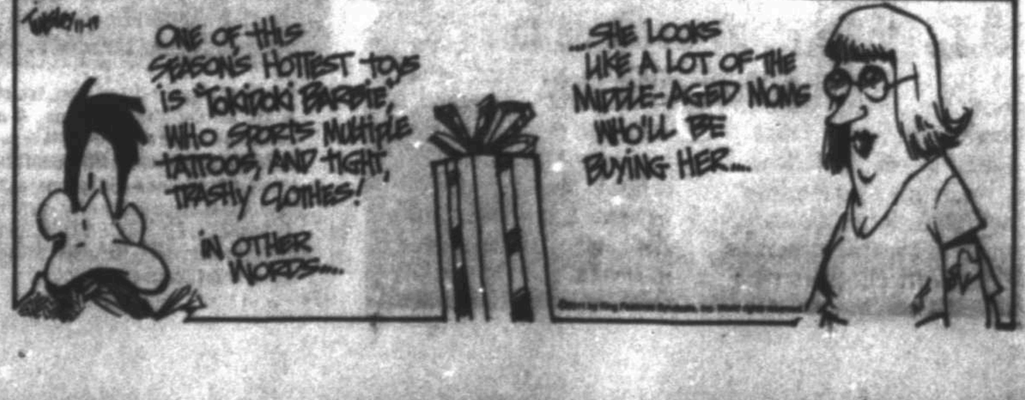
From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Many should be thanked for Rusk event

On Nov. 10, I attended my sixth Veterans Day program put on by Rusk Elementary kindergartners through sixth-graders. What a spectacular program. It continues to get better year after year. As a 25-year Air Force veteran, I want to thank you for the program. It means a lot that you put in all the extra time and effort to put on the program. I know you work on it for several months, and I appreciate it. I also thank Mr. Ryder and all the faculty and staff who give of their time to put the program together. I also want to thank the CAF for the facility, H-E-B for the lunch, Albertsons for the cake, Southwest Airlines for the tickets and all the additional sponsors.

I also want to thank the children for the cards and letters throughout the year. What a superb production. You should be extremely proud.

Claude Jewett Jr.
U.S. Air Force, retired

FM 307 to Greenwood is a problem

The FM 307 construction project recently was completed after a couple of years of tying up traffic and causing a lot of headaches for people living and working in the Greenwood area.

The barrels are gone, but the hazards may have gotten worse. The road surface has gotten smoother, which is a good thing, but now there is water standing in places that before there hadn't been after a rain. This may have caused one accident last week.

Whose idea was it to make a one-lane both ways with a turn lane in the middle and wide paved shoulders?

When they used this layout, I wonder if they thought about the consequences it has caused.

Problem No. 1: Now it is illegal to pass slower vehicles because of the left turn lane that runs the length from I-20 to Greenwood (some slower drivers will pull to right, but others will not).

Problem No. 2: The speed limit is posted at 60 mph, but some people drive anywhere from 15 mph slower to 15 mph faster. Nothing is more frustrating than to be running late for work and come up to a car doing 45 to 50 mph and knowing it is illegal to pass because of the left turn lane so they have to follow patiently when someone else comes up from behind and passes both of us on the left or on the right. (The police/trooper presence is lacking).

I have been passed by trucks and minivans that had to have been traveling well in excess of 60 mph (adults and teens alike). I have seen many near misses in those instances.

Are the shoulders wide enough to turn them into a second lane, relieving some of the pressure off the single lane?

The drivers' speeds may increase but wouldn't that be safer than having a head-on collision in the left turn lane?

David Ragsdale

Abortion becoming too common

Most people do not know abortion is one of the most common surgical procedures performed in the United States. At least 1.2 million abortions are reported each year. Contrary to common perception, abortion is not rare and most likely has affected many people we know. By the age of 20, 1 in 7 women has undergone at least one abortion. By the age of 45, 1 in 3 women has had at least one abortion.

If we continue the abhorrent practice of killing babies, our country suffers and has suffered immensely. What we lose is the unknown value that people would have contributed to our society, such as a person like Steve Jobs. We lose future taxpayers for all you liberals out there who think we should raise taxes. When God gave Moses the Ten Commandments, they were not suggestions. They are the rules to live by, and living within the Ten Commandments, there is true freedom. One of those commandments is "Thou shalt not kill." Let us not turn our backs on life; let's defund Planned Parenthood once and for all. (www.texasrighttolife.com/about/141/Abortion-statistics)

John L. Davis

Never forget the 'Leathernecks'

They descended from two battalions authorized by the Continental Congress on Nov. 10, 1775. Their nickname, Leathernecks, originated from the black leather stocks they used to wear to protect their throats against sabres.

They supported George Washington that Christmas night when he crossed the Delaware to surprise the Hessians. They fought in the battles on Lake Erie and Lake Champlain and with Jackson at New Orleans. They helped capture the fortress of Chapultepec during the Mexican war.

They shattered the Kaiser's forces at Belleau Wood and the Argonne in 1918. In World War II, they enlisted more than 500,000 men, many of whom never came home from the Pacific Theater. In Korea, Vietnam, Kuwait, Iraq, Afghanistan and in all corners of the world for 236 years, these men never have shirked the horrific tasks they were expected to do.

No group of fighting men is prouder of its traditions. Never must we forget what these honorable men of the U.S. Marine Corps have done to liberate people from all walks of life and preserve our liberty and this great republic.

Semper fidelis (always faithful).

Steven Chase

Not excusing absences for actors is inexcusable

I was very honored to attend the MCT production of "The 100 Dresses," performed by the Pickwick Players.

I know first-hand how much work was put into this production by everyone involved. Many long hours of rehearsal were put in by these junior high and high school actors after school. For information's sake, I would like to add that these young people have to maintain passing grades in order to be able to perform in this venue.

I am aware that Bill Williams at MCT had to prepare a lesson plan for the elementary students who attended this production during the school day so they could attend as a school function and not have the absence counted against them.

Now you would think the junior high and high school students would be granted school-related absences because there was such an important lesson that was taught through this particular production (and they made up all missed work as well). I have been told by both my granddaughters that their absence during school-time performances was counted against them as non-school related. Why are the elementary students excused and the actors are not? This does not seem like equitable treatment.

I know the Pickwick actors have had excused absences in the past, so why not this time? I have been told by numerous teachers they love having Pickwick students because they are so dedicated to their school work and their talent. If you haven't seen these kids perform, take time and go to one of their productions. I think you will be pleasantly surprised. To the powers that be in these junior high and high school administrations, please rethink the absences and give these kids a school-related absence.

Pat Marshall

Did pride trump values at Penn State?

I have been disturbed greatly over the recent events concerning Penn State University. I am aware we may not have all the evidence as of yet, but to think a university or a person in leadership would cover up such a disturbing crime.

I have asked myself the question: "Why? Why would one cover up such a hideous act of sin?" The only answer I can think of is pride, and in this situation it would be "Penn State Pride." Have we become so prideful we have neglected our God-given values? You don't have to be a Christian to know child molestation goes against our values. Let's stop covering up our sin or the sins of others because of pride and start humbling ourselves and admitting when something is wrong. We must uphold our values if we desire to continue as a great people in a great nation. Proverbs 16:18 (NIV) shares, "Pride goes before destruction."

Art Perkins,
pastor
The Gathering @ Midland

Employers come through for family during and after surgery

My husband, Frank, recently had emergency heart surgery at MMH (thanks to all the doctors, nurses and staff).

John Solansky, the owner of the company he's employed with, arrived as they were starting the surgery to pray with our family, and supervisors Justin Tyson and Mike Butler, along with Mike's wife, arrived shortly after. All of them stayed the entire four hours of surgery. So many other co-workers showed up over the next couple of days to show their concern. What a great group of people. If you ever have the opportunity to work for Endura Products or NovaStar LP — grab it. I'm glad Frank did.

Also, thanks to my employer (Randy Scott and JoAnn) and co-workers for the giant food basket.

What a blessing these people have been in our lives the last couple of weeks. May God bless them.

Vickie Olgin

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If only testifying at a hearing was so easy

■ An 82-year-old gives the pros a demonstration on the way to effectively testify during a government hearing about Confederate battle flag license plate.

Today, a reminder about the power of simple words, simply offered and sincerely spoken — a concept our elected leaders often forget.

I got the reminder recently as the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles board voted down the proposed Confederate battle flag license plate.

This was a hearing and a topic that stirred passions on both sides. There were more witnesses against the plate than for it. Each had three minutes. Some saw themselves as above that rule (more on that in a minute). Many got the hang of testifying at a governmental hearing. Some did not.

There was one older gentleman who most certainly did.

"Mr. Chairman and board, I chose not to do any research on history, probably cause I'm history myself," said the Rev. G.V. Clark of Austin's Mount Zion Baptist Church. "I'm 82 years old. I've lived in Austin all of my life. Served in the military. Worked for the State of Texas, retired."

And for 42 years, he's been a pastor of influence in East Austin.

The proposed license plate, he said, "represents to a lot of people an insensitiveness to what has been the experience of a number of citizens in the state of Texas."

Clark's soft-spoken words were so effective they're worth quoting at length:

"It saddens me that the possibility exists that I might still be driving around the state and frequently see something that represents hate, something that has made people feel less than human, something that has caused you in the past to drive along the highway and see a Confederate flag where you need to stop, but you see the flag and you keep driving.

"The fact that I've been here in this state 82 years could tell you that all of my life has not been an easy moment," said Clark, whose age and skin color indicate he has faced challenges no one should face.

Clark said he was aware that nine states have approved Confederate battle flag plates.

"But this is Texas. This is my state. This is where I was born. This is where I worked. This is where I raised my children. This is where I taught school. This is where I pastor church. Please vote it down," he said.

Next up were two final speakers, both infused with the outsize sense of self-worth that infects too many elected officials.

U.S. Rep. Al Green, D-Houston, proclaimed his love of America, quoted from the Declaration of Independence and "The Star-Spangled Banner," unfurled an American flag and implored the audience to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Patriotic, yes. But I'm not sure that kind of demonstration is what's needed as governmental bodies make important decisions.

Green's performance was topped for arrogance by the next witness, U.S. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, D-Houston, who enjoys (really enjoys) a reputation as a congressional diva.

Like all witnesses, Jackson Lee was given three minutes to speak. Jackson Lee, of course, in her own mind, is not like all witnesses. So she blessed us with about 18 minutes of testimony.

"I would ask you to indulge me as I have waited patiently," said Jackson Lee, who had asked to be the final witness.

As she windbagged her way to a conclusion, the good congresswoman said: "Mr. Chairman, you have been gracious. I yield back my time."

I yield back my time? What time? You just spoke six times as long as you were supposed to. I yield back my time?

Force of habit, I guess. U.S. House members routinely say a form of that when they conclude floor remarks that are shorter than the allotted time. But in this case, Jackson Lee had not offered remarks that were shorter than the allotted time.

Clark had spoken for just about three minutes. No histrionics. No flag waving. No audience participation. Just words, sincerely spoken.

That, folks, is the way to do it.

Here's a simple thought: Won't it be great when there are no 82-year-old gentlemen with the kind of painful memories the good reverend has?

Here's the manifesto for progressive-conservatives

■ There may not be a presidential candidate for the "muscular middle" but that doesn't mean there's not a future.

WILLIAM McKENZIE

Dallas Morning News

I hate to break this to my fellow progressive-conservatives, but those of us who believe in progressive social values and conservative economics won't have a presidential candidate who satisfies us next November.

Barack Obama made noise about going this way in 2008. But the president has embraced the progressive part of the code more than the conservative side. He even has gone populist.

And Republicans, wow. They're bent on electing a candidate who'll satisfy the conservative economic part of the equation but completely reject the progressive aspect. No compassionate conservatism or McCain-like independence this time around.

But those who want a humane immigration system, stronger public schools, a place for gays in the military — plus debt reduction, entitlement reforms and private-sector-led growth — need not sit out this cycle. Progressive-conservatives can start now to create an agenda that would encourage fellow travelers to compete in future elections. It also would allow the numerous current officeholders who are quietabout their center/right beliefs to come out of the closet.

Patience is needed. But not too much patience. We need to muscle our way into the conversation with smarts and strong policies. We don't need placards and screaming, but we can make the case for a politics of the center with relentless consistency.

That starts with using the off-year to develop a "muscular middle" agenda. Here are a few suggestions:

Press for better public schools: Partner with civil rights groups and business leaders who, like us, believe Washington should hold local schools accountable. The Obama administration started strong in this direction but has faded, and Republicans are distancing themselves from federal involvement altogether.

By standing up for testing that shows whether children are learning at grade level, prog-cons will stand on the side of minority students whose public schools have left them behind. But accountability isn't enough. Also delve into what makes schools work, starting with how districts develop principals and teachers as leaders — and retain them.

Welcome immigrants: The top goal is immigration laws that create more permits for foreign workers to come here legally and a process for illegal immigrants to become citizens. But that priority has been hard to achieve and will be until at least 2013.

So, start working with churches, schools and other mediating institutions to integrate the many immigrants from Latin America into our culture. The school part especially matters.

In states like Texas and California, Latino students are the dominant demographic group. But they often trail their Anglo peers. This gap needs attention so young Hispanics don't end up in a parallel universe. America needs them becoming inventors, doctors and executives.

Let the private sector grow jobs: Obama had to stimulate the economy, but he relied too much on government to grow jobs. Better to let the private sector lead. The place to start is the energy industry.

Numerous states have natural gas reserves. Push for access to them — and press producers to invest in environmental technologies.

Also, flatten the tax code. Create two rates, scrap many exemptions and lower firms' cost of capital. America may not rebound immediately, but an efficient tax code could stimulate growth.

Go gonzo about the debt: Progressive-conservatives should hope Congress' supercommittee succeeds in reducing the debt by $4 trillion. But even if the panel hits a homer, entitlement programs such as Medicare and Social Security need attention.

Former GOP Sen. Pete Domenici and former Clinton adviser Alice Rivlin have the best Medicare idea. Keep traditional Medicare for seniors who want it, but give others a voucher they could use to buy private insurance. The choice model could control costs.

I've outlined elements of a progressive-conservative agenda before and will keep doing so as the campaign unfolds. I also will identify people and institutions that think along these lines.

The 2012 race may be less than satisfying for those of us who lean left on cultural issues but right on economics. But this is the time for the muscular middle to create its future.

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Monday, look for mostly cloudy skies with a high around 66, a low around 47 and east winds between 5 and 10 mph with a 20 percent chance of percipitation.

Tuesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 65 and a low around 41.

The high on Saturday reached 76 while the low dropped to 48. The record high for Nov. 19 is 87 set in 1996. The record low is 18 set in 1987.

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Severe thunderstorms may occur in Texas today as a front stalls over the area. Damaging wind gusts, large hail, isolated tornadoes and localized flash flooding are a threat. The Dallas area is especially at risk for violent storms.

Along the same front, showers and thunderstorms will rattle the Ohio and Tennessee Valleys as well. Local flash flooding and dangerous lightning will be concerns.

Showers will dampen the interior Northeast as chilly air pushes toward the region. The coast in the Northeast will be dry and mild.

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Saturday's temperatures

High	76
Low	48
Normal high	65
Normal low	38
Sunrise	7:22 a.m.
Sunset	5:47 p.m.

Officials say 32 homes destroyed in Reno fire

Associated Press

RENO, Nev. — The estimated number of homes destroyed in a wind-fueled wildfire more than doubled on Saturday to a total of 32, but Gov. Brian Sandoval said it's a miracle scores more weren't lost.

A re-evaluation of the 2,000-acre burn on Saturday found much more destruction and damage than initially reported, Reno Fire Chief Mike Hernandez said.

The unusual, out-of-season blaze spread by gale-force winds and ripped through the Sierra foothills early Friday, forcing the evacuation of nearly 10,000 people. Most started returning to their homes Saturday afternoon.

"This was not only a wild land, urban-interface type fire; it was also a metro fire where we had homes that were actively burning in densely populated areas," Hernandez said.

Many families "had to leave in the middle of the night with very, very limited possessions, and they are coming back to devastation, to nothing," he said. "So our hearts and prayers go out to those families."

The governor said after a helicopter tour of the area Saturday that while the loss of homes was tragic, the 400 firefighters on the lines are heroes for saving more than 4,000 houses that could have burned in the blaze investigators suspect was started by arcing power lines.

"When you see something like that, you can't help but be struck by the awesome and random power of nature," Sandoval said about the blackened path of the fire that snaked along the edge of the foothills, sometimes burning one home to the ground while neighboring houses on either side went untouched.

"It is nothing short of a miracle the amount of homes that have been saved," he said. "We're right around the corner from Thanksgiving and I think we in this community have a lot to be thankful for."

Sen. Dean Heller, R-Nev., agreed.

"There are a lot of people we need thank that it wasn't worse than it was," he said after his tour Saturday.

Reno Mayor Bob Cashell praised the firefighters for a quick response and thanked the numerous communities — from sometimes hundreds of miles away — for dispatching crews and engines to help.

"This fire was out of control the second it started, but in a short time the first responders were there and everybody stepped up," Cashell said. "Elko, Fallon, Fernley — everyone who had a fire truck, they sent it."

Hernandez said there's no official cause yet, but all signs point to the power lines. He said investigators ruled out the possibility that teenage partiers or a homeless campfire was to blame. The fire was 80 percent contained Saturday and should be fully mopped up by the middle of next week, fire officials said.

Rep. Mark Amodei, R-Nev., said he was impressed by the coordinated effort by so many different agencies, especially far removed from the normal summer wildfire season in Nevada.

"You don't appreciate it until you have the major metropolitan area in the northern Nevada being threatened by wildfire in late November," he said.

Kristina Wright, 22, was among the evacuees returning Saturday to her home, which was not damaged. She said she fell asleep Thursday night listening to the TV weatherman's forecast for possible snow on the valley floor where she lives on edge of the foothills of the Sierra Nevada.

"I thought I'd wake up to scrape my windshield not be told to evacuate because there was a fire behind my house," Wright said.

More than two miles separated some of the damaged homes as the winds with gusts in excess of 70 mph spread burning embers down the Sierra front and through a patchwork of canyons and ravines on the city's southwest side.

"I watched a house catch on fire on the ridge," said Wright, who lives in a neighborhood just below the aptly named Windy Hill about five miles south of the downtown casino district.

"It was like a tornado," she told the Associated Press. "I couldn't stand up. I couldn't even open my car door without it slamming me."

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Panel: Get ready for extreme weather

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

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Thai volunteers sweep an intersection during a cleaning drive Saturday after floodwaters receded in Bangkok, Thailand.

WASHINGTON — Think of the Texas drought, floods in Thailand and Russia's devastating heat waves as coming attractions in a warming world. That's the warning from top international climate scientists and disaster experts after meeting in Africa.

The panel said the world needs to get ready for more dangerous and "unprecedented extreme weather" caused by global warming. These experts fear that without preparedness, crazy weather extremes may overwhelm some locations, making some places unlivable.

The Nobel Prize-winning Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change issued a special report on global warming and extreme weather Friday after meeting in Kampala, Uganda. This is the first time the group of scientists has focused on the dangers of extreme weather events such as heat waves, floods, droughts and storms. Those are more dangerous than gradual increases in the world's average temperature.

For example, the report predicts heat waves that are now once-in-a-generation events will become hotter and happen once every five years by mid-century and every other year by the end of the century. And in some places, such as most of Latin America, Africa and a good chunk of Asia, they will likely become yearly bakings.

And the very heavy rainstorms that usually happen once every 20 years will happen far more frequently, the report said. In most areas of the U.S. and Canada, they are likely to occur three times as often by the turn of the century, if fossil fuel use continues at current levels. In Southeast Asia, where flooding has been dramatic, it is likely to happen about four times as often as now, the report predicts.

One scientist points to this year's drought and string of 100 degree days in Texas and Oklahoma, which set an all-time record for hottest month for any U.S. state this summer.

"I think of it as a wake-up call," said one of the study's authors, David Easterling, head of global climate applications for the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. "The likelihood of that occurring in the future is going to be much greater."

The report said world leaders have to prepare better for weather extremes.

"We need to be worried," said one of the study's lead authors, Maarten van Aalst, director of the International Red Cross/Red Crescent Climate Centre in the Netherlands. "And our response needs to anticipate disasters and reduce risk before they happen rather than wait until after they happen and clean up afterward. ... Risk has already increased dramatically."

Another study lead writer, Chris Field of Stanford University, said scientists aren't quite sure which weather disaster will be the biggest threat because wild weather interacts with economics and where people live. Society's vulnerability to natural disasters, aside from climate, has also increased, he said.

Field told The Associated Press in an interview that "it's clear that losses from disasters are increasing. And in terms of deaths, "more than 95 percent of fatalities from the 1970s to the present have been in developing countries," he said.

Losses are already high, running at as much as $200 billion a year, said Michael Oppenheimer of Princeton University, a study author.

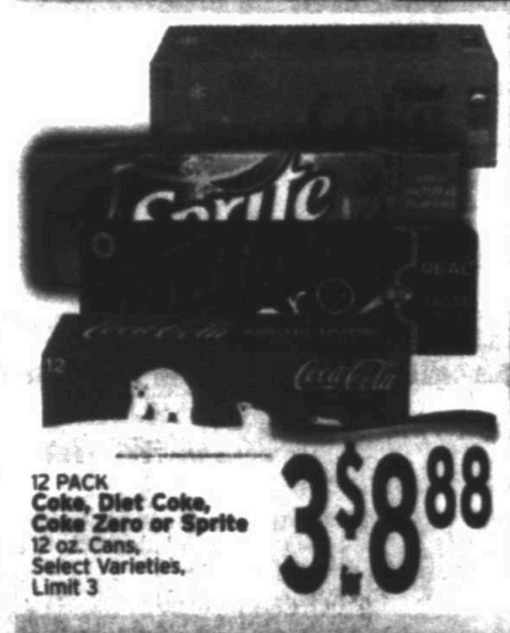
Science has progressed so much in the last several years that scientists can now attribute the increase in many of these types of extreme weather events to global warming with increased confidence, said study author Thomas Stocker at the University of Bern.

Scientists were able to weigh their confidence of predictions of future climate disasters and heat waves were the most obvious. The report said it is "virtually certain" that heat waves are getting worse, longer and hotter, while cold spells are easing.

The report said there is at least a 2-in-3 chance that heavy downpours will increase, both in the tropics and northern regions, and from tropical cyclones.

The 29-page summary of the full report — which will be completed in the coming months — says extremes could get so bad at some point that some regions may need to be abandoned.

Such locations are likely to be in poorer countries, van Aalst said in a telephone interview, but the middle class may be affected in those regions, which aren't specifically identified in the report. And even in some developed northern regions of the world, such as Canada, Russia and Greenland, cities might need to move because of weather extremes and sea level rise from man-made warming, he said.



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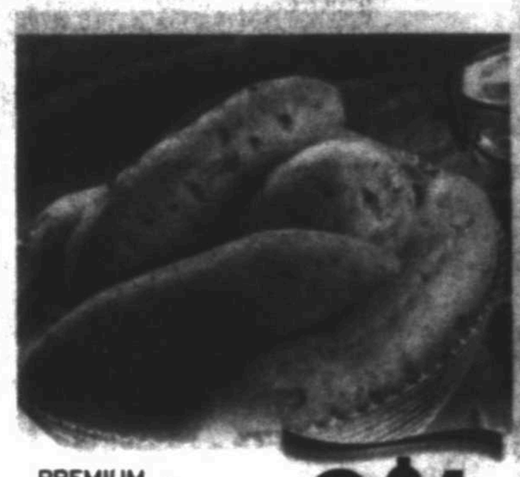

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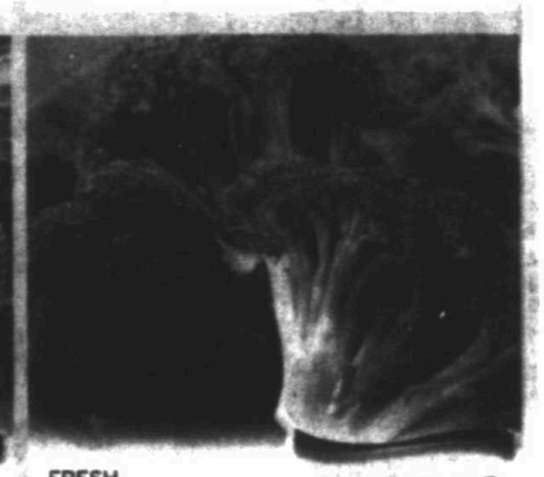

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Deep spending cuts pose new threat to US economy

By Christopher Rugaber and Daniel Wagner
Associated Press

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Supercommittee member Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., meets with reporters Thursday on Capitol Hill in Washington, as he and fellow supercommittee members emerged from a closed-door meeting.

WASHINGTON — Just as the U.S. economy is making progress despite Europe's turmoil, here come two new threats.

A congressional panel is supposed to agree by Thanksgiving on a deficit-reduction package of at least $1.2 trillion. If it fails, federal spending would automatically be cut by that amount starting in 2013.

Congress also may let emergency unemployment aid and a Social Security tax cut expire at year's end.

Either outcome could slow growth and spook markets.

Analysts are concerned, but most aren't panicking.

Many say the economy and markets likely will muddle through. It's possible the supercommittee will reach a partial deal that might limit the impact of the automatic cuts in 2013. Congress also could pass legislation next year to ease the scope or timing of the spending cuts.

And investors expect so little from the congressional panel that they're unlikely to overreact whatever it does.

"There's no doomsday scenario in reducing government spending," said David Kelly, of JP Morgan Funds.

The 12-member bipartisan panel, or supercommittee, was created in August to defuse a political standoff over raising the federal borrowing limit. If it can't agree on a deficit-reduction plan, automatic spending cuts would hit programs prized by both parties: social services such as Medicare for Democrats, defense for Republicans.

The panel appears to be deadlocked.

Many economists hoped an extension of the Social Security tax cuts and unemployment benefits would be part of a supercommittee deal. Congress could extend those benefits separately. But it would be under pressure to offset the cost to avoid raising the deficit.

The Social Security tax cut gave most Americans an extra $1,000 to $2,000 this year. Unemployment benefits provide about $300 a week. Most of that money quickly and directly boosts consumer spending, which drives the economy.

By contrast, an expiration of those benefits could cut growth by about three-quarters of a percentage point, economists say. Throw in other cuts, like those passed in the August debt deal, and all told, federal budget policies could subtract 1.7 percentage points from growth in 2012, according to JPMorgan Chase and Moody's Analytics.

Given the tepid economy, such a hit could be damaging.

The economy grew at an annual rate of 2.5 percent in the July-September quarter. Some analysts fear it could fall below 2 percent next year, especially if the emergency unemployment benefits and Social Security tax cuts aren't renewed.

The U.S. economy faces other threats, too — from persistently high unemployment to Europe's spreading debt crisis, which could hasten a recession.

If the automatic spending cuts take effect, the defense budget could be cut by nearly $500 billion over nine years. Some contractors are nervous.

Wes Bush, CEO of Northrop Grumman, has told analysts that the company is bracing for spending cuts.

"It's certainly going to be a more challenging environment" next year, he said.

Another wild card: Some investors fear the supercommittee's failure would spark fresh downgrades of U.S. debt. Standard & Poor's downgraded the government's long-term debt in August. That contributed to a stock market plunge. It's possible a deadlocked supercommittee would lead the two other major rating agencies — Fitch and Moody's — to follow suit.

Yet, S&P's downgrade did little to tarnish U.S. debt. Treasury prices rose, and yields fell. Bond investors still saw Treasurys as a super-safe investment. Federal borrowing costs actually declined.

"S&P showed that when a rating agency downgrades the best-known security in the world, it has little impact," Kelly said. The market for U.S. Treasurys is so broad, accessible and transparent that ratings downgrades don't pose much threat, he noted.

Kelly said Wall Street is unlikely to panic because expectations for the supercommittee "are so low as to be subterranean."

In the past month, the economy has shown surprising strength. Reports this week showed manufacturers are producing more goods and consumers are spending more. The number of people seeking unemployment benefits for the first time is at a seven-month low.

Still, more than once since the recession officially ended more than two years ago, the economy has displayed vigor only to stumble again. High gas and food prices and Japan's earthquake sharply slowed growth in the first half of the year. Congress' debt-ceiling fight sent consumer confidence to recession levels.

Sweet thinks there's a good chance Congress will end up extending the Social Security tax cut. Partly on that assumption, Moody's foresees 2.6 percent growth next year. For this year, analysts generally estimate less than 2 percent growth.

The supercommittee could also agree on less than $1.2 trillion in cuts. Doing so would reduce the automatic spending cuts that would start in 2013.

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Fighters capture Gadhafi's son in Libya's southern desert

By Rami al-Shaheibi
Associated Press

TRIPOLI, Libya — Moammar Gadhafi's son Seif al-Islam — the only wanted member of the ousted ruling family to remain at large — was captured Saturday as he traveled with aides in a convoy in Libya's southern desert, Libyan officials said. Thunderous celebratory gunfire shook the Libyan capital as the news spread.

A spokesman for the Libyan fighters who captured him said Seif al-Islam, who has been charged by the International Criminal Court for crimes against humanity, was detained about 30 miles west of the town of Obari with two aides as he was trying to flee to neighboring Niger. But the country's acting justice minister later said the convoy's destination was not confirmed.

ICC prosecutor Luis Moreno Ocampo told The Associated Press he will travel to Libya next week for talks with the country's transitional government on where the trial will take place. Ocampo said that while national governments have the first right to try their own citizens for war crimes, he wants to make sure Seif al-Islam has a fair trial.

"The good news is that Seif al-Islam is arrested, he is alive, and now he will face justice," Ocampo said in an interview in The Hague. "Where and how, we will discuss it."

Seif al-Islam Gadhafi, at 39 the oldest of seven children of Moammar and Safiya Gadhafi, spent years courting Western favor by touting himself as a liberalizing reformer in the autocratic regime but then staunchly backed his father in his brutal crackdown on rebels in the regime's final days.

He had gone underground after Tripoli fell to revolutionary forces in late August and issued audio recordings to try to rally support for his father. He was widely reported to have long been hiding in the besieged town of Bani Walid but escaped before it fell to revolutionary forces.

His capture just over a month after his father was killed leaves only former intelligence chief Abdullah al-Senoussi wanted by the ICC, which indicted the three men for in June for unleashing a campaign of murder and torture to suppress the uprising against the Gadhafi regime that broke out in mid-February.

"This is the day of victory, this is the day of liberation, finally the son of the tyrant has been captured," said Mohammed Ali, an engineer, as he celebrated on Tripoli's Martyrs' Square. "Now we are free, now we are free, God is Great."

Libyan state TV posted a photograph purportedly of Seif al-Islam in custody. He is sitting by a bed and holding up three bandaged fingers as a guard looks on, although it could not independently be confirmed where or when the picture was taken or how he was injured.

Other photos showed him wearing brown robes and a turban in the style of ethnic Tuaregs, a nomadic community that spans the desert border area of Niger, Mali, Libya, Algeria and Chad and long fought for his father's regime.

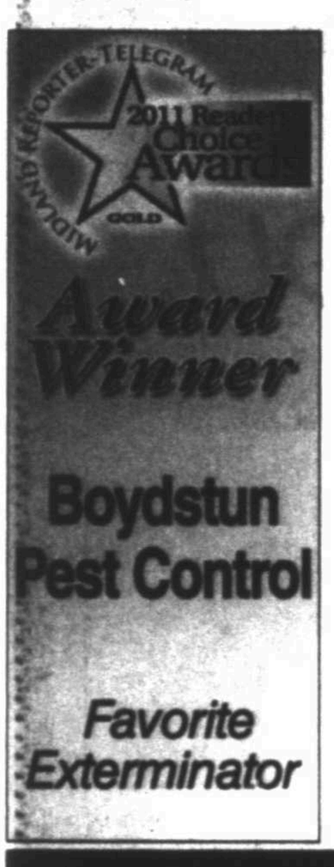
Adel al-Zintani, a spokesman for the revolutionary faction from Zintan, said Seif al-Islam was captured at 4 a.m. after a gunbattle.

"The Zintan revolutionaries who were guarding the southern-most borders of Libya received information two days ago that Seif al-Islam was planning an escape to either Niger or Algeria and they were able to find his location exactly and stop him," al-Zintani said. "He looked tired. He was wearing Tuareg clothing."

The murky circumstances surrounding the deaths of Gadhafi and another son Muatassim, and the decision to lay their bodies out for public viewing drew widespread criticism and raised questions about the commitment of Libya's new rulers to respecting human rights.

Marek Marczynski of Amnesty International urged the governing National Transitional Council to transfer Seif al-Islam to the ICC base in the Netherlands as soon as possible.

"The ICC has an arrest warrant out for him and that is the correct thing to do. He must be brought before a judge as soon as possible," he said. "It matters for the victims. What they need to see is true justice. They need to know the truth about what happened."



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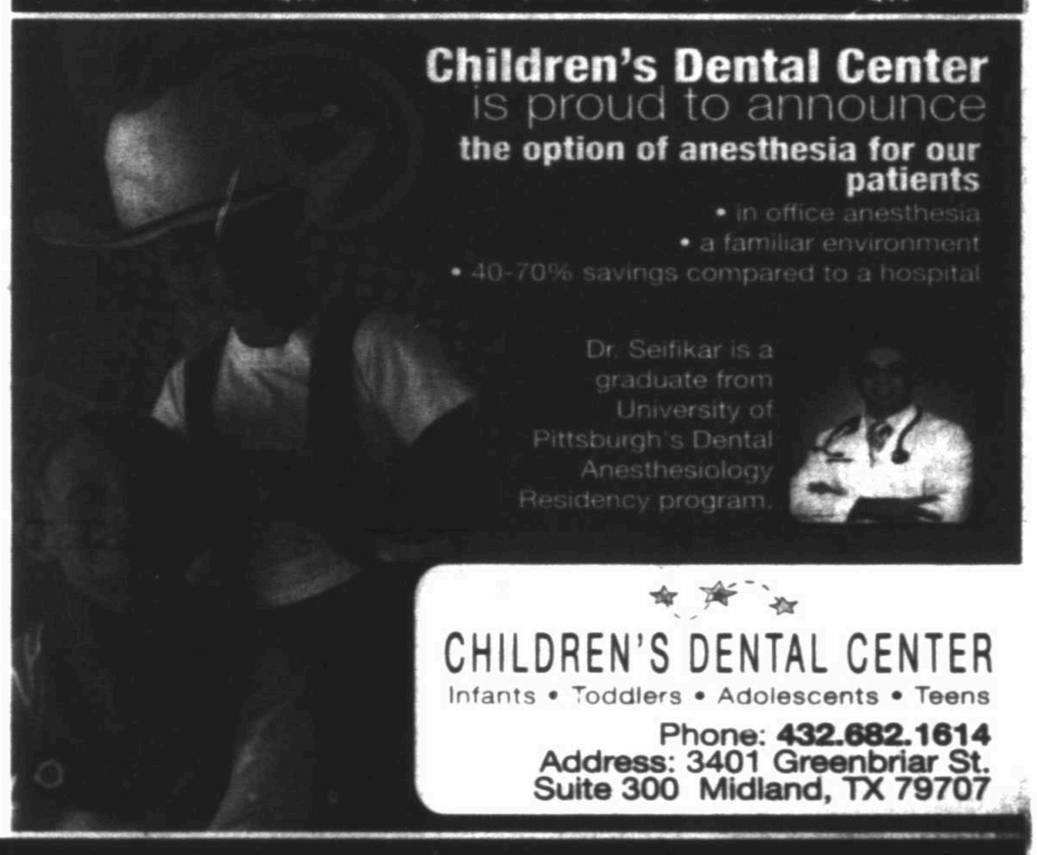

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Immigration from Mexico in fast retreat, data show

By Ken Ellingwood
Los Angeles Times

MEXICO CITY — North of the U.S.-Mexico border, Republican presidential candidates are talking tough on illegal immigration, with one proposing — perhaps in jest — an electrified fence to deter migrants.

But data from both sides of the border suggest illegal immigration from Mexico is already in fast retreat, as U.S. jobs shortages, tighter border enforcement and the frightening presence of criminal gangs on the Mexican side dissuade many from making the trip.

Mexican census figures show fewer Mexicans are setting out and many are returning — leaving net migration at close to zero, Mexican officials say. Arrests by the U.S. Border Patrol along the southwestern frontier, a common gauge of how many people try to cross without papers, tumbled to 304,755 during the 11 months ending in August, extending a nearly steady drop since a peak of 1.6 million in 2000.

The scale of the fall has prompted some to suggest we may be seeing the end of a decades-long migration boom, even as others argue it's just a momentary drop.

"Our country is not experiencing the population loss due to migration that was seen for nearly 50 years," Rene Zenteno, a deputy interior secretary for migration matters, has said.

Douglas Massey, an immigration scholar at Princeton University, said surveys of residents in Mexican migrant towns he has studied for many years found the number of people making their first trip north had dwindled to near zero.

"We are at a new point in the history of migration between Mexico and the United States," Massey said in a Mexico City news conference in August hosted by Zenteno.

Experts in Mexico say the trend is primarily economic. Long-standing back-and-forth migration has been thrown off as the U.S. downturn dried up jobs — in construction and restaurants, for example — that once drew legions of Mexican workers.

About 12.5 million Mexican immigrants live in the United States, slightly more than half without papers, according to the Pew Hispanic Center.

These days, Mexicans in the United States have discouraging words for loved ones about prospects for work up north. U.S. contractors who used to recruit in Mexico likewise have little to offer.

"What stimulates migration is the need for workers," said Genoveva Roldan, a scholar at the National Autonomous University of Mexico. "Right now, the migrant networks are functioning to say, 'Don't come — there's no work.' "

Juan Carlos Calleros, a researcher in Mexico's National Migration Institute, said the agency's surveys find a large share of Mexican migrants coming home on their own or sent back by the Border Patrol had spent just a month or two on U.S. soil and returned because they lacked work.

Alongside the bleak jobs picture is a trek that has grown riskier and expensive because of stepped-up enforcement on the U.S. side, a crackdown that at the same time has prompted many migrants to stay in the United States rather than try to cross back and forth. Migrants also cite an increasingly hostile political climate north of the border, as expressed in state laws targeting undocumented immigrants.

"It keeps getting harder and harder," said 35-year-old Joel Buzo, who returned to the central state of Guanajuato after a three-month search turned up only irregular, poorly paid work tearing up old railroad tracks in Utah. He lasted six more months before giving up.

Buzo, a musician, said it's easier to get by in Mexico, even though jobs are also scarce. He has no plans to travel north again.

In Guanajuato, long one of the country's biggest migrant-sending states, thousands of Mexicans have come back, but "it hasn't been a massive return," said Susana Guerra, who heads the state's migrant-affairs office. She calls the decline in northward migration a "spasm" — not a lasting reality.

Safety in northern Mexico also has become a growing worry for would-be migrants.

Nearly 200 people, many of them U.S.-bound Mexican migrants, were killed in the northern state of Tamaulipas last spring after being seized from buses by gunmen believed tied to the Zetas drug gang. A year earlier, 72 migrants from Central and South America were massacred in the same area.

"It's not worth it — for now," Calleros said.

President Felipe Calderon's administration has sought a measure of credit for the migration decline by promoting the idea that improved social conditions and services in Mexico, such as broadened health insurance, are easing "push" factors that encourage would-be migrants to go. Mexican officials say falling birthrates have helped by relieving population pressures on communities.

But skeptics point to a stubborn shortage of jobs in Mexico, lingering huge gaps in pay between the two countries and figures that show a growing number of Mexicans in poverty. A drop in the flow of Central American migrants is a further sign that the U.S. labor market — not conditions at home — determines whether migration is up or down, some experts argue.

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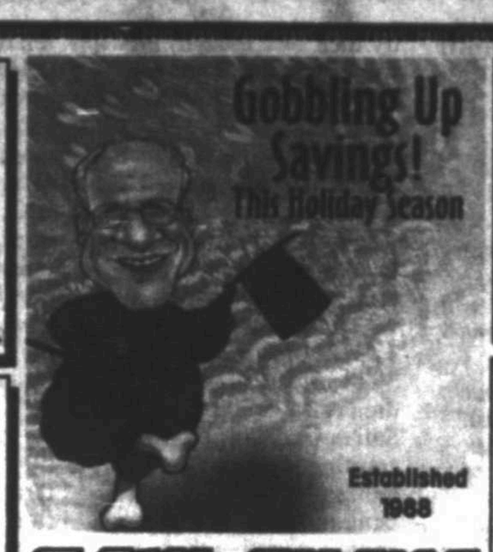

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Help wanted: Shale spurs a talent hunt

By Simone Sebastian
Houston Chronicle

While the job picture remains stagnant nationwide, the boom in domestic shale drilling has pushed hiring to a feverish pace in North American oil fields.

A staffing crunch has caused the industry's salaries to surge and recruiters to embrace new tactics in search of the narrow pool of candidates who have the skills to work and manage the technical and gritty world of oil field services.

In recent months, the companies that supply drilling equipment and crews for oil fields have announced plans to expand their payrolls significantly. In September, Baker Hughes said it would add 2,000 U.S. workers this year to its global payroll of 53,000. Halliburton said it's on track to bring 12,000 new North American employees on board.

But even with national unemployment at a stubborn 9 percent, finding the people to fill those roles hasn't been easy, said Dane Groeneveld, North America regional director for NES Group, a staffing and recruitment consulting firm.

"There's definitely across-the-board shortages," he said.

Staffing the continent's expanding oil fields hasn't been the only challenge. Adding to the problem, the companies' baby boomers are starting to retire in flocks. Some oil field companies expect to lose up to 25 percent of middle and senior management during the next five years, Groeneveld said, and that's contributing to the worker shortage as much as expansion.

Recruiters on wheels

"We are suffering in every department with the departure of the more experienced professionals," he said. "It's difficult to replace them."

Talent scouts and human resources departments are using innovative tactics and expanding traditional methods to tackle the employment deficit.

Recently, Baker Hughes launched two mobile recruiting offices — RVs equipped with interview rooms and computer stations for applicants to apply for positions online. The

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THE WIVES HAVE IT

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Mary Lisek, left and Venus Depas look at some of the Christmas ornaments on display Friday at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store during the Show of Support's day out for spouses.

Show of Support gives military spouses shopping spree

By Audrie Palmer
Staff Writer

As she stopped in front of an ornament display Friday at Miss Cayce's Christmas Store, Tabitha Wesley said she was looking for one that her 3-year-old daughter Taylor would enjoy.

"She's into princesses," she said with a smile.

Wesley and 18 other women were treated Friday and Saturday to a weekend of shopping, games and parties around the Tall City while their husbands were taken on an all-expense paid hunting trip with the Hunt for Heroes organization.

After arriving in Midland on Wednesday, the 25 servicemen wounded while serving were honored with their spouses at the eighth annual Show of Support Banquet on Thursday. More than 2,000 Midland residents, friends and community members attended the dinner.

It's the spouses who are the unsung heroes, SOS staff said. Five years ago, Paula Johnson said she helped to coordinate and organize the Show of Support Wives Program as a way to honor the spouses of those wounded.

The wives are the ones who drive the carpools, maintain the home and make decisions while their husbands have gone off to war, volunteers said.

"It's the highlight of the year," Johnson said about the program. "These wives are the ones who allowed our heroes to heal and hold the family together. They play as big a part as

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TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real-life columnist

There really are things to be thankful for

I'm sure a lot of you are looking forward to this week of Thanksgiving and some merited time off, but I wonder how many of you really will feel or seek the spirit of thanksgiving on this special day.

Are you really thankful for anything in your life? If you truly are not thankful for anything, you are to be pitied. Your life doesn't have much meaning. However, I suspect most of you answered honestly that you have a lot to be thankful for.

But let's put this to the test. What are you really thankful for? Would you take a million bucks for your kids or your grandkids? I'm betting just about everyone said "no" to this one. The movies tell us that everyone has his/her price. What's yours? $10 million, $20 million, $100 million, $1 billion?

How much would you take for the wife? We might get a few more takers on this one, but I'm again hoping that most of you cherish your mate as much as you do the kids and grandkids. I personally can't conceive giving up the wife, my kids or grandkids for any amount of money.

Surely, family is one of our most precious possessions, but where do you draw the line? After all, we're throwing some pretty serious dollar figures at you. Where do you break down for the big bucks?

Would you give up living in America? I'm guessing many of you might say "yes" if the dollar amount was right. And that's fine with me. I understand that a lot of people have wanderlust, and if you want to leave, go on and leave. Get out of

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'Storybook Christmas' seeks donations to give books to kids

By Meredith Moriak
Staff Writer

Receiving a book as an early Christmas present has become a rite of passage for Midland County's first-graders, and organizers of "A Storybook Christmas" are asking for donations.

The Zeta Xi chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, a professional honor society of female educators, began donating books to Midland ISD students in 1991.

The donation has grown to include every first-grader in Midland County, including home-school students, during the past 20 years, event co-chairwoman Ann Andrews said.

This year, Michelle Meadows' "Hibernation Station" will be donated to all kids in English classes, and "If I Had A Dragon," a book written in English and Spanish, will be donated to all students in bilingual classes.

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Joy Cunningham is the librarian at DeZavala and Milam elementary schools, and she said she sees how excited kids get when they realize the book isn't something they have to give back.

"Many students in Midland probably do not have books at home," Cunningham said. "I always try to choose very interesting books with good illustrations."

Delta Kappa Gamma relies on donations to fund the 2,400 books it plans to give out this year.

"Every year, you wonder if you're going to get enough to make it possible and, somehow, we always do," Andrews said, noting the organization has raised about $7,000 of the needed $10,000.

"We're just a group of 36 ladies who try to raise money to be able to afford these," Cunningham said. "We count on the generosity of people in Midland County."

Andrews' 35 years of teaching experience, especially the past 11 as a reading specialist, taught her how important it is for children to have a book they can call

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And they're off

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Obituaries

Frances Caldwell

Frances Caldwell, 90, of Midland, TX, went to be with the Lord, on November 17, 2011. Funeral services will be at 2:00 p.m., Monday, November 21, 2011, at the Cotton Flat Baptist Church, with Rev. Rick Holeman, pastor, officiating. Interment will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Sunday, November 20, 2011, from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM, at the funeral home.

She was born on December 2, 1920, in Harrold, Texas, to Elizabeth A. Howell and Christian Peterson. She was raised in the Electra area and retired from MEPCO-ELECTRA in Mineral Wells in 1986.

Frances is survived by her loving family. Pam Brookshire and husband, Roy of Midland, Patricia Moon and husband, Billy of Springdale, Arkansas, John Harrigal and wife, Brenda of Holiday, Texas, Jan McCormick, Dennis Caldwell, Sandy Moergali of Tacoma, Washington; her grandchildren, Gene Brookshire, Dana Williams and husband, Micah, all of Midland, Angela Moon of Springdale, Arkansas, Lindy Knight and husband, Steven of Rogers, Arkansas, Lori Moon of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Donnie Lowe and husband, Hayes, and Thomas Honaker, Debbie Honaker and Timmy Honaker, all of Electra, Doug Harrigal and Connie Harrigal of Holiday, Texas, Jeff McCormick, Jenny McCormick and Jackie McCormick, all of Tacoma, Washington; 35 great grandchildren, including Joshua Munoz, Justin Brookshire, Deegan Williams, Tyler Moon, Noah Lowe, Aubrey Lowe, and Autumn Knight; and other family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Elizabeth A. Payton; father, Christian Peterson; her son, Johnny Glen Honaker; her husband, Floyd Caldwell; and a great grandson, Trey Moon.

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

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"Pete" Gerald

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really in need?
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word of good cheer,
To bring back a smile,
to banish a tear?
Not what did the sketch
in the newspaper say,
But how many were sorry
when he passed away.

Peter "Pete" Brann Gerald, 66, of Stanton, Texas, went to be with his Heavenly Father, on Sunday, November 6, 2011. He was born July 2, 1945, in Berwyn, Illinois, to Curtis Franklin Gerald and Janet Brann Beal Gerald. He married Sharon Anne Sartin on February 9, 1965, in El Paso, where they were high school sweethearts. Pete served in the U.S. Navy for seven years and was Honorably Discharged, after his time of service. He worked for Honeywell Incorporated for seventeen years and then left to start his own heating and air conditioning business, Basin Air Conditioning and Mechanical, in 1986, until his death.

Pete enjoyed stock car racing and spending time with his four grandchildren. He enjoyed country life and tinkering on the farm. Pete had a large heart for helping his customers and those whom he came across in his daily walk. It has been said that, "Pete would give anyone the shirt off his back, but watch out if you try to take it.".

Pete is survived by Sharon Anne Gerald, his wife of 46 years; his daughters, Tracie Schumann and husband, Jody and Lauri Taylor and husband, Michiel, both of Midland. He has four grandchildren, Rebekah Anne, Alyson Nichole, Parker Brann, and Kara Lynn. He is also survived by his stepmother and four siblings. His infant daughter, D'Anne Rae; parents, Curtis Franklin Gerald and Janet Brann Beal Gerald, preceded him in death.

Friends and family are invited to a "Celebration of Life" and potluck dinner at the Midland Horseshoe facility on December 3, 2011, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. to honor Pete.

Tim Pyle

Tim Pyle, 24, of Midland, died on Friday, November 18, 2011, in a local hospital. Graveside services will be held at 10:00 AM, Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at Serenity Memorial Gardens Cemetery, with Tim Baugh, officiating.

He graduated from Greenwood High School in 2005, where he was active in Powerlifting and Football. Tim enjoyed working on and racing cars. He loved doing things with his son, outdoor activities and being a daredevil.

Survivors include his son, Zachary Ryan Pyle; his mother, Paula Dublin; his father, Warner Pyle II; two brothers, Christopher Pyle and Michael Dublin; and his sister, Amanda Dublin Sanchez and husband Jake, all of Midland; paternal grandparents, Warner & Belinda Pyle of Graham, Texas; maternal grandmother Annella Clark, of Midland; uncles, William Clark and James Pyle and wife Cindy, all of Midland, Shawn Pyle and wife Amy of Altus, Oklahoma, and Robin Pyle and wife Claudia of Brownsville, Texas; great grandmother, Billie Jo Clark of Houston; and several cousins.

He was preceded in death by his maternal grandfather, Jerry Mack Clark; and an uncle, Michael Clark.

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William D. (Don) Brown

William D. Brown went to be with his Savior Jesus Christ on Thursday, November 17, 2011 surrounded by his family. He was born on February 14, 1925 in Gatesville, Texas.

William D. Brown married his sweetheart Autna "Deenie" Havens in Odessa on June 25, 1945. He and his bride had the fortune of living in various states across the United States including California and Illinois, and numerous towns in Texas. William D. Brown was proud to serve his country. He was a Corporal in the Army Air Force, and was honorably discharged after having served his country in World War II. After his discharge he worked for various oil companies working on pipelines. He retired from Texas New Mexico Pipeline Company after 32 years. During this time, he taught himself through correspondence industrial instrumentation. He traveled extensively with the company to other countries including Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Sumatrata.

William D. Brown loved hunting, trot line fishing, golf, and welding. However, he also was very fond of a farm that he and Deenie purchased in Cross Plains in 1963. He spent many weekends with his family at the farm working with his cattle and irrigation for crops. He was particularly proud of his cattle and enjoyed sitting and watching them graze. After his retirement, they enjoyed traveling around the United States. Some of his favorite places included Camp Blanding, Florida and golfing trips with friends. He loved his family and enjoyed frequent visits from his grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by one daughter, Patricia Elaine Brown; his parents, Benjamin H. Brown and Bertha Lee Brown; and nine siblings, Russell Brown, Mildred Brown, Ouida Simenson, Harold Brown, Wayne Brown, Bob Brown, Nelson Brown, Margie Bryan, and Phyllis Hardin.

He is survived by his bride of 66 years, Autna "Deenie" Brown of Midland; three daughters, Donna (Tex) Clark of Midland, Ellen (Lynn) Walthall of Sweetwater, Darcy (Donny) Knight of Midland; seven granddaughters who knew him as "Pops", Denise Hightower of Hutto, Donnita Jackson of San Antonio, Morgan Sanders of Round Rock, Krista Knight of College Station, Casie Walthall of Sweetwater, Trina Knight of Midland, Jessica Walthall of Sweetwater; and six great-grandchildren. He is also survived by two sisters, Helen "Irue" Brown of Midland and Louise Brown of California.

As a dedicated member of the Church of Christ, the family finds peace knowing he is with Jesus today.

Family will receive friends at Ellis Funeral Home on Sunday, November 20, 2011 from 3:00 - 5:00pm. A funeral service will be held at Golf Course Road Church of Christ in Midland, Texas at 10:00am on Monday, November 21, 2011. A graveside service will follow at Cross Plains Cemetery in Cross Plains, Texas at 3:00pm on Monday, November 21, 2011. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland, Texas. Condolences may be made at: www.ellisfunerals.com. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Hospice of Midland.

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Death Notices

Bruce L. Graham

Bruce L. Graham, 58, passed away on Thursday, November 10, 2011.

Bruce is survived by his wife, Shirley Graham and his sister, Judy.

A memorial service is scheduled for Sunday, December 4, 2011, at Ellis Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m.

Arrangements are under the condition of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland, Texas.

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Horses aid in therapy, promote trust and empathy

By Gheni Platenburg
Victoria Advocate

VICTORIA — Like many teenage girls of the late 1960s and early 1970s, Garwood native Shirley Johnson got engaged to her high school sweetheart on graduation day.

But her wedding plans were cut short when her fiancée turned out to be a nightmare rather than the man of her dreams.

"The minute he gave me my engagement ring, I became his possession," said Johnson, who accused her ex-fiancée of being physically abusive.

A member of the Balusek family, who were well-known on the Texas rodeo circuit, Johnson looked to her horses for solace.

She found the strength then to end her abusive situation.

"I felt powerful on this horse, so why should I submit to this man," said Johnson. "I thought if I could control my horse, I should be able to control (my fiancie).

That was one of Johnson's earliest realizations that horses were good not just for riding, but also for therapy.

More than 20 years later, she is still using horses to provide therapy to herself and others.

"Horses give you strength," said Johnson, 59, owner of Stable Life Counseling Center. "They can be empowering."

And after nine years of working as a counselor and parent liaison with the Victoria school district, Johnson opened Stable Life in 2003.

The counseling center helps clients with anger management, career counseling, domestic violence, sexual assault, parenting, post-traumatic stress disorder and attention deficit disorder.

Treatment approaches when working with clients include phone sessions, Christian counseling, relationship counseling, solution-focused therapy and, most notably, equine or animal assisted counseling.

Equine therapy has been found to be effective in treating people with a wide spectrum of physical, behavioral, social, cognitive and psychological problems.

Building a relationship with an animal promotes empathy, affection, trust, loyalty, the ability to be in control of a situation, increased self-esteem, improved learning, concentration, ability to take responsibility, motivation to set and achieve goals and teamwork and problem solving, according to the Federation of Riding for the Disabled International.

In 2001, Johnson was a part of the first certification class for Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association.

Although equine therapy is an internationally accepted and certified area of counseling, Johnson said it only started to gain respect within the counseling community in the past five years.

Although she has used other animals for therapy purposes, including a calf and her dog, Pumpkin, Johnson favors using her horses — Rojo, Red, Penny and Snowball - because of their unique ability to read people.

"Horses don't lie. Dogs do. Other animals do. You can beat a dog and abuse it, and it will still come for love. If you beat a horse, the horse won't come back until you earn that trust again."

Horses are often the therapy animal of choice because of their large size, social nature and distinct personalities, moods and attitudes, as well as the increased levels of beta-endorphins and beneficial feelings humans experience following interaction with horses, according to elementsbehavioralhealth.com.

"Horses are like a mirror," said Stable Life therapist Eva Aleman, who focuses on play therapy for children ages 12 and under. "If an individual is angry, that horse is not going to budge unless that person is calm and serene."

Sometimes just being able to pet the animals relaxes clients to the point that they open up about their situations, said the therapists.

"Mom thought it was something totally different," said Johnson, as she described a mother's reaction to her 4-year-old daughter opening up about being sexually abused by a relative during an equine therapy counseling session. She was totally surprised."

Aleman relayed a similar story about a boy who was unhappy about having to be cared for by foster parents because his mother was in jail.

She said the boy was able to accept his situation after interacting with an orphaned baby calf named Patches, for whom the therapists at Stable Life were serving as surrogate parents.

"He petted the calf and asked me was he sad," said Aleman. "It seemed to click. He leaned over and put his head on the calf's belly."

While some equine therapy consists of riding the horse, Johnson does groundwork therapy using the horses.

Some equine assisted therapies included walking the horse through obstacle courses and teamwork activities to put equipment on the horses.

One such activity entails a couple working together to put on a horse's bridle.

"You see how they communicate with each other. Sometimes, they start fighting."

Johnson supports equine therapy as an effective tool for just about anyone who is not abusive to animals.

"I would recommend therapy to people if they are where they are now and want to be somewhere else better, or improve or change, said Johnson. "If I didn't believe in therapy, I wouldn't be a good therapist."

TEXASROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

DALLAS

Report: Students learned only math, reading

Third-graders at a Dallas elementary received stellar math and reading scores on a state standardized test, but school district investigators said they missed nearly a year of instruction in some other subjects.

The Dallas Morning News reported that Field Elementary received an "exemplary" ranking.

Students, however, learned only math and reading for most of the school year. Third-graders take math and reading portions of the Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills.

Principal Roslyn Carter is on paid administrative leave after the public school district found numerous cases of falsified grades during the 2010-11 school year. Carter denied many of the allegations and said she was not aware of some rules concerning grading.

A 227-page school district report was obtained by the newspaper under opens records law.

HOUSTON

Diagram of town's sewer system posted online

A hacker posted diagrams of a Harris County community's sewer system online to show how easy it is to infiltrate the system.

The mayor of South Houston told the Houston Chronicle that no harm was done, but the Department of Homeland Security and FBI are investigating.

A hacker identified as "pr0f" posted the diagrams. Mayor Joe Soto said the plant's control system has since been taken offline.

The hacker told the newspaper via email that it was easy to access South Houston's online infrastructure diagrams. He said he had no intention of harming the plant, only to prove a point.

South Houston is a city of 16,000 people in the Houston area.

FORT WORTH

Man pleads guilty to Internet porn charges

A Fort Worth man awaiting trial in state court has pleaded guilty to federal charges of receiving child pornography over the Internet.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported that 39-year-old Michael Sean Starowicz pleaded guilty Friday to two counts of receipt of visual depiction of minors engaging in sexually explicit conduct. He faces up to 20 years in prison and fines. He will be sentenced March 2.

Starowicz was initially arrested after a 10-year-old girl told her parents she had seen a camera atop a pole in front of a bathroom window as she showered. In March, a Tarrant County grand jury indicted Starowicz on charges of improper photo/visual recording and procuring a sexual performance of a child under age 14. Those cases have not gone to trial.

Point Shanna Sisson

More Curry Co. jailers could be fired over escape

Associated Press

CLOVIS, N.M. — Curry County Manager Lance Pyle said he plans to fire three more jail employees and discipline a fourth for lapses that led to a prisoner escaper last week. A jail sergeant has already lost his job.

Pyle called the events leading up to the Nov. 13 escape of maximum-security prisoner Narcizo Soto Jr. a "tremendous breech."

He told the Clovis News Journal that an investigation showed Soto was allowed to work on a floor-cleaning crew in the jail's unsecured administrative offices for days before he bolted out an unlocked door.

It is against policy for maximum-security inmates to work outside their housing area.

Pyle said a captain and three other supervisors were aware that Soto was working there but "did nothing to correct this during the course of the week."

Three officers were served Friday with notice of intent to terminate their employment and placed on paid administrative leave, Pyle said. Disciplinary action is pending for another officer next week.

Pyle said he could find for termination or some other lesser punishment after an administrative hearing.

Soto was stripping floors with two other inmates in administrative offices when he escaped through an unlocked door at 1:23 a.m. on Nov. 13. He was recaptured about 7:45 p.m. after being found hiding in the attic of a Clovis relative's home.

Pyle said only said only eight people were working the night of the escape because two employees called in sick and another failed to report.

Of the eight personnel working, one was the sergeant who has been fired, five were detention officers and two were booking specialists.

The sergeant followed procedure and notified his lieutenant about the staff shortage, Pyle said. The lieutenant tried calling five employees to come to work to fill the gap and wasn't successful.

"The captain and lieutenant in charge were both asked why they didn't come in and help cover the shift," Pyle said. "Both stated they thought the sergeant was OK to supervise the shift."

Pyle said the fired sergeant stated he had been personally watching Soto, but jail video showed he was standing at the booking counter visiting and not supervising Soto.

Pyle also said he is now encouraging employees who observe improper or questionable procedures or security breaches inside the jail "to step up for the community's safety and report it."

"If supervisors are allowing these things to occur," Pyle said, "they (lower level workers) need to call me. And, it will be addressed."

Interim jail administrator Teri Sandoval said four additional detention officers were hired in recent days.

FBI releases photo in New Mexico sex torture case

By Russell Contreras
Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Federal authorities released Friday a photo of a woman who they believe was another victim of convicted sex torturer and suspected serial killer David Parker Ray.

The photo from a fake ID was found in Ray's possession and FBI officials believe the unknown woman might have been one of many of Ray's victims.

"We have a suspicion that this woman may have had contact with him," said FBI spokesman Frank Fisher at a press conference in Albuquerque. "And we would really like to know what her name was, and if we could talk to her."

The image is part of a new poster campaign by the FBI as agents seek more information on missing women who they believe may have been forgotten victims. Also on the poster is Jill Troia, an Albuquerque woman who disappeared 16 years ago and was last seen leaving an Albuquerque restaurant with Ray's daughter.

Ray was arrested in March 1999 after Cynthia Vigil Jaramillo, naked and wearing only a dog collar and chain, fled Ray's home. Jaramillo told authorities that Ray tortured her, and he was later convicted of sex torture in 2001 and died in prison a year later.

Authorities said Ray wrote of having some 40 victims, and FBI agents believe he may have killed some and buried bodies in a remote area of drought-lowered Elephant Butte Reservoir. However, no bodies have ever been found.

Recently, FBI agents and local law enforcement authorities have been refocused on the case and searched Elephant Butte last month after a hiker found a human leg bone.

FBI officials also recently released photographs of various items, like bracelets and rosaries, taken as evidence from Ray's home.

The photographs, which were recently posted on the FBI's website, have been tweeted and reposted on Facebook — tools that have helped the FBI solve other cold cases, Fisher said.

Similar campaigns that used social media have helped authorities capture gangster James "Whitey" Bulger, who was on the FBI's Most Wanted List, Fisher said. A tipster in Iceland led the FBI to Bulger and his girlfriend in California following a publicity campaign that included social media announcements.

N.M. BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

SANTA FE

State fines private prison operator

The state is fining a private prison operator $1.1 million for not adequately staffing a prison it operates in Hobbs, New Mexico's top corrections official said.

Corrections Secretary Gregg Marcantel said Florida-based GEO Group agreed to pay the settlement following a meeting between the state Department of Corrections and the company's top management.

The Santa Fe New Mexican reports GEO officials could not be reached for comment.

GEO will pay the $1.1 million over several months, Marcantel said. In addition, the company has agreed to spend $200,000 during the next calendar year to recruit new correctional officers for the Hobbs facility.

ROSWELL

Cops: NM sheriff's deputy hit on 1st day of work

Talk about an introduction.

KRQE TV reported that a new Chaves County sheriff's deputy, who had just graduated from a law enforcement academy this month, was blind-sided Monday morning on his first day on the job.

State police said 23-year-old Garrett Hamman was stuck in his patrol vehicle just south of Roswell after another driver, 64-year old Angel Hernandez, ran a stop sign. The impact caused Hamman's car to hit another vehicle.

Police said investigators found crushed beer cans in Hernandez's car. Police also said Hernandez had alcohol on his breath.

Hamman was transported to a nearby hospital and released Monday afternoon.

Hernandez was flown to a Lubbock hospital with critical injuries. He is facing a number of charges.

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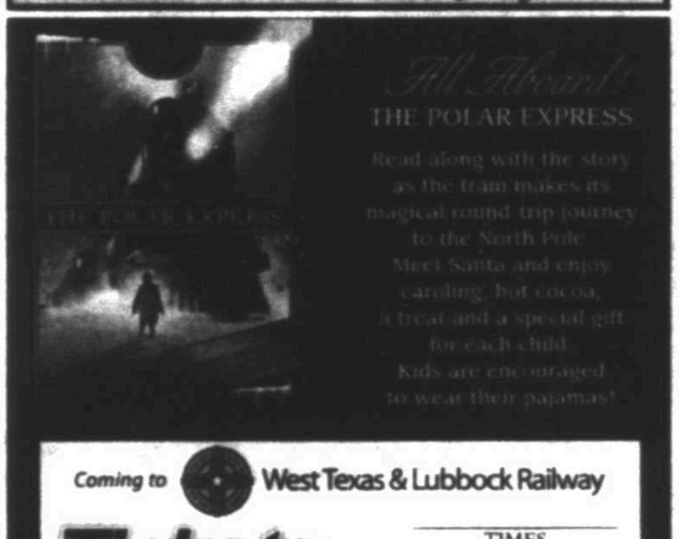

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Food for Thanksgiving*		$ 741.58
TOTAL		$ 22,857.33

*Money used for food for Thanksgiving food boxes was donated to Helping Hands to be used for that purpose.

One of the greatest blessings those of us who volunteer at Helping Hands receive is in the encounters we have with the people we meet each day. This past week brought some really exceptional, loving people into our lives. We would like to share some of them with you:

Last Sunday as a few of us were transferring some of the donated food for the Thanksgiving food boxes from St. Stephen's Catholic Church into our truck, a woman approached us in the parking lot. She said that we had helped her several years ago when she was going through a particularly tough time in her life. She thanked God that her life had turned around and while now she is doing quite well financially, she never forgot the rough time that she had and how Helping Hands was there to help her though it. She presented us with a check for $1,000 and asked that we use it to help give needy families food for Thanksgiving.

Another woman sent us a note in the mail. She told us of how, many years ago when she was raising her two-year-old son by herself she had run out of money the week of Thanksgiving. Back then food stamps were rare, and the $5/hour she made at her job would have put her over the limit for getting assistance anyway. She and her then two-year-old son had peanut butter sandwiches and popcorn for Thanksgiving. While the child was too young to know what was going on, it was something that the mother never forgot. She sent us a check for $250 and asked that we use it for food for Thanksgiving, so that families would not have to go without on that special day.

A woman walked into Helping Hands off the street. She said that she had read our notice in the newspaper for years and realized how blessed she was that she had never needed help. But she felt it was her obligation to share her abundance with those in need. She gave us a check for $500 and asked to "adopt" two of our children to provide clothing and toys for them this Christmas.

And finally, one day when we were unloading groceries from our trucks into our store, a young man performing Community Service at Helping Hands asked about the Thanksgiving food boxes. We told him about the people who would be receiving them, about how many were disabled, many were elderly people raising their grandchildren, many were single parents with young children, but virtually all of them existed at under 200% of poverty level. He went out to his car and when he came back he handed us 4, $20 Bills. He said that was all that he had on him, but that he wanted to be a part of it. When we mentioned that he might want to keep some of that money for himself, he said that "no," it would be better spent on the food. He will be back to help us distribute the boxes on November 20.

What a joy it is to volunteer here! We are graced each day by being able to witness people offering their gifts to help people they do not even know, but who they know are in need. We are truly blessed.

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BASIN ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

BOERNE

Saul sentenced to 60 years

A Kendall County jury sentenced former Fort Stockton resident Lightsey Nathan Saul to 60 years in prison Nov. 9, a day after convicting him of solicitation to commit capital murder in connection with the disappearance of Joe Daggett, according to media reports.

Saul had faced up to life in prison.

A Midland County grand jury indicted Saul, of Loving, N.M., after he was arrested in April 2009. He was charged with conspiracy to commit capital murder.

Two other men — Robert Kurt Ezell and George Bell McIntyre, both of Fort Stockton — also have been charged in the case and are awaiting trials.

FORT STOCKTON

Fireman: Swiss Clock Inn 'total' loss

A fire that began Tuesday afternoon and raged through the evening has destroyed the Swiss Clock Inn.

Jessie Dominguez, of the Fort Stockton Volunteer Fire Department, said the fire started on the east end of the complex on West Dickinson Boulevard about 4 p.m. Tuesday. The fire may have ignited in an attic space and then quickly spread throughout the entire structure.

The hotel appears to be a total loss, Dominguez said. No one was injured during the evacuation of the hotel or while fighting the fire that sent smoke drifting across the city.

Firefighters from several volunteer fire departments responded to the blaze, as well most of FSVFD. Dominguez said units from McCamey, Imperial, and Ward and Upton counties helped battle the blaze that was still smoldering early Wednesday morning.

Dominguez said the cause of the blaze was thought to be a welding incident, but he said no investigation has begun to officially determine a cause.

Couresty photo

Lorie Couch, Big Spring State Hospital assistant superintendent; Superintendent Ed Moughon; and Stacy Barr, Volunteer Services Council chairwoman, break ground Friday at the site of the new Family Visitation Center at Big Spring State Hospital. Funding for the new center has been collected from the Volunteer Services Council and the Dora Roberts Foundation.

FSISD gets permit from MPGCD

Fort Stockton Independent School District had to wait, but it finally got its permit from the Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District on Tuesday.

At the conclusion of a short public hearing, the MPGCD board granted FSISD's application. The hearing was shorter than expected because Fort Stockton Holdings, which had party status to the FSISD application, withdrew from the hearing.

MPGCD General Manager Paul Weatherby told the board that Fort Stockton Holdings notified him of its intention to withdraw, but the notification did not come in time to be reflected in the agenda.

ALPINE

Council discussion focuses on unpaid water, sewer bills

Action at the Alpine City Council meeting Tuesday night was scarce, but lengthy discussion was abundant.

First — and most intense — was an exchange between Ward 3 Councilman Hugh Johnson and City Manager Chuy Garcia about how three city departments manage their monthly budgets and how the city has let more than $85,000 in overdue water and sewer bills go uncollected.

When Johnson asked Utility Director Cindy Hollander what financial planning documents she has, Hollander said she's given historic data.

The councilman pressed Hollander, asking about billing for water and sewer usage so she'll know how much revenue her department has collected.

The utility director said she has nothing to do with billing, that the city finance department handles all that data, and that she generally works with purchase orders.

BIG SPRING

County OKs park pact

Howard County commissioners voted unanimously Monday in favor of an interlocal agreement with the city to lend financial support to the Big Spring State Park, opting to go from a previously approved three-year renewal schedule to revisit the matter annually.

Both local governments have agreed to pay $10,000 each — to be paid to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department — to help fund the continued operation of the state park, which was targeted for closure by the state earlier this year.

Officials with Howard County and the city of Big Spring stepped in shortly after the list of state parks on the fiscal cutting block was released earlier this year.

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Ethan Burgard, 7, takes his copy of "Chicken Little" at St. Ann's Catholic School in December 2010. The local Zeta Xi Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International are giving first-graders throughout Midland books as part as their annual "Storybook Christmas" again this year.

Cindela Nealy
Reporter-Telegram

STORY

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their own.

"It's amazing how even some of the private school kids, those who have had a lot of material things in their life, will say they're so glad to get a book of their own because everything belongs to their brother or sister," Andrews said. "There's nothing like ownership for a child."

Delta Kappa Gamma members will sort books for distribution on Dec. 3 at DeZavala Elementary. Various community members will deliver the books to schools Dec. 5-16, often taking time to read the book to the class, Andrews said.

Meredith Moriak can be reached at mmoriak@mrt.com.

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Midland's Annual Christmas Parade
Hosted by the City of Midland Parks and Recreation.
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Parade will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m., followed by the lighting of the Christmas tree at 8:30 p.m.
The parade route will begin at the intersection of Main and Illinois heading west, turning south on C Street, then headed east back down Wall, and ending on Main.
Get a registration form & rules at City Hall, Midland Health Department, Midland Chamber, the MLK Jr. Community Center, or at www4.midland.tx.us/.
The Float Captain's Meeting will be held Friday November 18th, 6 p.m. at the Red Ranch House at Bird Park, 4000 W. Wall Street. Every float must have a representative present.
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Contest aims to keep teens in school

Associated Press

AMARILLO — When Mariah Jimenez, 17, and other seniors at Palo Duro High School sat down to create a public service announcement to discourage students from dropping out of school, they chose to play on the emotions of graduation day.

The group's video will show a graduation scene with one empty seat, and then show a person sitting at home crying because he or she dropped out before making it to graduation day.

The video project is part of a contest for Texas Panhandle students funded with a $20,000 American Graduate Community Engagement Project grant KACV-TV received from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Classes, a group of students or individual students can create a video message to encourage classmates to stay in school. Videos will be accepted until Dec. 2.

Winners will receive prizes including an iPad, iPod Touch or cash, Lutz said.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Jessica J. Carvajal, 23, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of criminal mischief.

Joby A. Conde, 26, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland police on a charge of violation of parole.

Diana Flores, 22, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland police for unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Ilda A. Gonzales, 34, of Midland, was arrested Friday by 385th Judicial District Court officials on a charge of credit card abuse.

Charles W. Morehead Jr., 42, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of indecency with a child.

Rey I. Pena, 21, of Midland, was arrested Friday by 385th Judicial District Court officials on a charge of burglary of a habitation.

Carlos A. Reyes, 29, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of injury to a child.

John P. Roberts, 40, of Garden City, was arrested Friday by U.S. marshalls on a charge of violation of parole.

Eddie Venegas, 22, of Midland, was arrested Friday by Midland County deputies on a charge of possession of a controlled substance.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

WIVES

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their husbands do, so we want them to have that one weekend away with no worries."

Miss Cayce's Christmas Store donated $50 gift cards for each of the women to shop with and a sponsor, Stacy Geitgey matched the donation with an additional $50 for each wife, Johnson said.

Other local merchants, including Kohl's, Run This Way and Merle Norman also donated gift cards. After returning back to the Hilton Midland Plaza, the women were treated to a pajama party and Bunko night at a volunteer's home and spent Saturday bowling.

Kathy Harrison, co-owner of Miss Cayce's, said getting to participate in the program each year is a treat for her.

"We're so appreciative of the contributions they've made and sacrificed. It's the least we can do," she said.

Miss Cayce's has been a sponsor each year since the wives program began, and Johnson said she likes bringing the women to the store as the first stop on their shopping spree to hit them with the Christmas spirit there.

For Wesley, this was the first program she and her husband, Brandon, have attended since he was injured. When he was wounded, she said her military wife mode kicked in, and she tried to be strong for him and their now 5-year-old son. She was pregnant with the boy at the time of the injury.

When she heard about the program in June, she said she couldn't wait for November so she could come from Somerset, Ky., to participate.

"The people here in Midland are so patriotic. They understand how to treat the troops," she said.

Elvira Perez, another Show of Support wife, lives in Odessa but said this was the first time she went to Miss Cayce's. She said participating in the wives program has allowed her to meet other spouses, and she realized there are others who have experienced the same trials and tribulations she has.

"They help us to realized we did do something. They let us know that we were a part of it too and we weren't just the wife," she said.

She had positive feedback about the program.

"It's been very overwhelming — but in a good way," she said. "This is a great feeling and very comforting."

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WILLIAMSON

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here. We probably won't miss you.

Would you give up your American citizenship? We have a few more jumping back on the ship home with this request. Would you give up your freedom? I'm thinking we're all back at home with this stipulation.

Americans especially are partial to the Thanksgiving holiday, period. I think it's because we really do have so much to be thankful for. We live in a nation that guarantees us certain rights, and we are able to live free to seek our own life's journey.

Some say the American dream isn't alive and well like it once was, and I see the argument, but there are few countries in the world that can deliver the opportunity and the quality of life we have here in the United States.

I'm thankful we still have young men and women who are willing to stand up for our nation. I'm thankful for those before us who made a stand for liberty in trying times. I'm thankful for the thousands upon thousands who died to preserve our way of life.

In my way of thinking, we have so much to be thankful for. Could this country do better? Maybe. Are we losing sight of what made this country great? Debatable.

But that's the whole point. We're still free to openly debate the pros and cons of the direction the nation is headed. Do you realize how precious that is?

We have the right to worship as we please or not to worship at all. I don't take that right lightly. I think most of us don't want to be told how or what to worship.

It strikes me that we all should be thankful for something this Thanksgiving, and it is my hope we all take some time to acknowledge the things for which we are thankful.

Shoot, I'm still thankful for so many things even though football season is nearly over. But you better watch this year's Texas A&M-Texas game because it might be a while before you ever see another one. And so many of us thought this was a God-given right during the Thanksgiving holidays. Don't take the little things for granted because they can be gone in a blink of an eye.

Thought for the Week: An unthankful person has no delight in the things of this world — or the next.

SHALE

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vehicles are heading for areas previously untraveled by Baker Hughes recruiters, said Manon Kebodeaux, regional human resources director for the U.S. land market.

"It's a more grassroots recruiting effort to attract people from outlying communities that may not have been previously exposed to us," she said.

The company has 1,000 U.S. openings now, Kebodeaux said. Most are in oil and natural gas fields in North Dakota, Texas and other shale areas.

Veterans in demand

Baker Hughes and its competitors have turned to the armed forces and aerospace industry to attract skilled workers into the short-staffed oil and gas drilling business.

Military personnel have the mechanical training and discipline necessary for oil field jobs, recruiters said. And the end of the space shuttle program has left a pool of workers with technical skills and experience working under intense pressure.

Companies tap into these talent pools through social media and job fairs targeting the military or aerospace fields. Several oil and gas companies, including Shell, Apache and Halliburton, signed on to the AT&T Veterans Job Fair at Houston City Hall earlier this month.

Veterans who join Halliburton at entry-level positions are clued in to the oil and gas industry through an eight- to 16-week program that trains them on mock rigs and schools them on the company's proprietary technology, said Megan Oberly, recruiting lead for Halliburton's well completion and production arm.

The company has hired more than 4,000 new workers in Texas so far in 2011.

Although most oil production takes place far from the city, Houston has benefited hugely from white-collar jobs created to support the oil field services boom, said Patrick Jankowski, vice president of research for the Greater Houston Partnership.

The employment sector that includes the oil field services industry, called mining and logging, grew 12.4 percent in the Houston metropolitan area and 11.6 percent nationwide from September 2010 to September 2011, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Overall employment grew faster in Houston than in any other of the nation's 12 largest metropolitan areas during that time.

And as employment has grown in the oil industry, so have salaries.

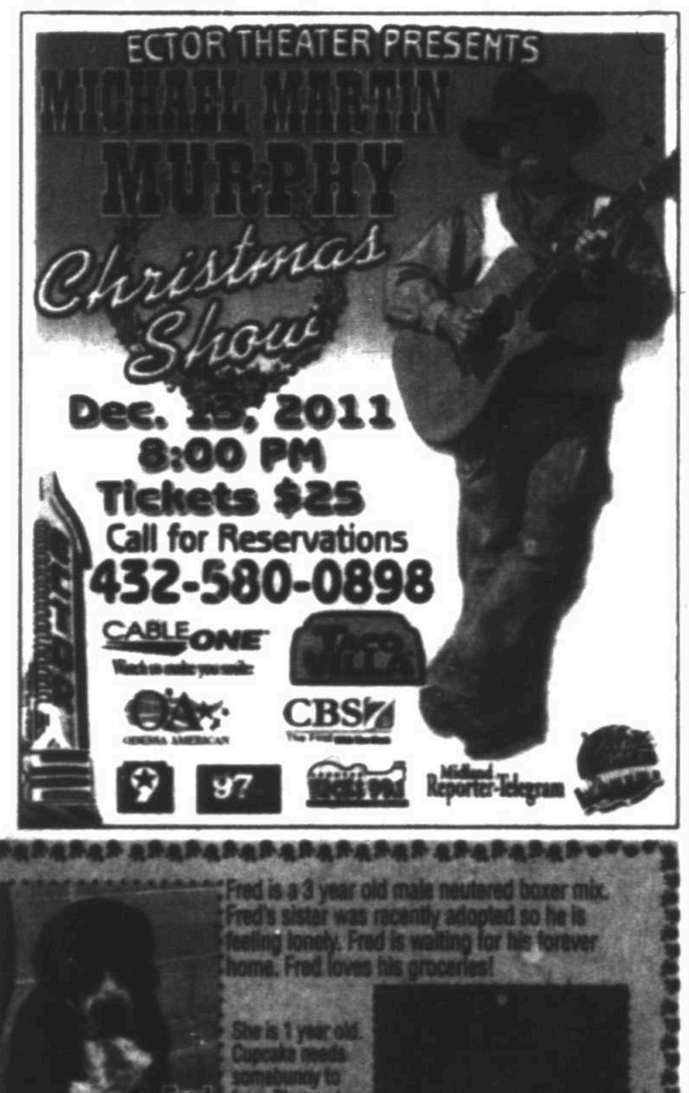
$100,000 a year

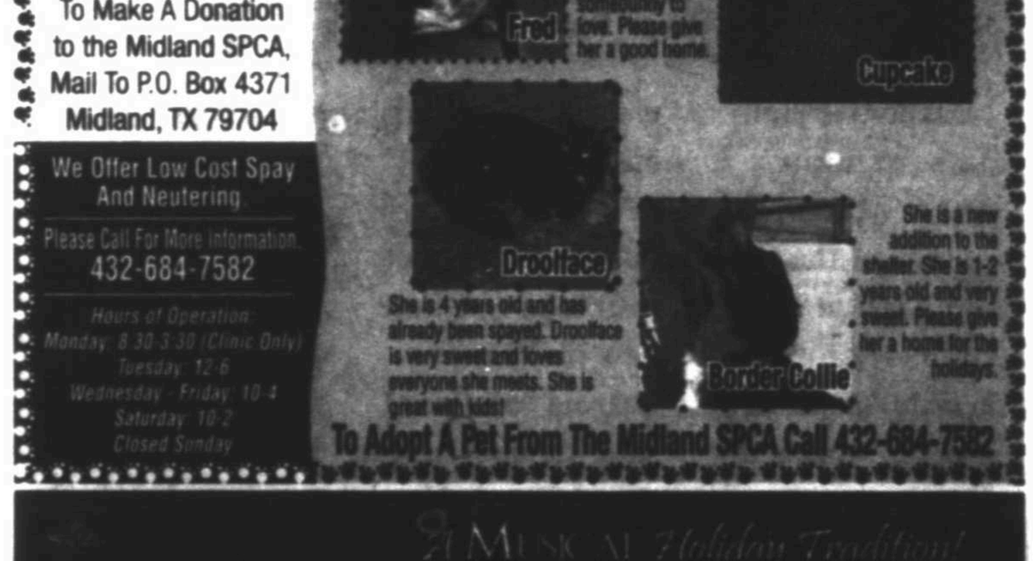
Average hourly earnings are up 40 percent throughout the past decade for non-supervisory workers in oil and gas extraction. According to preliminary data from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, those workers make an average of about $28.13 per hour.

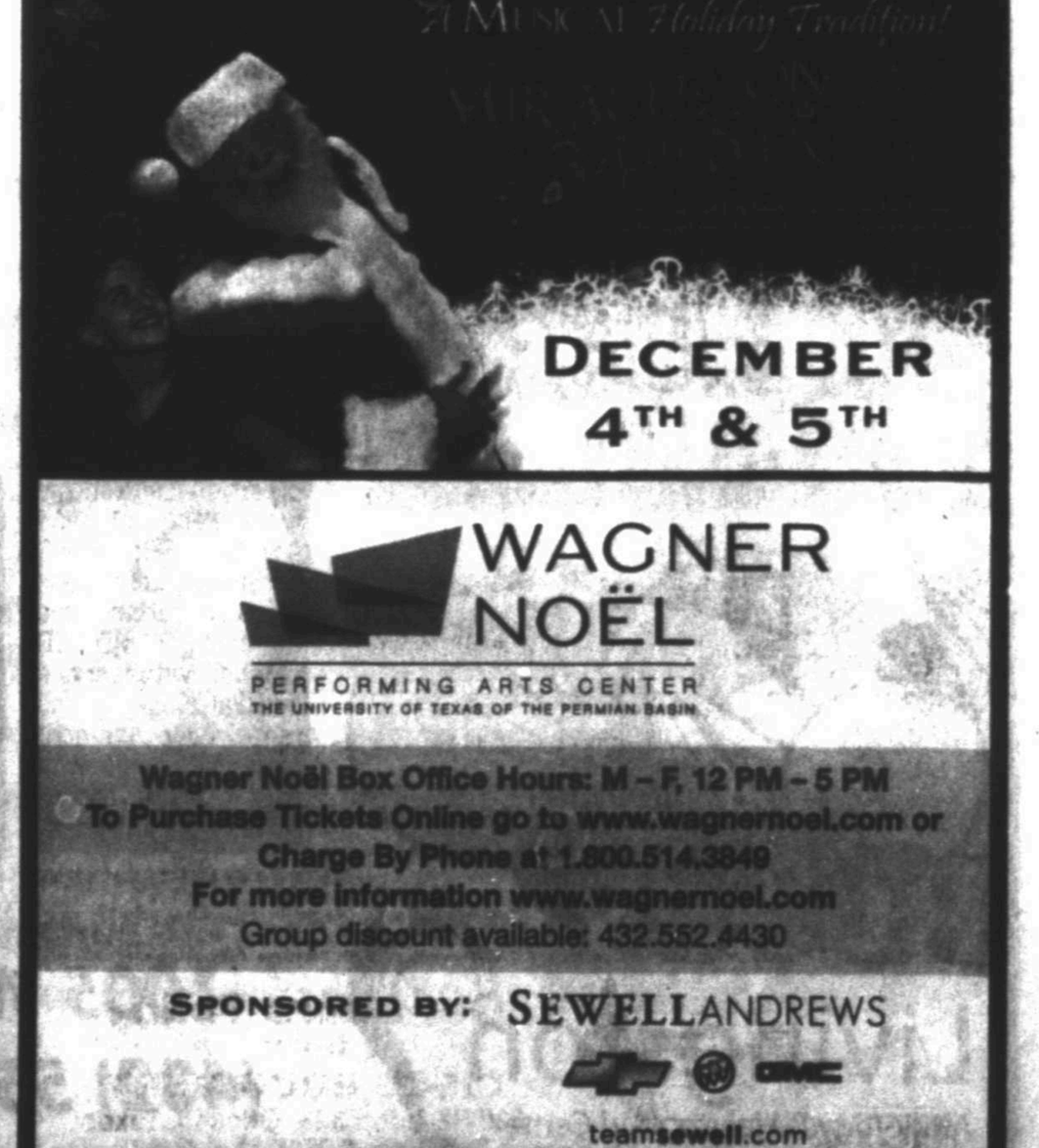
"It's one of the few industries where you don't have to have a college education and you can still make $100,000 a year," Jankowski said.

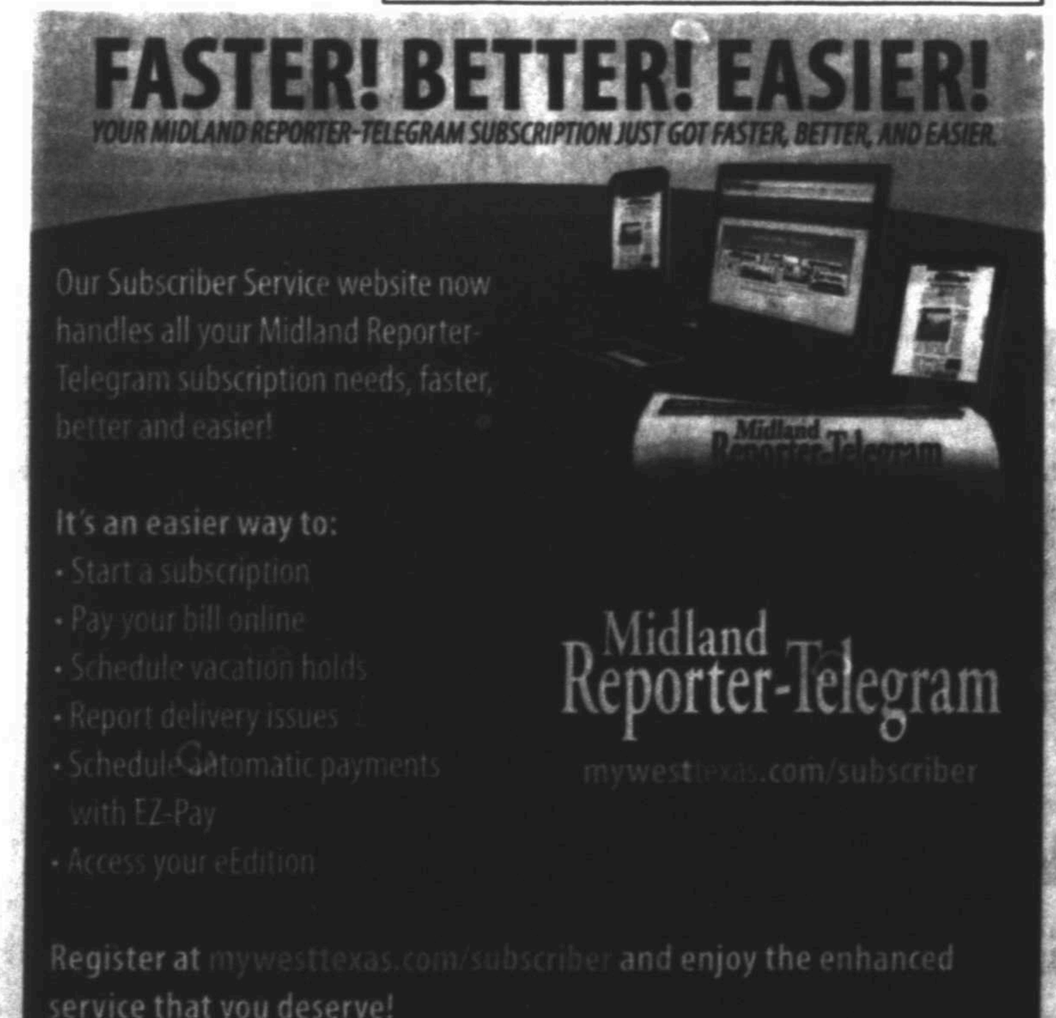
But the industry is regionalized, limiting its potential impact on the national employment slump, said Michelle Foss, chief energy economist for the University of Texas Bureau of Economic Geology.

"The oil and gas patch phenomenon is taking place," Foss said, adding, "One industry can't carry the entire national economy. For all that's happening with oil and gas activity nationwide, we still have 9 percent unemployment. The rest of the economy still has to perform."









Collector Norman L. Sandfield talks about some of the bolo ties at the new bolo ties exhibit Native American Bolo Ties: Vintage and Contemporary Artistry, at the Heard Museum on Nov. 17 in Phoenix.

Associated Press

Museum displays bolo ties

By Felicia Fonseca
Associated Press

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz. — The sometimes plain, sometimes heavily decorated neckties are a symbol of the West, worn with everything from blue jeans to tuxedos.

Texas links the bolo to the romanticism of the pioneer era and suggests that anyone who wears one refuses to be bound by convention. New Mexico says they reflect the state's tri-cultural heritage — a mix of Hispanic, American Indian and Anglo influences.

In Arizona, where the bolo tie was declared the official state neckwear in 1971, an exhibit honoring the ubiquitous western neck adornment opened Saturday at the Heard Museum in Phoenix.

The braided leather cord with an ornament on a sliding clasp has decorated the necks of cowboys, politicians and runway models, reflecting the bolo tie's versatility.

"I just like it because it's a distinctive look," said Norman Sandfield, a Chicago resident who donated his collection of bolo ties to Phoenix's venerable Native arts and culture museum. "It makes me look confident. It's a conversation starter."

The exhibit, "Native American Bolo Ties: Vintage and Contemporary," showcases Native designers who have brought unique designs with traditional inspirations to the bolo. Small ornaments made with silver and a single turquoise stone have evolved into elaborate figurative pieces with numerous stones or jewels.

The bolo tie emerged as a form of men's neckwear in the 1940s but it's difficult to pinpoint its exact origin, said exhibit curator Diana Pardue, who co-wrote a book on bolos with Sandfield that accompanies the exhibit. While the authors found pictures with bolos in magazines and other publications from the 1950s and 60s, Pardue said there was little written about them.

One common story is that Wickenburg, Ariz., silversmith Victor Cedarstaff hung his silver-trimmed hatband around his neck on a windy day in the 1940s while on horseback to keep it from flying away. Someone comment just how nice his "tie" looked. Cedarstaff later patented it. Others say the bolo tie as fashioned by American Indian artists appeared much earlier.

Western television personalities including the Cisco Kid, Hopalong Cassidy and Roy Rogers helped popularize the bolo.

The bolo tie long has been a staple of western wear in Arizona, New Mexico, Texas and surrounding states, and generally is an acceptable replacement for a cloth or bow tie. Popular with men and women, bolos have carried over to more trendy fashion.

New Mexico lawmakers declared the bolo the official state tie in 2007 — following up on a nonbinding memorial nearly 20 years earlier. What legislators wore around their necks prompted spirited debates about which chamber had the more professionally-attired members — the bolo-sporting senators or the representatives whose rules didn't allow bolos on the floor until 2009.

Said Sandfield, "The simple rule is — if there are any rules — is that the higher you wear it to the collar, the dresser it is. The lower you wear it, the more casual it is."

Don Prusakowski promotes the wearing of the ties through the Bola Tie Society of Arizona: Yes, bola. Prusakowski quickly explains that b-o-l-a is the tie and b-o-l-o is a knife, showing that not everyone even agrees on the spelling. They've also been called string, Texas, lariat and goucho ties, and pigtin necklets.

"It's consistent," said Prusakowski, 77, of the tie's popularity. "What you do get is a lot of people who come from the East and Mideast, and they want to be cowboys. They start wearing bola ties. They find it's much easier and much more comfortable."

Texas also designated the bolo as state tie in 2007.

The Heard has 350 bolo ties on display, with the exhibit running through September 2012.

If You Go

NATIVE AMERICAN BOLO TIES: VINTAGE AND CONTEMPORARY: Through Sept. 3 at the Heard Museum; 2301 N. Central Ave., Phoenix; http://www.heard.org or 602-252-8848. Open Monday through Friday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Closed Christmas. Adults, $15; seniors 65 and over, $13.50; students with ID and children 6-12, $7.50; children 5 and under, American Indians and members, free.

Quaker group still fighting AZ prisons

Associated Press

PHOENIX — A Quaker prison-watchdog group is appealing a judge's decision to dismiss its lawsuit seeking to block new private prison contracts in Arizona.

The American Friends Service Committee also made a fresh request for an injunction blocking the contracts Friday.

The Arizona Republic reported that the initial suit was dismissed last month on the grounds that the group lacked standing to sue the state. The committee noted the dismissal didn't address substantive issues raised by the suit.

The suit alleges the state is violating its own laws requiring that private-prison contracts save the state money.

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CELEBRATIONS OF LIGHT 2011

ANNUAL FESTIVAL BRINGS STORIES TO LIFE

Storytelling is more than just an enjoyable pastime. For Patty Smith, Director of Celebrations of Light, Midland ISD's annual storytelling festival, storytelling is one of the most effective teaching and learning tools available to both students and their teachers.

This year marks the 19th year for the festival in MISD. The event encompasses several weeks in November and December across MISD campuses. Professional storytellers enthrall students with true stories and folk tales, and give them tools to recognize and write their own. Additionally, storytellers present workshops for teachers, who then incorporate story concepts into their instruction.

Smith first brought storytellers to MISD during the 1992-1993 school year, and has facilitated festival growth each year. The classroom programs and community concerts reached about 14,000 people last year.

Master storyteller Rex Ellis involves students and entertains the crowd at a Celebrations of Light Storytelling Festival Community Concert, held at First United Methodist Church.

Smith said the storytellers who come to MISD are some of the most talented in the profession.

"Every year I make a judgment, 'Do I still have the best available?' " Smith said. "I believe we have the nation's best."

Smith chooses the tellers, who hale from throughout the nation, because of their skill and also what they uniquely bring.

"I'm very interested in exposing our children to people of similar and different backgrounds," she said. "It's a cultural and geographical lesson for students," she said.

The tellers are as fond of Smith and their Midland experience as she is of them. They enjoy getting to know the children and families of Midland.

"These people will do anything for Midland, Texas," Smith said.

The festival begins in November when local storyteller Sue Roseberry presents "Setting The Stage For Story" programs to MISD first and second-grade students. Then Donald Davis, a North Carolina-based master storyteller, will share his story tools with students. Later, storytellers Rex Ellis, Barbara McBride-Smith, Charlotte Blake Alston, Antonio Rocha, Laura Pershin Raynor, Willy Claflin and Annalon Gilbreath will bring their stories to MISD campuses.

Campus faculty love seeing their students engaged in a fun learning activity that translates to academic success, Smith said.

"Teachers are 100 percent behind this. They are totally supportive," Smith said. "Some of the kids don't think they have anything to share. The storytellers help prove to kids that they can do well."

Smith said the significance of story can be seen in many careers and facets of professional life.

"Whoever has the best story wins the case, gets the sale, etcetera," she said. "That can be translated to other things. For educators, whoever has the best stories, fact and fiction, teaches the lesson the best."

Students learn how to organize events and information as a result of what they receive, Smith said.

"Stories well-told do so with sequence, the important elements all in place, and they create pictures in people's minds. Therefore, they remember the information," Smith said. "That's what learning is about."

Some students gain more experience with storytelling by participating in the Student Storytelling Workshops & Contest, held at Pease Academy by Roseberry. Roseberry said she witnesses her students progress.

"I work with them on their stage presence— how to create a story and make it their own, how to command their own bodies. I try to work with them on connecting with an audience," she said. "The students who have participated in storytelling in the past, I've seen them develop an ease."

Roseberry said the lessons students learn will help them in many areas of life.

"Everybody needs to know how to express themselves in an organized way," she said.

The festival will conclude with events for community members of all ages. A Sneak Preview Concert will be held on December 9, and Community Concerts will be on December 10.

"We want people to come out and enjoy the concerts. I don't think the Midland community realizes how important and how nice and valuable it is," Roseberry said. "Those tellers are rarely together at that level. We are so fortunate here to have all of them at one time. This year, because of budget cuts that have affected schools, it's important that we support what we want to continue. I would love to see the city really embrace it and support it, and make sure that it doesn't go away."

The festival relies largely on support from the community. The festival has become a model for other storytelling programs. This year, Ted Parkhurst, Chairman of the Board of the National Storytelling Festival, will visit for the several days of the festival.

"I am just thrilled the national chairman decided to come," Smith said, "...and people don't think we do anything in West Texas."

Smith said those who come to the community concerts have an enjoyable time and leave with new knowledge and warm memories.

"The ticket cost is less than going to the movies," she said. "When I think of the learning that happens and the enjoyment, I really hope people will take advantage of the opportunity."

Celebrations of Light 2011

MISD's 19th Annual Storytelling Festival

Sneak Preview: Cultural Insights

Friday, December 9: 7:30 p.m.

Admission is Free

Pease Communication & Technology Academy

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Community Concerts

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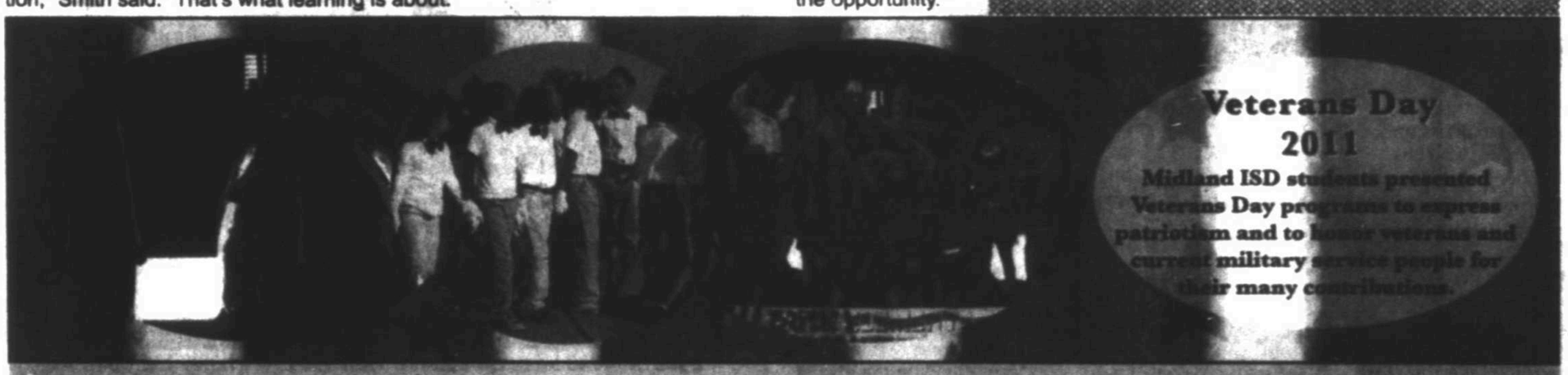

Veterans Day 2011

Midland ISD students presented Veterans Day programs to express patriotism and to honor veterans and current military service people for their many contributions.

Student Stars

- From MHS, National Merit Semi-Finalists are Michelle Parten, Alexander Hoagland and Kami Lowery.
- LHS recognized its AP Scholar honorees and National Merit Scholars during a reception on November 9. AP Scholars with Distinction: Kshitij Delvadiya, Arjun Mocherla, Sagar Patel and Ashlesha Shah. AP Scholars with Honors: Arzina Amin, Monni Roesner and Evan Stoetzel. AP Scholars: Krysten Denney, Marisa Kent, Kevin Martin and Mason Wuthrich. National Merit Scholars are Monni Roesner, Ross Whitten and Mason Wuthrich.
- The National Forensic League placed the LHS Speech & Debate team in the top 10 percent of NFL chapters nationwide, and it earned membership in the prestigious "100 Club."
- The LHS Marching Band earned Sweepstakes during the UIL Marching Contest on October 22.
- Washington Math & Science Institute was named a 2011 NCEA Higher Performing School. The campus received the National Center for Educational Achievement award for the second year.
- The MHS and LHS Robotics programs each received two grants from the Texas Workforce Commission, used for parts and fees related to competition.
- MISD students participated in the 2011 Annual Poster Contest, held by the Midland Fire Department in October. Winners: Kindergarten–Second-Grade: Connor Elliott, First; Addison Jones, Second; and Maci Johnson, Third; Third-Grade–Fifth-Grade: Kassi Dobler, First; Ashley Lawrance, Second; Gabrielle Arriaga, Third; Sixth–Eighth-Grade: Loren Gilland, First; Michaela Slaughter, Second; Anna Parkison, Third; Ninth–12th Grade: Blanca Ambrosio, First; Luis Juarez, Second; Tina Newton, Third.
- Students from across MISD schools and programs participated in Keep Midland Beautiful Events throughout Midland.
- Campuses participated in fundraisers for the United Way of Midland's annual campaign.
- MHS Marketing Program students won funds for DECA from Simon Park Malls via a display contest in the mall.
- MHS & LHS Orchestra students joined the "Barrage" performance in October at Midland College.
- In coordination with their play, "Cinderella," MHS Theatre students donated shoes to Buckner International.
- The Lee Freshman Student Council conducted fundraisers and gave donations to Palmer Drug Abuse Program and Casa De Amigos.
- MISD students participated in activities to raise funds and awareness for cancer cure and prevention during the month of October.
- At the debate tournament held on November 5, the MHS Debate team placed fourth overall. Alex Hoagland placed first in U.S. Extemporaneous, and 3rd in Impromptu Speaking. Connor Franks placed second in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, and seventh in Foreign Extemporaneous. Justin Chavez placed third in Poetry, and fifth in Impromptu Speaking. Mackenzie McClure and Britany Jennings placed third in Public Forum Debate, and Miranda Nhoy and Laura Zertuche placed fourth.
- MISD Robotics teams competed in the First Annual Pegasus Rising Arena Games November 5, and at the TCEA Arena Games on November 17.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

See results from Texas-K-State and Houston-SMU plus scores and Texas roundup on Page 7C.

Lady Chaps fall in WNIT championship game

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Morgan Schwartz puts up a hook shot over Trinity Valley's Keiana Vines Saturday night in the championship game of the Women's National Invitational Tournament at Chaparral Center.

By Oscar LeRoy
Sports Writer

Trinity Valley Community College's Sha'Kayla Caples had a quiet first half against Midland College as she was limited to just a little more than three minutes of action thanks to two personal fouls.

The second half was an entirely different story for Caples. The 5-foot-11 NJCAA All-American guard scored all of her 20 points in the second half to help the No. 1-ranked Lady Cardinals overcome a halftime deficit and defeat the No. 4 Lady Chaparrals 86-82 in the championship game of the Midland College Women's National Invitational Tournament on Saturday night at Chaparral Center.

TVCC co-head coach Kenya Landers said Caples was challenged at halftime to step up her game and contribute.

"She's a player, she's an All-American and she showed up when we needed her and she made shots that only she can make," Landers said. "It was not just her. We had Keuna Flax on the inside, who's been an animal for us on the inside the whole tournament, and then (Breanna Lewis) shot the ball well in the first half when other people were struggling."

Lady Cardinals	86
Lady Chaps	82

Fittingly, Caples was named the tournament's MVP. Fellow Lady Cards Lewis, who had a game-high 27 points and hit seven 3s, and Flax (15 points) were named to the all-tournament team.

"I think, and most people agree, that (Trinity Valley) is the best team in the country right now," MC coach Ron Jones said. "We had them on the ropes here and I'm disappointed we didn't find a way to get it done because we were in the right frame of mind and playing the game the

Please see LADY CHAPS/4C

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Former Midland High player Paris Webb brings the ball up court Friday for Central Arizona College at the Midland College Women's National Invitational Tournament at Chaparral Center.

WNIT gives Webb another chance to play at Chap Center

By Jonathan Hull
Sports Writer

Paris Webb taking the floor at Chaparral Center is a familiar sight for Midlanders. But Webb wasn't wearing the traditional purple and gold uniform she had grown accustomed to during her four years as a varsity member of the Midland High girls basketball team.

Webb now dons the green and gold attributed to Central Arizona College, where the all-time assists leader in Midland High history is continuing her basketball career. Webb and the Vaqueras were one of eight teams taking part in the Midland College Women's National Invitational Tournament at Chaparral Center over the weekend. The event ended up serving as a homecoming for Webb.

"Wearing green and yellow is not the purple and gold I'm used to," Webb said. "But it's always great to come back home and see my friends and my family. It was pretty different. Seeing my ex-teammates and coaches in the stands cheering for me made it feel like home, just not the same type of home. This is always going to be home to me."

Webb played her part in helping the Vaqueras to a third-place finish at the WNIT this weekend. She came off the bench in each of Central Arizona's four games at Chaparral Center, but played significant minutes regardless. That's a trend Webb should get used to, according to Vaqueras coach Denise Cardenas.

"With jets like that, I like her on the floor," Cardenas said. "We're working on her decision making right now. She's got a shot. She's doing a lot better shooting the ball than she even did in her high school career here. I plan on using her a whole a lot."

Webb said Central Arizona has been a near perfect fit for her so far with everything from her teammates and coaches to the climate making it feel like she's found a second home.

"I love it. It's pretty much the perfect program for me so far," Webb said. "I love the coach. I love the team. I love the down-home desert dry heat. It's just a loving place."

Cardenas is just as thrilled to have Webb in her program, calling the former Midland High point guard a perfect fit in a winning program.

"Paris is one of those kids that makes me wish I was at a four-year school and I had her all four years," Cardenas raved. "She's a winner. She's a winner on the floor, she's a

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One yard short

Gary Rhodes/Special to the MRT

TOP: Trinity quarterback Thomas Schorr (10) throws to teammate Taylor Cory (7) on Saturday during the TCAF Division I Championship game against Lucas Christian Academy at Gorilla Stadium in Trent. **ABOVE:** Trinity coach Chris Jauz addresses his players after his team lost, 73-69.

Trinity loses 16 point lead; Schorr stopped at the 1 on last effort

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

TRENT — The Trinity football team found out the hard way early Saturday evening that no lead is safe in Six-Man football.

The Chargers held a 16-point lead with just over nine minutes remaining against Lucas Christian Academy in the Texas Christian Athletic Fellowship Division I title game, and Trinity had all the momentum.

Warriors	73
Chargers	69

Unfortunately for Trinity, its touchdown with 9:17 remaining was the last time the Chargers scored as the Warriors rallied with three fourth-quarter touchdowns to take a thrilling 73-69 victory at Gorilla Stadium in Trent.

Charger quarterback Thomas Schorr's run in the final seconds ended on the Lucas Christian 1-yard line as Warriors' defensive back Kalen Malett tackled Schorr out of bounds to end the game.

"It was a throwback to Alex (Young) on a sprint out, and it was open but I didn't know that guy would whip me around like that," Schorr said. "I wasn't expecting it and I tried to get in.

"It's rough, but that's football, I guess."

Late in the third quarter, the Chargers (8-4) looked ready to clinch the game after Ethan Samuel returned a Josh Olson interception 76-yard for a touchdown with 2:52 left in the third quarter for a 53-45 lead.

Samuel intercepted another pass on Lucas Christian's next possession, and that turnover set up a 17-yard pass from Schorr to Jackson Willingham. Schorr finished the day 13 of 19 for 201 yards and two touchdowns. The two teams traded scores at the end of the third quarter and beginning of the fourth quarter as the score was 69-53 with 9:17 remaining in the fourth.

That's when the Warriors (12-1) began their charge.

Zach Shackelford scored on a 16-yard pass from Brooks Creech but the Chargers blocked the extra point and still held a 10-point lead with just over eight minutes remaining.

Trinity's next drive, though, ended on the Lucas Christian 5-yard line after

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Whigham sets school TD record as Mustangs rout Austin Hyde Park

■ Midland Christian scored 8 TDs but the defense came up with big plays also.

By Jordan Mason
Sports Writer

STEPHENVILLE — In a game where Midland Christian scored eight touchdowns Saturday it only needed one of them.

The Mustangs held Austin Hyde Park to a field goal while the offense ran wild in a dominant 56-3 win in the regional round of the TAPPS Division II playoffs.

Christian Whigham set the Midland Christian school record for touchdowns in a single season as the Mustangs rolled to 313 rushing yards and six rushing touchdowns on the day.

But it was the defense that shined on this day, never giving Hyde Park anything, even on the last play, as a swarm of Mustang defenders stopped Kyle Cook just short of the goal line to keep Hyde Park out of the end zone.

"I feel like we've been led by our defense all year long," Mustang coach Greg McClendon said. "They have set the tempo out there and given us an opportunity in every ball game.

"Just another consistent day

Whigham

Dobbs

for our defense."

Saturday the defense gave Midland Christian a chance to get rolling on offense after a slow start that included four penalties for 30 yards in the game's first three series alone.

But the Mustangs overcame the slow start to score on their first two drives with Mason McClendon hitting Landon Lacy for a 22-yard touchdown on their first drive, and Whigham racing around the end for an 8-yard touchdown on the next drive.

The touchdown was Whigham's 34th of the season, setting a school record.

"I've got to give it up to the line," Whigham said. "Without them none of these records I'm breaking would be possible."

Whigham finished the day with 123 yards and three touchdowns but was hardly the only Mustang to have success on the ground.

Midland Christian scored on its next drive following a Brandon Glossop interception thanks largely to consecutive first downs on a screen and a direct snap to Tanner Dobbs, setting up a 7-yard touchdown run by Whigham to make it 21-0 with 4:14 left in the second quarter.

Mustangs	56
Panthers	3

Hyde Park responded with its first points of the day, leaving Midland Christian just 25 seconds to score before halftime.

That was plenty of time for Dobbs, who took a direct snap on the second play of the series, then weaved upfield before find-

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Sunday Morning Line

LEN HAYWARD
Sports Editor

This and that as Six-Man football is truly the "Greatest Show on Turf:"

Anytime I get the chance I tell people to go watch a Six-Man football game if they haven't seen one. When two good Six-Man teams are playing there isn't as much space as you think, and they can execute in ways that has many first-time fans shocked.

Friday night in Forsan was another example of why I love watching and covering Six-Man football because Borden County and Rankin are two of the best Six-Man teams in the state, and they showed it on Friday night.

It was a well-played game by two teams where points came at a premium. And the best part is watching those kids tackle. The big shoulder hits are rare in Six-Man because if you miss that hit you give up points.

Those two teams were two of the best tackling teams I've seen all year long, which is why the point total was down. Although 68 combined points may seem high, in Six-Man that could be considered a defensive slugfest.

Let's hope next August, ASCO Football Madness officials can figure out a way to get a few Six-Man games into Grande Communications Stadium on that final Saturday. It would be a great showcase for a game that is a nice alternative to 11-man football.

■ Speaking of Grande, I've got to give some kudos to the folks at the stadium for bringing in the games that were at the stadium the last two weeks. Although, I was hoping Borden County and Rankin could play there, but that's for another conversation.

The playoff action at the stadium will slow down over the next few weeks with fewer games, but to host seven games in two weeks shows that there is a commitment to market the stadium to football coaches across West Texas.

■ Basketball season has started and locally it's going to take me a while to figure out our area Class 5A teams. But keep an eye on the Greenwood boys this season because with three starters still on the football field the Rangers lost to Odessa Permian by 13 points.

Greenwood could be looking at a lengthy run in the postseason this year if it can keep everyone healthy.

■ Those of you who were thinking the Dallas Cowboys may not make the playoffs need to think again because the Cowboys have a schedule that sets up well for them and they are playing in a division that is winnable.

There will be a test against the N.Y. Giants, but you never know what team is going to show up for them each Sunday.

■ Matt Schaub's injury may not be as devastating to the Houston Texans as many may have thought. Yes the move to Matt Leinart is a step down, but with the way Houston is running the ball that will take pressure off of Leinart.

Plus, when Andre Johnson is healthy that will open up the running game. Houston just needs to keep doing what its doing and if the Texans continue on their roll they should host at least one playoff game in a wide open AFC.

But what makes me weary is that they are a Houston team and they still have to show they can finish.

■ You knew I couldn't get through this column without writing about NASCAR, so here it is. NASCAR couldn't have asked for any better finish than the one today with Carl Edwards and Tony Stewart battling it out for the title.

Those two have a little bit of history, and the good-natured trash-talking between the two has been pretty good the last few weeks. These two guys are two quintessential racers and will race in anything with wheels, and have done it.

The best part is that of all the drivers who are going to break Jimmie Johnson's streak, I'm glad it's these two guys.

■ And finally, Thanksgiving night is going to be sad for Texas college football fans no matter who wins. A&M and Texas should continue to play each other no matter what conference they are in.

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On the air today

WHAT'S ON TV

AUTO RACING
NASCAR, Sprint Cup, Ford 400, 2 p.m., ESPN

GOLF
European PGA Tour, Johor Open, final round, (same-day tape), 7 a.m., TGC
European PGA Tour, Alfred Dunhill Championship, final round, (same-day tape), 9:30 a.m., TGC
PGA Tour, Presidents Cup, final round, (same-day tape), 11 a.m., NBC
LPGA, Titleholders, final round, 12:30 p.m., TGC

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Stephen F. Austin at Texas Tech, 2 p.m., FSS
Puerto Rico Tip-Off, third-place game, 4:30 p.m., ESPN2
Paradise Jam, semifinal, Norfolk St. vs. TCU, 5 p.m., FSS
Puerto Rico Tip-Off, championship game, 6:30 p.m., ESPN2
Paradise Jam, semifinal, Mississippi winner vs. Marquette, 7:30 p.m., FSS

NFL
Cincinnati at Baltimore, Noon, CBS
Dallas at Washington, Noon, Fox
San Diego at Chicago, 3:15 p.m., CBS
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 7 p.m., NBC

SOCCER
Premier League, Liverpool at Chelsea 4:30 p.m., Fox
MLS Cup, Houston at Los Angeles, 8 p.m., ESPN

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HSBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

MHS TAKES 2 IN AUSTIN

AUSTIN — Midland High took third place in its division of the Greater Austin Classic Tournament on Saturday.

The Lady Dawgs (4-5) defeated Killeen 62-58 earlier in the day and then beat El Paso Socorro 52-43 for third place.

Krystal Valdez had a game-high 26 points, and Tana Driver scored 11 against Killeen.

In the victory over Socorro, Valdez led a balanced scoring attack with 10 points, while Elaine Herrera added nine.

AT GREATER AUSTIN CLASSIC TOURNAMENT
SEMIFINAL
MIDLAND HIGH 62, KILLEEN 58

Midland High (3-6) — Tana Driver 11, Krystal Valdez 26, Megan Hoppe 2, Skeesha Bowers 6, Elaine Herrera 7, Caterina Rendon 4, Sabrina Banks 4, Kristyn Wilbanks 2.				
Killeen — Digger 3, Lemon 6, Atkins 9, Goodwin 21, Shaw 2, Williams 4, Simpson 13.				
Midland High	8	21	11	22—62
Killeen	7	17	20	14—58

Free throws — MHS 15-18, KHS 17-28. 3-point goals — MHS 7 (Driver, Valdez 5, Herrera), KHS 1 (Digger). Total fouls — MHS 19, KHS 17. Fouled out — None.

3rd place game
Midland High 43, El Paso Socorro 42

Midland High (4-6) — Driver 6, Valdez 10, Hoppe 7, Megan Woodard 1, Bowers 6, Herrera 8, Deserie Allen 2, Rendon 4, Banks 8, Wilbanks 1.				
Socorro — Barraza 2, Chavez 16, Quinonez 4, Baca 2, Solis 1, Vargas 4, Flores 8, Acosta 2.				
Midland High	13	10	18	10—43
Socorro	13	11	15	13—42

Free throws — MHS 5-14, EPS 9-13. 3-point goals — MHS 4 (Driver 2, Valdez 2), EPS 5 (Flores 3, Chavez 2). Total fouls — MHS 17, EPS 14. Fouled out — None.

Next game: MHS vs. Amarillo High at Lubbock Christian University, 7:30 p.m. Monday

ROPES 48 GRADY 34

ROPESVILLE — Sarah Clay scored a game-high 13 points, but it wasn't enough as Grady fell to Ropes 48-34 on Saturday.

Clay was complemented by M.J. Price's 12 points, but the Lady Wildcats couldn't keep pace with Ropes, which had three players score in double figures.

Grady gets back in action at 3 p.m. Tuesday, playing host to Wink.

ROPES 48, GRADY 34

Grady (1-0) — Victoria Shelton 4, Sarah Clay 13, Lupita Jimenez 1, Chamreyse Arnold 4, M.J. Price 12.				
Ropes — Hidden 10, Jackson 1, Moore 5, Medina 2, Tarrson 10, Hill 8, Glenn 1, Tompkins2 13.				
Grady	6	10	7	9—34
Ropes	13	17	11	7—48

Free throws — Grady 14-20, Ropes 6-11. 3-point goals — Grady 2 (Clay 2), Ropes 0. Total fouls — Grady 11, Ropes 17. Fouled out — None.

Next: Wink at Grady, 3 p.m. Tuesday

Boys

NO. 22 GREENWOOD 90, DENVER CITY 46

DENVER CITY — Playing shorthanded as it waits for several football players to join the team, No. 22 Greenwood still managed to handle Denver City 90-46 for its first victory of the season.

The Rangers trailed 14-10 after the end of the first period but outscored Denver City 34-18 in the second and third periods combined, leading to the victory.

Edgar Urias led the Rangers with 26 points, while Hugo Arneas and Taylor Hollingsworth each added 10.

The Rangers play at Big Spring at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

Greenwood 90, DENVER CITY 46

Greenwood (1-0) — Edgar Urias 26, Dustin Wilson 5, Grant Franklin 2, Hugo Arneas 10, Taylor Hollingsworth 10, Kyle Harwood 2, Dustin Mayers 7, Josh Tuttle 1.				
Denver City (0-2) — Milligan 10, Prado 6, Acosta 5, Reynolds 12, Delacruz 2, Bonet 4, Aguirre 4, Gutierrez 3.				
Greenwood	10	17	17	16—90
Denver City	14	8	10	14—46

Free throws — GW 10-27, DC 8-10. 3-point goals — GW 2 (Urias 2), DC 3 (Acosta, Gutierrez). Total fouls — GW 16, DC 24. Fouled out — DC Hawkins, Bonet.

Next: Greenwood at Big Spring, 8 p.m. Tuesday

LAMESA 62, PECOS 48

Pecos (1-0) — Jones 6, Quintana 3, Roman 4, Gomez 11, Davila 10, Toth 8, Contreras 2.

Lamesa (2-0) — Jacinto Hortiz 1, Brady Alexander 10, Kirk Woodard 19, Ryan Garza 11, The Phinney 1, Roman Rendon 1, Vincent Enriquez 6, Davila Lopez 4, Aaryk Cox 10.

Pecos	7	7	20	9—48
Lamesa	15	20	15	11—62

Free throws — Pecos 27-48, Lamesa 19-28. 3-point goals — Pecos 1 (Contreras), Lamesa 2 (Alexander 2). Total fouls — Pecos 28, Lamesa 24. Fouled out — Lamesa, Cox.

Next: Lamesa at Midland Classical, 8 p.m. Monday

UTPBROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LATE FALCONS COMEBACK FALLS SHORT AGAINST WTAMU

The University of Texas of the Permian Basin trailed by as many as 23 at one point in the game but managed to pull within three with less than four minutes to play. However, the comeback was not to be as West Texas A&M pulled away for an 81-75 victory.

UTPB had no answer for the Buffaloes' inside game as they scored 44 of their points in the paint and shot 71.7 percent from the field while outrebounding the Falcons 35-24. The Buffs had four players score in double-figures with Courtney Carr putting in a game-high 21.

Brandon Harrison led the way for UTPB with 18, while Madison Turner added 17. Ke'Andre Derrick and Elijah Jordan had 13 and 10, respectively.

The Falcons fell to 2-3 on the season and will head to Abilene on Tuesday to take on Abilene Christian at 7 p.m.

UTPB WOMEN GO COLD ON ROAD

SAN ANTONIO — The University of Texas of the Permian Basin shot just 33.3 percent from the field and turned the ball over 27 times as Incarnate Word took a 60-45 win on its home court.

Tammy Acosta was the lone player to score in double-figures for UTPB with 10, while Lauren Unger and Teisha King added nine. The Cardinals showed team effort as all but two players scored at least two points, while four others scored in double-figures.

UTPB will be back in action Tuesday when it hosts Abilene Christian at 7 p.m.

TEXASCOLLEGEBASKETBALLROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MEN

OREGON ST. 100, TEXAS 95, OT

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — Jared Cunningham scored a career-high 37 points to lead Oregon State to a 100-95 overtime victory against Texas on Saturday night in the semifinals of the TicketCity Legends Classic.

Cunningham, a junior guard who had 35 points in his previous game against Hofstra, played the last few minutes and the overtime with a split lip. He made several hustle plays down the stretch and went 8 for 8 from the free throw line in overtime.

The Beavers (4-0) will play No. 18 Vanderbilt in the championship game Monday night at the Izod Center. The Commodores beat North Carolina State 86-79 in the other semifinal.

Cunningham was 20 of 23 from the free throw line and Oregon State was 31 for 43 overall.

J'Covan Brown had 25 points — 18 in the first half — and nine assists for the Longhorns, while Myck Kabongo had 13 points.

LAMAR 72, CHARLOTTE 54

BEAUMONT — Charlie Harper's double-double led Lamar to a 72-54 victory over Charlotte on Saturday.

The senior forward posted game highs of 22 points and 18 rebounds for the Cardinals (2-2), who broke a two-game losing streak. Anthony Miles scored 20 points, and Devon Lamb added 11 for Lamar.

Derrio Green paced the 49ers (2-1) with 19 points, with all five of his baskets coming on 3-pointers. K.J. Sherrill added 11 points.

After Sherrill opened the scoring, Miles hit two consecutive baskets for Lamar for a 4-2 lead, and the Cardinals never trailed thereafter. They led 29-19 at halftime, and the final score represented their largest margin.

Lamar enjoyed an immense 52-28 rebounding advantage that helped lead to edges of 20-16 on points in the paint and 8-0 on fast-break points.

SMU 66, FLORIDA GULF COAST 64

DALLAS — Ryan Manuel's steal and layup with 21 seconds left capped a comeback from a 17-point second-half deficit, and SMU beat Florida Gulf Coast 65-64 on Saturday in an NIT Season Tip-Off game.

SMU had taken a 63-62 lead on a 3-pointer by Robert Nyakundi, whose 18 points and eight rebounds led the Mustangs (2-2), with 2:17 left. But Chase Fieler hit two free throws with 1:50 to play to put the Eagles (2-2) back on top.

Manuel then stole the ball from Sherwood Brown for the winning basket. The Eagles had two chances at the end, but Bernard Thompson and Brett Comer missed jumpers.

Jalen Jones added 15 points for the Mustangs. Brandon Gilles had 11.

Florida Gulf Coast led 49-32 with 15:28 left after a fast-break dunk by Dante Holmes, but couldn't hold the lead. The Eagles' Christophe Varidel led all scorers with 20 points, and Thompson added 11.

NICHOLLS STATE 80, HOUSTON BAPTIST 70

LAFAYETTE, La. — Trevon Lewis scored 21 points, while Chris Talkington and Dantrell Thomas added 17 points apiece for Nicholls State in an 80-70 win over Houston Baptist for the Colonels' first win of the season on Saturday night at the Cajundome.

Houston Baptist led by three points at the break and, after opening the second half with a 3-pointer by Ronald March, by 41-35 early in the second of the Beryl Shipley Classic.

But Nicholls State (1-3) went on a 21-8 run from that juncture, sparked by seven points from Seth McBeath and three 3-pointers by the Colonels, and never trailed again.

The Colonels outscored the Huskies 45-32 in the second half. Nicholls State shot 56.7 percent (17 of 30) in the second half compared to 35.5 percent (11 of 31) for Houston Baptist.

Marcus Davis led the Huskies (1-3) with 17 points and March finished with 10.

TEXAS-PAN AMERICAN 79, TEXAS STATE 77

EDINBURG — Brandon Provost made two free throws with 20 seconds left to give Texas-Pan American the go-ahead lead in a 79-77 victory over Texas State on Saturday night.

Provost finished with 20 points for the Broncs (1-3) while teammate Jared Maree scored a game-high 21, including the final free throw with 2.9 seconds left.

The teams traded the lead several times in the second half, with the Bobcats (3-1) going on a late 14-2 run to take a 77-76 advantage before Provost was fouled and sent to the free-throw line.

The Broncs finished shooting 48 percent from the field, including making 9 of 22 3-point tries. The Bobcats shot 44 percent from the field but made just 2 of 11 from long distance.

Eddie Rios and Nick Hinton led Texas State with 14 points each while Matt Staff added 12 and Brooks Ybarra 11.

NEW MEXICO STATE 89, UTEP 73

LAS CRUCES, N.M. — Wendell McKines scored a career-high 23 points and added 13 rebounds in New Mexico State's 89-73 victory over UTEP on Saturday.

Christian Kabongo, Hernst Laroche and Bandja Sy each scored 15 points for the Aggies (3-0). Tshilidzi Nephawe added 12 points and five rebounds.

D'Von Campbell and John Bohannon led the Miners (1-2) with 11 points each, and Cedrick Lang scored 10.

NMSU led by four at halftime and outscored UTEP 24-6 in the first 8:16 of the second half to build a 66-44 lead. UTEP closed to 74-64, but the Aggies closed the game out by shooting 11 of 15 from the foul line in the last 4:44.

UTEP led by as many as four in the first half, but the Aggies took the lead for good at 33-32 on a Sy 3-pointer with 4:33 left. NMSU was 6 of 15 from 3-point range in the first half.

TEXAS-ARLINGTON 68, LOUISIANA TECH 61

ARLINGTON — Kevin Butler had 17 points and Bo Ingram added 11 as Texas-Arlington defeated Louisiana Tech 68-61 on Saturday night.

Jordan Reves had eight points and 13 rebounds for the Mavericks (2-0).

Trevor Gaskins led the Bulldogs (1-1) with 22 points and seven rebounds, and Cordarius Johnson added 11 points.

Butler's two free throws gave Texas-Arlington a 47-46 lead with 9:03 remaining. Then, Ingram's 3-pointer ignited a 12-3 run over a span of 3:18 that gave the Mavericks a 59-49 lead with just under six minutes to play.

Texas-Arlington joins Louisiana Tech in the Western Athletic Conference next year.

WOMEN

NO. 14 GEORGETOWN 86, HOUSTON 36

WASHINGTON — Tia Magee scored 15 points and grabbed nine rebounds, and No. 14 Georgetown rolled past Houston 86-36 to end a two-game losing streak.

Alexa Roche added 10 points and Taylor Brown scored nine for the Hoyas (2-2), who rebounded from consecutive road losses at Maryland and LSU. The Hoyas scored the game's first nine points, built a 22-2 lead midway through the first half, and Jasmine Jackson's 3-pointer at the halftime buzzer gave them a commanding 39-9 advantage.

Roxana Button scored 10 points, and Landry Porsche added nine for the Cougars (0-3).

Porsche left the game with 5 minutes, 58 seconds remaining when she banged heads with Georgetown's Samisha Powell as they scrambled for a loose ball. Porsche initially stood up on her own, then fell to the floor and stayed down for about 15 minutes before being taken off on a stretcher. Georgetown SID Barbara Barnes says Porsche is moving her extremities but is going to the hospital as a precautionary measure.

The Cougars dug themselves a hole by shooting 4-for-28 (14.3 percent) in the first half and turning the ball over 10 times.

The 36 points allowed by the Hoyas was the fewest since they defeated the Cougars 77-37 last season in the teams' first-ever meeting.

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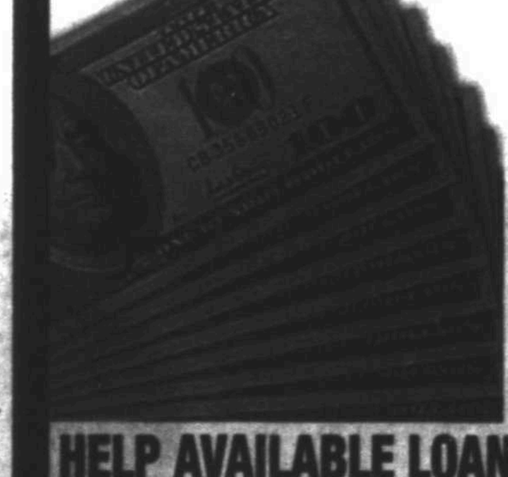
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Sandra Gal	69-69-71	— 209
Suzann Pettersen	73-69-68	— 210
Paula Creamer	69-71-71	— 211
Yani Tseng	70-73-69	— 212
Na Yeon Choi	66-71-75	— 212
Beatriz Recari	70-77-67	— 214
I.K. Kim	72-71-71	— 214
Cristie Kerr	68-76-71	— 215
Belen Mozo	73-71-71	— 215
Wendy Ward	70-71-74	— 215
Michelle Wie	71-73-72	— 216
Anna Nordqvist	69-75-73	— 217
Jimin Kang	72-71-74	— 217
Song-Hee Kim	81-71-66	— 218
Mika Miyazato	71-75-72	— 218
Se Ri Pak	72-74-72	— 218
Candie Kung	69-76-73	— 218
Brittany Lincicome	70-75-73	— 218
Ai Miyazato	71-74-73	— 218
Jenny Shin	72-72-74	— 218
Mina Harigae	72-71-75	— 218
Hee-Won Han	72-75-72	— 219
Caroline Hedwall	72-74-73	— 219
Maria Hjorth	68-78-73	— 219
Karen Stupples	71-75-73	— 219
Julieta Granada	78-69-73	— 220
Morgan Pressel	67-78-75	— 220
Pat Hurst	70-78-73	— 221
Hee Kyung Seo	73-75-73	— 221
Karrie Webb	67-80-74	— 221
Amy Yang	72-75-74	— 221
Chella Choi	73-77-72	— 222
Amanda Blumenherst	70-78-74	— 222
Katie Futcher	73-74-75	— 222
Lexi Thompson	71-75-76	— 222
Dewi Claire Schreefel	69-76-77	— 222
Azahara Munoz	69-75-78	— 222
Jennifer Johnson	73-78-72	— 223
Christina Kim	73-77-73	— 223
Alison Walshe	72-78-74	— 224
Natalie Gulbis	73-76-75	— 224
Catriona Matthew	76-75-74	— 225
Sophie Gustafson	73-74-78	— 225

Alfred Dunhill Championship
Leading Scores
Saturday
At Leopard Creek Country Club
Malelane, South Africa
Purse: $1.36 million
Yardage: 7,249; Par: 72
Third Round

Garth Mulroy, South Africa	69-68-64	— 201
Felipe Aguilar, Chile	71-64-68	— 203
Peter Whiteford, Scotland	73-67-64	— 204
Hennie Otto, South Africa	69-68-67	— 204
George Murray, Scotland	66-69-69	— 204
Joe Kruger, South Africa	64-67-73	— 204
Merrick Bremner, South Africa	68-68-69	— 205
Andrea Pavan, Italy	68-70-68	— 206
Jean-Baptiste Gonnet, France	66-71-69	— 206
George Coetzee, South Africa	66-71-69	— 206
Vaughn Groenewald, S. Africa	76-65-66	— 207
Linus Gillgren, Sweden	69-71-68	— 208
Christiaan Basson, South Africa	70-70-68	— 208
Mikko Korhonen, Finland	68-70-70	— 208
Jaco Van Zyl, South Africa	68-68-72	— 208
Seve Benson, England	64-71-73	— 208
Fabrizio Zanotti, Paraguay	70-71-67	— 208
Darren Fichardt, South Africa	71-70-67	— 208

Fishing Report

WEST

ALAN HENRY: Water lightly stained; 58-65 degrees; 7.65' low. Black bass are good on shallow running crankbaits, Texas rigs, spinnerbaits and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

ARROWHEAD: Water off color; 56-67 degrees; 8.33' low. Black bass are fair on topwaters early, later switching to Texas rigs, spinnerbaits and weightless flukes. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are good on slabs and minnows. Blue catfish are fair to good on juglines with cut shad.

COLORADO CITY: 17.8' low. No report available.

FT. PHANTOM HILL: Water clear; 58-66 degrees; 9.87' low. Black bass are fair to good on Texas rigs and spinnerbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows. White bass are fair to good on Road Runners. Catfish are good on nightcrawlers.

HUBBARD CREEK: 57-65 degrees; 14.5' low. Black bass are good on spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and weightless flukes. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

NASWORTHY: No report available.

OAK CREEK: Water stained; 57-66 degrees; 14.24' low. Black bass are fair to good on Zara Spooks early, later switching to Texas rigs, Rat-L-Traps and shakyheads. Crappie are fair on live minnows and jigs. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

O.H. IVIE: Water stained; 58-70 degrees; 37.94' low. Black bass are fair to good on Rat-L-Traps, shallow running crankbaits, Texas rigs and 3" swimbaits. Crappie are fair on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair to good on Little Georges. Catfish are fair to good on nightcrawlers.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water fairly clear; 62-71 degrees; 10.67' low. Black bass are fair to good on squarebill crankbaits, Texas rigs, Rat-L-Traps and shakyheads. Crappie are fair to good on minnows and jigs. White bass are fair to good on slabs and live minnows. Striped bass are fair on live shad. Catfish are good on cut shad and nightcrawlers.

SPENCE: 84.13' low. No report available.

STAMFORD: No report available.

SWEETWATER: Water murky; 58-68 degrees; 13.8' low. Black bass are fair on shallow running crankbaits, spinnerbaits and Texas rigs. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. Catfish are fair to good on prepared bait and nightcrawlers.

WHITE RIVER: Water stained; 57-68 degrees; 23.95' low. No reports on black bass. Crappie are fair on live minnows. Catfish are fair on prepared bait.

PANHANDLE

GREENBELT: Water stained; 52-65 degrees; 37.63' low. Black bass are fair on topwaters early, later switching to Texas rigs and Rat-L-Traps. Crappie are fair to good on live minnows. The Old Marina Point ramp is still open.

MACKENZIE: Water stained; 57-64 degrees; 85.65' low. Black bass are fair on spinnerbaits, Texas rigs and Rat-L-Traps. Striped bass are fair to good on live shad. Catfish are fair to good on trotlines. Ramp (hash)1 is still open.

MEREDITH: 97.63' low. No report available.

PALO DURO: 44.54' low. No report available.

Fight Schedule

Nov. 26

At U.S. Bank Arena, Cincinnati (HBO), Adrien Broner vs. Vicente Rodriguez, 12, for the vacant WBO junior lightweight title.

At the Bancomer Center, Mexico City (HBO), Canelo Alvarez vs. Kermit Cintron, 12, for Alvarez's WBC super welterweight title; Gilberto Ramirez sanchez vs. Samuel Miller, 10, middleweights.

Nov. 30

At Challenge Stadium, Perth, Australia, Krzysztof Wlodarczyk vs. Danny Green, 12, for Wlodarczyk's WBC cruiserweight title; Chris John vs. Stanyslav Merdov, 12, for John's WBA Super World featherweight title; Will Tomlinson vs. Alan Herrera, 12, super featherweights.

Dec. 2

At Mannheim, Germany, Felix Sturm vs. Martin Murray, 12, for Sturm's WBA Super World middleweight title.

At Dover (Del.) Downs Hotel & Casino, Amir Mansour vs. Epifanio Mendoza, 12, for Mansour's WBO heavyweight title.

At Santa Ynez, Calif. (SHO), Anthony Dirrell vs. Renan St. Juste, 12, WBC super middleweight eliminator; Jhonatan Romero vs. Chris Avalos, 10, junior featherweights.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men's

SATURDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Lamar 72, Charlotte 54
Oral Roberts 71, Austin Peay 59
SMU 65, Florida Gulf Coast 54
Texas-Arlington 68, Louisiana Tech 61
Texas-Pan American 79, Texas St. 77
Toledo 75, SC-Upstate 70

SOUTH

Ala.-Huntsville 102, St. Augustine's 79
Alabama A&M 75, Oakwood 74
Appalachian St. 69, Tennessee Tech 63
Barton 69, Brevard 55
Belmont 87, Towson 41
Cal St.-Fullerton 69, Louisiana-Lafayette 63
Campbellsville 65, Rio Grande 61
Charleston Southern 69, Milligan 59
Christian Brothers 63, Cincinnati-Clermont 52
Coll. of Charleston 72, Clemson 69
E. Kentucky 63, William & Mary 44
ETSU 81, Troy 71
FAU 80, George Mason 75, OT
Fisk 80, Selma 76
Flagler 108, Trinity (Fla.) 78
Georgetown (Ky.) 86, Pikeville 84
Hampden-Sydney 98, Huntingdon 71
Jacksonville St. 76, Alabama St. 65
Kentucky Wesleyan 125, Asbury 67
King (Tenn.) 79, Carson-Newman 71
Lee 68, Faulkner 52
Lehigh 90, Liberty 80
Lincoln Memorial 86, Lees-McRae 54
Marshall 83, Northwestern St. 61
Miami 75, North Florida 62
Middle Tennessee 82, UNC Greensboro 60
N. Kentucky 83, Glenville St. 60
NC A&T 87, Chicago St. 70
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Oakland 75, Grambling St. 45
Richmond 83, Sacred Heart 58
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Stetson 74, St. Leo 69
UT-Martin 76, Rochester (Mich.) 59
Union (Ky.) 85, Brescia 71
VMI 84, UMBC 79
Virginia Union 83, Allen 64
WVU Tech 83, St. Catharine 79
West Liberty 123, Concord 94
Xavier (NO) 64, Wiley 60

MIDWEST

Bellarmine 70, Grand Valley St. 67
Bradley 78, North Dakota 69
Calvin 81, Willamette 76
Cardinal Stritch 64, Viterbo 59
Carthage 72, Carroll (Wis.) 67
Central St. (Ohio) 65, Ohio Dominican 60
Concordia (St.P.) 99, Sioux Falls 79
Cornerstone 99, Kuyper 59
Dayton 74, UNC Wilmington 49
Duquesne 81, Akron 76
Edgewood 73, Wis.-Superior 67
Evansville 80, Oakland City 53
Green Bay 52, Wyoming 44
Hope 75, Spring Arbor 56
Illinois St. 78, Lipscomb 70
Indiana 94, Savannah St. 65
Kent St. 77, Alcorn St. 58
Lake Erie 72, Malone 61
Louisville 69, Butler 53
Madonna 78, Alma 73
Marian (Wis.) 81, Martin Luther 71
Michigan Tech 74, Minn. St.-Mankato 63
Michigan-Dearborn 71, Olivet 62
Missouri St. 71, Emporia St. 45
Nebraska Wesleyan 65, Northwestern (Minn.) 61
Oberlin 76, Earlham 58
Park 82, York (Neb.) 81
Presbyterian 56, Cincinnati 54
Quincy 65, Ill.-Chicago 61
St. John's (Minn.) 69, St. Scholastica 67
Trinity Christian 81, St. Ambrose 69
Valparaiso 79, Indiana-Kokomo 48
Walsh 109, Penn St.-Brandywine 52
Wis.-Eau Claire 68, Concordia (Wis.) 63
Wis.-La Crosse 74, Gustavus 67
Wis.-Platteville 71, North Park 53
Wis.-Stevens Pt. 68, York (Pa.) 54
Wis.-Stout 66, Wartburg 52
Wis.-Whitewater 71, Dominican (Ill.) 44
Wisconsin 69, Wofford 33

FAR WEST

Boise St. 103, CS Northridge 61
Cal Poly 42, Southern Cal 36
Gonzaga 73, Hawaii 54
Montana St. 70, Utah 64
New Mexico St. 69, UTEP 73
San Diego St. 77, Long Beach St. 73, OT
San Francisco 69, Seattle 63
Southern Miss. 79, Colorado St. 58
Utah St. 65, S. Utah 62
Utah Valley 58, UMKC 54
Weber St. 80, UC Irvine 72

EAST

American U. 66, Columbia 59
Bentley 67, Bridgeport 63
Bloomsburg 82, Lock Haven 50
Brooklyn [illegible], St. John Fisher 45
Brown 59, Hartford 52
Bucknell 73, St. Francis (Pa.) 42
CCSU 67, Army 61
CW Post 90, Bloomfield 82
Capital 82, Westminster (Pa.) 62
Coast Guard 77, Swarthmore 74
Dartmouth 66, Bryant 62
DeSales 70, E. Mennonite 66
Edinboro 101, Mansfield 69
Emory & Henry 63, Averett 62
Farmingdale 81, Brockport 70
Fredonia St. 75, Ithaca 70
Gettysburg 62, Drew 58, OT
Haverford 64, Merchant Marine 51
Hobart 82, Cazenovia 76, OT
Hofstra 63, St. Francis (NY) 59
Kentucky 85, Penn St. 47
La Salle 92, James Madison 83
Northeastern 64, S. Illinois 57
Ohio Northern 72, Hood 67
Old Dominion 68, South Florida 66, OT
Old Westbury 86, Alfred 60
Penn 66, Robert Morris 60
Princeton 61, Buffalo 53
Providence 87, Florida A&M 65
Quinnipiac 78, Navy 54
Richard Stockton 78, Elizabethtown 74
Scranton 93, New Paltz 59
Siena 65, Mount St. Mary's 53
Syracuse 92, Colgate 47
Vermont 84, Marist 75
W. Connecticut 70, Regis 55
Wagner 76, Lafayette 70
Widener 78, Cortland St. 74
Worcester Tech 100, Castleton St. 81

TOURNAMENT

Dominican Tipoff Championship
Dominican (NY) 71, St. Thomas Aquinas 54

Third Place
Molloy 73, Nyack 67

Eastern Conn. Tip-Off Championship
St. Joseph's (LI) 90, E. Connecticut 76

Third Place
Worcester St. 83, Geneseo St. 76

NYU Tipoff
First Round
Baruch 74, Colby 63
NYU 84, College of NJ 66

TicketCity Legends Classic
First Round
Vanderbilt 86, NC State 79

USVI Paradise Jam
First Round
Drake 66, Winthrop 62
Virginia 49, Drexel 35

Winona St. Tournament
First Round
Upper Iowa 78, Simpson (Iowa) 71
Winona St. 98, Minot St. 78

Top 25 Fared
Saturday

1. North Carolina (2-0) did not play. Next vs. MVSU, Sunday.
2. Kentucky (3-0) beat Penn State 85-47. Next: vs. Radford, Wednesday.
3. Ohio State (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. North Florida, Monday.
4. UConn (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Coppin State, Sunday.
5. Syracuse (4-0) beat Colgate 92-47. Next: vs. Eastern Michigan, Tuesday, Nov. 29.
6. Duke (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Tennessee, Monday.
7. Florida (2-1) did not play. Next: vs. Wright State, Monday.
8. Louisville (3-0) beat Butler 69-53. Next: vs. Arkansas State, Tuesday.
9. Pittsburgh (2-1) did not play. Next: vs. La Salle, Tuesday.
10. Memphis (1-0) did not play. Next: vs. Michigan, Monday.
11. Baylor (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. South Carolina State, Tuesday.
12. Kansas (1-1) did not play. Next: vs. Georgetown, Monday.
13. Xavier (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia, Friday.
14. Wisconsin (3-0) beat Wofford 69-33. Next: vs. UMKC, Tuesday.
15. Arizona (4-1) did not play. Next: vs. San Diego State, Wednesday.
16. Alabama (4-0) did not play. Next: vs. Purdue, Sunday.
17. Michigan (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Memphis, Monday.
18. Vanderbilt (3-1) beat N.C. State 86-79. Next: vs. Monmouth (NJ), Friday.
19. Texas A&M (3-1) did not play. Next: vs. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, Friday.
20. Cincinnati (2-1) lost to Presbyterian 56-54. Next: vs. Northwestern State, Monday.
21. Marquette (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi, Sunday.
22. Gonzaga (2-0) vs. Hawaii. Next: vs. Western Michigan, Saturday.
23. California (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia, Monday.
24. Missouri (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Notre Dame, Monday.
25. Florida State (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. South Alabama, Sunday.

Women's

SATURDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST

Air Force 64, Texas Southern 54
Grambling St. at Oklahoma St., ccd.
Howard Payne 83, Ferrum 78
Oral Roberts 92, Louisiana Tech 71
Stephen F. Austin 59, Wiley 57
UTEP 82, Houston Baptist 53

SOUTH

Alabama A&M 72, Lipscomb 54
Appalachian St. 69, Gardner-Webb 41
Asbury 68, Principia 33
Ashland 80, Kentucky Wesleyan 63
Barton 74, Lander 72
Campbell 59, W. Carolina 43
Campbellsville 83, Rio Grande 51
Charleston Southern 67, Voorhees 39
Charlotte 69, Elon 58
Christopher Newport 72, Roanoke 58
Coastal Carolina 90, St. Andrews 42
Florida Gulf Coast 59, Michigan St. 58
Freed-Hardeman 56, Westminster (Utah) 41
Georgetown (Ky.) 86, Pikeville 66
Hampton 68, Jacksonville 55
Howard 60, Detroit 58
Kennesaw St. 81, Jacksonville St. 67
Kentucky 88, Southern Miss. 71
Lee 90, Faulkner 76
Limestone 81, Catawba 69
Lindsey Wilson 56, Lenoir-Rhyne 52
Maryville (Tenn.) 61, Oglethorpe 50
McNeese St. 61, UAB 56, OT
Memphis 89, Ark.-Pine Bluff 60
Mid-Continent 84, Midway 71
Milligan 68, Alice Lloyd 58
Mount Olive 73, Chowan 65
N. Kentucky 75, Salem International 19
Pfeiffer 73, Livingstone 64
Presbyterian 53, SC State 50
Radford 65, SC-Upstate 52
Savannah St. 68, Columbia (SC) 35
St. Leo 50, Valdosta St. 43
Tennessee St. 78, Cumberland (Tenn.) 48
Trevecca Nazarene 61, Georgia College 58
Tulane 65, LSU 62, OT
UNC Asheville 73, Montreat 64
Winthrop 82, Niagara 47
Wofford 50, Norfolk St. 45
Xavier (NO) 72, Huston-Tillotson 41
Young Harris 64, Flagler 49

MIDWEST

Aquinas 63, Cardinal Stritch 46
Augustana (SD) 66, Minot St. 55
Ball St. 81, Murray St. 72
Bemidji St. 100, Mayville St. 51
Buena Vista 63, Northwestern (Minn.) 43
Carroll (Wis.) 66, Cornell (Iowa) 6
Carthage 63, Wis. Lutheran 57
Coe 49, Ripon 40
Drexel 67, Akron 60
Dubuque 81, Edgewood 55
Georgia Tech 74, Marquette 63
IUPUI 75, St. Francis (NY) 56
Iowa 78, N. Iowa 74
Lakeland 75, Wis.-Stout 67
Loras 68, Wis.-Platteville 58
Manchester 59, Baldwin-Wallace 45
Miami (Ohio) 81, UMass 56
Milwaukee Engineering 55, North Central 44
Ohio 68, Marshall 56
Ohio Dominican 69, Ursuline 63
Siena Heights 80, Goshen 52
St. Benedict 95, St. Scholastica 46
St. Cloud St. 52, Sioux Falls 51
St. Norbert 77, Wis.-Superior 68
Stetson 73, Bradley 63
Tusculum 74, Findlay 64
VCU 78, UMKC 70
Wayne (Mich.) 70, Lake Superior St. 67
Winona St. 69, Viterbo 41
Wis.-LaCrosse 53, Wheaton (Ill.) 43
Wis.-Oshkosh 68, Finlandia 49
Wis.-Parkside 67, Saginaw Valley St. 50
Wis.-Stevens Pt. 70, Alverno 43
Wis.-Whitewater 80, Whitworth 57
Wright St. 57, Delaware St. 53

EAST

Allegheny 61, Misericordia 59
Army 51, Fairleigh Dickinson 37
Bloomsburg 73, Lock Haven 55
Brown 65, Albany (NY) 53
Bryant 65, Maine 53
Buffalo 63, Bucknell 57
CW Post 64, Adelphi 59
Castleton St. 67, St. Joseph's (Maine) 66
Clarkson 68, St. Joseph's (NY) 65
Dartmouth 58, Colgate 50
E. Mennonite 113, York (NY) 33
Edinboro 65, Mansfield 46
Fordham 54, Holy Cross 43
Georgetown 68, Houston 36
Holy Family 74, New Haven 67
Juniata 59, DeSales 43
Lehigh 64, St. Peter's 48
Manhattan 66, ETSU 53
Maryland 70, UMBC 59
Marywood 66, St. John Fisher 50
Muhlenberg 74, College of NJ 63
NJIT 66, Wagner 65
NY Tech 80, Chestnut Hill 70
NYU 64, FDU-Florham 52
Neumann 63, Shenandoah 56
Penn 66, Rider 57
Princeton 58, Villanova 41
Rochester 77, Baruch 63
Rutgers 61, La Salle 48
Siena 73, Rhode Island 65
Syracuse 74, Lafayette 54
Towson 64, Canisius 50
Vassar 87, Cedar Crest 40
Vermont 60, Saint Joseph's 67
Virginia Tech 55, George Washington 49
Wellesley 64, Wilson 35
William Paterson 71, Moravian 65
Wittenberg 65, New Paltz 62

FAR WEST

BYU 84, Weber St. 67
DePaul 99, Portland 64
Oklahoma 58, New Mexico 56
San Diego 82, Seattle 65
San Diego St. 71, Hawaii 44
UC Riverside 76, CS Bakersfield 62
UC Santa Barbara 66, Loyola Marymount 49
UNLV 78, San Jose St. 41
Utah St. 69, UC Irvine 64
Utah Valley 68, Idaho St. 59
Washington 73, CS Northridge 67

TOURNAMENT

Northwood Classic
Second Round
N. Michigan 78, Urbana 55
Northwood (Mich.) 70, Alma 38

Subway Classic
First Round
Minnesota 65, Binghamton 40
N. Dakota St. 67, Nevada 47

WHAC/MCC Challenge
Second Round
Bethel (Ind.) 82, Madonna 53
Indiana Wesleyan 70, Cornerstone 41

Women's Top 25 Fared
Saturday

1. Baylor (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 2 Notre Dame, Sunday.
2. Notre Dame (3-0) did not play. Next: at No. 1 Baylor, Sunday.
3. Tennessee (2-0) did not play. Next: at Virginia, Sunday.
4. UConn (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Stanford, Monday.
5. Stanford (3-0) did not play. Next: at No. 4 UConn, Monday.
6. Texas A&M (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Mississippi State, Sunday.
7. Miami (2-1) did not play. Next: at Alaska-Anchorage, Wednesday.
8. Duke (2-0) did not play. Next: at Western Kentucky, Sunday.
9. Louisville (2-1) did not play. Next: vs. Xavier, Sunday.
10. Maryland (4-0) beat UMBC 70-59. Next: vs. Saint Joseph's, Tuesday.
11. Penn State (2-1) did not play. Next: at South Carolina, Sunday.
12. Georgia (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. No. 23 Southern Cal, Sunday.
13. Oklahoma (2-0) beat New Mexico 58-56. Next: vs. Liberty, Friday.
14. Georgetown (2-2) beat Houston 66-36. Next: vs. Monmouth (NJ), Monday.
15. Rutgers (3-0) beat La Salle 61-48. Next: vs. Lehigh, Tuesday.
16. Purdue (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. UT-Martin, Sunday.
17. Kentucky (4-0) beat Southern Mississippi 88-71. Next: vs. Nebraska-Omaha, Wednesday.
18. DePaul (3-1) beat Portland 99-64. Next: at Hawaii, Sunday. Next: at Northwestern, Sunday.
19. North Carolina (3-0) did not play. Next: vs. Presbyterian, Tuesday.
20. LSU (2-1) lost to Tulane 64-62, OT. Next: vs. Arkansas-Pine Bluff, Monday.
21. Florida State (2-2) did not play. Next: vs. Georgia State, Monday.
22. UCLA (2-1) did not play. Next: vs. West Virginia, Friday.
23. Southern Cal (1-1) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Georgia, Sunday.
24. Ohio State (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. Howard, Tuesday.
25. Texas Tech (2-0) did not play. Next: vs. UMKC, Friday.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
National League

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS—Selected the contracts of 2B Charlie Culberson, OF Tyler Graham, RHP Daniel Otero, RHP Hector Correa, OF Roger Kieschnick and INF Angel Villalona from Fresno (PCL).

HOCKEY
National Hockey League

CAROLINA HURRICANES—Recalled F Zac Dalpe from Charlotte (AHL).

DETROIT RED WINGS—Activated F Todd Bertuzzi from injured reserve. Placed D Ian White on seven-day injured reserve.

FLORIDA PANTHERS—Recalled G Jacob Markstrom from San Antonio (AHL).

NEW YORK ISLANDERS—Recalled G Anders Nilsson from Bridgeport (AHL).

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS—Recalled F Joe Colborne from Toronto (AHL).

WINNIPEG JETS—Activated F Eric Fehr from injured reserve.

American Hockey League

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS—Signed G Steve Valiquette.

CONNECTICUT WHALE—Announced D Lee Baldwin was reassigned to the team from Greenville (ECHL).

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE—Signed G Rob Nolan.

ECHL

ECHL—Suspended Colorado's Tommy Maxwell one game and fined him an undisclosed amount as a result of his actions in a Nov. 18 game against Bakersfield.

ELMIRA JACKALS—Announced F Maxime Gratchev and G Brian Stewart were assigned to the team by Binghamton (AHL).

READING ROYALS—Announced F Dale Mitchell was assigned to the team from Toronto (AHL).

Central Hockey League

BLOOMINGTON BLAZE—Announced D Aaron Dawson was activated from league suspension. Placed D Nello Ferrara on waivers. Signed F Aaron Schwartz and F Chris Chambers.

TULSA OILERS—Signed F Jason Weeks.

COLLEGE

ALABAMA—Suspended DE Nick Gentry and WR DeAndrew White one game each for violating team rules.

GLANTZ-CULVER

NFL
TODAY

FAVORITE	OPEN	TODAY	O/U	UNDERDOG
at Atlanta	6 1/2	6	(44)	Tennessee
at Miami	2	2	(43)	Buffalo
at Baltimore	9	7	(40 1/2)	Cincinnati
at Cleveland	1 1/2	1	(34)	Jacksonville
at Minnesota	+1 1/2	1	(45 1/2)	Oakland
at Detroit	7	7	(47 1/2)	Carolina
at Green Bay	14 1/2	14	(48 1/2)	Tampa Bay
Dallas	7 1/2	7	(41 1/2)	at Washington
at San Francisco	10	10	(40 1/2)	Arizona
at St. Louis	3	3	(39)	Seattle
at Chicago	4	3 1/2	(45)	San Diego
at N.Y. Giants	3 1/2	5	(45 1/2)	Philadelphia
MONDAY				
at New England	14 1/2	15	(46 1/2)	Kansas City

AUTO RACING

NASCAR

Sprint Cup
Ford 400 Lineup
After Saturday qualifying; race Sunday
At Homestead-Miami Speedway
Homestead, Fla.
Lap length: 1.5 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 175.467.
2. (56) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 174.808.
3. (4) Kasey Kahne, Toyota, 174.582.
4. (22) Kurt Busch, Dodge, 174.52.
5. (2) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 174.492.
6. (17) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 174.475.
7. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 174.436.
8. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 174.109.
9. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 174.098.
10. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 173.969.
11. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 173.907.
12. (43) A J Allmendinger, Ford, 173.734.
13. (6) David Ragan, Ford, 173.678.
14. (39) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 173.371.
15. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 173.332.
16. (78) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 173.321.
17. (33) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 173.277.
18. (9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 173.271.
19. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 173.249.
20. (21) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 173.16.
21. (29) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 173.155.
22. (51) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 173.094.
23. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 173.082.
24. (83) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 172.966.
25. (5) Mark Martin, Chevrolet, 172.889.
26. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 172.701.
27. (42) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 172.656.
28. (00) David Reutimann, Toyota, 172.425.
29. (34) Cole Whitt, Toyota, 172.392.
30. (55) J.J. Yeley, Ford, 171.991.
31. (31) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 171.821.
32. (20) Joey Logano, Toyota, 171.685.
33. (66) Michael McDowell, Toyota, 171.059.
34. (35) Dave Blaney, Chevrolet, 171.027.
35. (47) Bobby Labonte, Toyota, 170.881.
36. (30) David Stremme, Chevrolet, 170.861.
37. (87) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, 170.578.
38. (34) David Gilliland, Ford, 170.143.
39. (13) Casey Mears, Toyota, 169.929.
40. (38) Travis Kvapil, Ford, Owner Points.
41. (32) T.J. Bell, Ford, Owner Points.
42. (36) Geoffrey Bodine, Chevrolet, Owner Points.
43. (71) Mike Bliss, Ford, 169.94.

Failed to Qualify

44. (46) Scott Speed, Ford, 169.529.
45. (7) Reed Sorenson, Dodge, 169.359.
46. (37) Mike Skinner, Ford, 168.587.
47. (92) Scott Riggs, Chevrolet, 167.775.
48. (93) Grant Enfinger, Chevrolet, 165.807.

Nationwide
Ford 300 Results
Saturday
At Homestead-Miami Speedway
Homestead, Fla.
Lap length: 1.5 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (1) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 200 laps, 133.4 rating, 0 points.
2. (4) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 200, 124.3, 43.
3. (3) Carl Edwards, Ford, 200, 138.5, 0.
4. (6) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 200, 115, 0.
5. (7) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 200, 107.4, 0.
6. (2) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 200, 104.1, 39.
7. (13) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, 200, 103.4, 38.
8. (10) Aric Almirola, Chevrolet, 200, 98.7, 38.
9. (11) Brian Scott, Toyota, 200, 92.1, 35.
10. (9) Joey Logano, Toyota, 200, 95.1, 0.
11. (8) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 200, 107.9, 34.
12. (14) Jason Leffler, Chevrolet, 200, 88.6, 32.
13. (5) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 200, 90, 31.
14. (19) James Buescher, Chevrolet, 200, 76.4, 0.
15. (21) David Stremme, Chevrolet, 200, 82.8, 0.
16. (22) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, 200, 75, 28.
17. (17) Mike Bliss, Chevrolet, 200, 77.6, 27.
18. (29) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 200, 70.3, 26.
19. (15) Michael Annett, Toyota, 200, 79.2, 26.
20. (31) Mike Wallace, Chevrolet, 200, 65, 24.
21. (33) Timmy Hill, Ford, 200, 60.4, 23.
22. (37) Robert Richardson Jr., Chevrolet, 200, 66.7, 22.
23. (18) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, 199, 65.4, 21.
24. (35) Nelson Piquet Jr., Chevrolet, 198, 55.8, 0.
25. (23) Reed Sorenson, Dodge, 198, 59.7, 19.
26. (36) Kevin Conway, Toyota, 198, 50, 18.
27. (20) Casey Roderick, Ford, 198, 45.9, 17.
28. (40) T.J. Duke, Chevrolet, 198, 43.7, 16.
29. (34) Eric McClure, Chevrolet, 197, 42.2, 15.
30. (42) Derrike Cope, Dodge, 195, 37.7, 14.
31. (32) Stanton Barrett, Chevrolet, 194, 43.8, 13.
32. (12) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, accident, 190, 67.5, 12.
33. (16) Kenny Wallace, Toyota, accident, 187, 73, 11.
34. (27) Steve Wallace, Toyota, accident, 146, 41.2, 10.
35. (41) Kevin Lepage, Chevrolet, rear gear, 138, 36.6, 9.
36. (24) Andrew Ranger, Ford, accident, 91, 53.4, 8.
37. (30) Scott Riggs, Chevrolet, overheating, 15, 40.6, 7.
38. (43) Chase Miller, Chevrolet, rear gear, 10, 37.8, 6.
39. (25) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, electrical, 4, 35.9, 5.
40. (28) Matt Carter, Chevrolet, vibration, 4, 34.3, 4.
41. (26) Scott Speed, Chevrolet, overheating, 3, 33, 3.
42. (38) Fain Skinner, Ford, accident, 2, 31.4, 2.
43. (39) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, engine, 1, 30, 1.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 119.377 mph.
Time of Race: 2 hours, 30 minutes, 47 seconds.
Margin of Victory: 0.268 seconds.
Caution Flags: 9 for 36 laps.
Lead Changes: 17 among 9 drivers.
Lap Leaders: E.Sadler 1-7; B.Keselowski 8-16; C.Bowyer 17; B.Keselowski 18-59; C.Edwards 60-91; S.Hornish Jr. 92-94; C.Edwards 95-98; T.Bayne 99-100; C.Edwards 101-133; M.Annett 134; C.Edwards 135-146; C.Bowyer 147-154; R.Stenhouse Jr. 155-176; D.Stremme 177-179; B.Keselowski 180-187; C.Edwards 188-193; B.Keselowski 194-200.
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): C.Edwards, 5 times for 87 laps; B.Keselowski, 4 times for 66 laps; R.Stenhouse Jr., 1 time for 22 laps; C.Bowyer, 2 times for 9 laps; E.Sadler, 1 time for 7 laps; S.Hornish Jr., 1 time for 3 laps; D.Stremme, 1 time for 3 laps; T.Bayne, 1 time for 2 laps; M.Annett, 1 time for 1 lap.
Top 10 in Points: 1. R.Stenhouse Jr., 1,222; 2. E.Sadler, 1,177; 3. J.Allgaier, 1,105; 4. A.Almirola, 1,095; 5. R.Sorenson, 1,082; 6. J.Leffler, 1,028; 7. K.Wallace, 983; 8. B.Scott, 947; 9. M.Annett, 944; 10. S.Wallace, 921.

NASCAR Driver Rating Formula

A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.

The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Philadelphia	19	11	5	3	25	71	58
Pittsburgh	20	11	6	3	25	60	50
N.Y. Rangers	17	10	4	3	23	47	38
New Jersey	18	10	7	1	21	49	50
N.Y. Islanders	17	5	9	3	13	35	56

Northeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Buffalo	20	12	8	0	24	58	51
Toronto	20	11	7	2	24	61	66
Boston	18	11	7	0	22	64	39
Montreal	20	9	8	3	21	53	49
Ottawa	20	10	9	1	21	61	68

Southeast Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	19	10	6	3	23	58	48
Washington	18	10	7	1	21	58	56
Tampa Bay	19	9	8	2	20	54	60
Winnipeg	20	8	9	3	19	58	65
Carolina	20	6	11	3	15	46	68

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	20	12	5	3	27	69	58
Nashville	19	10	5	4	24	53	48
St. Louis	19	10	7	2	22	48	43
Detroit	18	10	7	1	21	49	41
Columbus	19	4	13	2	10	43	69

Northwest Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Minnesota	20	12	5	3	27	47	40
Edmonton	18	9	7	2	20	41	43
Vancouver	19	9	9	1	19	56	56
Colorado	20	9	10	1	19	55	61
Calgary	18	8	9	1	17	41	47

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	17	11	5	1	23	53	42
Phoenix	18	10	5	3	23	51	45
Los Angeles	20	10	7	3	23	49	48
Dallas	19	11	8	0	22	49	54
Anaheim	19	6	9	4	16	39	57

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

Saturday's Scores

Minnesota 3, St. Louis 2, SO
Winnipeg 6, Philadelphia 4
Detroit 4, Los Angeles 1
Phoenix 4, Buffalo 2
Toronto 7, Washington 1
Montreal 4, N.Y. Rangers 0
Boston 6, N.Y. Islanders 0
New Jersey 4, Tampa Bay 2
Florida 3, Pittsburgh 2
Columbus 4, Nashville 3, OT
San Jose 4, Dallas 1
Chicago at Edmonton, late

Today's Games

Toronto at Carolina, 4 p.m.
San Jose at Colorado, 7 p.m.
Detroit at Anaheim, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Vancouver, 8 p.m.

Monday's Games

Carolina at Philadelphia, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
Phoenix at Washington, 6 p.m.
Calgary at Columbus, 6 p.m.
Boston at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Florida, 6:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY'S SUMMARIES

SHARKS 4, STARS 1

San Jose	1	2	1	— 4
Dallas	0	0	1	— 1

First Period—1, San Jose, Burns 4 (Thornton, Marleau), 4:58 (pp).
Second Period—2, San Jose, Couture 7 (Thornton, Marleau), 1:23 (pp). 3, San Jose, Winchester 2 (Desjardins), 4:52.
Third Period—4, San Jose, McGinn 2 (Handzus, Havlat), 4:34. 5, Dallas, Ribeiro 2 (Eriksson), 6:22.
Shots on Goal—San Jose 10-18-10—38. Dallas 14-7-10—31.
Goalies—San Jose, Niemi. Dallas, Raycroft. A—13,711 (18,532). T—2:31.

WILD 3, BLUES 2

St. Louis	1	0	1	0	— 2
Minnesota	0	1	1	0	— 3

Minnesota won shootout 2-1

First Period—1, St. Louis, Backes 7 (Oshie, Steen), 10:39.
Second Period—2, Minnesota, Koivu 2, 2:37 (sh).
Third Period—3, St. Louis, Oshie 6 (Steen, Backes), 6:07. 4, Minnesota, Koivu 3 (Spurgeon, Clutterbuck), 18:22 (pp).
Overtime—None.
Shootout—St. Louis 1 (Steen NG, Oshie G, Shattenkirk NG), Minnesota 2 (Bouchard NG, Koivu G, Cullen G).
Shots on Goal—St. Louis 9-10-5-3—27. Minnesota 7-8-16-1—32.
Goalies—St. Louis, Halak. Minnesota, Harding. A—17,259 (18,064). T—2:43.

BLUE JACKETS 4, PREDATORS 3

Columbus	0	2	1	1	— 4
Nashville	1	1	1	0	— 3

First Period—1, Nashville, C.Wilson 5 (Legwand, C.Smith), 18:29 (pp).
Second Period—2, Columbus, Carter 1 (Nash), 3:29. 3, Nashville, Fisher 3 (Weber, Suter), 10:27 (pp). 4, Columbus, Prospal 6 (Nash, Tyutin), 12:29 (pp).
Third Period—5, Columbus, Umberger 2 (Johansen, Wisniewski), 1:45 (pp). 6, Nashville, Spaling 2 (Weber, Suter), 14:24.
Overtime—7, Columbus, Wisniewski 1 (Vermette), 2:43.
Shots on Goal—Columbus 9-12-6-2—29. Nashville 7-10-12-1—30.
Goalies—Columbus, Sanford. Nashville, Rinne. A—16,776 (17,113). T—2:36.

PANTHERS 3, PENGUINS 2

Pittsburgh	1	1	0	— 2
Florida	1	1	1	— 3

First Period—1, Pittsburgh, Kunitz 7 (Dupuis), 1:09. 2, Florida, Campbell 2 (Versteeg, Weiss), 7:28.
Second Period—3, Florida, Fleischmann 8 (Weiss, Kulikov), 5:48 (pp). 4, Pittsburgh, Staal 10 (Dupuis, Niskanen), 12:38.
Third Period—5, Florida, Weiss 7 (Versteeg, Fleischmann), 16:30 (pp).
Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 7-17-17—41. Florida 10-11-10—31.
Goalies—Pittsburgh, Johnson. Florida, Theodore. A—18,071 (17,040). T—2:25.

CANADIENS 4, RANGERS 0

N.Y. Rangers	0	0	0	— 0
Montreal	1	1	2	— 4

First Period—1, Montreal, Cole 6 (Weber, Plekanec), 3:45 (pp).
Second Period—2, Montreal, Gionta 6 (Gomez, Diaz), 8:12.
Third Period—3, Montreal, Plekanec 5 (Cole, Pacioretty), 7:05 (pp). 4, Montreal, Gionta 7 (Gomez, Cammalleri), 13:47.
Shots on Goal—N.Y. Rangers 5-5-7—17. Montreal 11-10-10—31.
Goalies—N.Y. Rangers, Biron. Montreal, Price. A—21,273 (21,273). T—2:23.

MAPLE LEAFS 7, CAPITALS 1

Washington	1	0	0	— 1
Toronto	2	4	1	— 7

First Period—1, Toronto, Connolly 2 (Lupul), 1:39. 2, Washington, Laich 3 (Chimera, Carlson), 2:30. 3, Toronto, Frattin 1 (Colborne, Franson), 19:16.
Second Period—4, Toronto, Bozak 2 (Lupul, Phaneuf), 1:18 (pp). 5, Toronto, Kessel 14 (Bozak, Lupul), 5:29. 6, Toronto, Lupul 10 (Phaneuf, Kessel), 17:12 (pp). 7, Toronto, Franson 1 (Connolly), 19:29 (pp).
Third Period—8, Toronto, Steckel 4 (Kulemin), 19:16 (sh).
Shots on Goal—Washington 8-15-18—41. Toronto 16-10-3—29.
Goalies—Washington, Vokoun, Neuvirth. Toronto, Gustavsson. A—19,594 (18,819). T—2:29.

BRUINS 6, ISLANDERS 0

Boston	3	0	3	— 6
N.Y. Islanders	0	0	0	— 0

First Period—1, Boston, Bergeron 4 (Seguin, Marchand), 7:08. 2, Boston, Horton 6, 12:24 (pp). 3, Boston, Kelly 6, 18:45.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—4, Boston, Ference 1 (Corvo, Kelly), 10:25. 5, Boston, Kelly 7 (Lucic, Horton), 12:54. 6, Boston, Chara 2 (Marchand, Campbell), 18:15.
Shots on Goal—Boston 13-6-11—30. N.Y. Islanders 2-11-10—23.
Goalies—Boston, Thomas. N.Y. Islanders, DiPietro, Nilsson. A—16,011 (16,234). T—2:20.

DEVILS 4, LIGHTNING 2

New Jersey	0	3	1	— 4
Tampa Bay	0	0	2	— 2

First Period—None.
Second Period—1, New Jersey, Zubrus 5 (Carter), 1:09. 2, New Jersey, Elias 8 (Clarkson, Larsson), 6:05 (pp). 3, New Jersey, Clarkson 7 (Henrique, Kovalchuk), 17:44 (pp).
Third Period—4, Tampa Bay, St. Louis 5 (Shannon, Kubina), 8:24. 5, Tampa Bay, Shannon 1 (Downie, Brewer), 9:54. 6, New Jersey, Carter 2, 17:57.
Shots on Goal—New Jersey 10-10-4—24. Tampa Bay 3-10-10—23.
Goalies—New Jersey, Brodeur. Tampa Bay, Roloson. A—18,894 (19,204). T—2:28.

COYOTES 4, SABRES 2

Phoenix	1	2	1	— 4
Buffalo	1	1	0	— 2

First Period—1, Phoenix, Doan 6 (Yandle, Morris), 7:09. 2, Buffalo, Adam 6 (Leopold, Gerbe), 11:57.
Second Period—3, Buffalo, Kaleta 2 (Gaustad, Leopold), :51. 4, Phoenix, Vrbata 7 (Klesla, Schlemko), 8:35. 5, Phoenix, Bissonnette 1 (Chipchura, Aucoin), 9:41.
Third Period—6, Phoenix, Vrbata 8 (Yandle, Hanzal), 18:49 (en).
Shots on Goal—Phoenix 8-15-6—29. Buffalo 16-14-15—45.
Goalies—Phoenix, Smith. Buffalo, Enroth. A—18,690 (18,690). T—2:23.

RED WINGS 4, KINGS 1

Detroit	1	2	1	— 4
Los Angeles	1	0	0	— 1

First Period—1, Los Angeles, Richards 8, 6:37 (sh). 2, Detroit, Datsyuk 3 (Holmstrom, Lidstrom), 7:14 (pp).
Second Period—3, Detroit, Kronwall 6 (Holmstrom, Franzen), 7:08 (pp). 4, Detroit, Abdelkader 2 (Smith, Ericsson), 15:38.
Third Period—5, Detroit, Datsyuk 4 (Franzen), 15:08.
Missed Penalty Shot—Kopitar, LA, 11:06 second.
Shots on Goal—Detroit 13-17-8—38. Los Angeles 8-7-9—24.
Goalies—Detroit, Howard. Los Angeles, Quick. A—18,118 (18,118). T—2:24.

JETS 6, FLYERS 4

Philadelphia	1	1	2	— 4
Winnipeg	3	2	1	— 6

First Period—1, Winnipeg, Little 3 (Wheeler, Byfuglien), 4:45 (pp). 2, Winnipeg, Little 4 (Wheeler, Kane), 7:00. 3, Winnipeg, Ladd 6 (K.Wellwood, Byfuglien), 10:15 (pp). 4, Philadelphia, Hartnell 7 (Pronger, Giroux), 13:27 (pp).
Second Period—5, Winnipeg, Slater 6, 5:49 (sh). 6, Winnipeg, Byfuglien 4 (Ladd, K.Wellwood), 10:20 (pp). 7, Philadelphia, Hartnell 8 (Briere, Pronger), 16:09 (pp).
Third Period—8, Philadelphia, Read 7 (Hartnell, Giroux), 8:32. 9, Philadelphia, Read 8 (Giroux, Carle), 17:46. 10, Winnipeg, Antropov 4, 18:46 (en).
Shots on Goal—Philadelphia 8-10-13—31. Winnipeg 18-15-7—40.
Goalies—Philadelphia, Bobrovsky. Winnipeg, Pavelec. A—15,004 (15,015). T—2:37.

SKI REPORT

ROCKIES

New Mexico

Sipapu — Wed 5:54 am powder machine groomed 16 - 20 base 5 of 41 trails, 13% open 2 of 5 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Ski Apache — Plan to Open 11/24
Ski Santa Fe — Opening Soon for Snow Sports
Enchanted Forest XC — Wed 7:27 am packed powder machine groomed 12 - 30 base 20 of 40 trails, 25 miles Mon-Fri: 9a-4:30p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4:30p;

Colorado

Arapahoe Basin — Wed 6:22 am 1 new packed powder 20 - 21 base 7 of 105 trails, 14% open, 119 acres, 3 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Beaver Creek — Plan to Open 11/23
Breckenridge — Wed 8:05 am packed powder 21 - 21 base 12 of 155 trails 9% open, 214 acres, 5 of 31 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Copper Mountain — Wed 5:17 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 20 - 20 base 9 of 126 trails, 8% open, 124 acres, 5 of 22 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Eldora — Wed 8:22 am packed powder machine groomed 22 - 22 base 13 of 53 trails, 30% open 4 of 12 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Keystone — Wed 7:58 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 18 - 18 base 8 of 135 trails 5% open, 161 acres, 6 of 20 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Loveland — Wed 5:17 am 1 new packed powder 22 - 22 base 10 of 93 trails 11% open, 180 acres, 4 of 9 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Monarch — Plan to Open 11/23
Vail — Wed 7:54 am packed powder 18 - 18 base 10 of 193 trails, 3% open 166 acres, 6 of 31 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Winter Park — Wed 6:04 am 1 new packed powder 18 - 18 base 5 of 145 trails 5% open, 80 acres, 5 of 25 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Wolf Creek — Wed 8:49 am powder machine groomed 41 - 47 base 77 of 77 trails 100% open, 42 miles, 1600 acres, 5 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Snow Mountain XC — Wed 10:37 am hard packed machine groomed 1 - 6 base 22 of 29 trails 6 miles Mon-Fri: 8:30a-5p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-5p;

Utah

Alta — Wed 6:03 am 9 new packed powder machine groomed 30 - 30 base 35 of 116 trails 30% open, 960 acres, 4 of 11 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9:15a-4:30p Sat/Sun: 9:15a-4:30p;
Brian Head — Plan to Open 11/19
Brighton — Wed 4:03 am 11 new powder 33 - 33 base 18 of 66 trails 28% open, 3 of 7 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Park City — Wed 9:04 am 6 new packed powder machine groomed 24 - 24 base 8 of 114 trails 8% open, 3 of 16 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Snowbird — Wed 9:00 am 9 new packed powder machine groomed 20 - 30 base 3 of 85 trails 4% open, 1 of 13 lifts, Fri: 9a-5p; Sat/Sun: 9a-5p;
Solitude — Wed 6:57 am 6 new hard packed 25 - 30 base 19 of 65 trails 30% open, 4 of 8 lifts, Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;

Montana

Discovery — Plan to Open 11/24 3 new
Great Divide — Wed Plan to Open 11/20 11 new packed powder machine groomed 30 - 36 base 50 of 140 trails, 3 of 6 lifts, am Open Thu-Sun; Nov 20: 12p-4p;
Teton Pass — Closed for 2011-2012 Season

Wyoming

Grand Targhee — Plan to Open 11/25
Jackson Hole — Plan to Open 11/26 13 new Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Sleeping Giant — Plan to Open 11/20 3 new

Pacific South

California

Bear Mountain — Wed 7:20 am hard packed machine groomed 12 - 24 base 4 of 27 trails 15% open, 2 of 12 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8a-4p;
Boreal — Wed 5:50 am 6 - 10 new packed powder machine groomed 6 - 12 base 5 of 41 trails 35% open, 3 of 8 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-9p; Sat/Sun: 9a-9p;
China Peak — Wed 10:17 am packed powder machine groomed 18 - 23 base 3 of 45 trails 7% open, 3 of 11 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 9a-4p;
Heavenly — Wed 7:58 am 1 new packed powder machine groomed 18 - 24 base 3 of 97 trails 10% open, 44 acres, 2 of 30 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 9a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Mammoth — Wed 6:57 am hard packed machine groomed 12 - 24 base 6 of 150 trails, 10% open 66 acres, 5 of 28 lifts, am Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Mountain High — Wed 6:21 am hard packed machine groomed 10 - 20 base 7 of 59 trails 20% open, 4 of 14 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Northstar — Wed 8:47 am variable 18 - 24 base 7 of 97 trails, 8% open 40 acres, 6 of 20 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;
Snow Summit — Wed 7:19 am hard packed machine groomed 12 - 24 base 6 of 31 trails 20% open, 5 of 14 lifts, Mon-Fri: 8:30a-4p; Sat/Sun: 8:30a-4p;

NFL

NFL Injury Report

NEW YORK — The updated National Football League injury report, as provided by the league:

CAROLINA PANTHERS at DETROIT LIONS — PANTHERS: OUT: LB Jason Phillips (calf). DOUBTFUL: TE Jeremy Shockey (ribs). QUESTIONABLE: LB Dan Connor (shoulder), CB Brandon Hogan (knee). PROBABLE: LB James Anderson (ankle), CB Captain Munnerlyn (quadriceps). LIONS: OUT: RB Jahvid Best (concussion), P Ryan Donahue (right quadriceps). QUESTIONABLE: DE Lawrence Jackson (thigh), DE Willie Young (ankle). PROBABLE: S Amari Spievey (toe), QB Matthew Stafford (right finger).

TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS at GREEN BAY PACKERS — BUCCANEERS: QUESTIONABLE: S Tanard Jackson (hamstring), LB Dekoda Watson (groin). PROBABLE: DE Michael Bennett (groin), C Jeff Faine (illness), QB Josh Freeman (right thumb), DT Albert Haynesworth (knee), DT Frank Okam (calf), T Donald Penn (foot). PACKERS: OUT: T Chad Clifton (hamstring), LB Frank Zombo (hamstring). QUESTIONABLE: DE Mike Neal (knee). PROBABLE: S Morgan Burnett (hand), RB Ryan Grant (knee), LB Clay Matthews (ankle), G Josh Sitton (knee).

DALLAS COWBOYS at WASHINGTON REDSKINS — COWBOYS: OUT: WR Miles Austin (hamstring), RB Tony Fiammetta (illness), CB Mike Jenkins (hamstring). DOUBTFUL: QB Jon Kitna (back). QUESTIONABLE: RB Felix Jones (ankle), G Kyle Kosier (foot). PROBABLE: LB Sean Lee (wrist), P Mat McBriar (left foot). REDSKINS: OUT: LB Keyaron Fox (infection), WR Santana Moss (hand), WR Niles Paul (toe). QUESTIONABLE: T Jammal Brown (groin), [illegible] Hurt (shoulder), S LaRon Landry (Achilles), T Sean Locklear (ankle). PROBABLE: S Oshiomogho Atogwe (toe, knee), RB Tashard Choice (hamstring), S Reed Doughty (chest), LB London Fletcher (ankle), TE Logan Paulsen (shoulder).

JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS at CLEVELAND BROWNS — JAGUARS: OUT: DT Terrance Knighton (ankle). DOUBTFUL: DE Aaron Kampman (hamstring). QUESTIONABLE: RB Brock Bolen (calf), WR Brian Robiskie (hamstring). PROBABLE: DE John Chick (abdomen), WR Cecil Shorts (hamstring). BROWNS: OUT: RB Peyton Hillis (hamstring), S T.J. Ward (foot, finger). QUESTIONABLE: LB Auston English (knee), RB Montario Hardesty (calf), T Tony Pashos (ankle), CB Dimitri Patterson (knee). PROBABLE: WR Mohamed Massaquoi (head), DE Jayme Mitchell (chest, ankle), DE Jabaal Sheard (thigh), S Usama Young (shoulder).

CINCINNATI BENGALS at BALTIMORE RAVENS — BENGALS: DOUBTFUL: WR A.J. Green (knee), TE Donald Lee (foot). QUESTIONABLE: DE Carlos Dunlap (hamstring). PROBABLE: CB Nate Clements (knee), C Kyle Cook (foot), S Chris Crocker (knee), DE Jonathan Fanene (illness), WR Andrew Hawkins (hamstring), CB Adam Jones (groin), RB Brian Leonard (knee), LB Dontay Moch (illness), DE Frostee Rucker (knee), S Gibril Wilson (ankle). RAVENS: OUT: RB Anthony Allen (thigh), DT Arthur Jones (head). QUESTIONABLE: LB Dannell Ellerbe (thigh), WR Lee Evans (ankle), LB Ray Lewis (foot).

BUFFALO BILLS at MIAMI DOLPHINS — BILLS: OUT: K Rian Lindell (shoulder). DOUBTFUL: S George Wilson (neck). QUESTIONABLE: T Demetrius Bell (shoulder), DE Spencer Johnson (calf), WR Stevie Johnson (shoulder). PROBABLE: LB Chris Kelsay (calf), WR David Nelson (ankle), T Erik Pears (groin). DOLPHINS: QUESTIONABLE: K Dan Carpenter (groin), TE Anthony Fasano (ankle). PROBABLE: CB Nolan Carroll (hamstring).

OAKLAND RAIDERS at MINNESOTA VIKINGS — RAIDERS: OUT: QB Jason Campbell (collarbone), WR Jacoby Ford (foot), CB Chris Johnson (groin, hamstring), RB Darren McFadden (foot). QUESTIONABLE: S Michael Huff (ankle), S Mike Mitchell (ankle), DT Richard Seymour (knee), RB Manase Tonga (knee), CB DeMarcus Van Dyke (hamstring). PROBABLE: TE Kevin Boss (knee), S Matt Giordano (quadriceps), K Sebastian Janikowski (left hamstring), C Samson Satele (knee). VIKINGS: OUT: S Husain Abdullah (concussion), CB Chris Cook (not injury related), G Anthony Herrera (knee). QUESTIONABLE: LB Erin Henderson (hamstring), TE Visanthe Shiancoe (hamstring). PROBABLE: WR Michael Jenkins (knee), C Cullen Loeffler (shoulder), QB Christian Ponder (left hand).

TENNESSEE TITANS at ATLANTA FALCONS — TITANS: OUT: DE Dave Ball (concussion). QUESTIONABLE: LB Colin McCarthy (knee), LB Gerald McRath (hamstring), LB Barrett Ruud (groin). PROBABLE: WR Nate Washington (illness). FALCONS: OUT: S William Moore (quadriceps). QUESTIONABLE: T Sam Baker (back), WR Julio Jones (hamstring). PROBABLE: DE John Abraham (not injury related), WR Harry Douglas (thigh), DE Ray Edwards (knee), CB Brent Grimes (knee), LB Curtis Lofton (ankle), C Todd McClure (not injury related), RB Antone Smith (knee), RB Jason Snelling (hamstring).

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS at ST. LOUIS RAMS — SEAHAWKS: OUT: T James Carpenter (knee). QUESTIONABLE: S Atari Bigby (hamstring), DE Anthony Hargrove (hamstring). PROBABLE: WR Doug Baldwin (head), S Kam Chancellor (head), QB Tarvaris Jackson (pectoral), TE Cameron Morrah (toe, knee), WR Sidney Rice (head), LB David Vobora (head). RAMS: OUT: T Jason Smith (head), RB Carnell Williams (calf). DOUBTFUL: WR Danario Alexander (hamstring). QUESTIONABLE: CB Justin King (head, ankle), T Rodger Saffold (head, chest). PROBABLE: WR Brandon Gibson (groin), LB Josh Hull (hamstring), LB Bryan Kehl (ankle), TE Lance Kendricks (foot), RB Jerious Norwood (hamstring), DE Eugene Sims (shoulder), S Darian Stewart (neck).

ARIZONA CARDINALS at SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — CARDINALS: OUT: LB Joey Porter (knee), S Kerry Rhodes (foot). QUESTIONABLE: CB Michael Adams (hamstring), T Jeremy Bridges (back), TE Todd Heap (hamstring), TE Rob Housler (groin), T Brandon Keith (knee), QB Kevin Kolb (toe), LB Paris Lenon (groin), RB Anthony Sherman (ankle), RB Beanie Wells (knee). PROBABLE: LB Stewart Bradley (ribs), RB LaRod Stephens-Howling (shoulder). 49ERS: QUESTIONABLE: CB Tarell Brown (knee), RB Frank Gore (knee), DE Ray McDonald (hamstring). PROBABLE: LB Navorro Bowman (neck), WR Michael Crabtree (foot), CB Chris Culliver (shoulder), WR Braylon Edwards (knee), CB Shawntae Spencer (toe).

SAN DIEGO CHARGERS at CHICAGO BEARS — CHARGERS: OUT: DE Luis Castillo (tibia), WR Malcom Floyd (hip), T Marcus McNeill (neck), LB Shaun Phillips (foot). DOUBTFUL: CB Marcus Gilchrist (hamstring), G Tyronne Green (hand), G Louis Vasquez (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: DT Antonio Garay (hip), S Darrell Stuckey (thigh). PROBABLE: TE Antonio Gates (not injury related), S Steve Gregory (thigh), LB Takeo Spikes (concussion). BEARS: DOUBTFUL: CB D.J. Moore (ankle). PROBABLE: LB Lance Briggs (neck), RB Matt Forte (shoulder), WR Devin Hester (ankle), DE Julius Peppers (knee).

PHILADELPHIA EAGLES at NEW YORK GIANTS — EAGLES: OUT: T King Dunlap (concussion), CB Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie (ankle). QUESTIONABLE: DE Brandon Graham (knee), WR Jeremy Maclin (shoulder, hamstring), QB Michael Vick (ribs). PROBABLE: S Nate Allen (concussion), G Evan Mathis (toe). GIANTS: OUT: RB Ahmad Bradshaw (foot). DOUBTFUL: LB Michael Boley (hamstring). QUESTIONABLE: CB Prince Amukamara (foot), DE Justin Tuck (ankle). PROBABLE: T Will Beatty (back), WR Jerrel Jernigan (hip), WR Mario Manningham (knee), CB Aaron Ross (quadriceps), DE Osi Umenyiora (knee).

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS at NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — CHIEFS: OUT: QB Matt Cassel (right hand). LIMITED: CB Brandon Carr (ankle), DE Glenn Dorsey (knee), CB Brandon Flowers (back), S Jon McGraw (shoulder). PATRIOTS: DNP: LB Dane Fletcher (thumb), CB Devin McCourty (shoulder), LB Brandon Spikes (knee). LIMITED: CB Kyle Arrington (foot), S Patrick Chung (foot), G Dan Connolly (groin), DE Shaun Ellis (rib), RB Kevin Faulk (knee), RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis (toe), LB Gary Guyton (shoulder), S James Ihedigbo (shoulder), WR Taylor Price (hamstring), WR Matthew Slater (shoulder), T Nate Solder (concussion), LB Jeff Tarpinian (illness), T Sebastian Vollmer (back), G Brian Waters (head), WR Wes Welker (knee).

LADY CHAPS

From 1C

right way, but we didn't quite finish."

Midland College (7-2) was led by all-tournament selections Daneshia Long with 16 points and Achiri Ade with 13. Anfisa Shulha added 12, while Lindsay Ansley and Nety Sousa each had 10 for the Lady Chaps.

Thanks in part to Caples' being held scoreless as well as Midland College (7-2) playing a solid first half, the Lady Chaps took a 37-35 lead into the locker room.

Midland College had opportunities to extend the lead in the second half, but missed layups and eight turnovers helped the Lady Cards not only take the momentum but a 59-49 lead at the 12 minutes, 43 seconds mark of the second half after Caples hit jumper.

"There were just little things (in the second half). We started missing layups and they were getting opportunities and took advantage," Long said.

Jones said the first six minutes of the second half were a big difference in the game.

"I think we missed five or six shots right at the basket, and we had turnovers that we had not had earlier in the game," Jones said. "I felt we got a little bit frazzled, but I'm really proud of the effort, and hopefully we can learn from that. If we can play solid for 40 minutes, I think we can play with anybody in the country. But if we have a five- or six-minute lapse, it will get us beat."

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Achiri Ade gets hacked by Trinity Valley's Taneshia Davis on Saturday night in the championship game of Midland College Women's National Invitational Tournament.

The Lady Chaps fought back to within 59-58 after an Ade putback, but Lewis responded with three consecutive 3-pointers to extend the lead back to 10 points (68-58).

But MC once again made a run at the Lady Cards and pulled to within 83-82 after Long hit two free throws with 34 seconds remaining.

However, TVCC had an answer as Lewis hit a 20-foot jump shot from the left wing with 20 seconds remaining to give the Lady Cards an 85-82 advantage. Caples then added a free throw with five seconds remaining for the final margin.

Even though her team lost the game, Long said it was a good measuring stick for her team.

"It opened our eyes and let us know how good we're going to be," Long said. "They're a great team, and we kept up with them the whole game. We kept pushing at them and kept fighting until the end, and that's all that really matters."

Landers said a tournament like this is a plus for her team because it's much like the NJCAA National Tournament in Salina, Kan., held every year in mid to late March.

"Playing a tournament format, having to scout your opponent and having to change your game plan from day to day is really good for us," Landers said. "We love this tournament, and they do such a good job every year of putting it on. We hope it keeps going because we definitely want to be a part of it."

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NO. 1 TRINITY VALLEY 86, NO. 4 MIDLAND COLLEGE 82

Trinity Valley CC (9-0) — Breanna Lewis 9-20 2-2 27, Star Breedlove 2-7 1-2 5, Ashley Jones 5-9 0-0 6, Taneshia Davis 1-2 1-2 3, Brittney Gill 1-5 1-2 3, Kelana Vines 1-3 0-0 2, Jenee Barrett 1-5 0-0 2, Keuna Flax 5-11 2-5 15, Alice Robinson 1-4 1-1 4, Sha'Kayla Caples 8-19 3-4 20. Totals 33-86 9-20

Midland College (7-2) — Kamilah Cantor 1-1 0-0 2, Bienvenida Sanchez 0-2 0-0 0, Daniella Jackson 2-8 0-0 5, Anfisa Shulha 3-7 3-3 12, Alexis Kelby 2-4 0-2 4, Lindsay Ansley 3-5 4-7 10, Shida Adetayo 0-2 8-8 8, Morgan Schwartz 1-4 0-0 2, Daneshia Long 5-15 4-4 16, Achiri Ade 5-14 1-1 13, Nety Sousa 4-9 2-2 10. Totals 27-71 22-27 82

Halftime — MC 37. TVCC 35. 3-point goals — TVCC 11-31 (Lewis 7-17, Flax 3-8, Caples 1-5, Barrett 0-2, Jones 0-1), MC 8-17 (Shulha 3-6, Long 2-5, Jackson 1-5, Schwartz 0-1). Total fouls — TVCC. MC. Fouled out — None. Technical fouls — TVCC bench, Robinson. Rebounds — TVCC 51 (Robinson 10), MC 55 (Ade 12). Assists — TVCC 9 (Breedlove 3), MC 18 (Three with 3). Turnovers — TVCC 8, MC 16. Steals — TVCC 10 (three with 2), MC 5 (Ade 3).

Next: Midland College vs. Cisco College at Odessa, noon Friday

Midland College Women's National Invitational Tournament
At Chaparral Center
Saturday's Scores

Championship, Trinity Valley Community College 86, Midland College 82

Third Place, Central Arizona College 74, Chipola (Fla.) College 60

Fifth Place, Odessa College 81, Angelina College 65

Seventh Place, Cloud County (Kan.) College 72, College of Southern Idaho 57

All-Tournament Team

Trinity Valley CC: Sha'Kayla Caples (MVP), Keuna Flax, Breanna Lewis
Midland College: Achiri Ade, Daneshia Long
Central Arizona College: Tamara Phillip
Chipola College: Jelleah Sidney
Odessa College: Angenay Williams
Cloud County: Ashley Evans
Angelina College: Nia Bradford
College of Southern Idaho: Chakala Carthen

Edwards qualifies 1st at Homestead, Stewart 15th

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

HOMESTEAD, Fla. — Tony Stewart has run his mouth for almost a month trying to rattle Carl Edwards in the race to NASCAR's championship.

Edwards has tuned it all out, and on Saturday he did his talking on the track.

Edwards won the pole for today's season finale at Homestead-Miami Speedway, where the Sprint Cup Series championship will be decided. Edwards goes into the race with a three-point lead over Stewart, who qualified 15th. One of the two will bring an official end to Jimmie Johnson's record five-year run, and the pole-winning run seemed to indicate Edwards is on pace.

Is it all lining up for Edwards to win his first Cup title?

"I don't know that I believe in fate, but I do believe that things happen for a reason," Edwards said. "I do believe that whatever you encounter you have to treat as if that's just the way it's supposed to be. But, yeah, this is going really well so far and, hopefully, this helps us all race. We didn't need to qualify poorly, get a poor pit stall, have some little thorn in our side the whole race, so this will hopefully help us for the whole event."

But Stewart, a two-time champion, cautioned there's still 400 miles to be run.

"Don't start etching his name on the trophy yet," said Stewart, who is bidding to become the first owner/driver to win the title since Alan Kulwicki in 1992. "I'm excited about it. I'm not known to be much of a qualifier, so 15th, I'm pretty content."

Edwards turned a lap at 175.467 mph in his Roush Fenway Racing Ford, besting Martin Truex Jr. and Kasey Kahne, winner last week at Phoenix.

Kurt Busch qualified fourth and was followed by Penske Racing teammate Brad Keselowski, Edwards teammate Matt Kenseth and Jeff Gordon. Greg Biffle, another Edwards teammate, qualified eighth while Johnson and Denny Hamlin rounded out the top 10.

Stewart's lap for the 15th starting spot was 173.332 mph in a Chevrolet.

He and Edwards had decidedly different strategies during Saturday's two practice sessions. Rain washed out all Cup activity on Friday, so Edwards and Stewart had to get the most of their 2 1/2 hours on the track.

WEBB

From 1C

winner off the floor. Everything you ask her to do, she does it 100 percent every single day."

Webb also believes she's already progressed as a player and sees herself only getting better the longer she stays at Central Arizona.

"I feel like I've gotten faster. I'm more mentally smart, mentally tough, physically tough," Webb said. "I feel like I'm an overall better player. I can still be better, but I feel pretty good so far."

Considering Central Arizona has made seven straight trips to the NJCAA National Tournament in Salina, Kan., including a national championship in 2009, chances are Webb is going to get a chance to get better playing against the best the JUCO ranks have to offer at some point this season.

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WNIT ROUNDUP

NO. 6 CENTRAL ARIZONA 74, NO. 9 CHIPOLA (FLA.) COLLEGE 60: Katrina Salinas scored a game-high 31 points to lead No. 6 Central Arizona to a victory over No. 9 Chipola College in the third place game of the of Midland College Women's National Invitational Tournament.

Tamara Phillip added 13 and Katrina Ottesen had 12 for the Vaqueras (7-2).

Jelleah Sidney had 20 points and Sara Djassi added 14 for Chipola (5-1).

Chipola shot 40 percent from the floor but turned the ball over 23 times in the game.

ODESSA COLLEGE 81, ANGELINA COLLEGE 65: The Lady Wranglers won the last two games of the tournament, including a 16-point victory over Angelina, to finish fifth.

The Lady Wranglers (6-3) shot 50.8 percent on Saturday and were led by Kristyn Wilson with 20 points, Jamie Drummer had 13 and Angenay Williams added 11.

Angelina (4-4) was led by Elizabeth Marrero, who came off the bench for a game-high 24 points. Diamond Webb and Brittany Jefferson each added 14 for the Lady Roadrunners.

CLOUD COUNTY (KAN.) COMMUNITY COLLEGE 72, COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO 57: A strong second half propelled Cloud County to a victory over College of Southern Idaho in the seventh place game.

Cloud County (2-4) only led 31-29 at the half before holding CSI to 32.1 percent shooting in the second half, while hitting 46.9 percent of its shots.

Cloud County was led by Megan Stagner with a game-high 20 points, Tera Ingalsabe had 18 and Macy Parker chipped in with 13.

The Golden Eagles (1-4) were led by Chakala Carthen with 17.

BOXES
THIRD PLACE GAME
NO. 6 CENTRAL ARIZONA 74, NO. 9 CHIPOLA (FLA.) COLLEGE 60

Chipola College (7-2) — Jelleah Sidney 7-13 6-6 20, Aysenna Colker 1-3 0-0 2, Demaya Brazzle 3-6 0-0 6, Leah Spears 0-0 0-0 0, Kristine Brance 2-8 0-0 5, Sara Djassi 5-12 4-6 14, O'Neal Season 2-9 2-4 6, Jamreice Johnson 1-2 1-2 7. Totals 23-57 13-20 60.

Central Arizona (5-1) — Katrina Salinas 8-21 10-11 31, Miranda Mooru 0-0 0-0 0, Tamara Phillip 6-16 0-0 13, Petra Webb 1-6 0-0 2, Alice Pitts 1-3 0-0 2, Brea Townsend 0-1 0-0 0, Katrina Ottesen 2-13 7-8 12, Tallara Phillip 2-2 0-0 4, September Offutt 2-4 0-0 4, T. Oladele 3-5 0-0 6, Beara Peshkova 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 25-71 17-19 74.

Halftime — CAC 28, CC 22. 3-point goals — CC 1-11 (Brance 1-3, Sidney 0-3, Brazzle 0-1, Djassi 0-3, Season 0-1), CAC 7-28 (Salinas 5-15, Ottesen 1-9, Phillip 1-3, Townsend 0-1). Total fouls — CC 15, CAC 20. Fouled out — None. Rebounds — CC 44 (Djassi 10), CAC 41 (Townsend 8, Offutt 8). Assists — CC 10 (Brazzle 5), CAC 10 (Townsend 4). Turnovers — CC 23, CAC 10

FIFTH PLACE GAME
ODESSA COLLEGE 81, ANGELINA COLLEGE 65

Angelina College (4-4) — Nia Bradford 2-12 0-0 4, Diamond Webb 5-15 1-1 14, Kahla Greer 0-0 0-0 0, Brittany Jefferson 1-11 2-16 14, Shakia Walker 0-0 2-4 2, Breann McMillian 1-3 0-0 2, Elizabeth Marrero 8-15 6-8 24, Dannielle McKesey 0-2 1-2 1. Theanne Smith 1-4 0-2 1, Carlette Wyatt 1-1 0-0 2, Carlisha Wyatt 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 19-62 23-32 65.

Odessa College (6-3) — Jessica Loftin-Williams 1-2 0-0 2, Chanell Lockhart 0-1 3-6 3, Kristyn Wilson 8-13 3-4 20, Meagan Bell 1-3 0-0 2, Tina Bozicek 2-3 1-2 7, JTierra Brown 4-7 0-0 8, Angenay Williams 4-13 3-4 11, Jamie Drummer 5-12 2-4 13, Lauren Bentz 2-2 2-2 6, Caroline Adesulu 3-3 3-4 9. Totals 30-59 17-26 81.

Halftime — OC 41. AC 29. 3-point goals — AC 5-13 (Webb 3-8, Marrero 2-3, Bradford 0-1, Jefferson 0-1). OC 4-9 (Brazzle 2-2, Wilson 1-2, Drummer 1-2, Brown 0-1, Williams 0-2). Total fouls — AC 23, OC 22. Fouled out — Adesulu. Rebounds — AC 36 (Four with 5), OC 47 (Williams 11). Assists — AC 5 (Bradford 2), OC 15 (Drummer 4). Turnovers — AC 21, OC 28

SEVENTH PLACE GAME
CLOUD COUNTY (KAN.)CC 72, COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO 57

College of Southern Idaho (1-4) — Gabriela Borges 2-8 0-0 5, Taylor Gipson 4-11 0-1 8, Kylee Scharman 3-9 2-3 9, Maddie Kimball 0-1 0-0 0, Candace Prestwich 0-2 0-0 0, Megan Tanner 1-1 0-0 2, Mechels Barnes 2-6 4-5 8, Chakala Carthen 4-12 9-13 17, Jessy Saint-Felix 3-5 0-0 6, Liene Liepina 0-0 2-2 2. Totals 19-63 17-24 57.

Cloud County (2-4) — Alesha Coulter 1-3 0-0 3, Ashley Evans 0-5 0-0 0, Jessica Downard 0-0 0-0 0, Jordan Kohl 0-0 0-0 0, Rachel Tabbs 2-3 2-4 6, Macy Parker 5-11 2-3 13, Breona Warner 0-3 0-0 0, Paige Champlin 3-7 0-0 6, Megan Stagner 7-10 4-5 20, Mishel Pride 3-4 0-0 6, Tera Ingalsbe 6-12 6-7 18. Totals 27-60 14-19 72.

Halftime — CCCC 31. CSI 29. 3-point goals — CSI 2-12 (Borges 1-2, Scharman 1-2, Gipson 0-4, Prestwich 0-2, Barnes 0-2), CCCC 4-14 (Stagner 3-4, Coulter 1-3, Parker 1-5, Evans 0-2). Total fouls — CSI 20, CCCC 20. Rebounds — CSI 36 (Carthen 8), CCCC 40 (Stagner 8). Assists — CSI 6 (Gipson 3), CCCC 11 (Five with 2). Turnovers — CSI 23, CCCC 18.

Romo not reckless now: 0 INTs, sacks last 2 games

By Jaime Aron
Associated Press

IRVING — The best part of Tony Romo's last outing wasn't setting a Dallas Cowboys record by completing 88.5 percent of his passes.

It was the zeros in his stat line, as in 0 interceptions and 0 sacks — again.

Romo just pulled off back-to-back games without either of those drive-ruining plays. It's something no other quarterback has done this season and something he'd never done in his career.

Of course he hadn't. This is Tony Romo, the quarterback known for his reckless gambles, especially those that don't pay off. He's the guy whose head-slapping flubs earlier this season prompted speculation that his coach was demanding safe passes because he no longer trusted him.

So, what gives?

Start with Romo's recovery from a broken rib.

He's no longer getting pain-killing shots or wearing a protective vest. He's back to full strength, save for a case of the sniffles Thursday, which means his passes are more likely to go where he wants and with the zip he wants, and he's more capable of avoiding would-be tacklers.

"You get used to playing hurt, but it's just a little different (being healthy)," Romo said.

Then there's the quantum leap the entire offense has taken since DeMarco Murray became the featured running back four games ago.

With Murray averaging more than 8 yards per carry the last month, the Cowboys are facing a lot more second-and-short and third-and-short. That changes everything, especially the way the defense lines up, and Romo is smart enough and talented enough to know how to take advantage.

"I just think that each team we play, we're keeping them a little off-balance lately," Romo said.

TODAY'S NFL TEXAS CAPSULE

DALLAS (5-4)
AT WASHINGTON (3-6)
Noon today, Fox

OPENING LINE — Cowboys by 7½

RECORD VS. SPREAD — Dallas 4-4-1; Washington 3-6

SERIES RECORD — Cowboys lead 61-40-2

LAST MEETING — Cowboys beat Redskins 18-16, Sept. 26

LAST WEEK — Cowboys beat Bills 44-7; Redskins lost 20-9 to Dolphins.

COWBOYS OFFENSE — OVERALL (5), RUSH (9), PASS (6)

COWBOYS DEFENSE — OVERALL (9), RUSH (11), PASS (13)

REDSKINS OFFENSE — OVERALL (27), RUSH (31), PASS (18)

REDSKINS DEFENSE — OVERALL (12), RUSH (18), PASS (9)

STREAKS, STATS AND NOTES — Cowboys have won five of six vs. Redskins and are seeking to sweep season series for second time in three years. ... Six of last seven between teams decided by six points or fewer. ... Dallas' Tony Romo 17-2 (.889) in November, best mark by QB in Super Bowl era. He has 48 TDs, 12 interceptions and 113.1 rating all-time in Nov. ... Romo leads NFL in fumble recoveries with six, including four vs. Redskins in last meeting when he and C Phil Costa had trouble with shotgun snaps. ... Cowboys RB DeMarco Murray leads NFL rookies with 674 yards rushing. ... Dallas TE Jason Witten has 16 catches for 200 yards in last two games vs. Washington. ... K Dan Bailey had six FGs in first meeting, tying NFL rookie record. ... Cowboys lead NFL in second-down conversions (39.4 percent). ... Redskins have dropped five straight, longest losing streak in coach Mike Shanahan's 18 seasons as head coach. One more loss would be longest skid since Dan Snyder bought team in 1999, and longest since 1998 team started 0-7. ... Washington hasn't scored first-half touchdown or held a lead since Oct. 2. ... Rex Grossman makes second start since regaining QB job following benching of John Beck. Grossman's 305-yard performance in Week 1 vs. Giants remains Redskins' only 300-yard passing game of season. Grossman 3-3 as starter. His 11 interceptions tied for fourth most in NFL, despite sitting out three games, and he has had 5.6 percent of his passes intercepted — by far worst percentage in NFL. ... Redskins rookie LB Ryan Kerrigan tied for first in NFL with four forced fumbles. ... Washington's defense has allowed an NFC-low 17.3 first downs per game. ... Redskins lead NFL in average kickoff return yardage allowed (19.2). ... Redskins Barry Cofield leads NFL DTs with six batted passes. ... Washington's Roy Helu leads NFL rookie RBs with 29 receptions. He is only rookie with 200-plus yards rushing (213) and 200-plus yards receiving (210). ... Redskins' minus-9 turnover differential is worst in NFC.

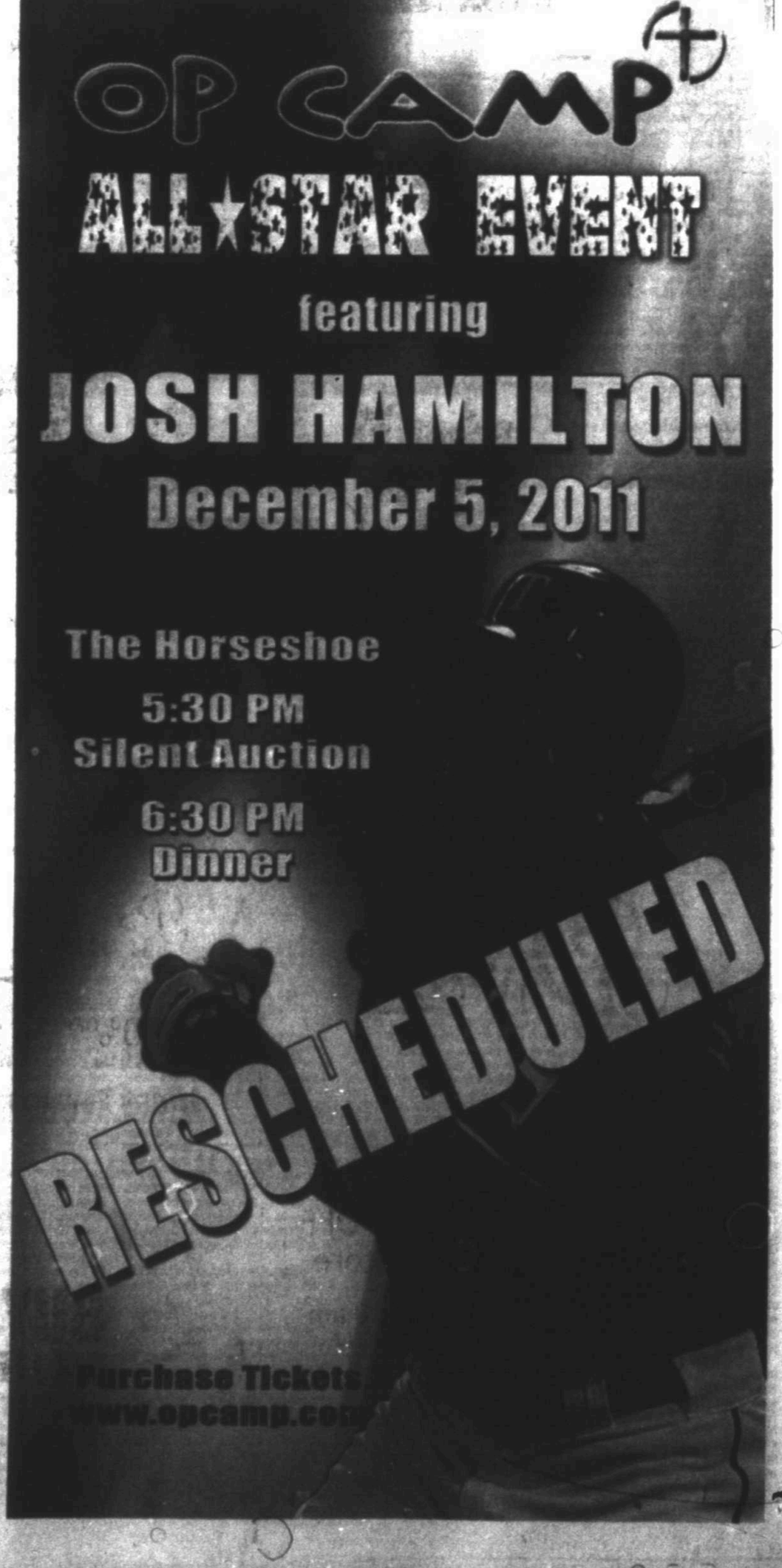
NFL STANDINGS
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	6	3	0	.667	259	200
Buffalo	5	4	0	.556	229	218
N.Y. Jets	5	5	0	.500	228	217
Miami	2	7	0	.222	158	178
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	7	3	0	.700	273	186
Tennessee	5	4	0	.556	198	172
Jacksonville	3	6	0	.333	115	186
Indianapolis	0	10	0	.000	131	300
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	220	179
Baltimore	6	3	0	.667	225	152
Cincinnati	6	3	0	.667	212	164
Cleveland	3	6	0	.333	131	183
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	5	4	0	.556	208	233
Denver	5	5	0	.500	205	247
San Diego	4	5	0	.444	216	228
Kansas City	4	5	0	.444	141	218
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	6	3	0	.667	218	211
Dallas	5	4	0	.556	223	182
Philadelphia	3	6	0	.333	220	203
Washington	3	6	0	.333	136	178
South						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	313	228
Atlanta	5	4	0	.556	212	196
Tampa Bay	4	5	0	.444	195	233
Carolina	2	7	0	.222	190	237
North						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	9	0	0	1.000	320	169
Detroit	6	3	0	.667	252	184
Chicago	6	3	0	.667	237	187
Minnesota	2	7	0	.222	179	264
West						
	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	8	1	0	.889	233	139
Seattle	3	6	0	.333	144	202
Arizona	3	6	0	.333	189	213
St. Louis	2	7	0	.222	119	223

Thursday's Score
Denver 17, N.Y. Jets 13

Today's Games
Tampa Bay at Green Bay, Noon
Oakland at Minnesota, Noon
Carolina at Detroit, Noon
Dallas at Washington, Noon
Jacksonville at Cleveland, Noon
Cincinnati at Baltimore, Noon
Buffalo at Miami, Noon
Arizona at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
Seattle at St. Louis, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego at Chicago, 3:15 p.m.
Tennessee at Atlanta, 3:15 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Giants, 7:20 p.m.
Open: Houston, Indianapolis, New Orleans, Pittsburgh

Monday's Game
Kansas City at New England, 7:30 p.m.



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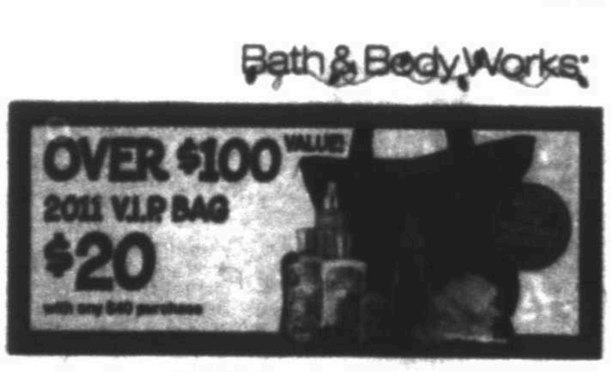

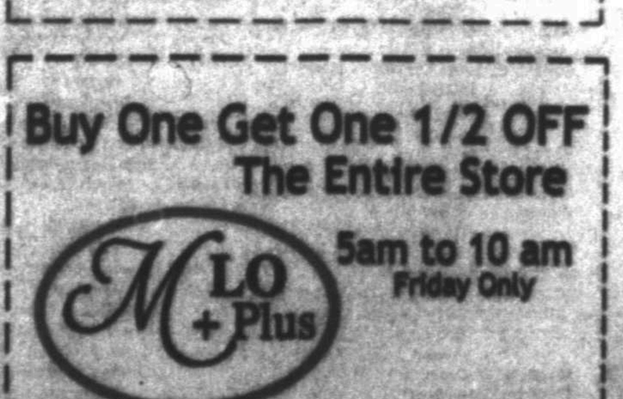

TRINITY

From 1C

Young was tackled for a 4-yard gain on a short pass from Schorr on fourth down. Two plays earlier, Young could not handle a pitch from Schorr on a running play and set the Chargers back 5 yards, which Trinity coach Chris Jauz said was key to that possession.

"We had a hole open up and we had a bad exchange and fumbled it back there," Jauz said. "That kind of put us at a disadvantage and we were trying to take some clock off. We didn't execute or come out with any points right there, and they go and score quickly."

After the stop, it took Lucas one play to score as Aaron Layman caught a pass across the middle from Creech and scampered 75 yards as Schorr and Etham Samuels collided on the play. Trinity, though, still had a 69-67 lead and took the ball over with 4:31 remaining.

But Lucas again caught a break when on fourth down at the Warrior 32-yard line, Schorr was scrambling looking for a receiver and fell on his knee for an 11-yard loss, setting up the Warriors at Trinity's 37 with 1:39 remaining.

It took the Warriors four plays to score as Layman scored on a 1-yard run with Creech coming up with two big runs that totaled 32 yards to set up the score and give Lucas Christian a 73-69 lead with :51 remaining.

"I tried to call a time out because I knew what was happening, but (the officials) didn't hear me and what we would've done was run some and then tried to score," Lucas Christian coach Leroy Willis said. "I knew what Chris was thinking. He's not stupid because he's knows what he's doing. We were very fortunate to come out of this thing with a win … it could've gone either way."

Trinity took over at its own 20 on the final drive and took two plays for Trinity to get to the Lucas Christian 16-yard line as Weldon Boley caught a 14-yard pass and Schorr scrambled 30 yards.

Trinity, though, had a setback after an offensive pass interference call, but still managed to get to the 10-yard line with :06 remaining on the clock.

That's when Schorr took the pitch back from Young and went straight for the pylon as Malett tackled him just shy of the goal line for what was a 9-yard gain.

"It was a run-pass option and the guy made a great tackle," Jauz said. "It saved the game. I feel bad I couldn't come up with a couple of better plays down there to get us in the end zone. I feel disappointed I let these kids down."

Both Young and Schorr were named to TCAF All-State team after the game as Young rushed for a game-high 252 yards on 26 carries with two touchdowns.

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Gary Rhodes/Special to the MRT

Trinity's Alex Young runs the ball for a short gain against the Lucas Christian Academy defense Saturday in the Texas Christian Athletic Fellowship Division I championship game at Gorilla Stadium in Trent.

LUCAS CHRISTIAN 73, TRINITY 69

Trinity	15	18	28	8—69
Lucas Christian	24	14	15	20—73

First Quarter

LCA —Josh Olson 49 run (Preston Swor kick) 7:06

TRIN — Alex Young 43 pass from Thomas Schorr (Schorr kick) 4:59

LCA — Olson 29 pass from Aaron Layman (Swor kick) 4:16

TRIN — Schorr 10 run (Jackson Willingham pass from Weldon Boley) 1:06

LCA — Layman 7 run (Swor kick) :03

Second Quarter

TRIN — Aaron Watson 7 run (Schorr kick) 7:29

TRIN — Young 27 pass from Schorr (kick failed) 5:28

LCA — Olson 18 pass from Brooks Creech (Swor kick) 4:46

LCA— Zach Shackelford 12 run (kick failed) 1:57

TRIN — FG Schorr 36, :04

Third Quarter

TRIN — Taylor Cory 49 pass from Schorr (kick blocked), 8:03

LCA — Creech 12 run (Matt Eckert pass from Layman), 5:28

TRIN — Young 60 run (kick blocked), 5:19

TRIN — Ethan Samuel 76 interception return (Schorr kick), 2:52

TRIN — Willingham 17 pass from Schorr (Schorr kick), :17

LCA — Shackelford 8 pass from Creech (Swor kick) :00

Fourth Quarter

TRIN — Young 54 run (Schorr kick) 9:17

LCA — Schankelford 16 pass from Creech (kick blocked) 8:15

LCA — Layman 75 pass from Creech (Swor kick) 4:36

LCA — Layman 1 run (kick failed), :51

	TRIN	LCA
First Downs	16	16
Rushes-yards	44-352	22-94
Passing yards	201	304
Comp. Att -Int	13-19-0	15-20-2
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-1
Punt-Avg	1-30	0-0
Penalties-yds	7-62	5-35

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING — Trinity, Alex Young, 26-252 Thomas Schorr 13-80, Aaron Watson 2-13, Weldon Boley 1-3, Ethan Samuel 2-4, Lucas Christian: Aaron Layman 8-45, Josh Olson 2-51, Brooks Creech 8-90, Zach Shackelford 4-8

PASSING — Trinity, Schorr 13-19-0-201 Lucas Christian: Creech 13-15-2-238, Layman 1-2-0-29, Olson 1-3-1-37

RECEIVING — Trinity, Young 4-68, Boley 4-46 Taylor Cory 3-70 Jackson Willingham 1-17 Lucas Christian, Olson 2-47, Cole McClellian 1-37, Layman 5-126, Shackelford 4-56, Bryce Martin 3-38

INTERCEPTIONS — Trinity, Ethan Samuel 2-80

MUSTANGS

From 1C

ing daylight to his right and outracing the Hyde Park secondary for a 62-yard score that made it 28-3 with one second left in the first half.

"That was a nice play right there before the half," McClendon said. "They were kind of in a prevent and we just gauged them."

Midland Christian continued to gash the Panthers with the run game in the second half, scoring three more touchdowns on the ground, including fullback Zach Bates' first of the season.

But, at the end of the day, it was the defense that put its stamp on the game, to the delight of McClendon and two-way players like Whigham and Dobbs.

"I love the defense, we're working as a unit right now — both pass and run games, we feel confident about it," Dobbs said. "That's our goal, we don't want any touchdowns from here on out.

"No more touchdowns, we've got to be a unit."

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MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 56, AUSTIN HYDE PARK 3

HP	0	3	0	0	—3
MCS	7	21	21	7	—56

First Quarter

MCS — Landon Lacy 22 pass from Mason McClendon (Josh Willis kick) 5:21

Second Quarter

MCS — Christian Whigham 8 run (Willis kick) 9:04

MCS — Whigham 7 run (Willis kick) 4:14

HP — FG Jansen Tapia 28, 0:34

MCS — Tanner Dobbs 62 run (Willis kick), 0:01

Third Quarter

MCS — Elias Aguirre 66 pass from McClendon (Willis kick), 11:11

MCS — Whigham 8 run (Willis kick) 6:41

MCS — Richard Neboh 6 run (Willis kick) 1:54

Fourth Quarter

MCS Zach Bates 6 run (Willis kick) 8:32

	HP	MCS
First downs	7	18
Rushes-yards	33-84	38-313
Passing yards	100	178
Comp.-Att.-Int	4-11-2	11-17-0
Punts-avg	5-35.2	2-0
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-2
Penalties-yards	2-10	4-30

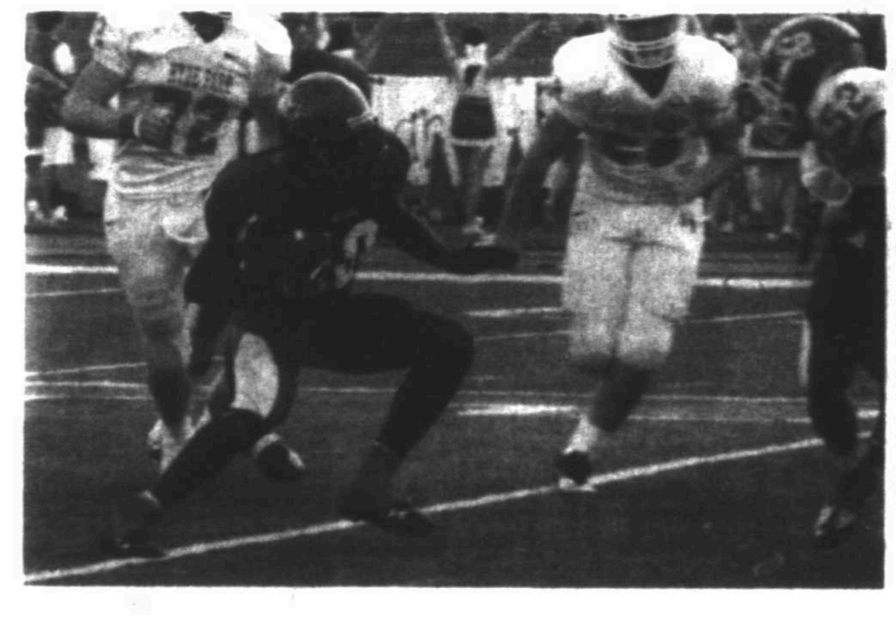
INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING—HP Kyle Cook 11-47, Amos Mateen 3-20, David Dunkin 3-9, Dustin Quigley 1-2, Luke Browning 1-1, Effiom Jackson 2-1, Devon Henry 1-(-1); MCS, Christian Whigham 19-123, Tanner Dobbs 2-74, Zach Bates 5-45, Richard Neboh 5-44, Jade Tamplin 5-17, Elias Aguirre 2-6

PASSING—HP, Dunkin 4-11-1—100; MCS, Mason McClendon 11-16-0-178, Brandon Nguyen 0-1-0—0

RECEIVING—HP, Henry 3-100, Dax Bankendorfer 1-0; MCS, Aguirre 4-93, Jerry Garcia 2-35, Dobbs 1-22, Landon Lacy 1-22, David Pankhurst 1-11, Whigham 2-5).

INTERCEPTIONS—MCS, Brandon Gloseup 1-0



Caroline Hargesheimer /Special to the MRT

The Midland Christian's Richard Neboh runs the ball on Saturday during the TAPPS Division II regional game in Stephenville. The Mustangs won, 56-3.

SATURDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

MONAHANS 27, LUBBOCK ESTACADO 7

ANDREWS — Pedro Cano had 266 yards rushing and two touchdowns to lead Monahans to a victory over Lubbock Estacado in a Class 3A Division II Area round playoff game played Saturday at the Mustang Bowl.

The Loboes (10-2) move to the regional round and will play Brownwood at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Sweetwater. The game will be a rematch of last year's state quarterfinal game won by Brownwood.

Monahans' defense was stellar against the speedy Matadors (8-4) as it held Estacado to 242 total yards and came up with two fumbles.

Monahans only had a 13-7 lead heading into the fourth quarter but put the game away with short touchdown runs by Cano and Byron Sharf.

MONAHANS 27, LUBBOCK ESTACADO 7

Lubbock Estacado	0	0	7	0—7
Monahans	7	3	3	14—27

First Quarter

Mon — Pedro Cano 71 run (Alejandro Mendoza) 11:40

Second Quarter

Mon — FG Alejandro Mendoza 43, :30

Third Quarter

LE — Shaquille Bogus 4 run (Ben Jackson kick), 8:33

Mon — FG Mendoza 31, 4:20

Fourth Quarter

Mon — Cano 6 run (Alejandro Mendoza kick), 8:45

Mon — Byron Scharf 1 run (Alejandro Mendoza kick), 3:59

	LE	Mon
First Downs	9	16
Rushes-Yards	36-203	48-406
Passing Yards	39	31
Passing	6-13-0	2-10-0
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	0-0
Punts-Avg	2-35.0	0-0.0
Penalties-Yards	3-20	4-28

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Rushing — Lubbock Estacado: Shaquille Bogus 18-156, Robert Johnson 17-63, Team 1-(-16). Monahans, Pedro Cano 23-266, Byron Scharf 15-78, Freddy Garcia 6-45, Alejandro Mendoza 1-9, Zack Navarro 2-4, Rogelio Sauceda 1-3

Passing — Lubbock Estacado:, Shaquille Bogus 6-13-0-39. Monahans, Zack Navarro 2-10-0-31

Receiving — Lubbock Estacado, Robert Johnson 2-21, TC Courtney 1-8 ,Jhavante Tolliver 5-7, Russell 1-3 Adrian Adame 2 Monahans, Byron Scharf 1-23, Payton Marcum 1-8

ABILENE COOPER 21, AMARILLO HIGH 14

LUBBOCK — Abilene Cooper scored 14 points in the fourth quarter to survive its Class 5A Division II area round playoff game against Amarillo High on Saturday afternoon at Jones AT&T Stadium.

Amarillo (8-4) took a 14-7 lead at the half and held that lead after three quarters before Kerry Sims tied the game early in the fourth quarter with 21-yard TD run.

The Cougars (9-3) won the game when Clayton Nicholas scored on a 1-yard quarterback keeper with 2:01 remaining in the game.

Cooper next hosts Mansfield Timberview in a regional round game at 6 p.m. Saturday.

ABILENE COOPER 21, AMARILLO HIGH 14

Amarillo	0	7	0	7	—14
Cooper	7	7	0	7	—21

First quarter

AHS — Marcus Milligan 5 run (Mason Edmondson kick), 7:28

Second quarter

COO — Dennis Randle 30 pass from Lorenzo Joe (Pete Polk kick), 6:50

AHS — Ashton Tillman 14 run (Edmondson kick), 1:39

Fourth quarter

COO — Kerry Sims 21 run (Polk kick), 11:53

COO — Clayton Nicholas 1 run (Polk kick), 2:01

	AHS	Coo
First downs	13	21
Rushes-Yards	43-231	34-108
Passing yards	34	251
Comp-Att-Int	4-10-1	18-34-1
Punts-Avg.	5-35.4	4-33.5
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-20	7-52

Individual statistics

RUSHING — Amarillo, Milligan 21-142, Tillman 9-71, Josh Woods 6-28, Cole Sanchez 4-9, Gabe Rodriguez 3-(-19), Cooper, Matt Wasson 11-43, Xavier McCann 5-23, Sims 1-21, KaShawn Brown 3-10, Edrick Gonzales 2-9, Steven Lugo 3-8, Joe 2-7, Team 1-(-2), Nicholas 6-(-13).

PASSING — Amarillo, Rodriguez 4-12-1 34, Cooper, Nicholas 17-33-1 221, Joe 1-1-0 30

RECEIVING — Amarillo, Ryan Studer 2-15, John Bennett 1-12, Jacob Wise 1-7 Cooper, Joe 5-74, Randle 4-72, Anthony Pierson 2-34, John Patrick 2-18, Gonzales 2-12, Watson 2-11, Brown 1-30

FRIDAY'S LATE BOX ABILENE HIGH 28, EL PASO MONTWOOD 18

El Paso Montwood	0	18	0	0	—18
Abilene High	0	14	7	14	—35

Second Quarter

MON — Omar Alhambosh 9 pass from Angel Garcia (Rogelio Reyes kick), 4:25

AHS — Paxton Graver 38 run (Taylor Peebles kick), 2:33

AHS — Graver 26 run (Peebles kick) 1:06

MON — FG Reyes 47, 0:00

Third Quarter

AHS — Graver 9 run (Peebles kick), 8:12

MON — Garcia 1 run (Warren Redix pass from Garcia), 1:10

Fourth Quarter

AHS — Graver 14 run (Peebles kick), 9:36

AHS —Graver 2 run (Peebles kick), 8:03

	Mon	AHS
First downs	23	20
Rushes-Yards	26-93	31-203
Passing yards	225	184
Comp-Att-Int	24-44-1	18-27-0
Punts	4-27.3	4-33.3
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-40	6-53

Individual statistics

RUSHING — Montwood, Rene Ballesteros 14-60, Angel Garcia 10-27, Warren Redix 2-6, Abilene High, Paxton Graver 21-177, Marcell Porter 7-28, Erik Harris 2-2, Evin Abbe 1-(-4)

PASSING — Montwood, Angel Garcia 24-44-1 225, Abilene High: Evin Abbe 17-26-0-169, Deras Scott 1-1-0-15

RECEIVING — Montwood, Omar Alhambosh 9-80, Ruben Solis 5-47, Warren Redix 4-49, Chris Kangur 4-42, Jeremiah Lopez 2-7 Abilene High, Grant Alexander 8-66, Keevan Lucas 5-76, Tyler McGary 2-22, Peter Zeller 1-15, Paxton Graver 1-5 ,Chantz Anderson 1-0

STATEWIDE HS FOOTBALL PAIRINGS

CLASS 5A
DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Arlington Bowie 49, EP Franklin 24
Southlake Carroll 40, Cedar Hill 7
Arlington Martin 43, San Angelo Central 12
Euless Trinity 28, Allen 21
Regional
Arlington Bowie (9-3) vs. Southlake Carroll (12-0), 5 p.m. Saturday, Bedford's Pennington Field
Arlington Martin (11-1) vs. Euless Trinity (12-0), noon Saturday, Bedford's Pennington Field
Region II
Area
Dallas Skyline 41, DeSoto 31
Klein Oak 38, Austin Westlake 28
Mesquite 24, Garland 21, OT
The Woodlands 21, Round Rock Westwood 14
Regional
Dallas Skyline (12-0) vs. Klein Oak (9-3), 7 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Stadium
Mesquite (7-5) vs. The Woodlands (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Waco ISD Stadium
Region III
Area
Cypress Fairbanks 21, Katy Cinco Ranch 14
Fort Bend Hightower 34, Galena Park North Shore 21
Houston Lamar 35, Cypress Falls 34
Pearland 47, Deer Park 7
Regional
Cypress Fairbanks (12-0) vs. Fort Bend Hightower (10-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Houston's Tully Stadium
Houston Lamar (10-2) vs. Pearland (10-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Galena Park ISD Stadium
Region IV
Area
Warren 42, SA Churchill 24
Harlingen 37, Del Rio 34
SA Madison 48, SA East Central 31
Laredo United 24, San Benito 17
Regional
SA Warren (11-1) vs. Harlingen (12-0), time TBD Saturday, Corpus Christi's Buccaneer Stadium
SA Madison (8-4) vs. Laredo United (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Corpus Christi's Buccaneer Stadium
DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Abilene 35, EP Montwood 18
Mansfield (10-1) vs. Denton Guyer (8-3)
Abilene Cooper 21, Amarillo High 14
Mansfield Timberview 27, Lewisville Marcus 21
Regional
Abilene (9-3) vs. Mansfield-Darton Guyer winner, 2 p.m. Saturday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium
Abilene Cooper (9-3) vs. Mansfield Timberview (10-2), 8 p.m. Saturday, Abilene's Shotwell Stadium
Region II
Area
Longview 59, Garland Sachse 35
Spring Dekaney 48, Pflugerville 10
Garland Rowlett 48, Copperas Cove 38
Spring Westfield 13, Leander 7
Regional
Longview (11-1) vs. Spring Dekaney (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Corsicana
Garland Rowlett (8-4) vs. Spring Westfield (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Georgetown
Region III
Area
Katy 44, Cypress Woods 30
La Porte 42, Fort Bend Bush 6
Houston Memorial 27, Alief Taylor 7
Port Arthur Memorial 38, League City Clear Springs 35
Regional
Katy (12-0) vs. La Porte (11-1), 6 p.m. Saturday, Houston's Tully Stadium
Houston Memorial (9-3) vs. Port Arthur Memorial (11-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Humble's Turner Stadium
Region IV
Area
Cibolo Steele 28, Northside Brandeis 6
Laredo Alexander 35, Brownsville Pace 6
SA Reagan 51, Northside O Connor 14
McAllen Memorial 28, Weslaco 3
Regional
Cibolo Steele (12-0) vs. Laredo Alexander (12-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Laredo's Student Activity Complex
SA Reagan (11-1) vs. McAllen Memorial (12-0), 3 p.m. Saturday, McAllen
CLASS 4A
DIVISION I
Region I
Area
WF Rider 37, EP Austin 10
Killeen 60, FW Arlington Heights 25
Denton Ryan 38, EP Andress 14
Hewitt Midway 42, FW Boswell 7
Regional
WF Rider (9-3) vs. Killeen (8-4), 2 p.m. Saturday, Mansfield's Newsom Stadium
Denton Ryan (12-0) vs. Hewitt Midway (9-2), 1 p.m. Friday, Mansfield's Newsom Stadium
Region II
Area
Rockwall-Heath 38, Dallas Kimball 6
Sherman 38, Waxahachie 35
Dallas Highland Park 49, Dallas Wilson 24
Tyler 56, Pflugerville Hendrickson 42
Regional
Rockwall-Heath (11-1) vs. Sherman (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Denton's Apogee Stadium
Dallas Highland Park (12-0) vs. Tyler (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Waco ISD Stadium
Region III
Area
Vidor 42, Montgomery 35
Angleton 65, Houston Wheatley 36
Nederland 21, Houston Stratford 14, 2OT
Pearland Dawson 72, Houston Reagan 7
Regional
Vidor (10-2) vs. Angleton (12-0), 6 p.m. Friday, Galena Park ISD Stadium
Nederland (11-1) vs. Pearland Dawson (10-2), 6 p.m. Saturday, Galena Park ISD Stadium
Region IV
Area
Lake Travis 42, Stedfison Valley 21
CC Flour Bluff 14, Gregory-Portland 13
Cedar Park 42, Buda Hays 0
Weslaco East 49, Victoria East 36
Regional
Lake Travis (12-0) vs. CC Flour Bluff (8-4), 2 p.m. Friday, San Antonio's Heroes Stadium
Cedar Park (10-2) vs. Weslaco East (11-1), noon Friday, Alamodome
DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Canyon Randall 49, El Paso Riverside 7
Aledo 59, Mansfield Summit 23
Lake Dallas 48, EP Burges 7
Stephenville 42, Northwest Nelson 14
Regional
Canyon Randall (11-1) vs. Aledo (10-2), 6 p.m. Friday, Grande Communications Stadium
Lake Dallas (9-3) vs. Stephenville (10-2), 2 p.m. Friday, Justin's Northwest ISD Stadium
Region II
Area
Frisco Centennial 56, Dallas Conrad 13
Corsicana 47, Sulphur Springs 33
Frisco 58, Dallas Lincoln 20
Kilgore 14, Lancaster 6
Regional
Frisco Centennial (12-0) vs. Corsicana (11-1), TBD
Frisco (10-2) vs. Kilgore (7-5), 1 p.m. Friday, Forney
Region III
Area
Beaumont Ozen 14, Brenham 10
La Marque 46, Houston Sharpstown 7
Magnolia West (9-2) vs. Dayton (8-3)
Manvel 53, Houston Yates 18
Regional
Beaumont Ozen (7-5) vs. La Marque (10-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Baytown's Stallworth Stadium
Magnolia West-Dayton winner vs. Manvel (12-0) TBD
Region IV
Area
Dripping Springs 10, SA Alamo Heights 3, OT
CC Calallen 68, Beeville Jones 20
Kerrville Tivy 21, Austin Vandegrift 18
Port Lavaca Calhoun 34, Edcouch-Elsa 13
Regional
Dripping Springs (9-3) vs. CC Calallen (11-1), 4 p.m. Saturday, Alamodome
Kerrville Tivy (10-2) vs. Port Lavaca Calhoun (12-0), 8 p.m. Friday, Alamodome
CLASS 3A
DIVISION I
Region I
Regional
Seminole 35, Lubbock Cooper 13
Alvarado 31, Abilene Wylie 0
State Quarterfinals
Seminole (11-1) vs. Alvarado (12-0), 6:30 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium
Region II
Regional
Celina 37, Lucas Lovejoy 17
Henderson 56, Lindale 20
State Quarterfinals
Celina (11-0) vs. Henderson (10-2), 7 p.m. Friday, Mesquite's Memorial Stadium
Region III
Regional
Tyler Chapel Hill 27, Waco La Vega 20
Navasota 44, Huffman Hargrave 3
State Quarterfinals
Tyler Chapel Hill (12-0) vs. Navasota (11-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Waco's Floyd Casey Stadium
Region IV
Regional
La Vernia 36, Lampasas 21
West Columbia 57, Raymondville 21
State Quarterfinals
La Vernia (7-5) vs. West Columbia (12-0), 6 p.m. Friday, Cypress' Berry Complex
DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Shelloweter 47, Greenwood 22
Snyder 34, Kennedale 10
Monahans 27, Lubbock Estacado 7
Brownwood 28, Glen Rose 14
Regional
Shelloweter (10-2) vs. Snyder (11-1), 2 p.m., Friday, Grande Communications Stadium
Monahans (10-2) vs. Brownwood (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sweetwater
Region II
Area
Argyle 40, Prosper 24
Carthage 31, North Forney 12
Van Alstyne 28, Pollceton 0
Gilmer 57, Van 40
Regional
Argyle (11-1) vs. Carthage (9-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Mansfield's Newsom Stadium
Van Alstyne (9-3) vs. Gilmer (12-0), time TBD Friday, Forney
Region III
Area
Bullard 53, Robinson 41
West Orange-Stark 52, Columbus 0
Lorena 49, Rusk 0
Coldspring-Oakhurst 21, Bellville 14, OT
Regional
Bullard (8-4) vs. West Orange-Stark (9-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Shenandoah's Woodforest Stadium
Lorena (7-5) vs. Coldspring-Oakhurst (12-0), 6 p.m. Friday, Brenham
Region IV
Area
Devine 21, Liberty Hill 20
Wharton (5-6) vs. Orange Grove (8-3)
Wimberley 40, Gonzales 14
Sweeny (7-4) vs. Rio Hondo (8-3)
Regional
Devine (12-0) vs. Wharton-Orange Grove winner, TBD
Wimberley (12-0) vs. Sweeny-Rio Hondo winner, TBD
CLASS 2A
DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Muleshoe 43, Godley 27
Merkel 21, Childress 13
Eastland 51, Littlefield 22
Wall 56, Breckenridge 14
Regional
Muleshoe (10-1) vs. Merkel (9-1), 7 p.m. Friday, Wolfforth
Eastland (11-0) vs. Wall (11-0), 7 p.m. Friday, Abilene Wylie HS
Region II
Area
New Boston 47, Pottsboro 26
Melissa 19, Eustace 10
Daingerfield 49, Grandview 7
Redwater 49, Boyd 33
Regional
New Boston (10-2) vs. Melissa (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Paris
Daingerfield (9-3) vs. Redwater (8-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hallsville
Region III
Area
Big Sandy Harmony 9, Marlin 7
Crockett 42, Newton 27
East Chambers 24, Malakoff 7
Tatum 21, Cameron Yoe 14
Regional
Big Sandy Harmony (9-2) vs. Crockett (10-1), TBD
East Chambers (9-2) vs. Tatum (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lufkin
Region IV
Lago Vista 30, Odem 23
Blanco 14, Jourdanton 13
Hempstead 17, George West 7
Hallettsville 28, San Diego 0
Regional
Lago Vista (10-1) vs. Blanco (7-5), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Austin's House Park
Hempstead (11-0) vs. Hallettsville (7-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Giddings
DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Abernathy 41, Nocona 6
Holliday 23, Spearman 20, OT
Cisco (10-0) vs. Benford-Fritch (8-5)
Idalou 41, Hamilton 0
Regional
Abernathy (10-1) vs. Holliday (9-2), 3 p.m. Friday, Sweetwater
Cisco-Sanford-Fritch winner vs. Idalou (10-1), TBD
Region II
Area
Gunter 21, Cooper 14
Lone Oak 29, De Kalb 27
Crossroads Mildred 47, Omaha Pewitt 28
Hughes Springs 61, Atlanta-Gaston 12
Regional
Gunter (9-2) vs. Lone Oak (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Royse City
Crossroads Mildred (11-0) vs. Hughes Springs (8-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Van
Region III
Area
Arp 52, Rogers 20
Corrigan-Camden 22, Centerville 14
Franklin 37, San Augustine 20
Lexington 31, New Waverly 7
Regional
Arp (9-2) vs. Corrigan-Camden (9-3), TBD
Franklin (10-2) vs. Lexington (9-2), 7 p.m. Friday, A&M Consolidated HS
Region IV
Area
Sonora 31, Weimar 0
East Bernard 33, San Saba 7
Poth 33, Schulenburg 28
Refugio 56, Three Rivers 25
Regional
Sonora (11-0) vs. East Bernard (10-1), time TBD Saturday, Alamodome
Poth (11-0) vs. Refugio (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Victoria
CLASS 1A
DIVISION I
Region I
Area
Seymour 35, Sunray 18
Sundown 55, Quanah 12
Albany 56, Canadian 27
Stamford 62, Panhandle 3
Regional
Seymour (9-3) vs. Sundown (11-0), 1 p.m. Friday, Abilene Wylie
Albany (11-0) vs. Stamford (10-2), TBD
Region II
Area
Muenster 32, Riesel 12
Lindsay 48, Bosqueville 20
Clarksville 52, Valley Mills 13
Mart 33, Collinsville 12
Regional
Muenster (11-0) vs. Lindsay (8-4), TBD
Clarksville (10-1) vs. Mart (9-2), 6 p.m. Friday, Whitehouse
Region III
Area
Price Carlisle 39, Thrall 21
Lovelady (9-1) vs. Alto (8-3)
Garrison 51, Moody 0
Big Sandy 30, Normangee 8
Regional
Price Carlisle (11-0) vs. Lovelady-Alto winner, TBD
Garrison (10-1) vs. Big Sandy (9-3), 7 p.m. Friday, Tyler's Rose Stadium
Region IV
Area
Mason 64, La Villa 20
Bandera 49, Goldthwaite 0
Shiner 35, Brackett 0
Ben Bolt (9-1) vs. Winters (8-3)
Regional
Mason (11-0) vs. Garwood (11-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Smithson Valley
Shiner (7-5) vs. Ben Bolt-Winters winner, TBD
DIVISION II
Region I
Area
Bovina 34, Vega 26
Springlake-Earth 14, Booker 8
Morton 57, Wellington 28
Wellington 22, Farwell 14
Regional
Bovina (5-7) vs. Springlake-Earth (8-5), 7 p.m. Friday, Amarillo's Rentsch Stadium
Morton (7-5) vs. Hamilton (11-0), 2 p.m. Friday, Canyon's Kimbrough Stadium
Region II
Area
Munday 80, McCamey 36
Crosbyton 22, Van Horn 21, OT
Bronte 44, Electra 20
Windthorst (8-1) vs. Iraan (9-2)
Regional
Munday (10-2) vs. Crosbyton (9-3), 2 p.m. Friday, Colorado City
Bronte (10-1) vs. Windthorst-Iraan winner, TBD
Region III
Area
Mount Enterprise 51, Gorman 0
Chilton 59, Detroit 0
Hubbard 53, Beckville 8
Tenaha 51, Bremond 6
Regional
Mount Enterprise (10-1) vs. Chilton (8-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Teague
Hubbard (9-2) vs. Tenaha (10-0), 1 p.m. Friday, Tyler's Rose Stadium
Region IV
Area
Granger 31, Pettus 27
O'Hanlo (8-2) vs. Burton (9-2)
Bruni 35, Edcouch 12
Falls City 47, Milano 13
Regional
Granger (10-1) vs. O'Hanlo-Burton winner, TBD
Bruni (7-4) vs. Falls City (9-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, CC Calallen
SIX-MAN
DIVISION I
Region I
Regional
Turkey Valley 67, Ropesville Ropes 22
Meadow 49, Crowell 30
State Quarterfinals
Turkey Valley (11-1) vs. Meadow (9-3), 4 p.m. Friday, Plainview
Region II
Regional
Borden County 36, Rankin 32
Ira 56, Water Valley 34
State Quarterfinals
Borden County (11-1) vs. Ira (12-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Colorado City
Region III
Regional
Throckmorton 70, Avalon 22
Knox City 32, Walnut Springs 14
State Quarterfinals
Throckmorton (11-0) vs. Knox City (7-5), 5 p.m. Friday, Graham
Region IV
Regional
Lometa 84, Oakwood 54
Abbott 81, Rochelle 16
State Quarterfinals
Lometa (9-3) vs. Abbott (10-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hico
DIVISION II
Region I
Regional
Amherst 64, Miami 50, DOT
Matador Motley County 55, Groom 6
State Quarterfinals
Amherst (11-1) vs. Matador Motley County (11-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Plainview
Region II
Regional
Sterling City 60, Welch Dawson 42
Grandfalls-Royalty 78, Loraine 72
State Quarterfinals
Sterling City (10-2) vs. Grandfalls-Royalty (11-1), 6:30 p.m. Friday, Ranger
Region III
Regional
Bryson 57, Loudon-Annona 12
Newcastle 49, Milford 14
State Quarterfinals
Bryson (7-5) vs. Newcastle (11-1), 8 p.m. Friday, Graham
Region IV
Regional
Jonesboro (11-2) vs. Richland Springs (11-0), Calvert 65, Gustine 38
State Quarterfinals
Jonesboro-Richland Springs winner vs. Calvert (7-4), TBD

Klein and No. 16 K-State survive Texas

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN— Collin Klein ran for one touchdown and passed for another and No. 16 Kansas State overcame a suffocating Texas defense for a 17-13 win Saturday night.

Klein was sacked five times and Kansas State (9-2, 6-2 Big 12) managed just 121 total yards, but still pulled out the win behind Klein's 16-yard touchdown pass to Chris Harper with 9 seconds left in the first half and his 3-yard scoring run in the third quarter.

Klein leads the nation with 25 rushing touchdowns and needs just two more to tie the Big 12 record set by Texas running back Ricky Williams in 1998.

Texas rallied from a 17-3 deficit behind backup quarterback Case McCoy, but the Longhorns (6-4, 3-4) have scored just one touchdown in the last two games.

Klein and Wildcats simply found a way to win, just like they have most of the season, whether in low-scoring games or shootouts.

Klein, who came in averaging 101 yards rushing, had just 4 against the Longhorns and was 9 of 17 passing for 83 yards. Chased and knocked around the entire game by the Texas pass rush, Klein was just good enough when he had to be.

After getting sacked for the fourth time, Klein converted a 3rd-and-14 with a 24-yard sideline pass to Sheldon Smith, who barely kept his left foot inbounds. Two plays later, Klein hit Chris Harper with a perfect strike to the corner of the end zone. Texas cornerback Carrington Byndum never turned around on the throw and Harper snagged an easy touchdown to give Kansas State a 10-3 halftime lead.

Eric Gay/AP

Texas' Marquise Goodwin (84) drops a pass as Kansas State's David Garrett, right, defends Saturday during the second quarter in Austin.

Wildcats	17
Longhorns	13

Texas got within 17-13 on Justin Tucker's second field goal and momentum seemed to be with the Longhorns until the final rally ended at midfield as time ran out. Texas snapped the ball as time expired and McCoy rolled around for several second before finally throwing a short pass that fell incomplete nowhere near the end zone.

Texas outgained Kansas State 310-121 but the return of running backs Malcolm Brown and Joe Bergeron couldn't provide points. McCoy, the younger brother for former Texas quarterback Colt McCoy, who engineered so many rallies for the Longhorns in his career, couldn't muster another one. McCoy finished with 80 yards passing and Cody Johnson ran for 61 yards for the Longhorns.

Kansas State is the only Big 12 team with a winning record against Texas. The Wildcats have won four in a row over the Longhorns.

Texas now has a short week before playing rival Texas A&M on Thanksgiving, the last game in a rivalry that dates back to 1894.

Texas freshman quarterback David Ash threw his second interception to set up Klein's rushing touchdown. Ty Zimmerman returned the pick to the Texas 37 before a pass interference penalty against Byndum set up the Wildcats at the Texas 3. Klein plowed over Texas linebacker Emmanuel Acho to put Kansas State ahead 17-3.

Desperate for a spark on offense, the Longhorns pulled Ash for sophomore McCoy, who promptly drove Texas 81 yards to a touchdown on his 36-yard rollout pass to tight end Blaine Irby.

David J. Phillip/AP

Houston quarterback Case Keenum (7) throws a pass as SMU defensive lineman Stephon Sanders (51) hits him during the first quarter Saturday in Houston.

Keenum sets completions mark in Houston victory

By Chris Duncan
Associated Press

Cougars	37
Mustangs	7

HOUSTON — Maybe Houston's defense deserves some notoriety, too.

Case Keenum set the Football Bowl Subdivision career record for completions, threw a touchdown pass and ran for another score as No. 11 Houston stayed unbeaten with a 37-7 win over SMU on Saturday.

The Cougars' top-ranked offense sputtered for much of the game, so Houston (11-0, 7-0 Conference USA) turned to its unheralded defense to beat the Mustangs (6-5, 4-3) for the ninth time in 10 meetings.

SMU mustered only 263 yards and didn't score until J.J. McDermott threw a short touchdown pass to Darius Johnson with 8:33 left in the game. The Mustangs had 93 yards and six first downs in the first half and trailed 13-0.

"That's the best defense I've ever seen played here," said Keenum, one of 17 seniors playing their final regular-season game.

Outside linebacker Phillip Steward intercepted a pass in the end zone to thwart the Mustangs' best scoring chance, and linebacker Sammy Brown had three sacks while playing on a sore ankle. The Mustangs went just 5-for-15 on third downs.

"Our offense, they get most of the attention," Steward said. "We don't mind not getting the respect. We just go out there and just play. Tonight, the offense was struggling a bit, so the defense needed to step up, and that's what we did."

Houston took off in the third quarter, when Steward picked off a J.J. McDermott pass in the end zone on SMU's first drive out of halftime.

Michael Hayes took a screen pass from Keenum and ran 60 yards to the SMU 2, and Matt Hogan kicked another field goal. McDermott then fumbled on a scramble near midfield, safety Kent Brooks recovered. Keenum threw a 12-yard touchdown pass to Justin Johnson for a 23-0 Houston lead.

"When you aren't a dominant team, you have to make every play you have the opportunity to make, and we aren't doing that," SMU coach June Jones said. "We had a couple opportunities to score touchdowns, and we missed them. The bottom line is that you have to keep at it, and hopefully, we will make those plays."

The Cougars ranked 103rd in total defense last season, and came into Saturday's game ranked 67th.

"We're not there by any means," Houston coach Kevin Sumlin said. "But I think our team feels the improvement. Our guys are growing with confidence and enjoy playing. I couldn't be happier with how they're approaching the game right now."

Keenum, meanwhile, completed 30 of 45 passes for 318 yards, a hohum day for the nation's leader in total offense and pass efficiency. He set the completions mark on his seventh throw, breaking the previous mark (1,403) set by Texas Tech's Graham Harrell (2005-08).

The Cougars' sixth-year quarterback also joined Hawaii's Tim Chang as the only quarterbacks to reach 4,000 yards passing in three seasons, and he tied Chang's FBS record for career 300-yard passing games (36). Chang set his records in 2000-04, when he played for Jones.

Earlier this season, Keenum eclipsed Chang's FBS career records for total offense and passing yards and Harrell's record for touchdown throws.

"Another record is definitely awesome," Keenum said. "I know it's not a small thing."

In the bigger picture, Houston continued their march toward a possible Bowl Championship Series berth. They'll face co-division leader Tulsa (8-3, 7-0) on Friday with the winner earning a berth in the league's championship game on Dec. 3.

TEXAS COLLEGE FOOTBALL ROUNDUP

TEXAS A&M 81, KANSAS 7

COLLEGE STATION — Ryan Tannehill threw for three touchdowns, Cyrus Gray ran for three more and Texas A&M got an easy 61-7 win over mistake-prone Kansas on Saturday.

The victory breaks a three-game skid by the Aggies and makes them eligible for a bowl game. It extends the Jayhawks' Big 12 conference losing streak to 11 games, with their last win coming against Colorado on Nov. 6, 2010.

The Aggies built a 23-0 lead in the first quarter behind two touchdown runs by Gray and a TD pass by Tannehill. Three second-quarter turnovers by Kansas (2-9, 0-8) helped Texas A&M (6-5, 4-4) extend the lead to 44-0 by halftime.

Kansas quarterback Jordan Webb threw for 133 yards and lost two fumbles, threw an interception and was sacked six times.

MISSOURI 31, TEXAS TECH 27: At Columbia, Mo., James Franklin accounted for four touchdowns and got the go-ahead score on a 9-yard run with 2:22 remaining as Missouri, minus suspended coach Gary Pinkel, rallied past Texas Tech 31-27 on Saturday night.

Franklin rushed for a career-best 152 yards with two touchdowns to help the Tigers (6-5, 4-4 Big 12) overcome Henry Josey's season-ending knee injury last week. He was 13 for 20 for 172 yards and two more touchdowns, including a 7-yarder to Marcus Lucas earlier in the fourth that cut Texas Tech's lead to three.

Texas Tech threatened late, driving to the Missouri 6, before Dominique Hamilton tipped a pass from Seth Doege and Michael Sam intercepted at the 4.

Doege threw for one touchdown and ran for another for Texas Tech (5-6, 2-6), which has lost four in a row and must beat Baylor next week to become bowl eligible for the 12th straight season.

NO. 19 TCU 34, COLORADO STATE 10

FORT WORTH — Antoine Hicks, Ed Wesley and Matthew Tucker ran for touchdowns and Tank Carder returned an interception 69 yards for a touchdown, helping No. 19 TCU win at least a share of the Mountain West title with a 34-10 victory over Colorado State on Saturday.

Coming off an upset win at Boise State, the Horned Frogs (9-2, 6-0) seemed a bit flat in the first half. They got rolling in the third quarter on their way to handing the Rams (3-7, 1-4) a sixth straight loss.

TCU's Casey Pachall was 13 of 20 for 117 yards, and Waymon James had 108 yards rushing.

CSU's Garrett Grayson, a true freshman making his first start, was 14 of 24 for 248 yards and a touchdown plus the interception by Carder.

RICE 19, TULANE 7

HOUSTON — Tyler Smith ran for 145 yards on 25 carries and scored two touchdowns, and Chris Boswell made two long field goals to lead Rice over Tulane 19-7 on Saturday.

Smith opened the scoring for Rice (4-7, 3-5 Conference USA), with a 5-yard TD with 1:20 left in the first quarter. He scored his second touchdown from 12 yards with 1:04 to play to seal the win for Rice, which finished 4-1 at home.

Boswell's 54-yard field goal with 11 seconds left in the first half made it 10-0 Rice. He also connected from 51 yards late in the third quarter.

Ryan Griffin completed 19 of 39 passes for 183 yards and a touchdown for the Green Wave (2-10, 1-7), who lost their last nine games.

TULSA 57, UTEP 28

EL PASO — G.J. Kinne threw three touchdown passes as Tulsa piled up 500 total yards in breezing past UTEP 57-28 on Saturday.

The victory set up the Golden Hurricane (8-3, 7-0 Conference USA) to meet No. 11 Houston on Friday for a spot in the conference championship game.

Kinne completed 19 of 25 passes for 283 yards and touchdowns to Trey Watts, Bryan Burnham and Jordan James.

Ja'Terian Douglas ran 14 times for 109 yards and a score. Alex Singleton and Kinne also rushed for TDs.

Watts also returned a kickoff 94 yards for a touchdown, and Shawn Jackson ran back an interception 34 yards for a score.

Joe Banyard rushed 20 times for 91 yards and a touchdown for the Miners (5-6, 2-5). Leilyon Myers had two rushing TDs and Tale Smith one.

Tulsa converted 6 of 7 third downs and did not punt all day.

UTSA 49, MINOT STATE 7

SAN ANTONIO — Eric Soza tossed a pair of touchdown passes and UTSA rolled past Minot State 49-7 on Saturday.

Jason Neill began the scoring by returning an interception 67 yards for a touchdown three minutes into the game. Evans Okotcha ran 77 yards for a touchdown later in the quarter and Kam Jones scored on a 22-yard run to give the Roadrunners a 21-0 lead after one quarter.

UTSA rushed for 289 yards and four touchdowns in the game. Brandon Armstrong gained 105 yards in just 10 carries.

Tyson Schatz scored the only touchdown for the Beavers (2-8) on a 2-yard run in the second quarter. Minot State plays in Division II.

The Roadrunners finished 4-6 in the program's inaugural season under former Miami coach Larry Coker.

WESTERN KENTUCKY 31, NORTH TEXAS 21

DENTON — Kawaun Jakes threw for 231 yards and three touchdowns to lead Western Kentucky over North Texas 31-21 on Saturday night.

Jakes' longest touchdown pass was for 63 yards to Tyler Higbee late in first half, giving the Hilltoppers (6-5, 5-1 Sun Belt) a 17-14 lead. They never trailed again.

Bobby Rainey led the game in running with 214 yards and a touchdown for Western Kentucky. Casey Tinius added a field goal.

Derek Thompson led in passing with 254 yards and two touchdowns for the Mean Green (4-7, 3-4) while James Hamilton ran for 51 yards and a touchdown.

MCNEESE STATE 45, LAMAR 17

BEAUMONT — Two McNeese State defenders ran back interceptions for touchdowns in upending Lamar 45-17 on Saturday night.

Malcolm Bronson returned a pickoff 44 yards for a 24-10 lead early in the third quarter, and Janzen Jackson ran one back 84 yards in the waning seconds.

Andre Anderson rushed for two touchdowns as the Cowboys (6-5, 4-3 Southland) finished on a three-game winning streak and notched their seventh consecutive winning season.

Darius Carey scored on a 34-yard run and Dontae Spencer did the same from 67 yards as McNeese State outrushed Lamar 203 yards to 39.

The Cardinals (4-7, 2-5) led 10-3 late in the first quarter after Andre Bevil threw a 24-yard touchdown pass to J.J. Hayes. Though the Cardinals gained 336 passing yards to the Cowboys' 126, that was offset by Lamar throwing four interceptions.

SAM HOUSTON STATE 36, TEXAS STATE 14

SAN MARCOS — Tim Flanders ran for 132 yards and two touchdowns and Sam Houston State completed an undefeated regular season with a 36-14 victory over Texas State Saturday.

The Bearkats (11-0) roared to a 17-0 lead as Flanders ran 32 yards for a touchdown and Brian Bell threw a 28-yard touchdown pass to Torrance Williams. Texas State got within 17-14 when Tyler Ardnt threw two TD passes, but the Bearkats kept the Bobcats off the scoreboard after that.

It was Flanders' sixth 100-yard rushing game of the season, and he has scored 20 touchdowns.

STEPHEN F. AUSTIN 33, NORTHWESTERN STATE 0

NATCHITOCHES, La. — Willie Jefferson had four sacks and Stephen F. Austin turned in its strongest defensive effort of the season, blanking Northwestern State 33-0 Saturday in the season finale for both teams.

ARKANSAS-PINE BLUFF 42, TEXAS SOUTHERN 6

PINE BLUFF, Ark. — Stephen Jones ran for 92 yards and two scores, and Arkansas-Pine Bluff used a solid running game to beat Texas Southern 42-6 on Saturday in both teams' regular-season finale.

ALABAMA A&M 17, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M 15

PRAIRIE VIEW — G'Alonzo Milton caught two touchdowns from David Isabelle Saturday as Alabama A&M defeated Prarie View A&M 17-15 to secure a spot in the championship game of the Southwestern Athletic Conference.

NCAA DIVISION III PLAYOFFS

MCMURRY 25, TRINITY 16

SAN ANTONIO — McMurry University's defense and special teams powered the War Hawks to their first ever playoff win of any kind Saturday as the War Hawks knocked off No. 11 Trinity 25-16 on its home field in the first round of the NCAA Division III Playoffs.

The War Hawks defense held Trinity to only 44 yards rushing and 304 yards overall while picking off four passes and recovering a fumble.

In addition, D.J. Baiza returned a punt for 52 yards for a score, and McMurry blocked a punt.

McMurry's starting quarterback, Jake Mullin, sat out with a partially torn meniscus and LCL. However, Stephen Warren rushed and passed for a touchdown in his absence while leaning on the defense that delivered.

SATURDAY'S MAJOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL SCORES

How The AP Top 25 Fared

No. 1 LSU (11-0) beat Mississippi 52-3. Next: vs. No. 6 Arkansas, Friday.

No. 2 Oklahoma State (10-1) lost to Iowa State 37-31, 2OT, Friday. Next: vs. No. 5 Oklahoma, Saturday, Dec. 3.

No. 3 Alabama (10-1) beat Georgia Southern 45-21. Next: at Auburn, Saturday.

No. 4 Oregon (9-2) lost to No. 18 Southern Cal 38-35. Next: vs. Oregon State, Saturday.

No. 5 Oklahoma (9-2) lost to No. 25 Baylor 45-38. Next: vs. Iowa State, Saturday.

No. 6 Arkansas (10-1) beat Mississippi State 44-17. Next: at No. 1 LSU, Friday, Nov. 25.

No. 7 Clemson (9-2) lost to NC State 37-13. Next: at No. 14 South Carolina, Saturday.

No. 8 Stanford (9-1) vs. California. Next: vs. No. 24 Notre Dame, Saturday.

No. 9 Virginia Tech (10-1) beat North Carolina 24-21, Thursday. Next: at Virginia, Saturday, Nov. 26.

No. 10 Boise State (9-1) beat San Diego State 52-35. Next: vs. Wyoming, Saturday.

No. 11 Houston (11-0) beat SMU 37-7. Next: at Tulsa, Saturday.

No. 12 Michigan State (9-2) beat Indiana 55-3. Next: at Northwestern, Saturday.

No. 13 Georgia (9-2) beat Kentucky 19-10. Next: at Georgia Tech, Saturday.

No. 14 South Carolina (9-2) beat The Citadel 41-20. Next: vs. No. 7 Clemson, Saturday.

No. 15 Wisconsin (9-2) beat Illinois 59-17. Next: vs. No. 21 Penn State, Saturday.

No. 16 Kansas State (9-2) beat Texas 17-13. Next: TBD.

No. 17 Nevada (9-2) lost to No. 20 Michigan 45-17. Next: vs. Iowa, Friday.

No. 18 Southern Cal (9-2) beat No. 4 Oregon 38-35. Next: vs. UCLA, Saturday.

No. 19 TCU (9-2) beat Colorado State 34-10. Next: vs. UNLV, Saturday, Dec. 3.

No. 20 Michigan (9-2) beat No. 17 Nebraska 45-17. Next: vs. Ohio State, Saturday.

No. 21 Penn State (9-2) beat Ohio State 33-14. Next: at No. 15 Wisconsin, Saturday.

No. 22 Southern Miss (9-2) lost to UAB 34-31, Thursday. Next: vs. Memphis, Saturday.

No. 23 Florida State (7-4) lost to Virginia 14-13. Next: at Florida, Saturday.

No. 24 Notre Dame (8-3) beat Boston College 19-14. Next: at No. 8 Stanford, Saturday.

No. 25 Baylor (7-3) beat No. 5 Oklahoma 45-38. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Saturday.

SOUTHWEST

Alabama A&M 17, Prairie View 15
Ark.-Pine Bluff 42, Texas Southern 6
Arkansas 44, Mississippi St. 17
Houston 37, SMU 7
Kansas St. 17, Texas 13
McNeese St. 45, Lamar 17
Rice 19, Tulane 7
Sam Houston St. 36, Texas St. 14
TCU 34, Colorado St. 10
Texas A&M 61, Kansas 7
Tulsa 57, UTEP 28
UTSA 49, Minot St. 7
W. Kentucky 31, North Texas 21

SOUTH

Alabama 45, Georgia Southern 21
Appalachian St. 28, Elon 24
Arkansas St. 44, Middle Tennessee 19
Auburn 38, Samford 16
Bethune-Cookman 28, Florida A&M 16
Cal Poly 41, South Alabama 10
Coastal Carolina 45, W. Carolina 21
Davidson 30, Valparaiso 22
Delaware St. 38, Howard 26
E. Kentucky 23, UTMartin 16
East Carolina 38, UCF 31
FIU 28, Louisiana-Monroe 17
Florida 65, Furman 38
Georgia 19, Kentucky 10
Georgia St. 42, Campbell 35
Georgia Tech 28, Duke 21
Hampton 45, Morgan St. 18
Jackson St. 31, Alcorn St. 7
Jacksonville St. 28, Tennessee St. 14
LSU 52, Mississippi 3
Miami 6, South Florida 3
Morehead St. 66, Butler 28
NC A&T 31, NC Central 21
NC State 37, Clemson 13
Presbyterian 45, Charleston Southern 14
SC State 33, Savannah St. 10
South Carolina 41, The Citadel 20
Stephen F. Austin 33, Northwestern St. 0
Tennessee 27, Vanderbilt 21, OT
Tennessee Tech 48, Austin Peay 7
Troy 34, FAU 7
Va. Tech 24, Florida St. 13
Wake Forest 31, Maryland 10
William & Mary 25, Richmond 23
Wofford 28, Chattanooga 27

FAR WEST

Air Force 48, UNLV 17
Boise St. 52, San Diego St. 35
E. Washington 45, Idaho St. 14
Louisiana Tech 24, Nevada 20
Montana 58, Montana St. 10
Oregon St. 38, Washington 21
S. Utah 27, N. Arizona 24
San Diego St. 20, Idaho 14
San Jose St. 27, Navy 24
Southern Cal 38, Oregon 35
UC Davis 23, Sacramento St. 19
UCLA 48, Colorado 6
Utah 30, Washington St. 27, OT
Utah St. 49, Idaho 42, 2OT
Weber St. 49, Portland St. 0
Wyoming 31, New Mexico 10

EAST

Albany (NY) 31, Sacred Heart 21
Buffalo 51, Akron 10
CCSU 42, Bryant 21
Colgate 21, Bucknell 9
Columbia 35, Brown 28, 2OT
Cornell 48, Penn 38
Dartmouth 24, Princeton 17
Delaware 49, Villanova 14
Duquesne 45, Robert Morris 16
Harvard 43, Yale 7
Holy Cross 41, Fordham 21
James Madison 24, UMass 17
Lehigh 37, Lafayette 13
Louisville 34, UConn 20
Maine 38, New Hampshire 35
Rutgers 20, Cincinnati 3
Stony Brook 41, Liberty 31
Temple 42, Army 14
Towson 58, Rhode Island 17
Wagner 44, Monmouth (NJ) 29

NAIA Football Playoff Glance

First Round

Saturday, Nov. 19

Marian (Ind.) 31, Grand View (Iowa) 0
Saint Francis (Ind.) 38, Missouri Valley 14
Georgetown (Ky.) 31, Benedictine (Kan.) 7
Midwestern, Nazarene (Kan.) 40, Southern Nazarene (Okla.) 7
Saint Xavier (Ill.) 51, Bethel (Tenn.) 13
St. Francis (Ill.) 31, Morningside (Iowa) 17
Carroll (Mont.) 47, Valley City State (N.D.) 0
Azusa Pacific 48, Ottawa (Kan.) 28

Quarterfinals

Saturday, Nov. 26

Azusa Pacific (Calif.) (9-2)
Saint Francis (Ind.) (9-2)
Marian (Ind.) (11-0)
Georgetown (Ky.) (11-0)
Southern Nazarene (Okla.) (10-1)
Saint Xavier (Ill.) (10-1)
St. Francis (Ill.) (10-1)
Carroll (Mont.) (11-1)
Saint Xavier (Ill.) (10-1) Semifinals

Saturday, Dec. 3

TBA

Championship

Saturday, Dec. 17
At Barron Stadium
Rochester, Minn.

Semifinal winners, 4:30 p.m.

NCAA Division II Football Playoff Glance

First Round

Saturday, Nov. 19

North Greenville 63, Albany State (Ga.) 14
California (Pa.) 44, Shepherd 0
Concord 14, Truman 13
North Alabama 43, West Alabama 27
Northwest Missouri State 35, Missouri Western 28
Minnesota-Duluth 30, Saginaw Valley 27
Wayne State (Mich.) 48, St. Cloud State 39
Washburn 52, Abilene Christian 49

Second Round

Saturday, Nov. 26

Kutztown (11-1) at New Haven (10-1), 11 a.m.
North Greenville (10-2) at Mars Hill (9-2), 11 a.m.
California (Pa.) (10-2) at Winston-Salem (11-0), 11 a.m.
North Alabama (9-2) at Delta State (9-2), 1 p.m.
Northwest Missouri State (10-2) at Midwestern State (10-0), Noon
Washburn (10-2) at Pittsburg State (9-1), Noon
Wayne State (Mich.) (11-1) at Nebraska-Kearney (10-1), Noon
Minnesota-Duluth (10-2) at Colorado State-Pueblo (11-0), 1 p.m.

Quarterfinals

Saturday, Dec. 3

North Alabama-Delta State winner vs. North Greenville-Mars Hill winner
Northwest Missouri State-Midwestern State winner vs. Washburn-Pittsburg State winner
California (Pa.)-Winston-Salem winner vs. Kutztown-New Haven winner
Minnesota-Duluth-Colorado State-Pueblo winner vs. Wayne State-Nebraska-Kearney winner

Semifinals

Saturday, Dec. 10

TBD

Championship

Saturday, Dec. 16
At Braly Municipal Stadium
Florence, Ala.

Semifinal winners

NCAA Division III Football Playoff Glance

First Round

Saturday, Nov. 19

Franklin 34, Thomas More 21
Alvernia 34, Christopher Newport 10
Salisbury 62, Western New England 24
St. John Fisher 28, Johns Hopkins 12
Delaware Valley 63, Norwich 10
Wesley 35, Hobart 28
Wabash 38, Illinois College 20
Centre 51, Hampden-Sydney 41
Mount Union 47, Benedictine (Ill.) 7
Wis.-Whitewater 59, Albion 0
St. Thomas (Minn.) 48, St. Scholastica 2
Monmouth (Ill.) 35, Illinois Wesleyan 27
Mary Hardin-Baylor 54, Redlands 19
McMurry 25, Trinity (Texas) 16
North Central (Ill.) 59, Dubuque 13
Linfield 30, Cal Lutheran 27

Second Round

Saturday, Nov. 26

Sites and times TBA

Kean (10-1) vs. Salisbury (10-1), 11 a.m.
St. John Fisher (9-2) vs. Delaware Valley (11-0), 11 a.m.
Centre (9-1) vs. Mount Union (11-0), 11 a.m.
St. Thomas (Minn.) (11-0) vs. Monmouth (Ill.) (10-1), Noon
Mary Hardin-Baylor (11-0) vs. McMurry (9-2), Noon
Wis.-Whitewater (11-0) vs. Franklin (10-1), TBA
Linfield (10-0) vs. Wesley (10-1), TBA
Wabash (11-0) vs. North Central (Ill.) (10-1), TBA

Quarterfinals

Saturday, Dec. 3

Wis.-Whitewater-Franklin winner vs. Kean-Salisbury winner
St. Thomas (Minn.)-Monmouth (Ill.) winner vs. St. John Fisher-Delaware Valley winner
Mary Hardin-Baylor-McMurry winner vs. Linfield-Wesley winner
Wabash-North Central (Ill.) winner vs. Centre-Mount Union winner

Semifinals

Saturday, Dec. 10

TBD

Championship

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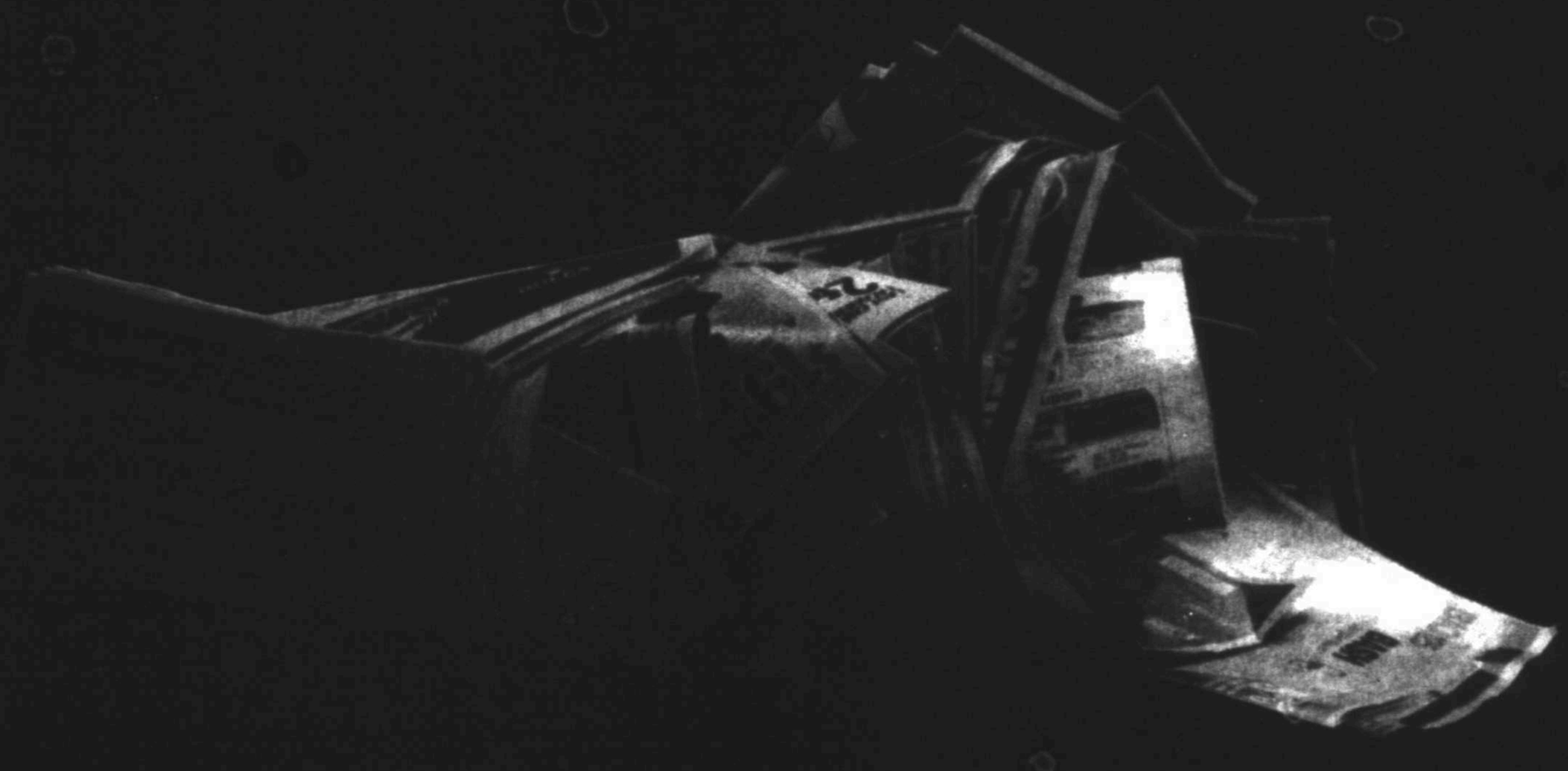

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Notice of SALE of personal property to satisfy landlords lien, per chapter 59, Texas property code. Contents of storage units:

#2 Ernest Matsler
#67 Daisy Hernandez
Misc. and household goods.

At ABC Secured Storage. 3105 Industrial Ave., Midland, Texas will be sold as a closed bid at 9 A.M. - 01/05/12.

Application has made with Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission for a Beer and Wine Retailer's Permit by Lisa Lange dba Smiling Moose Deli, to be located on 3322 N. Loop 250 W. Ste. 300 Midland, TX 79705. Owner's are Lisa, Bob and Colter Lange.

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FOUND 2 young dogs, 1 female Corgi, 1 male gray/black. Area West Midland. 770-4870

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NOTICE OF SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS — BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF SALE

COUNTY OF MIDLAND — DATED: OCTOBER 13, 2011

and issued pursuant to a judgment decree of the District Court, 142nd, 238th, 385th Judicial District, of MIDLAND County, Texas, by the District Clerk on said date, and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on the 27th day of October, 2011, seized, levied upon, and will on the first Tuesday in DECEMBER, 2011 the same being the 6th day of said month, at the Courthouse door, of said County in the City of MIDLAND, beginning at 10:00 o'clock a.m., on said day, proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suit to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of MIDLAND and the State of Texas, to-wit:

Cause No. TX09652: Midland County vs. Carrasco, Aurora et al Carrasco, Zulema

TRACT 1: GEO: R013089
Lot Twenty (20), Block Six (6), Casa Loma Addition to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas; more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien Recorded in Volume 604, Page 492 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX10625: Midland County vs. Clay, Don

TRACT 1: GEO: R029979
Lot 10, Block 5, Lynside Addition, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas; being that property conveyed by Don Clay to Louis Clay on March 16, 2010, in a Warranty Deed recorded as Instrument 2010-4514 in the Official Records of Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX10979: Midland County vs. Koonce, Gary L.

TRACT 1: GEO: R008280
1.69 acre tract of land out of the Northeast One-fourth (NE/4), Section One (1), Block Forty-one (41), T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in a Deed of Gift Recorded in Volume 950, Page 396 of the Official Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX11208: Midland CAD vs. Carrasco, Sergio M.

TRACT 1: GEO: R055179
Lots Thirty-six (36), Block One Hundred Thirty-two (132), Wilshire Park Addition, Midland, Midland County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Special Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien Recorded in Volume 1075, Page 667 of the Deed Records of Midland, County, Texas.

Cause No. TX11283: Midland CAD vs. Sanchez, Maquel et al

TRACT 1: GEO: R014121
Lot One (1), Block Thirty (30), COLLEGE HEIGHTS, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed with Vendor's Lien Recorded in Volume 1429, Page 79 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX11483: Midland CAD vs. Mary Castro et al

TRACT 1: GEO: R042737
Lot 15, Block 1, Sawyer Subdivision AKA 0.50 Acre out of Section 10, Block 39-T2S, Midland County, Texas being that property more particularly described in Volume 1264, Page 707 of the Deed Records, Midland County, Texas.

Cause No.TX11498: Midland County vs. Randolph, Thelise

TRACT 1: GEO: R002923
The surface estate only of that certain Five (5) acre tract of land out of the Northwest Quarter (NW/4) of Section Thirty-nine (39), Block Thirty-eight (38), T-1-S, T&P RY. Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed recorded in Volume 2711, Page 161 of the Deed Records in Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX11673: Midland County vs. Renteria, Alfonso, Jr.

TRACT 1: GEO: R012541
Being all of Lot Fourteen (14), Block Four (4), Brunson Addition, an addition to the City of Midland, Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX11803: Midland County vs. Wells, Roger et ux

TRACT 1: GEO: R002741
Lots Fifteen and Sixteen (15 & 16), out of Nine acres (9.0), being 0.45 acre, West (W) Part of Section Thirty-five (35), Block Thirty-eight (38), T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, also known as "Tract Fifteen" (15); being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed Recorded in Volume 997, Page 27 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

TRACT 2: GEO: R002742
Lots Fifteen and Sixteen (15 & 16), out of Nine acres (9.0), being 0.32 acre, West (W) Part of Section Thirty-five (35), Block Thirty-eight (38), T-1-S, T&P RR. Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, also known as "Tract Sixteen" (16); being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed Recorded in Volume 997, Page 27 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

Cause No. TX11817: Midland County vs. Flora Ann Shelby a/k/a Flora A. Shelby

TRACT 1: GEO: R032579
Lot Seven (7), South Ten feet (10') of Lot Eight (8), Block Twenty-eight (28), Moody Addition, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed Recorded in Volume 1493, Page 503 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

TRACT 2: GEO: R009954
Lot Two (2), Block Ten (10), Barber-Cole Addition, City of Midland, Midland County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed Recorded in Volume 1293, Page 9 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

TRACT 3: GEO: R035246
Lot Five (5) (or E) in Block Forty-six (46), Original Town of Midland, Midland County, Texas; being that property more particularly described in a Warranty Deed Recorded in Volume 1279, Page 69 of the Deed Records of Midland County, Texas.

or upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion thereof to satisfy said judgment, interest, penalties, and costs; subject, however to the right of redemption by the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem said property, or their interest therein, in the manner provided by law, and subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgment rendered in the above styled and numbered cause, together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sale to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.

At the time the sale begins, all bidders at the sale must be registered with the above named agent conducting the sale and be eligible to bid according to the Property Tax Code.

Dated at MIDLAND County, Texas, this the 27th day of October, 2011.

MIDLAND COUNTY SHERIFF
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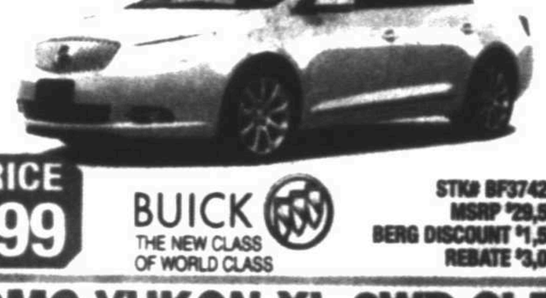

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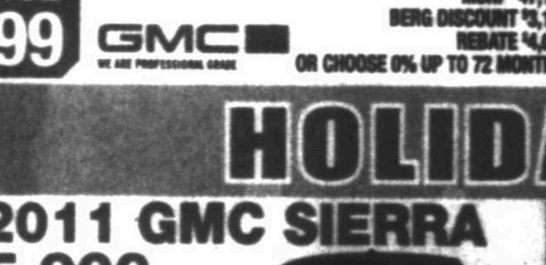

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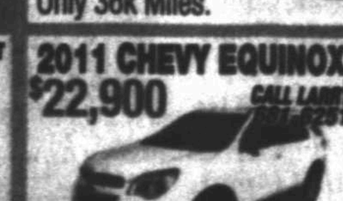

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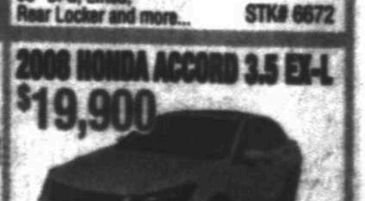

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WORK LESS, DO MORE

By PATRICIA RIVERA
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Trying to pack more tasks into a set amount of time?

Not life coach Joan Friedlander, who sees that perspective as "so 90s" in a culture in which more people work harder and longer than is humanly sustainable.

"We are living with undue stress and an unwarranted sense of personal failure. Burnout is the norm," says Friedlander, owner of Lifework Business Partners in suburban Washington, D.C.

Even though technology can lighten the load by providing more freedom and productivity, expectations in the workplace can be high, leading to long-term stress for employees. Friedlander says it's up to individuals to draw boundaries and dare to work less. "By doing so, you take charge of your productivity, increase your effectiveness and reduce stress caused by trying to keep up with unreasonable expectations," she says.

Instead of asking how you can get more done in less time, determine what you

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can do in the time available. Reposition your thinking so that you don't have to work days, nights and weekends to succeed at work, she suggests. Think about the end result: "The harder and longer you work, the more you risk your happiness, health and productive capacity."

Here are Friedlander's seven strategies for putting yourself first. She suggests selecting two or three to start:

• Fully disengage from business or work for a minimum of 24 sequential hours every week.

• Unsubscribe from every mailing list and publication that doesn't directly matter to you or your business.

• Schedule energetically similar activities into blocks of time.

• Spend one to two hours each morning on a high-priority project before checking email.

> Nix the endless to-do list and take a "can-do" approach to setting priorities.

• Select email settings and notifications so that you only receive new email when you "ask" for it.

• Get real about your personal capacity. Assume an average of six to seven productive hours a day. More than that, and the law of diminishing returns comes into play.

• Nix the endless to-do list and take a "can-do" approach to setting priorities. Focus on no more than three "power tasks" that you know you can do in one day.

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READY, AIM... DRAW!

SOMETIMES, IT TAKES MORE THAN WORDS TO SELL AN IDEA. GENTLEMEN AND WOMEN, BREAK OUT THE MARKERS

By DAWN KLINGENSMITH
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The most powerful way to present an idea may be to stop talking and start drawing.

Even stick figures and rudimentary sketches can help sway naysayers in a presentation or make the weekly staff meeting more active and productive, says Dan Roam, author of "Blah, Blah, Blah: What To Do When Words Don't Work," (Portfolio, 2011).

"Verbally delivered, words fade pretty rapidly. When you draw, the entire idea remains in front of us," Roam says.

A simple drawing can make a big impression in a high-tech world. "We are overwhelmed with information, so we talk louder and faster to push our ideas, contributing to this endless world of blah-blah-blah we're bombarded with every day," Roam says. "Visuals cut through the chatter."

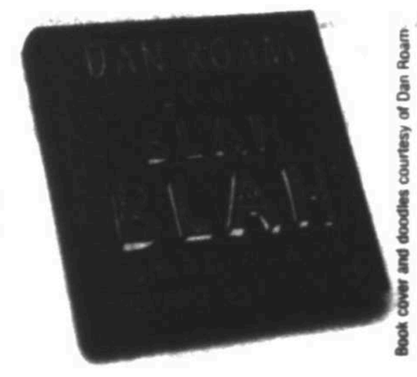
A drawing appeals to people visually and verbally. When the right pictures accompany words, an idea comes to life - and so does your audience.

"The moment you introduce a drawing into a meeting, everything changes. People light up," says Roam, president of Digital Roam Inc., a management consulting firm in San Francisco. "There's a neurobiological reason for this. We are hardwired to visually process things."

Indeed, involving the eyes as well as the ears means "there's more going on in the brain," which is generally conducive to learning, although some people don't visualize as well as others, says Dr. Deborah Zelinsky, a neurodevelopmental optometrist and founder of Mind-Eye Connection, Northbrook, Ill.

Drawing adds a motor skill to the sensory input, which further activates the brain, she says. And active brains are more productive than zombie brains in meetings and brainstorming sessions.

An audiovisual presentation with preprinted charts or PowerPoint slides does not arrest people's attention and invite their participation in the same way as scribbles and doodles drawn in front of them, Roam says. Pre-made graphics create



Book cover and doodles courtesy of Dan Roam

the impression that everything's set in stone with no room for change and development.

Make your next presentation more attention getting by using a white board or piece of paper and drawing circles with labels to represent goals or concepts. Use arrows and brackets to create a "visual framework" to help "clarify and crystallize an idea," Roam says. Add a heroic little stick figure or two if it helps you get your point across.

Artistic ability doesn't matter. "You don't need to create beautiful pictures. That's not what we're after," Roam says. "It's possible to overcomplicate things. Exceedingly simple visuals work best."

Although your creation will seem spontaneous, figure out beforehand how to represent your idea visually.

"There is no idea that is so complex that it can't be represented by a simple series of pictures," Roam says. "The moment you figure out the visual essence of an idea is the moment you can really start thinking through and talking about the idea."

When people start providing input, invite them to add their own scribbles.

"This changes the tone of the meeting, from people talking at each other to people talking about a shared vision that's right in front of them," Roam says.

When you're trying to sell or save an idea, "You know you've won if someone says, 'Can I have the pen?' Their minds have lit up. They are fully engaged. This almost never happens when you are just talking," Roam says, or when your visuals aren't created on the spot.

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TRICK QUESTION: 'HOW ARE YOU?'

Most job candidates are well prepared for tricky skills-based and situational interview questions that reveal what they know and how they act under pressure. It's the simplest questions that can throw them off. We're talking basic openers, such as "How are you?"

"My favorite opener has always been, 'How was your weekend?' Many people automatically drop their guard and switch to a very familiar tone and reveal too much, like they're speaking to a friend," says Lucy Cherkasets Montin, director of training services for Clarity Media Group, a New York-based communications firm that helps professionals and organizations fine-tune their sales pitches. "Come prepared with appropriate stories you can use for these general questions."

You needn't dig deep into your health or social life to answer the question "How are you?" Think of some recent work-related projects or events and make those the basis of your reply. For example: "I'm great! My numbers came in last week, and I exceeded my sales goal by 20 percent."

A simple "I'm well and I'm excited to be here" is a perfectly acceptable response, too.

The ability to engage in small talk can make or break an interview, Montin says. "Demonstrating that you have a sense of what's appropriate plays into the decision to move you up in the interview rounds or not."– *Dawn Klingensmith*

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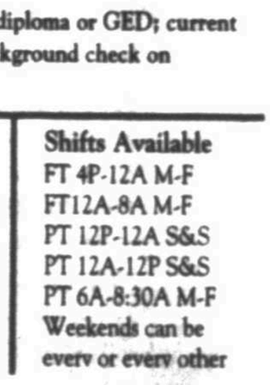

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ECI Family Service Coordinator is responsible for assisting families in gaining access to needed services and supports as outlined in the Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP). This person is the primary contact for each family assigned and must have considerable knowledge in the functioning of social services, medical treatment facilities and community resources. These duties include the following activities: referral and intake, service coordination, transitioning, identification of additional assessments, service/services, public awareness, tracking of deadlines, coordination of and participation in initial and ongoing developmental assessments, service planning on an interdisciplinary team and providing developmental services using a routines based intervention strategy. Travel is required 80% of the time within a twelve county service area. Employee is required to use their personal vehicle/ or an agency/rental vehicle. All employees are required to have a personal vehicle available for work purposes and maintain current, valid vehicle liability on the personal vehicle. Personal vehicle usage is subject to Center authorized mileage reimbursement rates. Salary $35,000 to $47,000 depending on experience. LPC, Social Worker RN, LMFT or Bachelor's Degree which includes a minimum of 18 hrs of course credit relevant to early childhood intervention including three hrs in early childhood development, human development or early childhood special education.

Applications available at www.wtcmhmr.org or by calling JOBLINE 800-687-2769 EOE

LVN
Busy Urgent Care Clinic is needing an LVN with 2 years medical experience, you will be expected to work on the weekends with this position (UC-5067). No phone calls or walk-ins please. Please fax your resume to 432-682-2284 Attn: Alesha McCoy or mail your resume to P.O. Box 5291 Midland, TX 79701

Now Hiring
Permian Gastroenterology, P.A. FT
Seeking professional person for full time position in multi-physician office. Must have experience in medical billing, all types of insurance billing including Medicare and Medicaid. Experience with accounts receivable, collections, ICD-9 & CPT Coding. Please fax resume to Jennifer at 432-697-1000 or bring to: 4214 Andrews Hwy, Ste 203, Midland, TX 79703.

HEALTHSOUTH
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RN
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RN NEEDED FOR HOME HEALTH VISITS. Calvert Home Health Care, Ltd. has an immediate opening for a field RN in our Midland office. Experience in home health or hospice nursing preferred. Must be computer proficient. Competitive salary & benefits. Hours are 8 am to 5 pm with occasional on-call and weekend duties. You may email your resume to dmadison@chhci.com, fax it to 686-0460 or come by our office at 6112 N. State Hwy. 349, Ste. A-9 to complete an application. EOE.

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HEALTHCARE

RN Case Manager
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HUMAN RESOURCES

Human Resources Employment Coordinator
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Nabors Well Services is currently seeking experienced Employment Coordinator to recruit for work over rigs and Class A CDL Drivers for the SE New Mexico and West TX. Position will require relocation to one of these areas. We are also hiring for a Safety & Training Representative. Competitive Pay, Benefits, and Paid Time Off Available. Please email or fax:

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PAYROLL CLERK w/ exp. in HR & benefit admin.
Midland's Premier Country Club has openings for Payroll Clerk! This position will be responsible for all aspects of payroll administration for the club's bi-monthly payroll of approximately 80 full and part time employees. Will oversee benefit administration and should have a working knowledge of HR related policies. Please apply in person **Tues.-Fri. at 6101 N. Hwy 349.** Position is full time. In addition to competitive wages we offer paid medical and 401k.

MANUFACTURING & OPERATIONS

AZ Operator
Teraco, Inc. FT
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Manufacturing Technician
Envirocon Technologies, Inc., Manufacturing Technician starting at $13/hr. Full-Time Position.Health Insurance, SIMPLE IRA, Vacation/Sick Pay and Profit Sharing. Main duties include: manufacturing consumer product goods, operating complex packaging machinery, case packing, palletizing, chemical blending, quality control, cleaning working in a team based format. Envirocon is looking for a go getter who takes pride in their work and will look to uphold quality. For more information please call Shannon Eggemeyer at 432-687-2582 or fill out application at 1101 W. Cr. 150, Midland, TX. 79706

OTHER JOBS

Assistant Maintenance/Make Ready
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Large management company. Great benefits. Must have own tools. Apply in person Hunter Glen Apartments, 1902 N. Midland Dr. Midland, TX. 79707

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Dismas Charities Part-time/Full-time
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Custodian
Envirocon Technologies, Inc. Custodian starting at $12/hr. Full-Time Position, Health Insurance, SIMPLE IRA, Vacation/Sick Pay and Profit Sharing. Main duties include: Cleaning offices, cleaning/wiping down automated machinery, operating floor scrubber, dust, sweep, mop, clean windows, cleaning lavatories, clean kitchen area, empty all trash, vacuum carpeted floors. Assisting in building and grounds maintenance would also be included: changing ceiling tiles, changing light bulbs and other related work as required. For more information call Shannon Eggemeyer at 432-687-2582 or fill out an application at 1101 W. CR. 150, Midland, TX. 79706.

Daytime Maid or Janitor
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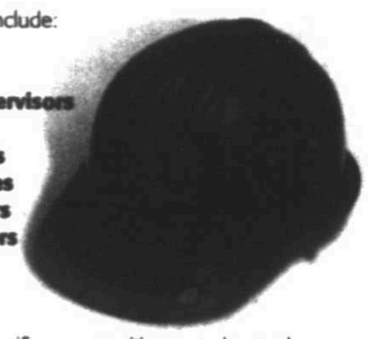

To learn more about specific opportunities, or to locate the Basic office nearest you, visit our website at **www.basicenergyservices.com** or submit resumes to

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KENNEL ASSISTANT
Kennel assistant needed for p/t or f/t. Job entails cleaning, feeding & playtime with animals. Primary responsibility is to keep kennels clean and assist manager with any duties as assigned. For immediate consideration please send resume to: P-114, c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, TX 79701.

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Landscape laborers needed. Turf Specialties, Inc. is hiring laborers to perform the following duties: Landscape or maintain grounds of property using hand or power tools or equipment. Workers typically perform tasks, which may include any combination of the following: sod laying, planting plants and trees, mowing, trimming, watering, digging, spread dirt, raking, pruning, mulching, sprinkler installation, and loading and unloading materials. Lifting required up to 25 lbs. No education required. 3 months experience required. Ongoing on the job training provided. $12.20/hr, $18.30 O.T. 7am-4pm, M-F. No overtime expected. 20 positions available for temporary peak load work 02/02/2012-12/01/2012. Work to be performed in Midland County area jobsites. Transportation provided to and from area job sites at employer's expense from a central Midland County area pick up location. Fax resume to Susan at 432-684-0922 or email resume to susan@turfspec.com. You may also call collect to 432-684-7166. Ad paid by an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Req. # 1342

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Levelland, TX
Req. # 1344

I&E Technician
Odessa, TX
Req. # 1347 and 1348

I&E Technician
Altus, OK
Req. # 1351

Pipeline Equipment Operator
Levelland, TX
Req. # 1352

Pipeline Operations Engineer
Midland, TX
Req. # 9715

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Personnel Department
PO Box 60660
Midland, TX 79711
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Fax 432-561-5671

HSE Specialist
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HSE Specialist needed for rapidly growing oil field chemical company. Candidate must have professional and technical skills related to but not limited to personnel training, HSE auditing, policy implementation, purchasing and multi-tasking. Bachelors degree in Science and 3 years experience preferred. Send resume to: PO BOX 10887, Midland, TX 79702.

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Experienced full-time, on-site Property Manager needed. Apply at Santa Fe Apartments. Call Santa Fe Apts 432-520-3751

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Midland, TX 79707
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WAREHOUSE ASSOCIATE

ISR - provides a direct contact for external customers in the selling of MRC material and all follow-up activities needed to ensure customer relations. **OSR** - is responsible for execution and achievement of established financial goals; accountable for the sales development and gross margin growth in an assigned territory from lead generation to close. Sales Requirements: 3 years of sales experience and knowledge of pipe, valves and fittings preferred, and MS Office skills. OSR also requires a valid driver's license. **WAREHOUSE** – maintains the flow of stocked and delivered inventory by pulling material from bins, loading material onto trucks and placing new material arrivals into bins. Requirements: high school diploma, or GED, and a minimum of 2 years warehouse experience.

MRC offers competitive salaries and an excellent benefits package. Qualified candidates should submit resume and salary requirements to: talent@mrcpvf.com with ODESSA in the subject field or fax to 866-846-7729.
Employment is contingent on a negative drug screen and successful background check.
EOE

MRC Global

Outside Sales Representative
Pipeco Services — FT
A strong Houston OCTG distributor is searching for a Midland/Odessa based outside sales representative to cover the Permian Basin territory. An experienced OCTG/oilfield person with a proven sales background is preferred. The job offers a competitive base salary with bonus, excellent benefits, and growth opportunities. Please fax resumes to 281-955-3525.

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High school diploma or general education degree (GED); or one to three months related experience and/or training; or equivalent combination of education and experience. Must possess a valid Class A or B Driver's License.

J-W Measurement Company offers competitive salaries and excellent benefits including medical, dental, vacation, life and disability insurance, profit sharing, and a 401k program.

JW Measurement Company

If you meet the minimum requirements, please apply at: www.jwenergy.com

EOE

J-W MEASUREMENT IS HIRING!
SHOP TECHNICIAN
MIDLAND, TX

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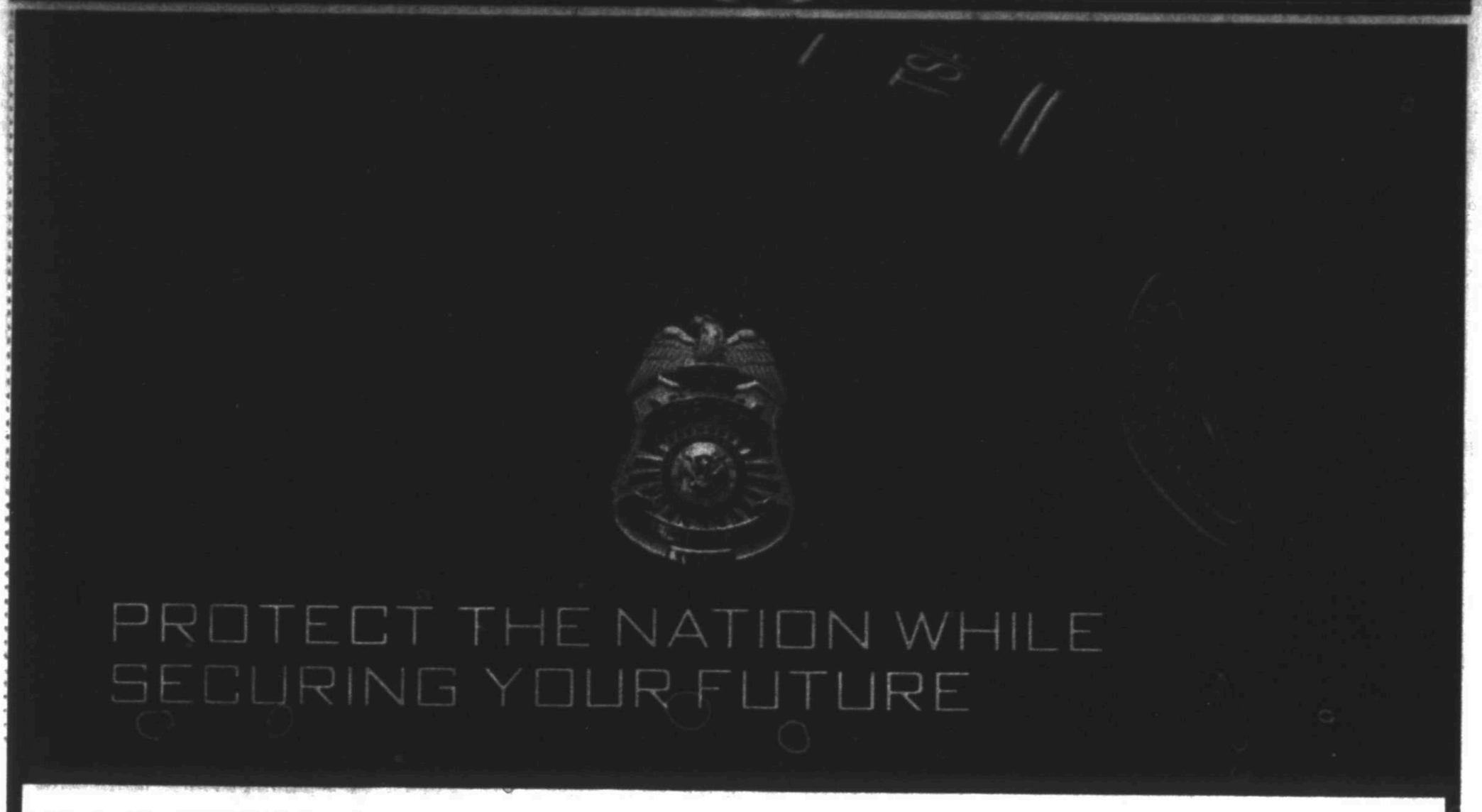

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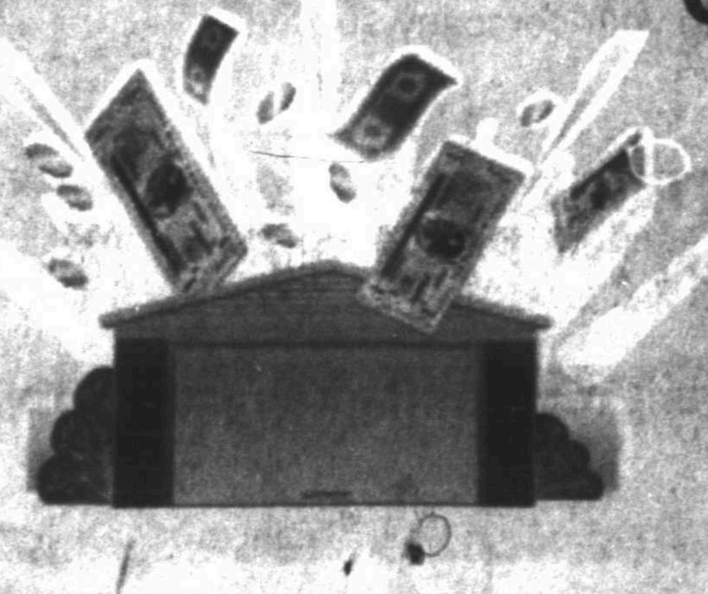

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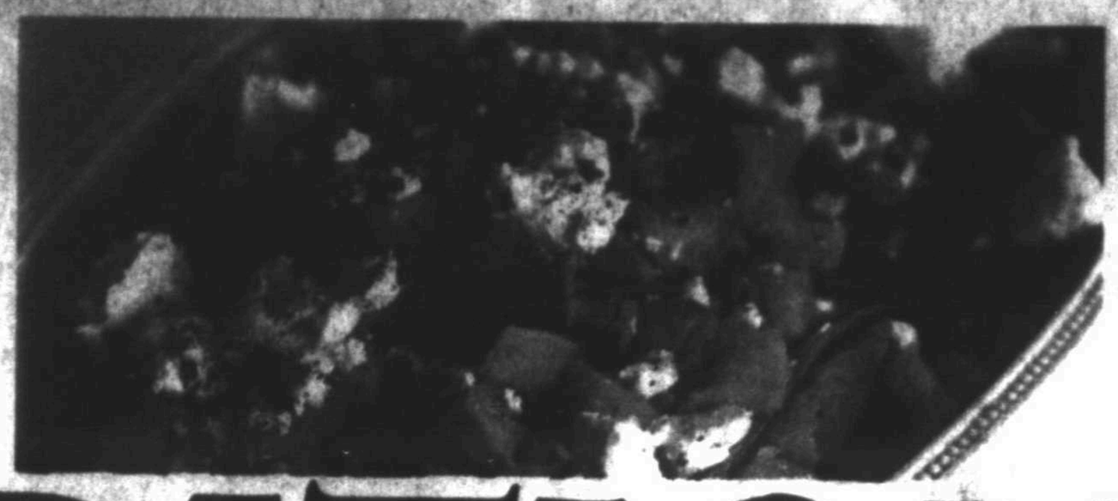

testing TRADITION

New recipes vie for place in holiday spread

By Megan Lea Buck
Features Editor

Families around the nation will gather this week to enjoy a meal with their loved ones. Thanksgiving may be the only time of year you have the opportunity to enjoy your aunt's fruit salad. It may be the only occasion for which your grandmother makes her homemade rolls. Your Thanksgiving table may be filled with traditional holiday foods and dishes crafted from recipes passed down through generations. But like everything else that defines the holidays, your Thanksgiving spread should strike a balance between the old and the new, between traditional favorites and fresh ideas.

This year, I decided to put a few of my family's traditional dishes to the test. When the Associated Press started running Thanksgiving food stories, I kept an eye out for recipes to compete with classic green bean casserole (we add a little cayenne pepper to the cream of mushroom to spice it up), mashed sweet potato casserole (sometimes stuffed in orange peels, sometimes topped with marshmallows, always with enough brown sugar) and my favorite, hard-to-beat pumpkin pie (probably made from the recipe on the back of the canned pumpkin).

After a couple weeks I narrowed down the competitors to oven-candied green beans amandine, citrus sweet potatoes and midnight pumpkin pie. Before even looking at the recipes, I can say these dishes win in the appealing name category. Maybe after dinner this year I should initiate a brainstorm session to come up with creative and appetizing names for what currently is known as "the rolls," "the stuffing" and "the potatoes." After winning on first impressions, recipes were judged on availability, familiarity and cost of ingredients; preparation and cook time; difficulty; and taste. With a list in hand, I set off to the grocery store on a recent Friday afternoon with about 3 1/2 hours to get supplies and at least get everything

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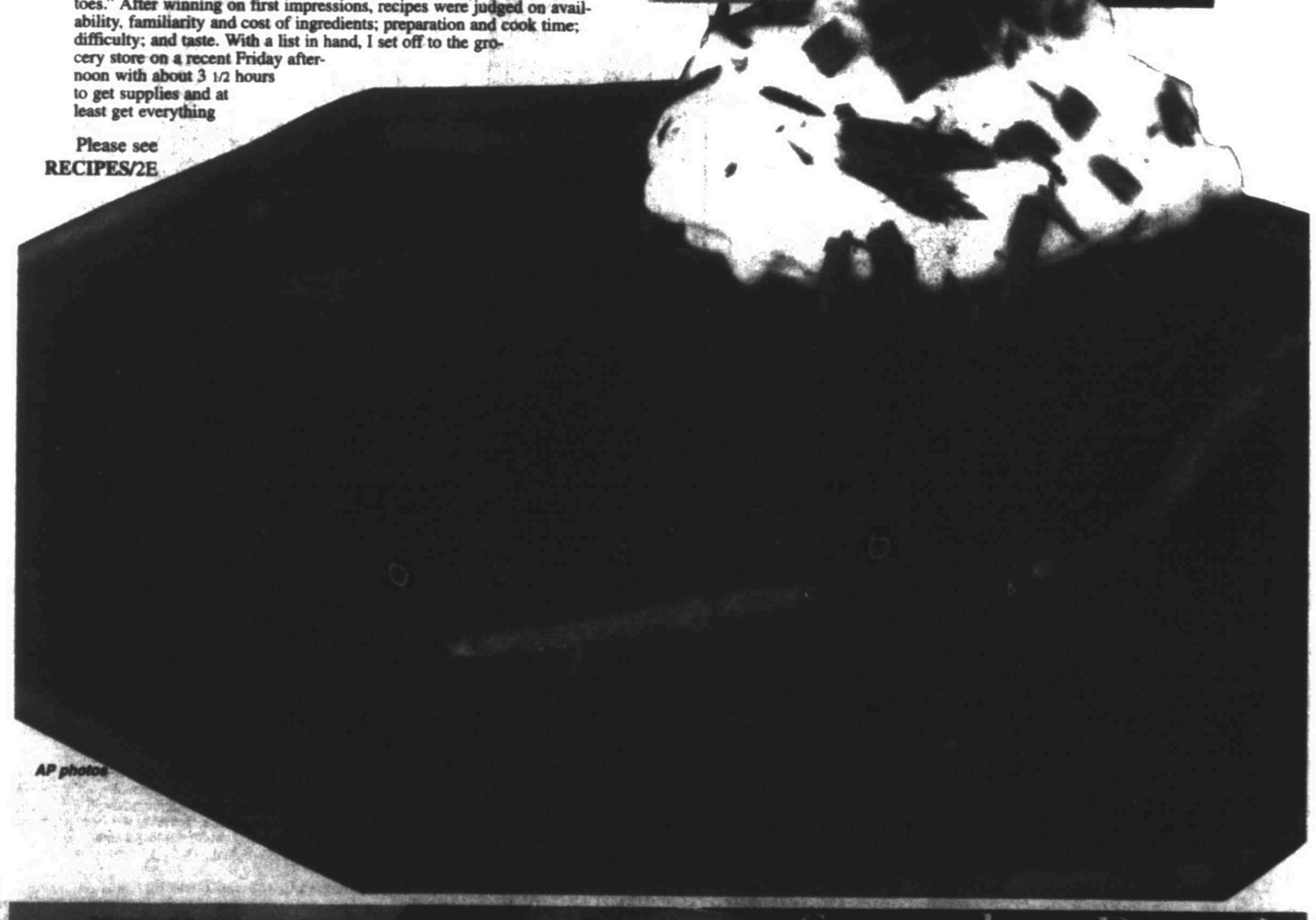

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Oven-candied green beans amandine, above left, are topped with toasted almonds and crispy bacon. CENTER: Midnight pumpkin pie made with bittersweet chocolate was a little too bitter. RIGHT: Enough vinaigrette for 5 pounds of sweet potatoes was too much for 2 1/2 pounds of potatoes.

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in the oven before it was time to pick up my 1-year-old daughter from day care. (Though she loves playing with wooden spoons, she's not yet too helpful in the kitchen.)

The grocery store trip took about an hour — standard for any trip I make to the store whether I'm buying food for two weeks or one meal — and I spent slightly less than $50. There were a few ingredients I already had in my pantry such as olive oil, honey and most of the required spices. The only ingredient I couldn't find — and I may just have missed it — was ricotta salata. This is different than the ricotta I normally buy for lasagna; ricotta salata is a salted ricotta that is dry and crumbly. I bought crumbled goat cheese instead because the recipe called for either one. Other ingredients were easy to find; items such as canned pumpkin and ground cloves had been moved to end-of-aisle displays for the holiday season.

After unloading the groceries, I took a look at each recipe to try to judge the timing of the meal and decide where to begin. Luckily all three dishes are baked or roasted in an oven heated to 350 degrees, so if space allows, they can be cooked at the same time. I started peeling and cubing the sweet potatoes and after dressing them with olive oil, I poured them onto a baking sheet and put them in the pre-heated oven.

With the potatoes roasting, I started on the pie. I set a saucepan of heavy cream on medium-high heat and began to break up what was supposed to be 6 ounces of semi-sweet chocolate. Apparently I was more focused on buying the right amount of chocolate than buying the right type of chocolate because I got home with 6 ounces of bittersweet chocolate. Of course I didn't realize this until the cream to which I was supposed to add the chocolate already was bubbling. I had to make a choice — swap out some of the bittersweet chocolate with leftover Halloween candy or add sugar. Not knowing how Hershey's miniatures would work in the recipe, I chose to add sugar to the melty mixture of heavy cream and bittersweet chocolate. I combined the chocolate with the other ingredients — brown sugar, a variety of spices, two eggs and a can of pumpkin — and poured it into a ready-made deep dish pie crust.

The pie joined the sweet potatoes in the oven, and after a little cleaning up, I started making the lemon-lime vinaigrette to go with the potatoes. Because my family consists of myself, my husband and our very young daughter, I decided to cut all of the recipes in half. Most of them made enough to serve eight or even 12; it would take us a week to eat that many green beans. As planned, I halved the amount of sweet potatoes called for, but I decided it would be easier to make the full version of the vinaigrette and then use only half of it. It seemed too difficult to measure half of the juice of one lemon and half of the juice of one lime. So, I made enough citrus dressing for 5 pounds of sweet potatoes and, of course, I forgot to only pour half of the dressing on top of the 2 1/2 pounds of roasted potatoes I pulled from the oven. I added the goat cheese and chopped fresh chives for garnish. I grabbed a fork for a quick taste test and was a little surprised by just how citrus-y the dish was. It was then I realized I used all of the dressing. Oops. The dish probably would be really nice with a mild citrus flavor cut by the creamy cheese — if I would have used the right amount of vinaigrette. My version was a little too tangy ... and not a big hit with the husband or daughter.

With the pie still in the oven, I started working on the oven-candied green beans amandine. I coated the green beans with olive oil, brown sugar, salt and pepper and let them roast in the oven for 30 minutes until they were wrinkled. While they cooked, I toasted the sliced almonds and cooked a few bacon slices for garnish.

The green beans were wrinkled about the same time the pie was finished. I removed both from the oven, set aside the pie to cool, and splashed a tablespoon of rice vinegar over the green beans. After plating the beans, I topped them with the roasted almonds and crispy bacon pieces. The brown sugar and rice vinegar created a complex flavor for the still slightly crunchy beans, and the bacon and almonds added a salty, meaty flavor. My only complaint was the overwhelming amount of black pepper. I like spicy foods, but this was too much for me. The recipe calls for 1 teaspoon black pepper combined with 1 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/2 cup brown sugar. I would recommend cutting the black pepper to 1/2 teaspoon.

After dinner I sliced into the pie and was a little surprised by the color — unlike the perfect caramel brown slice in the AP photos, my pie was a dark shade of expresso, almost black. I slathered on the Cool Whip, grabbed a fork and went in for the first bite of the first pie I've ever made. (I'm always the person who contributes a salad or veggie casserole, never dessert.) It turns out bittersweet chocolate is a little more bitter than sweet. Maybe I should have gone with the leftover Halloween candy.

Almost five hours after my trip to the grocery store, I cleaned up my very messy kitchen and watched my husband sneak into the pantry to find something else to eat for dinner. I wouldn't call the challenge a complete failure, but I am thankful I didn't wait until Thanksgiving to try these new recipes. I'll make the dishes again — with some minor adjustments — and next time I'll be more careful about following the instructions and buying the right type of chocolate.

I can't say that any of these recipes will replace our traditional Thanksgiving foods, but this year oven-candied green beans amandine may take a place at the table next to the green bean casserole. It never hurts to have something new mixed in with the old traditions.

Thanksgiving Recipes

Sweet Potatoes with Lemon-Lime Vinaigrette

Start to finish: 1 hour
Servings: 12

5 pounds sweet potatoes, peeled and cubed
3/4 cup olive oil, divided
2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon ground black pepper
Zest and juice of 1 lemon
Zest and juice of 1 lime
3 tablespoons honey
2 tablespoons white balsamic vinegar
1/2 cup crumbled or grated ricotta salata cheese or crumbled goat cheese
2 tablespoons chopped fresh chives
Heat the oven to 400 F.

In a large bowl, toss together the sweet potatoes, 1/4 cup of the olive oil, salt and pepper. Spread over 2 large baking sheets and roast for 30 to 40 minutes, or until tender and browned.

In a blender, combine the remaining 1/2 cup of olive oil, the lemon juice and zest, lime juice and zest, honey and vinegar. Puree until smooth. Arrange the roasted sweet potatoes on a platter, drizzle the vinaigrette over the top. Sprinkle with the ricotta salata or goat cheese and the chives.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 330 calories; 150 calories from fat (43 percent of total calories); 16 g fat (4 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 5 mg cholesterol; 43 g carbohydrate; 5 g protein; 6 g fiber; 460 mg sodium. Recipe by Alison Ladman/AP.

Oven-candied Green Beans Amandine

Start to finish: 40 minutes
Servings: 8

1/2 cup packed brown sugar
1 1/2 teaspoons salt
1 teaspoon ground black pepper
1 tablespoon olive oil
3 pounds trimmed green beans
2 tablespoons rice vinegar
1/4 cup sliced toasted almonds

Heat the oven to 350 F. Line 2 large rimmed baking sheets with foil. You need to have enough space to spread out the green beans.

In a small bowl, mix together the brown sugar, salt and pepper. In a large bowl, toss the oil with the green beans until they are lightly but thoroughly coated. Add the brown sugar mixture and toss to coat. Spread the green beans on the prepared baking sheets.

Bake for 30 minutes, or until the beans are well wrinkled. Sprinkle the beans with the vinegar. Arrange in a serving bowl and top with the toasted almonds.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 140 calories; 35 calories from fat (21 percent of total calories); 4 g fat (0 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 0 mg cholesterol; 27 g carbohydrate; 4 g protein; 6 g fiber; 370 mg sodium. Recipe by Alison Ladman/AP.

Midnight Pumpkin Pie

Start to finish: 1 hour (10 minutes active)
Servings: 8

1 cup heavy cream
6 ounces semi-sweet chocolate bits
15-ounce can pumpkin puree
1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground dry ginger
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves
1/2 teaspoon ground allspice
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 eggs
1 prepared (raw) deep-dish pie crust
Heat the oven to 350 F.

In a small saucepan over medium-high, heat the cream until just bubbling. Remove from the heat and add the chocolate bits. Stir until completely melted and smooth.

In a medium bowl, whisk together the pumpkin, brown sugar, cinnamon, ginger, cloves, allspice, nutmeg, salt and the chocolate-cream mixture. Add the eggs, whisking until everything is thoroughly combined.

If it isn't already, fit the pie crust into a 9-inch deep pie pan. Pour the pumpkin mixture into the crust. Bake for 50 to 60 minutes, or until the center is set and no longer jiggles.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 390 calories; 210 calories from fat (53 percent of total calories); 24 g fat (13 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 100 mg cholesterol; 43 g carbohydrate; 5 g protein; 3 g fiber; 240 mg sodium. Recipe by Alison Ladman/AP.

The Reporter-Telegram asked readers to submit their favorite Thanksgiving recipes along with the stories behind them. One reader, 12-year-old Anna Anna Purkison, sent two of her family's favorite holiday recipes.

Spinach Madeleine

The spinach madeleine has been a Thanksgiving tradition in our family before I was even born. I probably ate this dish when I was in a highchair. The spinach madeleine was my grandmother, Suzy's, recipe. When she got sick in 2008, my mom started making it from her recipe but realized she couldn't find Kraft Jalapeño Cheese. We searched high and low in many grocery stores in many towns but it appeared to no longer be in stores. We have substituted several different cheeses and found Kraft English Cheese works best. Bon Appetite!

2 packages frozen chopped spinach
4 Tablespoons butter
2 Tablespoons flour
2 Tablespoons chopped onion
1/2 cup evaporated milk (small can)
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
1/2 teaspoon celery salt
1/2 teaspoon garlic salt
6 ounce roll jalapeño cheese (or 5 ounce jar Kraft Old English Cheese)
1 teaspoon worcestershire sauce
red pepper to taste (minima)
buttered bread crumbs

Cook spinach per package (microwave is fine). Drain, reserving 1/2 cup liquid. Melt butter on low heat in sauce pan. Add flour until blended and smooth (but not brown). Add onion and cook until soft (not brown). Add liquid slowly, stirring to avoid lumps. Cook until smooth; add seasonings and cut up cheese pieces. Combine with spinach in baking dish and top with buttered bread crumbs. Bake at 350 for 30-35 mins.

If frozen, thaw and add bread crumbs before baking.

Grandmama's Cornbread Dressing

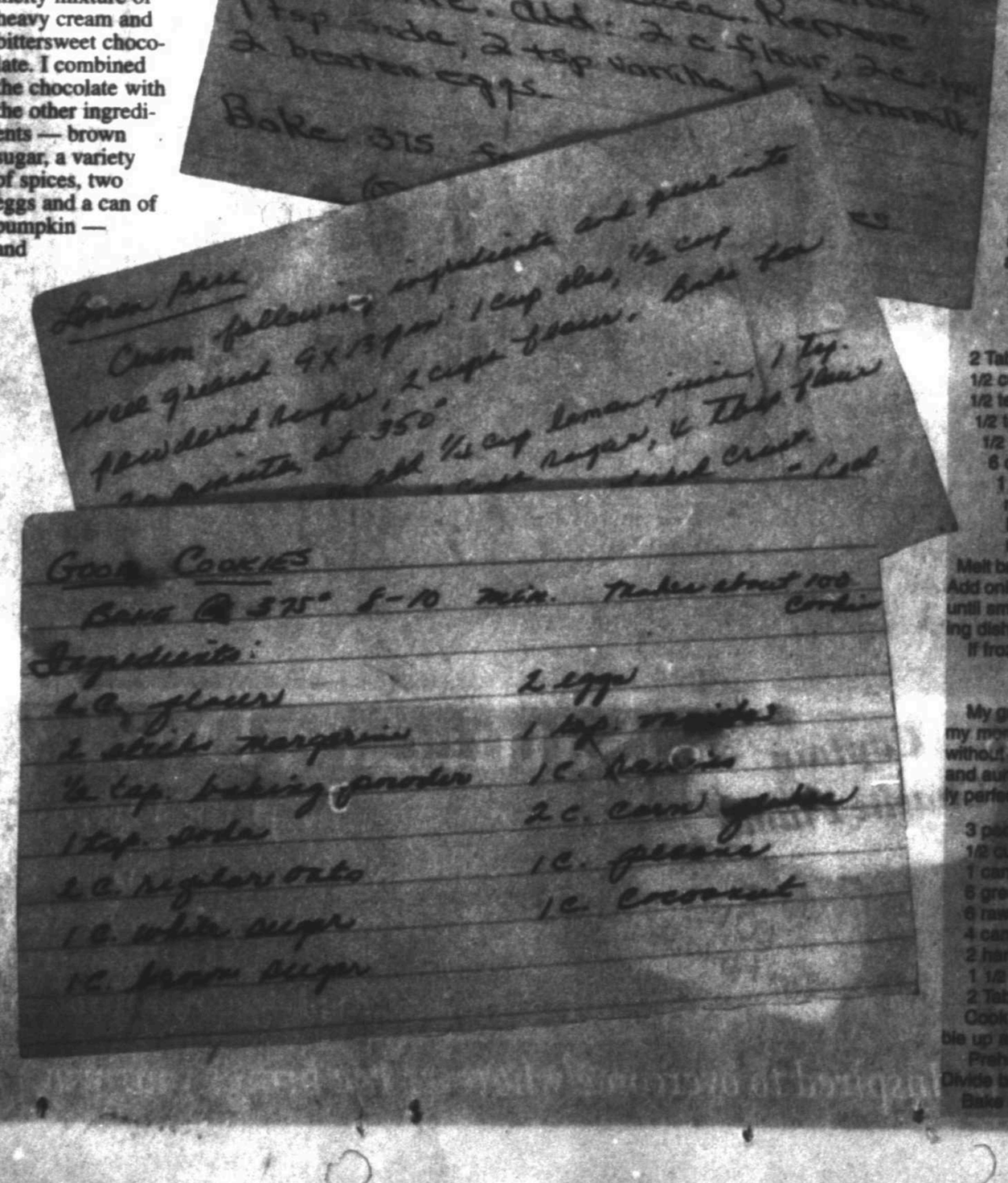
My grandmother's family has been making this recipe for over five generations. When my mom was little, my great-grandmother made it every Thanksgiving and Christmas without any recipe. In 1989 she had a stroke and forgot the recipe, so my grandmother and aunt tried to recreate the dish without a recipe. It took several years, but they finally perfected it.

3 packages Jiffy cornbread mix
1/2 cup onion, chopped
1 can biscuits
6 green onion tops and 1 green part
6 raw eggs
4 cans chicken broth
2 hardboiled eggs, chopped
1 1/2 stalks of celery, chopped
2 Tablespoons poultry seasoning

Cook the biscuits and bake the cornbread with the chopped onion and celery, crumble up and allow to dry out for several days.

Preheat oven to 500 degrees. Combine all ingredients in a large bowl and mix well. Divide between a 9x11 and an 8x8 greased pan.

Bake for 45 to 55 minutes.



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Chef Rocco DiSpirito's recipe for Thanksgiving dinner takes roughly an hour and a half to make, far less than typical turkey dinners.

Chef speeds up, slims down Thanksgiving

By Rocco DiSpirito
Associated Press

To say I love Thanksgiving dinner is similar to saying expensive Champagne is something to satisfy your thirst.

I don't just love it, but live for it. And much of that is thanks to my wonderful childhood memories of this meal.

But as I've gotten older, there's something I have come to not love about Thanksgiving dinner — all those calories. They make you want to crash on the couch, loosen your belt and doze off into a food coma. A nice indulgence, but not a healthy lifestyle.

And it's way easier than you might think to down thousands of calories in that one meal.

A cup of cranberry sauce can pack 440 calories alone. Two rolls with butter — 270 calories. A large serving of turkey — 318 calories. A slice of pumpkin pie with whipped topping — 416 calories. A large serving of mashed potatoes — 237. A cup of stuffing — 400 calories. See what I mean? And we haven't even talked about drinks and starters.

I doubt if I'd ever be able to bypass the turkey, the stuffing, the gravy and cranberry sauce. But that's doesn't mean I can't lighten them up a bit. And there's nothing wrong with that.

To scale things down, I've used turkey breast, whole-wheat bread for the stuffing, a cranberry sauce made with agave nectar rather than sugar, and a delicious low-fat gravy. This recipe will satisfy anyone in your family for just 303 calories and 6 grams of fat. A comparable regular dinner would weigh in at 1,450 calories and 58 grams of fat.

There are many ways to cook a turkey. Here, you poach it. It keeps the meat moist without any added fat. Plus, the poaching liquid is used for the stuffing and to make the gravy. I like to bring the temperature of the poaching liquid to 165F and let the meat cook slowly — the longer, the better.

As long as you stick to white-meat turkey and don't eat the skin, turkey is one of your best nutritional bets. It has less saturated fat, less total fat and less cholesterol than chicken, pork or beef. Skinless turkey breast also is an excellent source of niacin, vitamins B6 and B12, iron, selenium and zinc. Best of all, turkey tastes great.

This meal takes roughly an hour and a half to make, far less than typical turkey dinners. That means you also can avoid some of the holiday cooking frenzy.

One more thing: Remember that Thanksgiving isn't about celebrating the perfect turkey or the smoothest mashed potatoes. It's a time to think about family and togetherness.

And football.

Tips:

■ Poaching the turkey keeps the meat moist without adding fat. And as a bonus, the flavorful poaching liquid is used for the stuffing and to make the gravy.

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Thanksgiving Dinner
Start to finish: 1 1/2 hours
Servings: 4

3 cups low-fat, low-sodium chicken broth, divided
1 pound fresh or completely thawed boneless, skinless turkey breast, trimmed of all visible fat (turkey breast chops also work)
1 tablespoon extra-virgin olive oil
1/4 cup chopped celery
1/4 cup chopped yellow onion
Salt and ground black pepper
1 1/2 teaspoons poultry seasoning
2 cups (about 4 ounces) cubed stale whole-wheat bread
1 tablespoon chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
4 1/2 teaspoons cornstarch
1/2 cup no-sugar added cranberry sauce

In a medium pot with a candy or deep-fry thermometer attached, heat 2 1/2 cups of the broth over medium-high. When the liquid reaches 165 F, with barely any bubbles reaching the surface, add the turkey. Adjust the heat, if necessary, to maintain the temperature at 165 F.

Using foil, cover the pot (leaving the face of the thermometer exposed for easy monitoring) and poach the turkey for 30 minutes. Uncover and use an instant thermometer to check the temperature at the center of the meat (not the liquid). The meat should read 150 F. If not, cover and continue to poach for another 10 minutes, or until the meat reaches temperature.

When the meat reaches 150 F, turn off the heat and let the turkey rest, covered, in the poaching liquid for an additional 15 to 20 minutes.

Meanwhile, heat a large nonstick skillet over medium. When hot, add the olive oil. Add the celery and onion and saute until the vegetables are soft, about 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Add the poultry seasoning and bread. Stir to combine. Reduce the heat to low and add 1/2 cup of the turkey poaching liquid. Stir, then add another 1/2 cup. The bread should be moist, but not wet. Cover, then cook until the bread is hot, about 5 minutes. Stir in the parsley and adjust seasonings. Set aside.

Remove the turkey from the remaining poaching liquid and cover the meat with foil to keep warm.

Remove the thermometer from the pot and bring the poaching liquid to a boil. Cook until reduced to about 1 cup; this should take only a few minutes. In a small bowl, mix together the remaining 1/2 cup of reserved cool broth and the cornstarch. Whisk into the hot broth, then return to a boil and cook for 1 minute.

Nutrition information per serving (values are rounded to the nearest whole number): 303 calories; 6 g fat (1 g saturated); 70 mg cholesterol; 26 g carbohydrate; 35 g protein; 3 g fiber; 381 mg sodium.

Dr. Stephen Ponder

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Food consumers should make knowledgeable choices

I was standing in the checkout line at the grocery store the other day. And I admit I'm curious about what people put in their carts. It's also hard not to notice their traits, both their demeanor and physical appearance. In this case, the gentleman ahead of me was extremely overweight, to the point he lurched back and forth when he walked. The only items in his basket were a pack of batteries and three Kit-Kat bars.

It would be very easy to quietly judge this man, and frankly I would have done that in my youth. But I wonder how much of this man's food choices are truly under his control and how many are based simply on blind habit. More importantly, how much of his situation can he really change now?

Almost all of us like a candy bar every now and then. And perhaps he had not indulged himself in a while and felt it was long overdue. On the other hand, maybe he eats candy bars all day long. But I don't know him and may never see him again. And frankly, it's really none of my business, is it?

Almost none of us grow or hunt the food we eat each day. It simply can't be done in a 21st century world to meet the needs of our constantly growing population. In fact, the majority of the food most Americans eat is produced in factories. And factories are part of a competitive system that operates on the principle of survival of the fittest.

In this world we are consumers targeted by businesses who want to get increasingly more and more of our food dollars. That means the foods we eat are in a constant state of change. In fact, food is designed not only to catch our attention, but to make us crave more. Food science takes advantage of our innate weaknesses and natural attraction to sweet, fatty and salty foods and snacks.

Whenever we do something that makes us feel good, like eating a Kit Kat bar, we get an internal chemical reward in our brain, called dopamine. In fact, the mechanism that gives most illicit and addictive drugs their control over us is powered by the same mechanisms that give us a rush from a tasty food or drink, a cigarette or a cold beer.

So is there a kill switch for this process? There is, but takes a sustained and concerted effort to throw it. Our higher brains do have the ability to override these lower level impulses, but these forces are relentless and wait for our defenses to be down in order to pounce on our weakened resolve.

Is this because of a lack of intelligence or awareness? Not really. There are many overweight geniuses out there. The man with the Kit Kat bar has several choices to make. First, he must choose whether he is happy with his life situation. Second, he must choose to make choices based on knowledge and understanding over what might just simply feel good. Third, he must choose to make change last for a lifetime, but he has to set short-term and achievable goals in order to reach his longer-term health goals.

We pride ourselves for living in a country that exalts our freedom to choose. But as we know, freedom is not free and is paid for every day in many ways we can and can't directly measure. But while we are free to choose, how many of our choices are really totally under our control? As food consumers we need to be more responsible, knowledgeable and accountable for what we put into our bodies and we need to understand and appreciate the consequences that may follow.

This Thanksgiving, I'm grateful for donors, family, fun

Robin Kingham is the real estate account executive for the Reporter-Telegram. She has signed up for her second half-marathon with Team Challenge (TC) in December. She has committed to raise $3,700 and still has $1,300 to go. TC is the endurance training program started by the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation of America. To make a donation online, visit her fundraising page at http://www.active.com/donate/vegas11national/VegasRKingha. Donations also can be mailed to Robin's attention at the MRT. Make checks payable to CCFA and mail to 201 E. Illinois, Midland, 79701. If you would like to purchase tickets for the Determined to Dance event, they are available at The Ivy Cottage.

Thursday is Thanksgiving. I know this will come as a shock to all of you because the entire retail industry has chosen to skip from Halloween straight to Christmas. I, however, will be celebrating Thanksgiving at home with my family, as I'm sure most of you will be doing, too. The first thing I am thankful for this year is the response Sherice and Rachel received after the column ran last Sunday. They both have reached their fundraising goals! To those of you who read Sherice's story and responded, I am grateful. Sherice and Rachel both have been working very hard to meet their training and fundraising goals. We can't wait to complete the half-marathon in Vegas in three short weeks.

The second thing I am grateful for is my family. I will be spending the holiday with both of my daughters and my husband. I look forward to enjoying family time more than anything. I treasure every moment I can share with them.

The final thing I am grateful for today is it is only six days until the Black and White Party at the Hilton. Please consider buying a ticket by making a donation. Tickets to the event are $20 per person or $30 for a couple. You can pick up tickets at The Ivy Cottage on Big Spring Street or email me at rkingham@mrt.com.

If you can't make it to the party, buy a ticket and be entered to win one of the amazing door prizes. So far prizes include gift cards from Massage Envy, dinner for two from Texas Roadhouse, Team Challenge T-shirts, passes to Putt-Putt and the list goes on. Our beautiful decorations are being provided by The Ivy Cottage and will be available for sale. The Ivy Cottage will donate a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the centerpieces. We also have amazing silent auction items provided by Alldredge Gardens, Cathy Eastham, Scentsy, Pink Tumbleweed and The Redhead Lady Collection. If you are staying in town, come out and enjoy a casual evening with friends, dancing and having fun for a great cause. You will not be disappointed.

I want to wish you and yours a most wonderful Thanksgiving, a day full of blessings. I also want to thank all of you for your generous support throughout this past year. Thank you for all of the kind words, encouragement and financial contributions to a cause so dear to me. Happy Thanksgiving!

Robin Kingham

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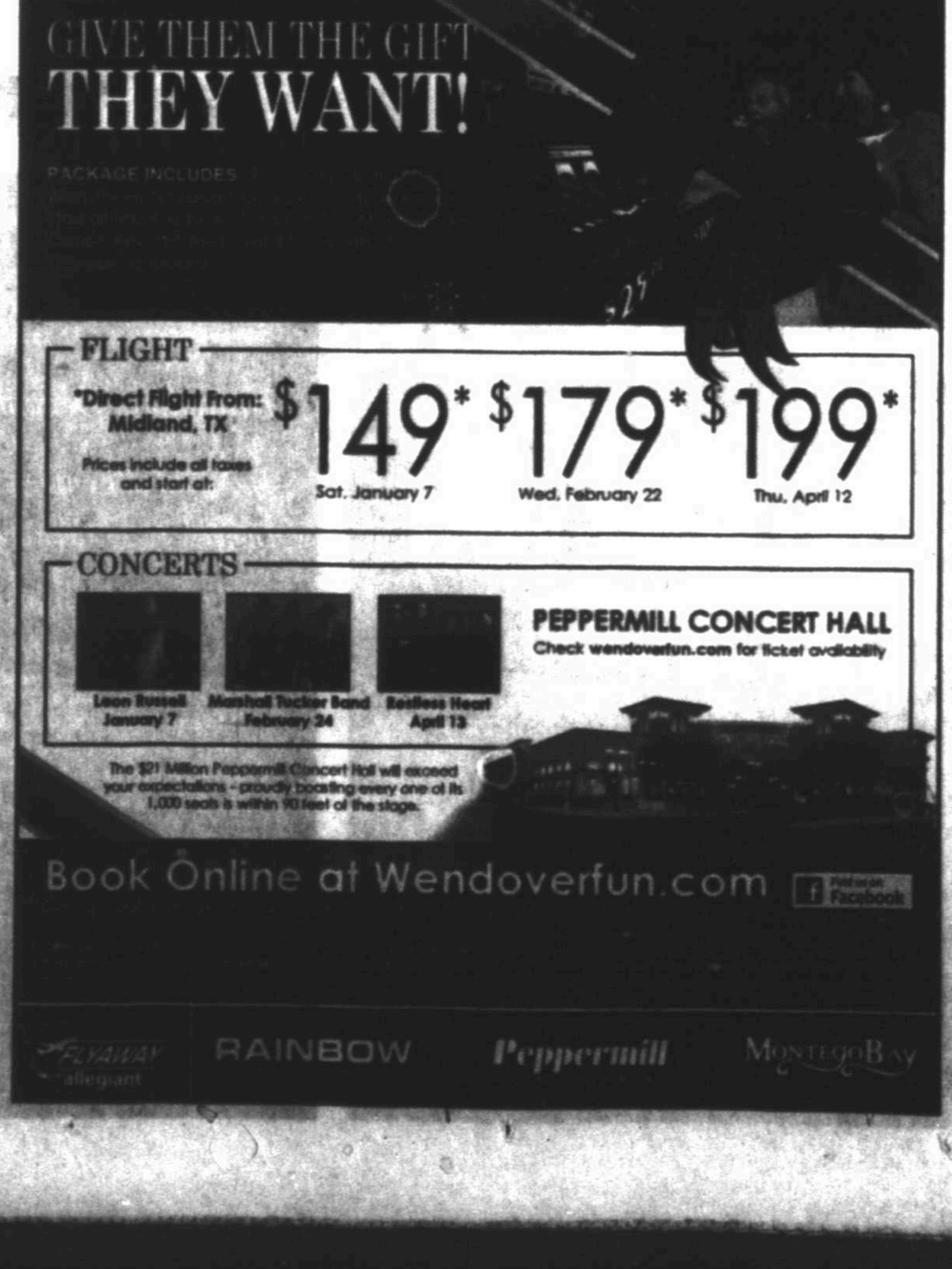

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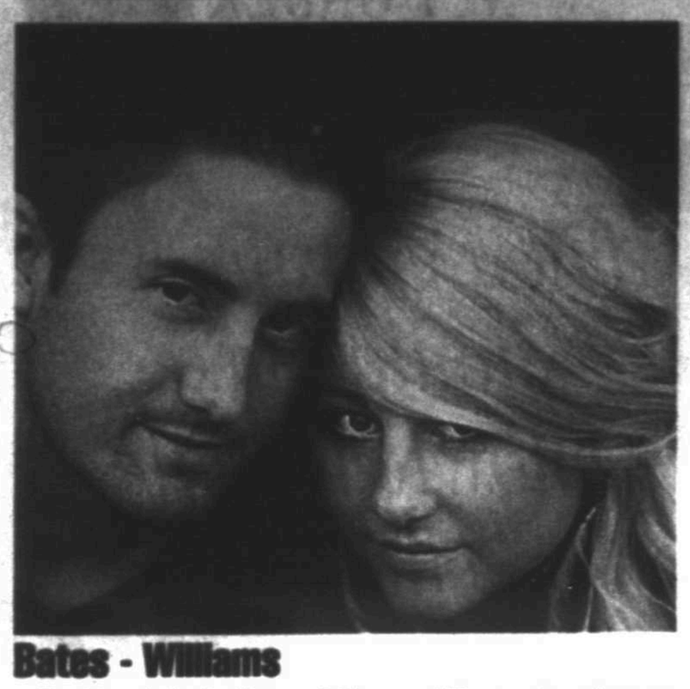

Bates - Williams

David and Suzie Bates of Hyrum, UT are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Asia Arleen Bates, to Austin Bruce Williams, son of Bruce and Jan Williams of Midland, TX.

Asia is a 2008 graduate of Mountain Crest High School in Hyrum and studied communications at Utah Valley University in Provo, UT. She will continue her education at Texas Tech University.

Austin is a 2002 graduate of Lee High School. He earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Brigham Young University and is currently attending Texas Tech School of Law.

Asia and Austin plan to marry November 23, 2011 in the Logan, Utah temple of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints with an open house December 3rd in Midland.

WEDDINGS

Uranga - Franco

Kristy Antoinette Uranga and Israel Minjarez Franco are pleased to announce that they were married at St. Stephen's Catholic Church on Saturday November 19, 2011 in Midland, Texas.

Kristy is the daughter of Rosa Maria Uranga and granddaughter of Lucia and Joe Uranga of Midland. Israel is the son of Ramon and Isabel Franco of Pecos, Texas.

The reception immediately followed the ceremony which was held in the Pinion Room at Ranchland Country Club.

After a honeymoon in Las Vegas the couple plans to reside in Midland.

Engagement, wedding, anniversary or quincenera announcements may be submitted to weddings@mrt.com
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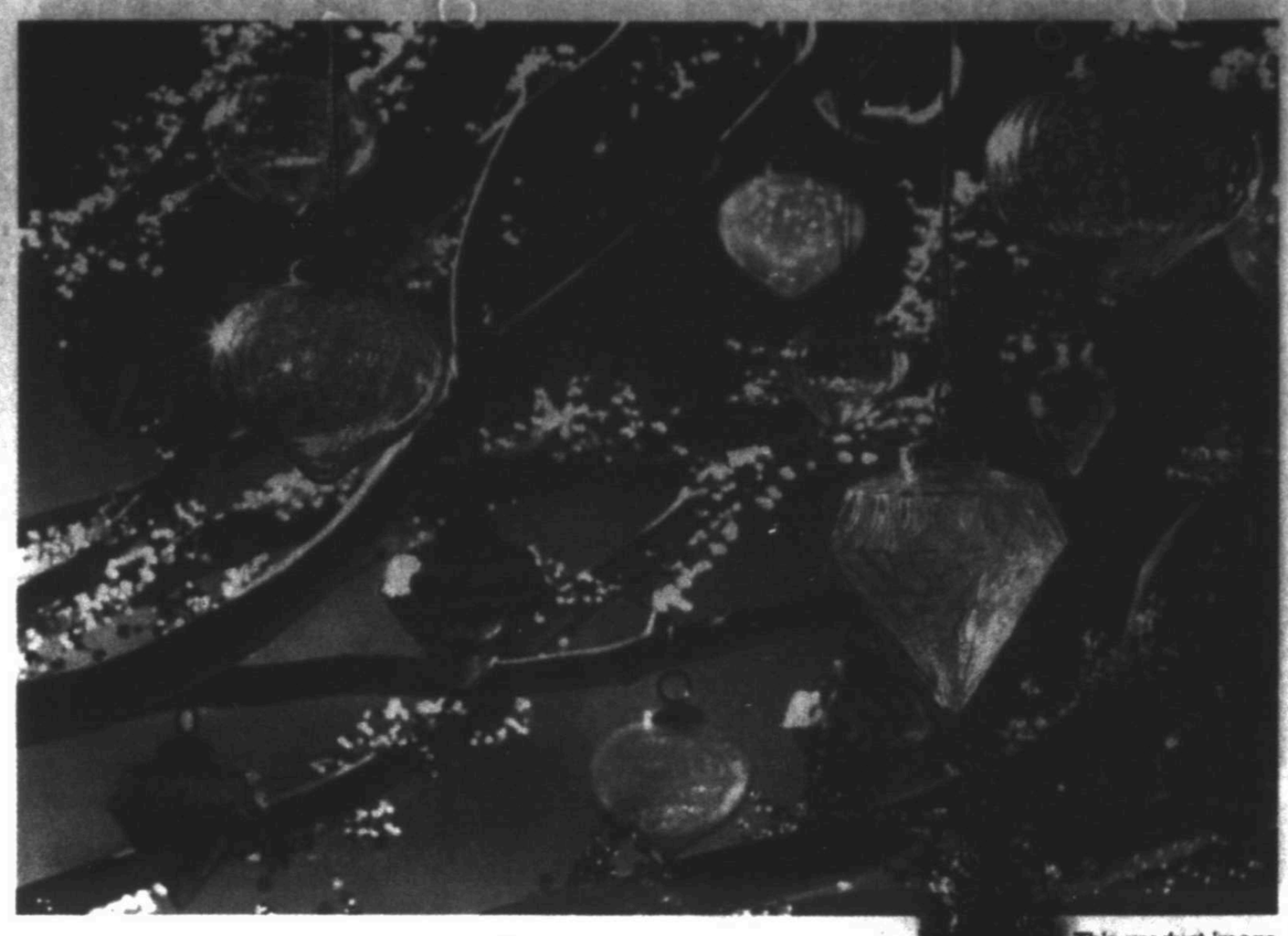

This product image courtesy of Restoration Hardware, above, shows hand-blown antiqued ornaments. LEFT: This product image courtesy of Target shows their slim tinsel tree. BELOW: This product image courtesy of Target shows chargers, spreaders and ornament-shaped place card holders.

AP photos

'Dressed-up' accents help holiday decor shimmer

By Kim Cook
Associated Press

The holidays give us an excuse to jazz up the house with stuff we don't normally "wear" — essentially, it's dress-up time for our living spaces.

Colors that pop and finishes that sparkle help set an exuberant tone for parties, while a softly glowing tree or table display is a quiet, often ethereal delight. They enhance the conviviality of the holidays, whether your home is embracing revelers and peppermint mojitos, or just the dog and a cup of hot chocolate.

Mercury glass, once relegated to the high shelves at antiques stores, is now mass market, and that's great news. The finish is a little more understated than silverplate, so it mixes well with both rustic and refined accessories.

At Target, find copper and glass-etched candle pillars. Crate & Barrel has jewel-toned mercury glass candleholders.

Amp up your tree's "wow" factor with whimsical, glitter-iced whales, narwhals and polar bears, and intriguing jejeweled insect ornaments, all at Anthropologie. West Elm offers an edgy yet beautiful chain-link crimped aluminum garland, as well as glass balls filled with confetti or feathers.

You'll find starbursts, dimpled glitter balls, antique glass polka-dot orbs, and baubles in copper, sapphire and graphite at Crate & Barrel. Find here too an unusual garland made of colorful vintage saris.

For a nice old-world look, Restoration Hardware has hand-blown, antiqued-glass, onion-shaped ornaments, and beaded snowflakes, while Garnet Hill offers a set of creamy glass bead and pearl stars.

No space for a bushy evergreen? Try Target's slim profile tinsel tree, perfect for apartments or entryways.

Glitter-crusted tree cones lining the middle of your dining table on a puddle of Epsom salt snow are a chic alternative to traditional centerpieces. Finish the table with blingy chargers and faceted, ornament-shaped place card holders from Target.

If you're going to go festive, go all in: Homegoods has a peacock feather wreath that could dress the sideboard, along with little silver dusted birds and white feathered balls.

When the dishes are done and peace and quiet reign again, curl up with Restoration Hardware's faux lynx or coyote fur throw, or Wayfair's chinchilla or mink throw. Pottery Barn's faux sheepskin throw is fluffy luxury, and there's a matching pillow. Overstock.com's got washable faux cashmere throws that are soft and snuggle-worthy.

With the lights turned low and the decorations providing shimmer and shine, the season's magic is right at home.

Sourcebook:

www.target.com - mercury glass candleholders, $14.99-$19.99; chargers, spreaders and ornament placeholders, $1.99-$9.99; slim tinsel tree, $48;
www.garnethill.com - glass bead and pearl star ornaments, set of 3, $48;
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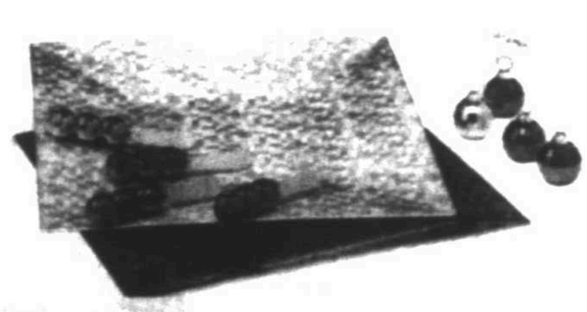

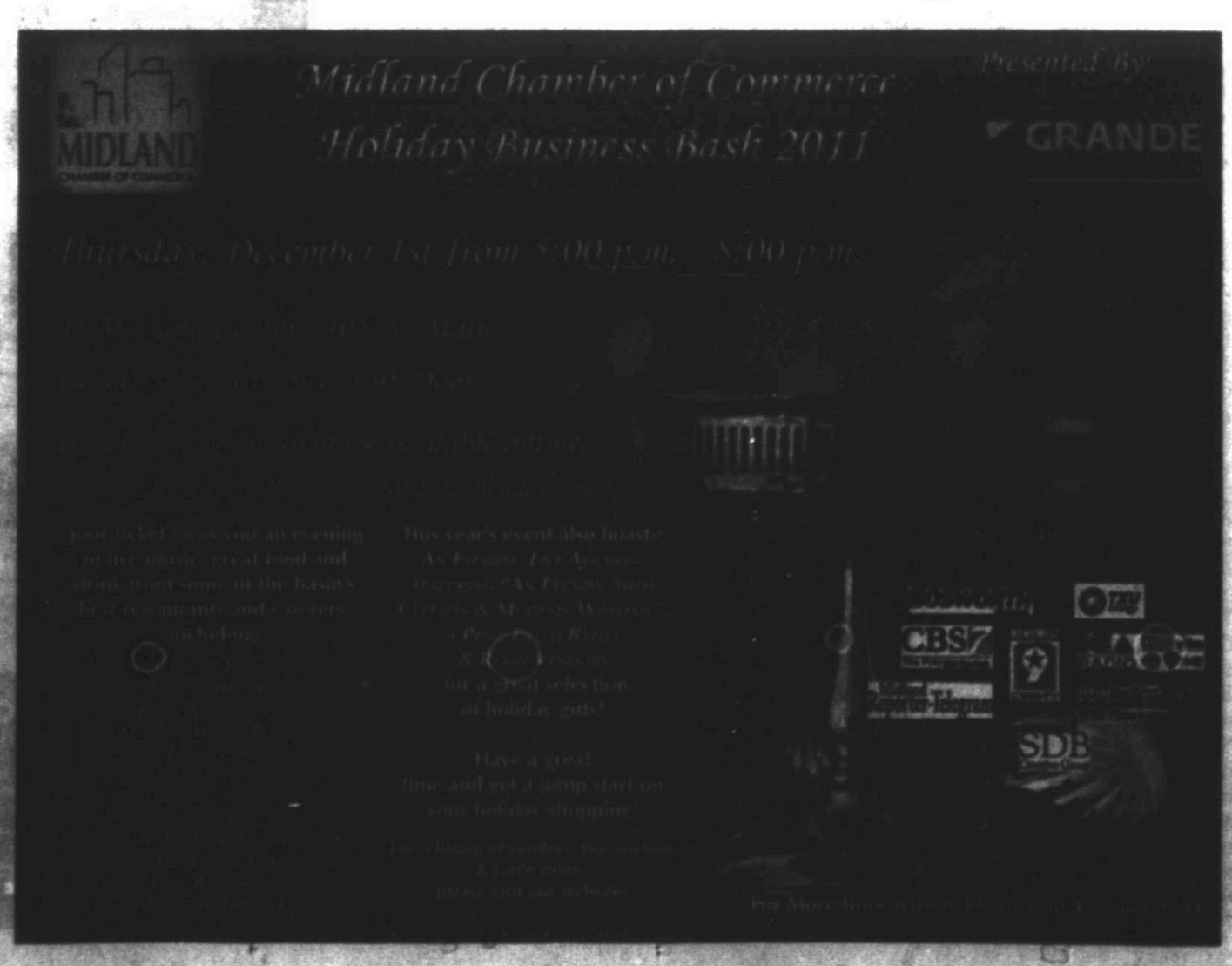

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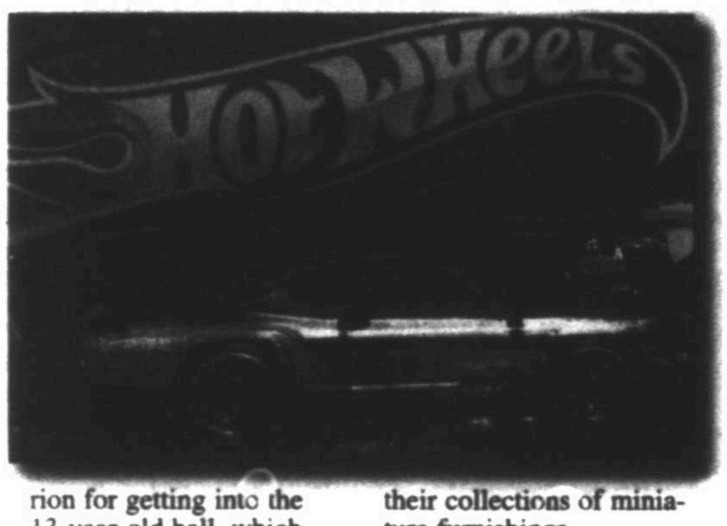
Maddie Berl and Chase Boss help induct the blanket into the National Toy Hall of Fame on Nov. 10, in Rochester, N.Y. The blanket, along with Hot Wheels and the dollhouse landed in the National Toy Hall of Fame.



Dollhouse, Hot Wheels, blanket earn spots in Toy Hall of Fame

By Ben Dobbin
Associated Press

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — Is Linus jumping for joy?

The blanket, an all-purpose plaything as well as a comfort for generations of thumb-suckers like Charlie Brown's best friend in the "Peanuts" comic strip, landed recently in the National Toy Hall of Fame along with Hot Wheels and the dollhouse.

The trio take their places at The Strong, a children's and cultural history museum in upstate New York, alongside 46 classics ranging from the bicycle, kite and teddy bear to Barbie, Jack-in-the-Box and Mr. Potato Head.

Curators said the blanket was a special addition in the spirit of two earlier inductees, the cardboard box and the stick. They praised its ability to serve either as recreational raw material or an accessory transformed in myriad ways by a child's daydreams.

"Every now and again we like to shake things up, remind folks there's play experiences that happen purely creatively ... rather than coming with rules, a path, a backstory you feel constrained into," said Christopher Bensch, the Rochester museum's chief curator.

"Blankets have been keeping people warm for centuries, but they've also been heating up kids' imaginations," serving as magic carpets and superhero capes, a peek-a-boo veil, a chair-draped fortress or "an island of safety surrounded by sea monsters."

For Linus, the comfort imparted by his precious blue blanket blends with its "play function" as a lasso, a whip, a Snoopy towrope and, in later adventures, "when he talks about turning his blanket into a sports coat when he grows up," Bensch said.

Longevity is a key criterion for getting into the 13-year-old hall, which was acquired in 2002 from A.C. Gilbert's Discovery Village in Salem, Ore. Each toy must be widely recognized, foster learning, creativity or discovery through play, and endure in popularity over generations.

Trying to create a toy that would be as big a success with boys as Barbie was with girls, Elliot Handler hit upon an idea for miniature die-cast vehicles with sleek designs. Hot Wheels were introduced in 1968 and the brand became a big hit.

Handler, who died in July at age 95, grew Mattel Inc. into the nation's largest toy maker along with his wife, Ruth, who created the Barbie doll in 1959.

The dollhouse evolved from 16th-century "baby houses," wooden cabinets in which wealthy European women displayed their collections of miniature furnishings.

German toy makers produced variations for youngsters to furnish with tiny chairs, tables, beds, tapestries and floor coverings and, by the 19th century, mass-production methods enabled dollhouses to grow in popularity.

"The dollhouse has gone on to hold a special place in the hearts of children everywhere," said Patricia Hogan, the museum's curator of toys and dolls. "From the most elaborately crafted mansions to the simplest home-made structures, the dollhouse gives kids an ideal environment for creative play, from furnishing and refurnishing rooms, making up stories and collaborating with friends and siblings."

More than a few heavyweight nominees fell short in 2011, including the puppet, the pogo stick and Rubik's Cube.

FAMILY MATTERS

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Wife doesn't think husband should keep paying for his daughter's tuition

DEAR FAMILY: I have been married for six years. This is my second marriage and my husband's third. We don't have any children together but I have two from my first marriage and he has one each from his two marriages. This could have been a real challenge but two of his three live in (another state) with their mothers and he rarely sees them. His one daughter who does live here is trying to finish up her two-year degree at Midland College. She has been trying to do that with several starts and stops. She signs up for classes, he pays for them and then somewhere along the line she either drops some classes or just stops going. I'm not sure we ever get the real story.

My husband will say he's going to put an end to her doing this, but this is her third year at it. I feel like he has spent enough money and tried hard enough to help her but she just isn't that interested. She always has been immature and way too dependent on "daddy" for someone her age. I know she's smart enough because she made good grades in public school but at that time she lived with her mother, who I think must have made her toe the line.

We agreed when we got married because we both work I would pay for my children and he would pay for his. But I don't think he's doing her any favors by continuing to pay when she's not getting anywhere. I've told him I think she needs to just get a job but then he defends her because he really does want her to get a college degree. I know I've agreed to stay out, but I really do want to help her and him. — QUESTIONING MYSELF

DEAR QUESTIONING: You have made some good points your husband really should consider. The stepfamily aspects do make things a little trickier. I would encourage you to talk to him about the possibility of seeking some professional counseling to help in his deliberations. Problems associated with young adults and colleges are common and he does not have to re-invent the wheel on this one. Having taught in two universities, I can assure you there are a number of students who do not have the maturity to discipline themselves to the rigors of academic life. Many students simply need some time to mature to the point they can be effective self-managers when it comes to balancing their social and academic lives.

In terms of financing a student's college education, the best college rule I ever stole was this: "We will pay for the entire cost (or whatever you can pay) for your first semester. Contingent upon your making 'X grades' (say, a C or better), we will pay 100 percent of the tuition and costs for the next semester. For any grade that is less than a C, you will pay for that many courses next semester plus your proportionate share of all other costs (for example, if you take four courses and make three Cs and one D, we will pay for three courses and three-fourths, or 75 percent, of the next semester's costs). The point is the student's main job is school and if he or she does not perform then there should be a consequence — a life lesson, just like the real world. The beauty of this approach is the student gets to decide what she will do; it is all up to her.

Your husband might consider this idea, but if he is not going to follow through then the rule becomes a wish; as in "I wish you would study and pass your classes." While this is his decision per your agreement, I believe he can help his daughter most by letting her face the consequences of her choices. She may well benefit from a year in the work place for maturation and perspective. I do think this affords an opportunity for you and your husband to discuss a real problem and work honing your couple problem-solving skills. Developing an effective common problem-solving style is vital to most couples, but especially to blended family couples.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Alex Rose is a volunteer for AARP Community Service.

Less is better after 50

I read an interesting article by Jacquelyn Mitchard in the AARP Bulletin that stressed households of those age 50 or over have shrunk, and therefore economy buying is not necessary. I got to thinking about this and said, "Wow, I no longer need to go to Sam's and buy all those paper towels or huge amounts of bathroom tissue." That means I might not need to buy a membership to Sam's.

It no longer is important to buy the biggest bottle of catsup or the largest bag of chocolate chips or the economy-size box of coffee sweetener. I do not have to buy two heads of lettuce, even if it is as cheap as one head at a store near my house. Now is the time to change my habits.

Smaller is better. When was the last time I used my matching dishes for a table of 12 or 14. It would be more practical to sell these large quantities and invest in a set of six, or no more than eight. Perhaps there are advantages of reaching that middle age mark and beyond.

I found peace reading this article and now I realize I do not need more space, a larger home or more pets. What I need to do is clean out. Realizing this, I recently took three bags of clothing to Helping Hands. I am starting to say goodbye to many of the articles I do not need or use.

I am an exercise buff, so I still see a need to get out and get moving; however, that does not mean I need to join an expensive gym. Why not just get a good pair of walking shoes, go to Windlands Park and have a three-mile stroll? If you have a dog, put it on a leash and see if you can keep up with the pace it sets for you.

This also is the time to let someone else help you clean the house or do the yard work. What a relief you feel when you do not have to mop the floors and vacuum the carpet.

I am finding out there are lots of advantages of being my age, and I am making sure I enjoy every one of them.

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.

Parents must keep contact with pregnant daughter

DEAR ABBY: Late last winter, a sheriff called to tell me my daughter "Amy" had been found standing, bruised and battered, on a street corner in upstate New York. Her arm had been broken. He was convinced the man she was living with had beaten her and kicked her outside to freeze. Her sister (my other daughter) paid to put her up in a hotel for the night.

My husband and I were convinced early on in this relationship this monster was determined to have us support him financially, because he would leave us long, threatening messages demanding money, or else our daughter would be "homeless."

Amy moved back in with him, and I heard from her sister the creep was bringing other women home for sex. It raised my hopes Amy would give up on him. Instead, she became pregnant.

Now Amy is hurt that I don't call her and share in this exciting event. When I try to explain how I feel, she tells me, "It's not about YOU, Mom." She's right. It's about the baby. I am ashamed to not be able to change this baby's future. What can I do? — PARALYZED WITH FEAR OUT WEST

DEAR PARALYZED: Make every effort to prevent your daughter and grandchild from becoming isolated from your family. Some abusers deliberately impregnate their victims in order to keep them dependent. Keep the contact and the conversation going, so when Amy finally realizes her boyfriend is a danger not only to her but also to her baby, she can come to you for help.

DEAR ABBY: We have two children, ages 9 and 6, and live in northern California. We'll be traveling to southern California soon to attend my cousin's wedding. We'll be staying with my parents.

My three unmarried adult siblings will be coming from out-of-state to attend the wedding. My brother "Ray" is a clear favorite with my kids. He visits often and showers them with attention, gifts and outings. He loves them dearly, but when he's around he consumes all of their attention.

I feel bad for my parents and other siblings — especially my sister, who doesn't get to see them often and feels she can't compete with the gifts and rough-house game-playing. Do you have any suggestions for how I might temper the kids' enthusiasm for Uncle Ray on this trip, so others get to have meaningful bonding time with their nephew and niece, whom they rarely see? — MARILYN IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR MARILYN: Enlist Ray's help with this and start talking with your children NOW about the special relationships you had with your parents and your siblings while growing up. Share funny stories, which will make them more "real" to the kids. Talk about the qualities that make each of your family members special, and be sure to mention how much your parents and ALL your siblings care about them. Then arrange in advance one or more activities they can enjoy together that do not include Ray. That would be some steps in the right direction.

DEAR ABBY: What would you say is the difference between a friendship and an emotional affair? — UNHAPPY IN PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR UNHAPPY WIFE: A friendship is a relationship in which the spouse feels included. An emotional affair is one during which the spouse writes to Dear Abby and signs her question "Unhappy."

Lee Reich/AP

This undated photo shows compost, right, wood chips, left, and soybean meal, in bag, in New Paltz, N.Y. For putting food on our tables, let's give thanks to the soil in our vegetable gardens. One way to do that this Thanksgiving is by readying the soil for next year's harvest.

Give thanks for your garden soil

By Lee Reich
Associated Press

For putting food on our tables, let's give thanks to the soil in our vegetable gardens.

One way to do that this Thanksgiving is by readying the soil for next year's harvest.

Weed now, play later

Start by weeding. No need to recoil at the mere thought of weeding, as you might have done in summer. Weeding this time of year can be quite enjoyable because the weather is too cool and the sun too low for new weeds to quickly replace pulled ones. Fall weeding is a relatively leisurely activity, a good excuse for fresh air and exercise.

If you're going to till to rid the garden of weeds, you could even do that now. Don't till as you would in spring, though, reducing the soil to pebble-size bits in which to snuggle seeds. That would result in a sea of spring mud.

Instead, till just enough to uproot weeds and leave the soil rough. The ideal tool for this job is not a rototiller, but a spade or digging fork. Freezing and thawing in the next few months will weaken the large clumps left after rough digging. Come spring, merely tickling the clumps with a garden rake will break them apart to create a nice seedbed.

Too acidic or alkaline?

Because you took nutrients from the soil when you harvested vegetables, you also must feed it.

Before you do that, though, limestone might be needed to lower soil acidity. Most soils in the eastern half of the country naturally become more acidic over time.

Sulfur, a naturally mined mineral, can be used where soils are too alkaline, often the case in the western half of the country. Maintaining correct acidity (or its converse, alkalinity) is important because if it's out of kilter, plants cannot use certain nutrients even if they are there in the soil.

Check if your soil acidity needs correction by taking a sample to the local Cooperative Extension office or by buying an inexpensive home testing kit.

Food for soil

Now go ahead and feed this soil that is feeding you something this Thanksgiving — perhaps you're eating some homegrown squash, frozen peppers, corn, fresh lettuces or radishes. As with the test for acidity, a soil nutrient test can tell you how much and what kinds of fertilizers are needed. Or you could play the averages and apply what's probably, rather than exactly, needed.

If you have a very green thumb and have shown it over the years by giving your garden plenty of compost — an inch or more each year over all planted areas — you can forget about having to fertilize. That amount of compost will supply everything your plants need to grow next year, not only the essential "big three" — nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium — emblazoned on fertilizer bags, but also a smorgasbord of other foods that plants need in lesser amounts.

Confessions of an over-bag-limit duck hunter before the Internet age

MIKE LEGGETT
Mike Leggett writes for the Austin American-Statesman.

AUSTIN — Brandon Lowry may not be the most clueless duck hunter in history. That will be for history to decide.

Lowry, a 19-year-old from Norco, La., may just be the latest clueless duck hunter.

You could give him the trophy for that right now, but I'm not sure we should retire his number just yet. There is, after all, a long line of hunters competing for the title of Captain Clueless.

In case you haven't heard, Lowry is the young man who went out teal hunting with his buddies and shot more than his daily limit of four blue-winged teal.

Now that isn't what qualifies him for the clueless ring of honor. We've all missed the limit at one time or other.

Ultimately it was his computer skills that brought him down.

See, Lowry took some photographs. According to the New Orleans newspaper report: 12 hunters; 64 teal all lined up on the ground. And — this is where the clueless part comes in — he put them on Facebook.

I don't do Facebook, but I understand the concept. You post personal stuff on the Internet. You know, that place where you can communicate instantaneously with millions of people all over the world.

So in this case, it appears some Louisiana authorities found some interest in the photos and began asking questions. Again, according to the New Orleans paper, the hunters were interviewed, and it was determined Lowry had exceeded the limit on one day.

Beyond any fine that may come from this is the negative publicity he has brought on himself. I've seen stories about this in newspapers from Louisiana to London. Reactions are not particularly sympathetic.

I say let him pay his fines, maybe give up his hunting license, and learn a painful lesson about bragging on a world stage.

We've all done stupid things in our lives. Talked on a cell phone in a school zone. Watered the lawn on the wrong day. Even killed too many ducks.

I know I have.

Once, back in 1971, during a wet and icy storm in East Texas, a close friend told me a ton of wood ducks had taken refuge on Socagee Creek. We set up an afternoon hunt and killed a pair of drakes, one each, at the first spot we walked to on the creek.

We took those ducks back to the truck, then set off upstream into the woods. After a few hundred yards, we stopped at the sound of an enormous number of ducks babbling and dipping and flapping on the creek. They were at a bend in the creek, just above a place where the narrow stream turned directly south.

After talking strategy for a moment, we split about 15 yards apart and just walked right up to the edge of the bank. There were hundreds of ducks there, and I picked one flying straight away. At my shot, three ducks fell. My friend fired once as well, and killed two more. All wood duck drakes.

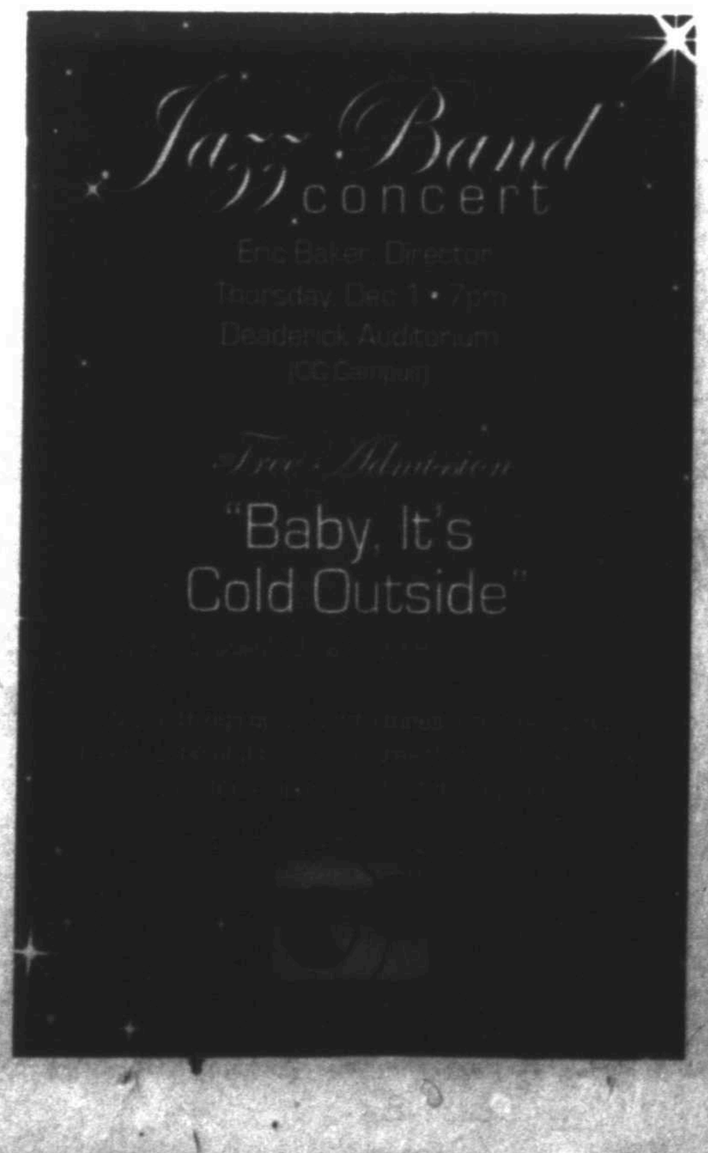
So there we were. Both of us had taken two shots. And, together, we had seven ducks. The limit in those days was no more than two wood ducks per hunter, per day. So we were three over the limit.

We looked at each other and then started stuffing ducks in stumps, hollow logs and under the creek bank. I'm not proud of what happened next.

We figured we were toast anyway, so we went on up the creek and killed five more. That's a total of 12, eight over the daily limit. Working four at a time, we hauled ducks out of the bottom until past 10 at night.

It was miserable, and it wasn't worth it. I was laboring under a ton of preacher's son guilt then, and I still feel a twinge of conscience now. My friend and I were members of the Clueless Club that day. Maybe not clueless enough to brag to the world about it, but clueless nonetheless.

Lowry may be the leader in the Clueless Clubhouse today, but who knows what will pop up on the Internet tomorrow.



Sibley Nature Center briefly hosts unusual bird

BURR WILLIAMS
Burr Williams is executive director of Sibley Nature Center.

The cold wind blew out of the north, laden with reddish dust. The sound came from the wildlife garden at Sibley Nature Center. Sibley's director of operations, Richard Galle, had taken a break and grabbed his camera to sit quietly and see what came to the bird feeders. He quickly found the source of the sound. A large bird with a yellow breast and black and white stripes on his face was sitting on one of the limestone columns, protected from the wind by the cedar coyote fence.

It sat with its feathers fluffed out, back hunched and a jittery, watchful demeanor, adjusting its weight from foot to foot with every strong gust. It swooped down to the lantana and perched, peering down. Richard did not know what it was, so he took several photos. He did not rush back into the building to get Michael, who was busy drawing the illustrations for a new trail guide, or me, because I was with a group of second-graders from a charter school.

Richard took photographs of other birds in the garden for another 10 minutes. He found Michael standing up, rubbing his fingers, numb from carefully adding shading to his drawing. When Richard showed him photos of the bird on the camera, Michael yelped with surprise and quickly dashed to the wildlife garden. The bird was gone, so he came back to his drawing. As he refocused on his work, an image of a bird he had seen the previous evening came to his mind. When he left the night before, he had noted the large bird with a yellow belly sitting on an electric line; he said "Western Kingbird," to himself and drove on.

"Kingbirds are already gone ... I should have remembered that, and taken a second look," Michael said, mentally kicking himself. When I finished the presentation, Michael told me about the bird and Richard showed me the photos. I immediately went to the phone and called two of the Midland Naturalists, so their "rare bird hotline" would spring into action.

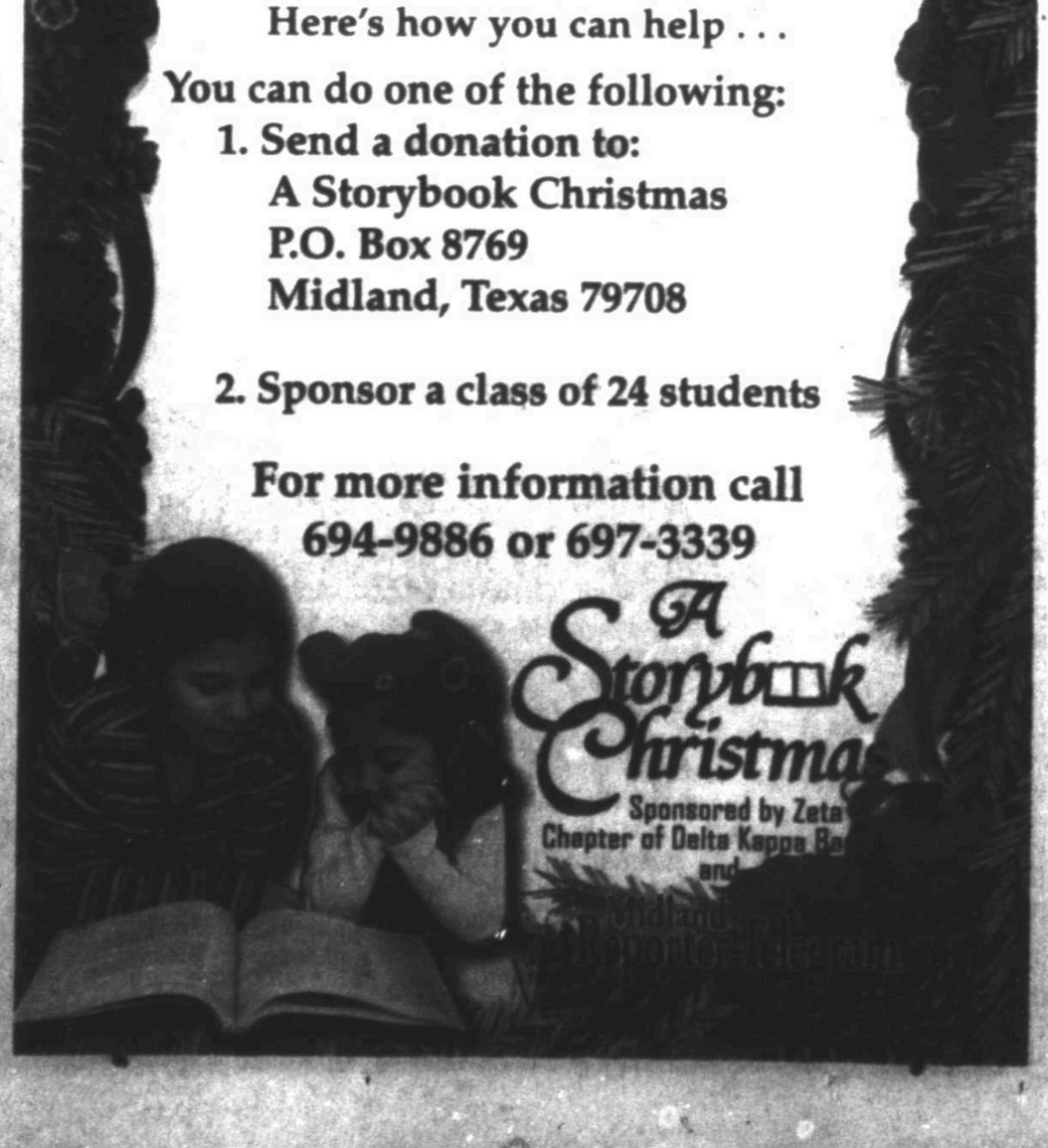
"We have the greater kiskadee," I told them. "It is probably the same one that was reported near Wadley Barron's duck pond, and out toward Greenwood in the pond behind the fire-training tower."

One other kiskadee had come to Sibley many years before. This would be only the third or fourth time a kiskadee had come to Midland. Normally the birds live along the Rio Grande, and well into South America. They are flycatchers, but also have learned the trick of catching frogs and even fish. I had seen several at the World Birding Center at Bentsen Wildlife Refuge near McAllen the previous weekend.

Birders came and went all day long, always without seeing the bird. We never saw it again. I posted the photo on my Facebook page. I learned of two other possible sightings around town — one south of town, and another east of town. All of the sightings are probably of the same bird. It probably came on its own. Some biologists propose there is a "wandering gene" built into a small percentage of any animal, to promote gene flow and to colonize new habitats. There is a small chance someone had bought it from an illegal vendor selling wild birds (especially in Mexico). Kiskadees only feed on live prey, so they rarely appear in the cagebird trade in the markets in Mexico.

Kiskadees have become common urban birds in Latin American countries because of their opportunistic and omnivorous behavior. They will eat dog food out of bowls, and pick at fruit hanging in trees. Kiskadees are even more pugnacious than kingbirds or mockingbirds, swooping and divebombing passing raptors and even humans who venture near their nests. The nests are a huge ball of sticks, often on the transformer platform of electric poles.

Part of the fun of being aware of the flora and fauna of one's home is to find the rarities, the birds that are wandering or migrating, and therefore are totally unexpected. Always keep a digital camera handy and send us photos of anything you have never seen before. Email me at bwilliams@sibleynature-center.org.



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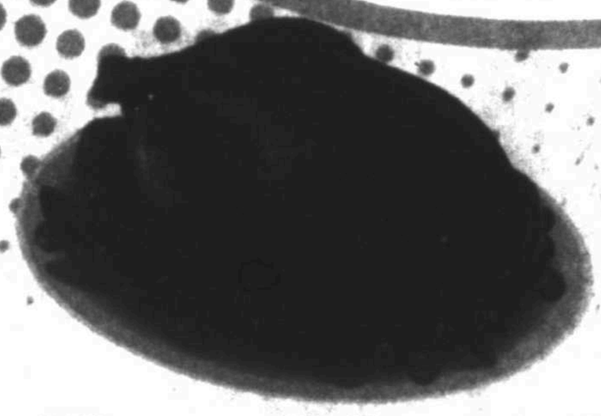

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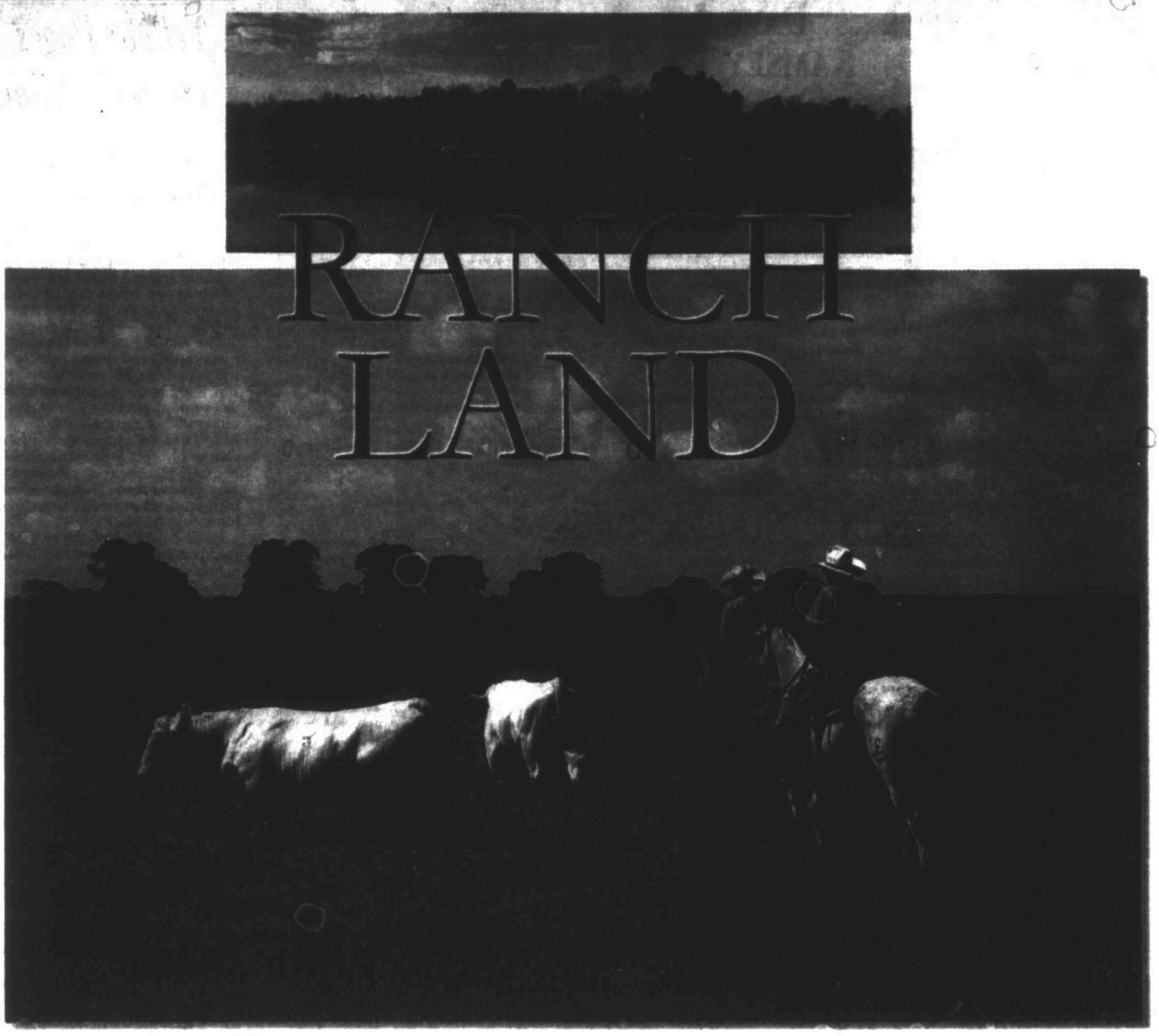

NAMES
in the news

The Society of Petroleum Engineers recently honored Midlander BERRY D. SIMPSON with the Public Service Award and SPE Distinguished Membership at SPE's Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition in Denver. Simpson is currently an engineering consultant and investor with Allegro Properties.

The SPE Public Service Award recognizes distinguished service to country, state, community, or public, with respect to local custom, through excellence in leadership, service, or humanitarianism. Established in 1983, the Distinguished Member award recognizes SPE members who achieve distinction deemed worthy of special recognition. Distinguished Membership is limited to 1 percent of SPE professional members and acknowledges members who have attained eminence in the petroleum industry or the academic community, and/or who have made unusually significant contributions to SPE.

PALM SPRINGS, Calif. -- U. S. Steel Tubular Products, Inc., a subsidiary of United States Steel Corporation, announces that MICHAEL C. LINN, executive chairman of Linn Energy LLC, is the recipient of its Chief Roughneck Award for 2011. The announcement was made at the 82nd annual meeting of the Independent Petroleum Association of America.

U. S. Steel Vice President – Tubular Commercial George H. Thompson, Jr. presented Mr. Linn with the traditional Chief Roughneck bronze bust and hard hat. "Michael Linn's dedication, perseverance, ingenuity, leadership and integrity demonstrate what it takes to be successful and ensure the continued growth and prosperity of the energy industry," said Thompson. "These qualities and many others exhibited by Michael every day make him a natural choice for this year's Chief Roughneck Award."

Linn founded Linn Energy in 2003. The company became the first publicly traded E&P partnership in 2006. From 2000 to 2003, he served as president of Allegheny Interests Inc., a private oil and natural gas investment company. Previously, he served as president and chief executive officer of Meridian Exploration Corporation, a private oil and natural gas company with operations in both the Appalachian and Permian Basins, until its sale in 1999.

The prestigious Chief Roughneck Award was created in 1955 to honor the lifetime achievements of petroleum industry leaders. Today, U. S. Steel Tubular Products continues to present this important award, which is widely recognized as one of the industry's highest honors.

Real Estate brokers report oil industry increasingly getting in on land sales

By Kathleen Thurber
Staff Writer

New technology in the oil and gas industry is fueling more than just the energy sector in West Texas.

Both because of its access to minerals and because of its appreciating value, ranch land in Texas and elsewhere is increasingly being purchased by oil and gas industry leaders, said John Wildin, partner at Hall and Hall, a ranch real estate firm.

"It's been a trend in the last several years," Wildin said. "People are looking for an income strand and they're looking for security."

The company that's been in existence for 66 years is in the midst of its second best year on record, in part, because of purchases from those who've made recent profits from utilizing new drilling methods in the oil industry, he said.

Wildin said part of what's driven the "land rush" is the diminished value of the dollar. In past years, high interest rates meant a CD was a logical investment for those trying to save. With interest rates having dropped and the value of land continuing to increase, though, many now are seeing property as a more sound investment, he said.

On average, "good" crop land will net a return of 6 to 8 percent while ranch land will bring a return on investment of 2.5 to 4 percent, Wildin said.

"With the value of the dollar like it is, we will continue to sell land even if there are no mineral rights because of the income stream (it provides)," he said.

In recent months, Benjamin Strickling III purchased the bulk of Val Kilmer's 5,328-acre Pecos River Ranch while using his business address in Midland for the property transfer, according to Adam York, spokesman for Hall and Hall. Strickling is a prime example of an oil and gas industry professional getting in on ranch land sales as Strickling has affiliations with Patriot Resources, Midmar Gas, First Patriot Oil and Gas and Delaware Basin Resources, according to York.

Outside of Texas, oil and gas professionals are purchasing land in Colorado, Oklahoma, Kansas, Montana and other areas.

Dan and Farris Wilks, co-founders of Frac Tech, which has offices in Odessa, recently purchased N Bar Ranch, a more than 62,000- acre property in Montana. In Colorado, a subsidiary of Ultra Petroleum Corp. purchased the $20 million Banning Lewis Ranch, according to York.

Much of their sales are done through relationships already built with investors, Wildin said, as well as with those who connect with Hall and Hall after hearing of the company through marketing.

This year, sales also have been completed for the first time by Hall and Hall through auctions, he said. Already during 2011, the business has auctioned off $60 million worth of farms and ranches.

Wildin said the scramble to buy land has meant inventory's been tight for the

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BUSINESS SCENE

Midlander etches new sideline with Petroscribe

Carving out a business while tending to the clients at his Happy Paws pet motel is Homer Ellinger.

Homer has launched PETROSCRIBE, which offers personalized engraving on stone, granite, tile or glass. He can do personalized pet memorials, garden stones, address stones, business signs or pavers, jewelry or glasses and mugs.

"I've been learning new techniques," said Ellinger, who owns Happy Paws with wife Debbie. "I looked at forums from all over the world, saw artwork from all over. It's pretty impressive."

More information is available by calling Homer at 685-0900, by email at ellinger10@sbcglobal.net or online at www.petroscribe.com.

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In expansion mode is the Bob Callender family, owner-operators of Frame It at 4716 N. Midkiff Road between Duster's and Hobby Lobby. Callender has opened CALLENDER'S ART GALLERY & FRAMING in San Miguel Square, 3303 N. Midkiff Road.

Bob Callender explained that the new gallery was opened in part to expand his family's involvement in the business, noting his oldest son serves as head framer at the gallery. The new location, which he said is larger than the Frame It location, includes three visualization counters where customers can see how their artwork will look framed before the actual work takes place, and a broader selection of molds. The gallery also has more of the artwork it sells in display, from the national and international artists Callender has worked with to an increasing number of local artists.

Callender said he has had tremendous success showing local artists, especially the ones specializing in oil field art. He said the oil field photographs by one local artist have completely sold out. Another is being scouted by New York galleries, he added.

As long as the Frame It location continues to do strong business, Callender said he will maintain both galleries.

Hours at both places are from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Information is available by calling Callender's at 689-8100 or Frame It at 699-6700.

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MIDLAND PARK MALL, in conjunction with corporate owner Simon Property Group, is participating in two signature holiday campaigns in conjunction with American Red Cross.

Through the Holiday Mail for Heroes program, the mall's guest service counter will have specially designed holiday cards for customers to sign and the Red Cross will ensure the cards are hand-delivered to military bases, hospitals and VA medical centers throughout the United States and around the world. The cards will be available until December 11.

In the second campaign, for every special Simon Candy Cane American Express gift card purchased through December 31, $1 will be donated to the Red Cross. The gift cards will be available at the guest services counter in denominations of $20 to $500 and an additional $3.95 purchase fee.

DAVE SAYS

Selling property at auction is successful if expectations are managed

DAVE RAMSEY

Dear Dave,

I have a couple of rental houses, and I was thinking about unloading them at auction instead of renting them out again. What are your thoughts on selling homes at auction?

Shannon

Dear Shannon,

First, let's take a look at the two types of real estate auctions, absolute auctions and auctions with reserve. With an absolute auction, whatever the house sells for, that's it. When the hammer drops, you've sold the house. An auction with reserve is where the seller, or his agent, reserves the right to accept or decline any and all bids. A minimum price may or may not be disclosed, and the seller reserves the right to accept or decline any bid within a specified timeframe.

As a general rule, auctions are not going to bring retail price. People who go to them are looking for a deal, so you've got to be willing to accept less than what the property's actually worth. Essentially, what you're doing is drawing out the vultures and hoping one of them will get excited and pay a price close to retail.

Take a good look at your properties, the neighborhoods they're in, and decide what you're willing to accept. Then, talk it over with a quality auctioneer in your area. I've done pretty well selling properties at auction, and I've also found some great deals buying properties at auction. Of course, that meant someone else didn't do so well!

—Dave

Dear Dave,

Would you explain your 15 percent requirement on retirement contributions as listed in the Baby Steps?

Melanie

Dear Melanie,

When I talk about Baby Step 4, which is saving 15 percent of your income for retirement, I'm talking about 15 percent of your gross annual pay. Now, you don't have to get too nerdy about it. It's not like you're going to die a pauper if you only save 14 percent, or be ridiculously extra-wealthy if you save 16 percent. The bottom line is you should be able to save $7,500 a year if you make $50,000 annually. That's only about $600 a month.

But, the only way you can do this is if you lose stupid things like car payments and credit cards. Get out of the land of MasterCard bondage and American Distress! When you get out of debt, it's easy to set aside an emergency fund of three to six months of expenses and breeze right along pumping 15 percent into retirement.

By the way, did you know you can retire with about $7 million if you save 15 percent of a $50,000 a year income and invest it in good growth stock mutual funds starting at age 30?

Sounds like it's worth doing to me!

—Dave

BUILDING PERMITS

Building Permits November 7-November 11

5510 Cypress Court	Residential Addition	$10,000
1315 S. K Street	MH-Single Lot	$2,500
3001 W. Wall	Street Sign	$2,400
1901 N. Big Spring St.	Sign	$2,400
1005 Sinclair Avenue	Swimming Pool	$37,000
5212 Anetta Drive	New Residence	$131,760
407 N. Big Spring St.	Commercial Alteration	$27,000
3215 Boyd Avenue	Residence-Detached	$18,000
1609 W. Michigan Ave.	Residential Alteration	$30,000
6512 Los Conchos Lane	New Residence	$266,800
5900 Whitman Drive	Commercial-Slab Only	$8,500,000
3900 Pleasant Drive	New Residence	$120,000
1500 Belmont Street	MH-Single Lot	$30,000
1707 N. Fort Worth St.	New Residence	$193,920
2704 Parton Way	New Residence	$213,760
5304 Audie Court	New Residence	$127,200
5308 Audie Court	New Residence	$127,200
5308 Audie Court	New Residence	$127,200
5310 Audie Court	New Residence	$127,200
5312 Audie Court	New Residence	$127,200
2001 W. Industrial Ave.	Sign	$1,500
501 Charismatic Drive	Residence-Detached	$200,000
510 Howard Drive	Residence-Detached	$800
710 S. Benton Street	Residential Addition	$40,560
407 Hogan Court	New Residence	$114,160
200 N. Main Street	Commercial Alteration	$49,913
3103 Lockhead Drive	Residential Addition	$97,760
3311 W. Cuthbert Ave.	Residential Alteration	$20,000
5009 Canadian Avenue	Residence-Detached	$1,000
4700 W. Wall Street	Sign	$3,800
705 N. Tilden Street	MH-Single Lot	$1,000
1108 Telluride Court	New Residence	$264,800
900 Waverly Drive	Residence-Detached	$100

Source: City of Midland

THE ECONOMIST

Uncertainty will keep economic expansion in slow growth mode

RAY PERRYMAN

The Perryman Group

The pace of recovery of the U.S. economy continues to falter. Lackluster job growth and uncertainty over fiscal policy, health care costs, and the debt ceiling have taken a toll, as have financial disruptions in Europe and Japan and the political unrest in the Middle East. While the U.S. is likely to avoid a "double-dip" recession, some reduction in uncertainty is needed to coax large volumes of investment funds off the sideline and back into the economy.

Job creation remains unimpressive. In October, total non-farm employment continued its upward trend, rising by 80,000. The private sector added 104,000 jobs, according to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics, but employment in the government segment continued to shrink. Although it is far better than in the not-so-distant past and brings the average over the past year to 125,000 gained per month, such a pace will do little to alleviate the unemployment problem.

Other measures of the economy are hit or miss as well, with both positive and disappointing signals. While a dreaded double-dip with a backslide into a recession does not appear to be imminent (particularly in light of recent Gross Domestic Product (GDP) numbers), it is true the recovery continues to struggle to build widespread momentum.

In a recent press conference (Nov. 2 following the Federal Open Market Committee meeting), Federal Reserve Bank (Fed) Chairman Ben Bernanke again announced the Fed had revised its outlook for the U.S. economy downward and would maintain the policies announced at previous meetings. These policies (keeping target interest rates near zero, extending average maturity of Fed holdings through "Operation Twist," and reinvesting principal payments it receives in agency mortgage backed securities) will provide some stimulus, but are not likely to significantly ramp up the recovery. As noted by Chairman Bernanke, the recession was deeper and the recovery weaker than previously thought (after comprehensive revisions of government economic data).

Persistent factors acknowledged to be holding back the recovery include the ongoing drag of the housing sector, still-tight credit conditions for many households and smaller businesses, volatility in financial markets and fiscal consolidation at all levels of government. On balance, the Fed expects the moderate recovery to continue and strengthen and, thus, is refraining from sweeping action at this time.

An important goal of the Fed is to encourage business and consumer investment, and some modest success is likely. However, as long as uncertainty prevails, neither businesses nor consumers are expected to increase spending substantially.

One ongoing source of uncertainty is the level of U.S. government debt. Without meaningful fiscal policy reform, the forward progress of the economy will ultimately be affected. In addition, artificial crises, such as the debt ceiling debate, sap needlessly from global financial and business momentum, and are particularly problematic given the widespread nature of the poor economic performance.

Other big global economic players such as Europe and Japan are also experiencing sluggish performance and significant debt and fiscal policy challenges which must be met to turn things around. Until that occurs, expansion in developing nations will be the key source of global growth.

On balance, The Perryman Group's outlook calls for some near-term improvement in the U.S. economy, though at a painfully slow pace from the low recessionary levels in most geographic areas and industries. Over the next five years (through 2016), real GDP is projected to expand from $13.3 trillion to almost $15.8 trillion, a compound annual growth rate of 3.43 percent. Job growth (as measured by civilian non-agricultural employment) is likely to occur at a 1.40 percent pace, increasing the total from 131.8 million to 141.3 million over the period.

Slower growth in the very near term is forecast to give way to slightly better performance through 2016. This moderate expansionary pattern is dependent on dealing with significant threats to the economy (such as debt) and reducing uncertainty for both businesses and consumers.

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last few years, particularly when it comes to land sales that include mineral rights.

"It seems like it's going to be very difficult to buy land with mineral rights in the near future," he said.

When both mineral and land rights are available, he said, the purchase can become valuable for several reasons.

If oil and gas operators can drill horizontally or through another method from their own land, they don't have to pay for leases or worry about covering damages that might occur to the property, Wildin said. If the minerals ever dry up, the owners still will have the value of the land to fall back on.

"The new technology has opened up old territories and re-opened territories," he said. "There's a mini-boom in Oklahoma and Kansas, in northeast Colorado, it can go on and on."

And while predicting the future of any market is difficult, Wildin said they don't see land sales slowing in the near future.

"We're in a whole new orbit right now," Wildin said.

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TRISH POWELL

Better Business Bureau

Yellow Pages scam has victims seeing red

After working at Better Business Bureau, I have learned of the myriad schemes that scammers use to get money or information from unsuspecting victims. I recently learned about one that involves con artists calling local businesses to verify a directory listing.

The victim listens to the scammers rattle off a list of facts or incomprehensible statements involving price and answer with a yes or no. Later, the scammers either doctor the call to make it sound like the victim agreed to a charge or replay the incomprehensible statement as proof the employee agreed. Then the scammer demands payment, sometimes more than $500.

If the business refuses to pay, the scammers may threaten legal action or try a sweeter approach and offer a discount. Often, the con artists call back multiple times until they get what they want.

If you would like to protect your business from scams like this, then consider these tips, borrowed from the Federal Trade Commission's Bureau of Consumer Protection:

■ **Train your staff to spot this scam. Educate your employees about how this scam works. In addition to your regular receptionist, talk to everyone who may pick up the phone. Put a copy of this alert in employee mailboxes. Mention it in a staff meeting. Post it on the break room bulletin board or where employees clock in and out.**

■ **Inspect your invoices. Depending on the size and nature of your business, consider implementing a purchase order system to make sure you're paying only legitimate expenses. Compile a list of the companies you typically use for directory services, office supplies and other recurring expenses. Don't pay for products or services you're not sure you ordered.**

■ **Verify to clarify. Many business directory scam artists are headquartered in Canada, but use post office boxes or mail drops to make it look like they are in the United States. Before paying, check them out for free at bbb.org, and read BBB's report on them.**

■ **File a complaint. If a scammer is sending you bogus bills, speak up. Visit bbb.org to complain to BBB. And let the FTC know by filing a complaint at ftc.gov or calling 877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357). Concerned about business directory fraudsters' threats to tarnish your credit if you don't pay? Many will simply drop the matter - and may even provide a refund - if they know you've complained to BBB and law enforcement.**

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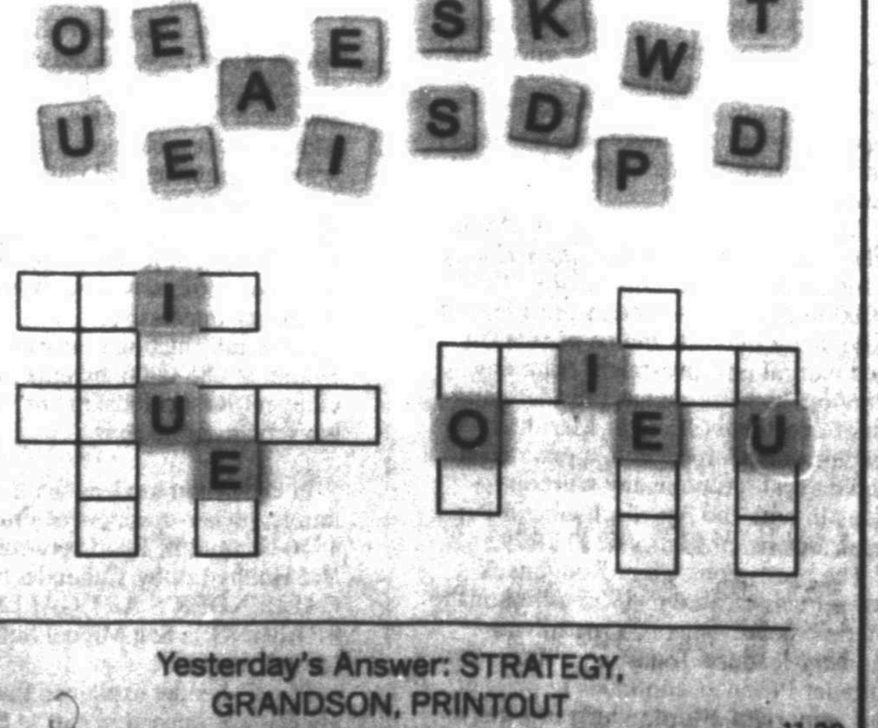

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Yesterday's Answer: STRATEGY, GRANDSON, PRINTOUT

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Smart Spending: Buy holiday gifts close to home

By Michelle Chapman
Associated Press

If you've been inside a mall or department store this fall, you've heard it already. If you've strolled through the home or seasonal section of a Target or Walmart or another low-price general-merchandise store, you've seen it. And if you're shopping online, the signs are abundant.

Holiday hype is here.

This year, with prices rising everywhere, the key to limiting your spending on gifts may be to reconsider the whole process, starting with where you shop and when. Instead of hitting the mall for early bird specials, coping with Black Friday or puzzling through online discounts, consider places you already patronize.

We're talking supermarkets, convenience stores and dollar stores. Carry a running list — whether in your head, on paper or in a notes file on your smartphone. And pick up gifts as you go about life. You'll save money and time, and you'll avoid crowds and website crashes.

This is an especially effective way to keep from spending too much on small items like stocking stuffers, workplace grab bag presents and hospitality gifts.

SUPERMARKET SWEEP: You probably don't picture yourself shopping for presents while you're buying milk and eggs, but why not?

Grocery stores operated by California-based Safeway Inc., New Jersey-based ShopRite, Ohio-based Kroger Co. and other companies stock toys and books all year. And the bakery aisle offers everything you need to make personalized gifts of cookies, cake or homemade candy. Stocking stuffers like lipstick, kitchen gadgets and gift cards are also readily available. And you can pick up wrapping paper or a bouquet at many large grocery stores.

Patty Fishman, a vice president with Minnesota-based Supervalu Inc., says licensed graphic T-shirts, As Seen on TV items and a retro popcorn machine are available at some of its Albertsons, Jewel-Osco and other stores. New gift items this year include Mattel Inc. Fijit interactive robotic toys and the latest Michael Buble CD.

"While price point is key for supermarkets, value and quality has become an equally important part of holiday merchandise," says Christina Veiders, managing editor of Supermarket News.

■ Specific promotions:

At Kroger, "Buy Holiday Gift Cards, Use them Like Cash, and Save on Fuel" deal, Nov. 20 to Dec. 11: Participating locations will offer quadruple fuel rewards for gift card purchases, while Kroger customers usually get double fuel rewards points for gift card purchases.

At Supervalu, grocery discounts, starting in mid-November: Customers who spend $100 on selected gift cards will get a discount on their next grocery purchase, with rewards varying by store.

CONVENIENCE STORES: If you're heading to a holiday party this year, convenience stores are great for hostess gifts like wine. But they also carry much-needed batteries for toys and popular stocking stuffers like scratch-off lottery tickets or extra-large candy bars.

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	KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14	Support	Paid	Tomorr.	In Touch Ministries	Kay David	Paid	Paid		Wild Litd.	Hollywd.	Live Life	On Spot
	KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Crossmor	Crossmor	Cornerstone		Fox News Sunday	Odesa	FaithDay	Faith Day	F.Hardin	Bible	Fox NFL Sunday (N)	
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	KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	NFL Football Cincinnati Bengals vs. Baltimore Ravens (L)						(:15) NFL Football San Diego Chargers vs. Chicago Bears (L)					
	KWWT	CW	5	14		5	14												
	KPEJ	FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NFL Football Dallas Cowboys vs. Washington Redskins Site: FedEx Field (L)						EPL Soccer Liverpool vs. Chelsea				C'nsumer	
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	KWES	NBC	9	9	9	9	9	PGA Golf President's Cup Final Round Site: Royal Melbourne Golf Club -- Melbourne, Australia											
	KPBT	PBS	13	13		13	8	Photo	Blue World	Sew It All	Sewing	Quilt Arts	F&Porter	Looking for Lincoln		Antiques Roadshow		History Detectives	
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	KOSA	CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		The Amazing Race (N)		The Good Wife "#309" (N)		CSI: Miami "A Few Dead Men" (N)	CBS 7 News	(:35) The Late L	(:35) The Closer
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4 pitfalls of holiday perks for credit cards

By Candice Choi
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It seems like the most wonderful time of year for credit card rewards.

With the holiday season fast approaching, card issuers are dangling big sign-on bonuses and richer rewards that they say will help consumers offset their spending sprees. But the incentives could backfire by nudging you to rack up more charges than you intended.

In other cases, the fine print may mean you won't qualify for the promised savings.

That's not to say you should resist all deals, which are plentiful this time of year. But the key is to go in with your eyes wide open.

If you're strategizing for the holidays, here are four credit card pitfalls to watch:

PITFALL 1: THE LURE OF THE SIGN-ON BONUS

When you know you're about to hit the gas on spending, it makes sense to see if there are sign-on bonuses you can capitalize on.

The catch is that you will likely have to meet some conditions before cashing in. With the Chase Sapphire Preferred card, for example, cardholders need to spend $3,000 in the first three months after the card is opened to qualify for the bonus.

In other cases, airline-branded cards may promise new customers enough miles for a free domestic ticket. But those customers will still need to pay the fees and taxes for the ticket, which can amount to several hundred dollars.

So if a promotion catches your eye, be sure to ask what you need to do to earn the advertised bonus.

PITFALL 2: FAILING TO CONSIDER YOUR CREDIT SCORE

In the excitement of opening a new card, it's easy to forget the impact a new account can have on your credit score.

A new line of credit could ding scores by as much as 25 points, according to Barry Paperno, consumer affairs manager for FICO, which develops the most widely used credit scores. That's based on a range from 300 to those with poor credit, to 850 for those with excellent credit.

PITFALL 3: OPENING A RETAIL CARD FOR THE DISCOUNT

Signing up for a store credit card in exchange for a big discount is particularly tempting during the holidays. But beware of hastily accepting a sales clerk's pitch.

For starters, store credit cards tend to have higher interest rates; the Macy's card, for instance, carries an interest rate of 24.5 percent. If you tend to carry a balance, that means the interest charges you incur over time will eat into any savings you achieve initially.

Another risk is that stores constantly offer cardholders special discounts and sales to get them to spend more. This can work to your advantage if you shop at the store regularly anyway. But if you're trying to stay on a budget, try to avoid such temptations.

Store-branded credit cards also tend to have lower credit limits, which could hurt your score if you're not careful. This is because the portion of your credit line that you're using is a factor in your score; the closer your balance is to the credit limit, the greater the negative impact on your score.

PITFALL 4: SPENDING JUST TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF REWARDS

The promise of rewards may lead you to subconsciously spend more liberally than you normally would.

But be realistic about exactly how much those rewards are saving you. If you're earning 1 percent cash back, that would $5 back for $500 in purchases. That's great if you were going to spend the money anyway, but a different matter entirely if you use rewards to rationalize big purchases.

Many card issuers are also touting the extra rewards customers can earn during the holiday. But as is often the case with accelerated rewards, there's a cap on how much cardholders can earn.

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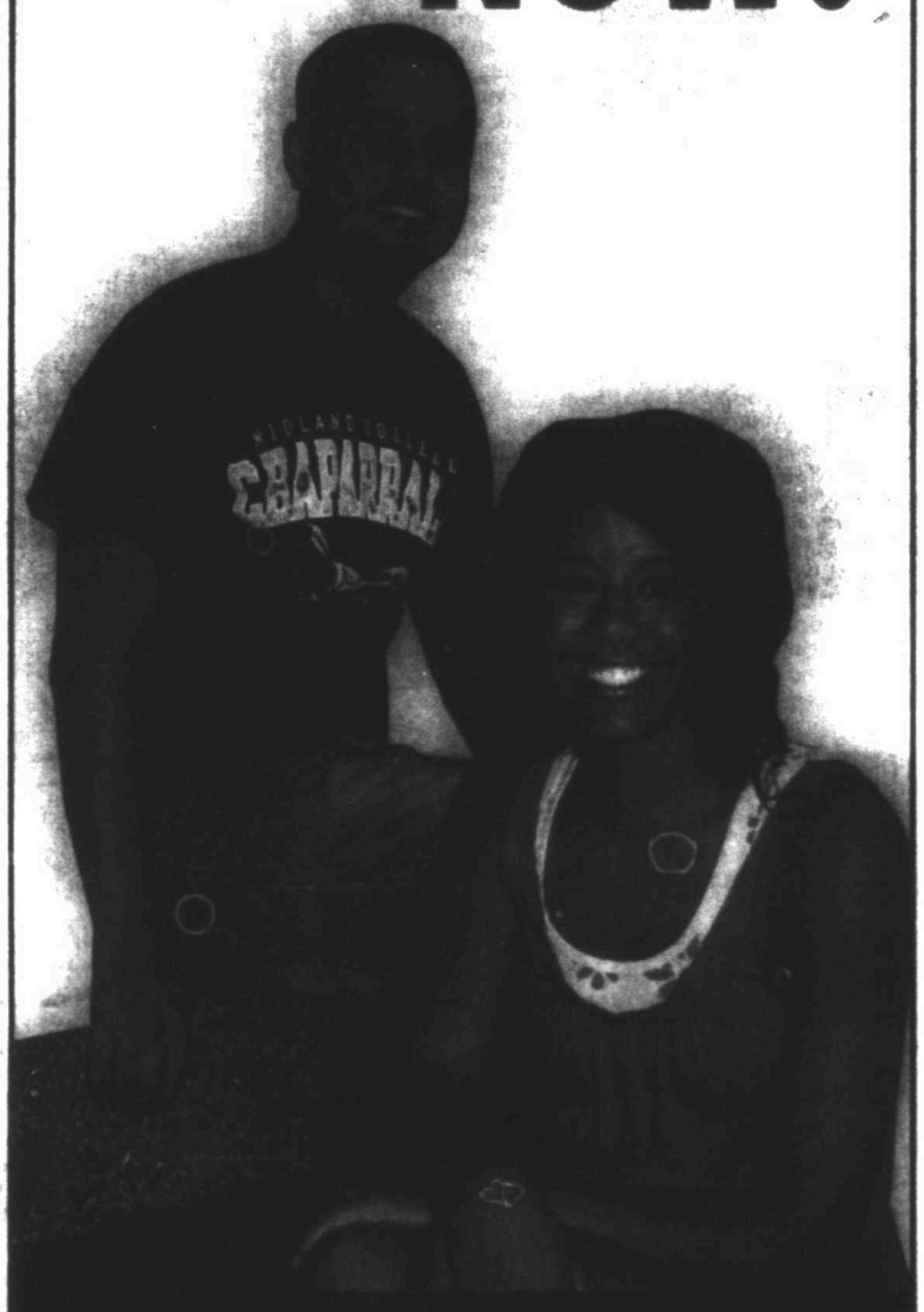

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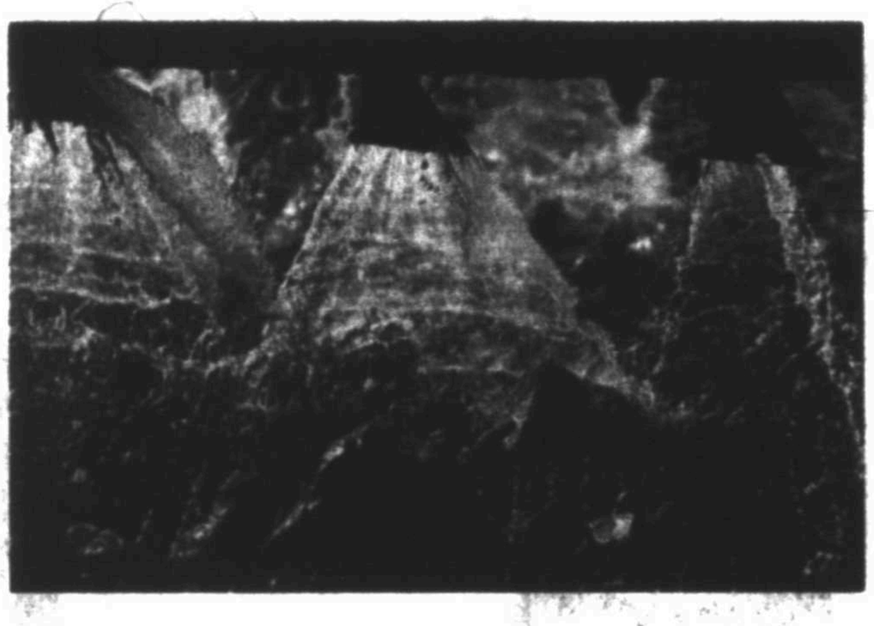

Producers find environmentally-friendly technology can boost bottom line

By Mella McEwen
Oil Editor

From the sand, chemicals and water used in hydraulic fracturing to capturing the emissions from wellheads and storage tanks, the oil and gas industry is focusing on environmentally-friendly technology.

Rich Haut, senior research scientist and principal investigator, environmentally-friendly drilling program at the Houston Advanced Research Center, attributed the focus on environmentally-friendly technology to three primary influences.

First is economics, he said. "Methane is a product and that means dollars in an operator's pocket," he explained. "The more you can capture, the more profitable you'll be." The hurdle there, Haut said, is that to capture the methane sales lines are required and the pipeline companies haven't been able to keep up with demand.

A second influence is government regulators prompting the industry to be more environmentally friendly. He praised the Environmental Protection Agency's voluntary Natural Gas Star program, a voluntary program encouraging the industry to use practices that are more efficient and result in fewer emissions. The website, he said, "is a good starting point" with a link that lets operators plug in their own numbers to see what their costs would be and what their revenues would be by capturing and selling the emissions.

Third, Haut said, operators are trying to be good neighbors in the areas where they operate.

"It's the right thing to do," said Chip Minty, spokesman at Devon Energy, which uses green technology at 10 plays across its portfolio. Minty estimated the company uses the technology, which it terms an advanced early production process, in 91 percent of the wells it drills. For example, the company drills and completes a well and installs gathering lines to the production site before the flowback stage. Devon also has a retrofit project of installing low-emission valves on its older well sites.

Minty said Devon is not using the process in its Permian Basin operations primarily because it is targeting liquids-rich plays where the associated natural gas volumes are lower. "When we begin the flowback process, we only flare the gas that comes up with the sand water," he said, generally flaring the gas for only a few hours in the initial phase, until the sand and water flow back, and then production is moved to the sales line.

To use the process in the Permian Basin isn't

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WE ARE FAMILY The Solis family: Joel, center, his son, Casey, left and his brother Robert are all integral parts of the family oilfield service businesses. Joel is president of both Tall City Well Service and Liberty Pump and Supply; Robert is vice president of operations for Liberty, and Casey holds the same position for Tall City. All this, with 130 combined employees, started in 1991 when Joel bought a small pump repair shop in McCamey.

Family oilfield business continues to grow

By Paul Wiseman
Special to the Oil Report

You might call Tall City Well Service Co. and Liberty Pump and Supply family businesses. Joel Solis, president of both companies along with Raider Oil and Gas, gets to work with his younger brother, Robert, and his son Casey every day. He works with them and approximately 130 others in locations scattered from McCamey to Wink to Odessa and Monahans, but he still considers everyone family.It was family, in fact, that caused Solis to leave Shell Oil in the early 1990s. "(Shell) told me they were planning on selling all their Permian Basin operations and they said, 'You can still retire with Shell, but it will have to be offshore or overseas.'" Solis was living in McCamey with his young family and was not willing to be separated from them.

At that time he learned of a man who wanted to sell Solis his small pump and oilfield repair shop in McCamey. As a lease operator for Shell, Solis repaired pumps and other equipment already, so there would be no learning curve involved in operating a repair shop. Solis took his savings and bought the shop in 1991.

Because of the availability of the pump shop, Solis said it never crossed his mind to simply get another job. This opportunity seemed like the natural next step for him.

It was awhile before the shop was profitable enough for Solis to make a living from it. He continued working for Shell in the daytime, then worked far into the night in his shop.

Before long, pump shop customers began to ask if he also carried parts and other supplies. Because he needed to order parts for his own repair use anyway, adding a few more pieces to the order was easy -- thus birthing the first expansion. At that time he named the company Liberty Pump and Supply, partly in recognition of the fact that he was no longer an employee, but was running his own business. It also honored his family's decision to come to America when Solis was 15, in order to take part in the American dream.

As the business grew, Solis began to need employees. One of his first hires was his brother Robert, 13 years his junior but no less an oil patch veteran, having done contract work for Chevron before coming on board with Liberty. "He's always been like a father figure to me," said Robert of his brother. Robert is now vice president of operations for Liberty, officing in Wink.

In 1995 Joel bought some oil wells and put them under the aegis of Raider Oil and Gas, which has no employees. In 1996 Liberty opened a store in Wink and in the last two years or so it has added fluid trucks. Joel moved to Midland in 2003 from McCamey.

With those fluid trucks in house, the next move also became very logical. Solis took the opportunity to buy Tall City Well Service from a friend in August of 2010, a business largely consisted of fluid trucks and workover units.

That was also the right time to bring Casey under the company wings. In July of 2010 Casey, equipped with a degree in finance from UT San Antonio, became VP of operations for Tall City, handling those duties from Tall City's Odessa headquarters.

Growth continues, Joel explained, because most of the profits from the companies are plowed back in for new equipment or other opportunities. More workover rigs will soon be added to the company's current fleet of 14. There are 40 overall trucks in the Tall City fleet.

The booming economy is the time, said Joel and Robert, to push growth. During slower times, Joel noted, while there is less business, they have never had to lay off any employees. Instead they catch up on those tasks that get put off when crews and trucks are on wells constantly. This no-layoff history may also be one reason the companies have had no trouble hiring and keeping employees during the current boom cycle.

As growth continues, Solis plans to open a combined Liberty and Tall City location on CR 1140 just off Garden City Highway in Midland in the first quarter of 2012. The new location should employ 15-20 more people.

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Endangered Species Act and the dunes sagebrush lizard endanger our economy

KEL SELIGER
state senator

Texas is the largest daily producer of oil and natural gas in the nation and one of the top 10 producers in the world. Currently, there are 150,199 oil wells and 94,800 gas wells actively producing in the state, supplying 31.2 percent and 35.8 percent, respectively, of the U.S. total. So, when the federal government, the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, proposed to list the dunes sagebrush lizard (DSL) on the Endangered Species List without a defensible scientific base, you can imagine my surprise and bewilderment. The DSL is found in Winkler, Andrews, Gaines, Yoakum, Cochran, Ward and Crane counties, coincidentally home to the state and country's dominant oil producing basin, the Permian Basin. With the U.S. economy in shreds and the lack of scientific evidence, one can't help but wonder if this most recent federal overreach is just a continuation of the Obama Administration's attack on Texas and her abundant oil resources.

Which is why I am calling for the DSL to be granted an exemption from the Endangered Species Act (Act).

The act says a determination is to be made on the best scientific and commercial data available, but what if only 10 percent of that data specifically relates to Texas? And more interestingly, some reports used to base this determination date back as far as 1972. I am appalled that the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service deems this as scientifically acceptable. I am in favor of protecting wildlife against human consumption and action, but this is clearly a violent and exorbitant use of the act. It's also interesting to note Congress believes that economic impact should be considered while designating the critical habitat for the endangered species once it is listed, but no such consideration is given during the listing process.

Clearly, the act needs to be overhauled and reworked to adapt to the 21st century. The original legislation passed Congress in 1973, and while the most recent amendment in 2004 exempted the Department of Defense (DOD), there has not been a concerted effort to review the act in more than 20 years. I understand the need to exempt the DOD on the basis of national security reasons and would call for the same exemption to apply in the case of the DSL in West Texas. Fifty-seven percent of all oil consumed in the U.S. is imported, therefore allowing foreign countries to manipulate and hold hostage the American marketplace. This country's energy independence requires us to produce oil and gas from within our own borders and with unsupported listings on the Endangered Species List and the regulations that accompany a listing, companies simply

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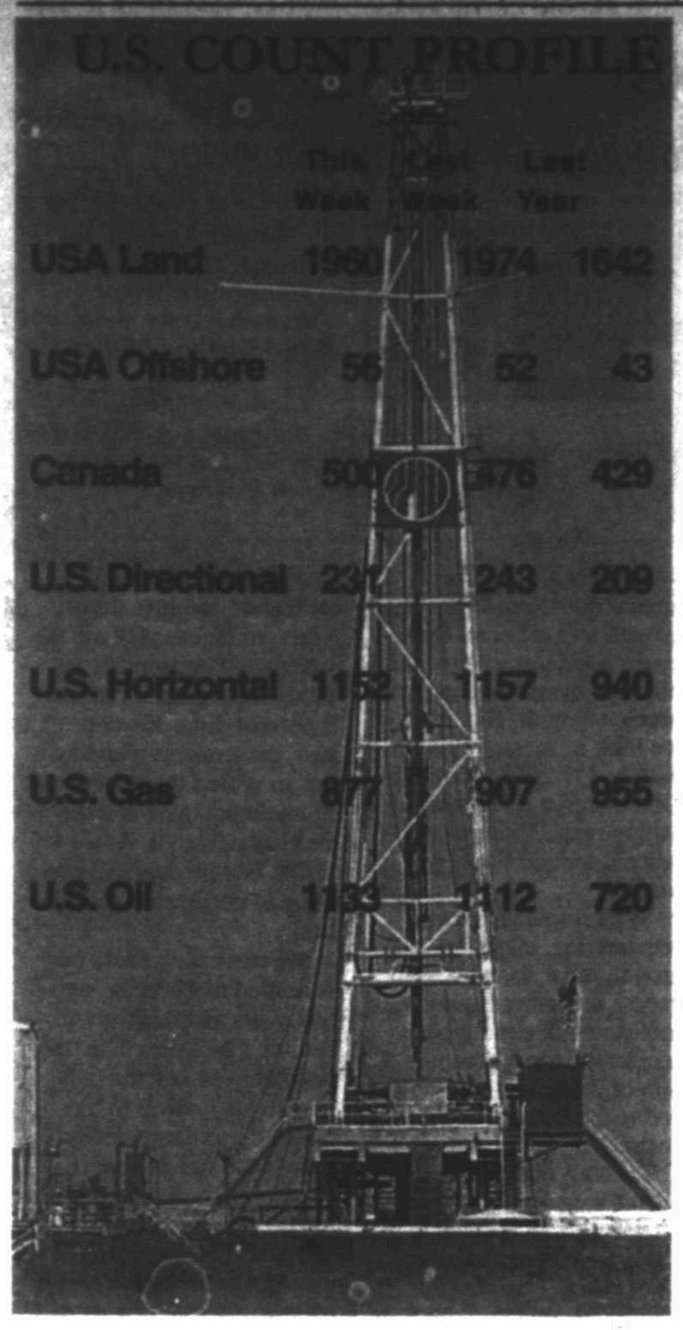

By Norman Johnson

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cannot, and will not continue to do business here.

Comptroller Susan Combs, the oil and gas industry, and stakeholders of the Task Force on Economic Growth and Endangered Species are to be commended for their innovative work on the Texas Conservation Plan for the DSL. However, once the imminent listing of the DSL occurs, I urge the Texas Congressional delegation to pursue an exemption of the Act.

State Sen. Kel Seliger, Republican from Amarillo, serves the 31st District, which includes Midland, Odessa and Big Spring.

ENVIRONMENT

From 1G

viable, Minty said, but Devon has adopted methodology to reduce flaring and capture early gas production.

Devon sees this as two positives, he said, first protecting the environment by keeping emissions out of the air and second, capturing that gas and secondly, it keeps the gas in the pipeline to be sold.

"We had the opportunity," he said, because the infrastructure was available to Devon in many of the places it operates and it was economically viable.

"It's always advantageous to the company to prevent the loss of product," Minty said. "If you flare, you lose the product and you're not generating revenues."

Devon initiated its use of green completion technology in 2004 in its Barnett Shale drilling, he said.

To reduce flares from wellheads or venting from storage tanks, Haut said the technology has to be cost-effective. Producers are beginning to lay gathering lines at the pad site instead of waiting for the well to be completed and they are working to make the drill site footprint smaller, especially in the Eagle Ford of South Texas.

He likened the drilling in these plays to a factory concept, saying factory drilling is in its infancy. "There will be more efficiencies to be had" as the concept develops, he predicted, such as rig automation.

Yet another factor driving the search for efficiency, Haut said, is manpower in the oil patch.

"The employee population is shrinking," he explained. "With all the plays going on around the country, it's hard to find quality people, so efficiency is required."

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Anadarko touts results from Colo. test wells

DALLAS (AP) — Anadarko Petroleum Corp. said Monday that results from early drilling indicate that the company could produce the equivalent of more than 1 billion barrels of oil from an energy field in Colorado.

Anadarko said that 11 horizontal wells drilled in the Wattenberg field yielded "strong" initial rates of production and high levels of liquids, which have commanded better prices than natural gas.

The Houston company said its program of horizontal drilling in the Wattenberg field is among its best on U.S. land and should quickly generate "significant" cash flow.

The region could produce the equivalent of 500 million to 1.5 billion barrels in oil, natural gas liquids, and natural gas, Anadarko said.

The company said it plans to drill 160 horizontal wells in the area next year, up from previous plans for 40 wells, and could eventually put 1,200 to 2,700 wells there.

Anadarko said it holds interests in more than 350,000 acres in the Wattenberg field and operates more than 5,200 wells.

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Crockett County

Molopo Energy TX, LLC
Baggett OP 40 #1
Wildcat-D; GC & SF RR Co./Baggett, K; A-4433, Blk OP, Sec 40; 467 FNL 3293 FWL of lse; 467 FNL 467 FWL of survey; 8.2 miles NW of Ozona; obj: 8100; permit #725025; API #105-41339

Menard County

Paint Rock Oper., LLC
ESPY "A" #7
Wildcat-D; Rehbe, J; A-663, Blk N/A, Sec 1466; 5903 FEL 2742 FSL of lse; 508 FEL 2750 FNL of survey; 10 miles NW of Menard; obj: 4000; permit #726868; API #327-31141

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Glasscock County

Nadel & Gussman Permian, LLC
Bearkat 21 #2
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co.; A-74, Blk 32, T4S, Sec 21; 467 FSL 1980 FEL of lse; 467 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 9 miles E of Garden City; obj: 10500; permit #725184; API #173-34523

Loving County

Chesapeake Oper., Inc.
Johnson 54-2-48 LOV #1H
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./Johnson, W D; A-1100, Blk 54, T2, Sec 48; 200 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 200 FNL 660 FWL of survey; 5.1 miles N of Mentone; obj: 18000; permit #719986; API #301-31608

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Athlon Energy Oper LLC
Windham "14A" #5
Wildcat-D; T & P RR Co./Pendleton, W S; A-1352, Blk 40, T4S, Sec 14; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 19.8 miles S of Midland; obj: 11666; permit #725155; API #329-37635

Ward County

Sundown Energy LP
Hutchings Stock Assn. #3043
Wildcat-D; G & MMB & A; A-125, Blk O, Sec 7; 2697 FWL 7448 FNL of lse; 2583 FEL 2168 FNL of survey; 5.9 miles S of Monahans; obj: 11000; permit #726647; API #475-35918

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Kent County

Sharp Image Energy, Inc.
Double Mountain 56 #7
Wildcat-D; W & N.W. RR Co.; A-1319, Blk G, Sec 56; 624 FWL 1488 FSL of lse; 2401 FWL 2047 FEL of survey; 8.5 miles Within Clairemont; obj: 7500; permit #726594; API #263-31997

Terry County

Cambrian Mgmt., LTD.
Red Onion 48 #1
Wildcat-D; PSL/Brownfield, A R; A-1601, Blk K, Sec 48; 467 FSL 467 FEL of lse; 467 FSL 467 FEL of survey; 9.5 miles NW of Wellman; obj: 12400; permit #722506; API #445-32299

New Mexico

Lea County

COG Oper. LLC
Gunner 8 Fed #8
Wildcat; T26S, R34E, Sec 8; 990 FSL 330 FWL; 9 miles SW of Ochoa; Rot 12250 Bone Spring; API #30-025-40309

ConocoPhillips Co.
Wilder 28 Fed #1
Wildcat; T26S, R32E, Sec 28; 610 FNL 835 FEL; 18 miles SW of Ochoa; Rot 13455 Bone Spring; API #30-025-40261

Yates Pet. Corp.
Jimenez BRJ State #1
Wildcat; T10S, R32E, Sec 17; 1980 FSL 1980 FEL; 4 miles NE of Caprock; Rot 4600 San Andres; API #30-025-40311

Colo., Okla., Pa., Wyo. push for natural gas cars

By Catherine Tsai
Associated Press

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. — The governors of Colorado, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and Wyoming are teaming up to encourage U.S. automakers to develop affordable vehicles that run on natural gas, a valuable resource in each of their states.

Their plan is to start replacing thousands of vehicles in their state fleets with ones that run on natural gas, in turn driving demand for more filling stations and cars that run on alternative fuel, according to a memorandum of understanding the governors signed Wednesday.

Colorado Gov. John Hickenlooper touted the idea as a market-driven way to build demand for natural gas-driven school buses, pickup trucks and vans while also supporting jobs, reducing U.S. reliance on foreign oil, cutting emissions, and providing fuel that is the equivalent of $1.25 per gallon cheaper than gasoline.

"Not only do we not send billions of dollars out of the country, it's a cleaner-burning fuel that is significantly less expensive," Hickenlooper said in announcing the effort at a Colorado Natural Gas Vehicle Coalition workshop.

Republican Gov. Mary Fallin of Oklahoma and Hickenlooper, a Democrat, led the initiative. Hickenlooper said the National Governors Association would help promote the idea to other states.

Colorado alone has about 5,800 vehicles in its fleet, plus about 2,000 more within the state Department of Transportation, state fleet manager Art Hale said. Because of a limited state budget, Colorado now has a three-year backlog of about 1,600 vehicles that need to be replaced, Hale said.

Colorado's budget remains tight, but some vehicles will have to be replaced soon. "Some of these vehicles are 10 to 12 years old. We have no choice but to start replacing them," Hickenlooper said.

The extraction of natural gas through hydraulic fracturing, which involves injecting a mix of water, chemicals and sand into rock underground at high pressure, has drawn concern from some residents and environmentalists, especially as companies look to tap the Niobrara formation underlying parts of Colorado and Wyoming and the Marcellus Shale play across much of Pennsylvania.

The Environmental Protection Agency is studying the potential effects of fracking on drinking water, but results aren't expected until next year.

Production of natural gas vehicles today remains low. Honda makes a Civic that runs on natural gas, but it's more expensive than a standard Civic.

There are about 1,200 natural gas vehicles in Colorado and an estimated 120,000 in the U.S., said David Hill, vice president of operations in Encana Natural Gas Inc.'s natural gas economy division. There are about 960 fueling stations nationwide, he said. Colorado has 29, ranking it seventh in the country, Hill said.

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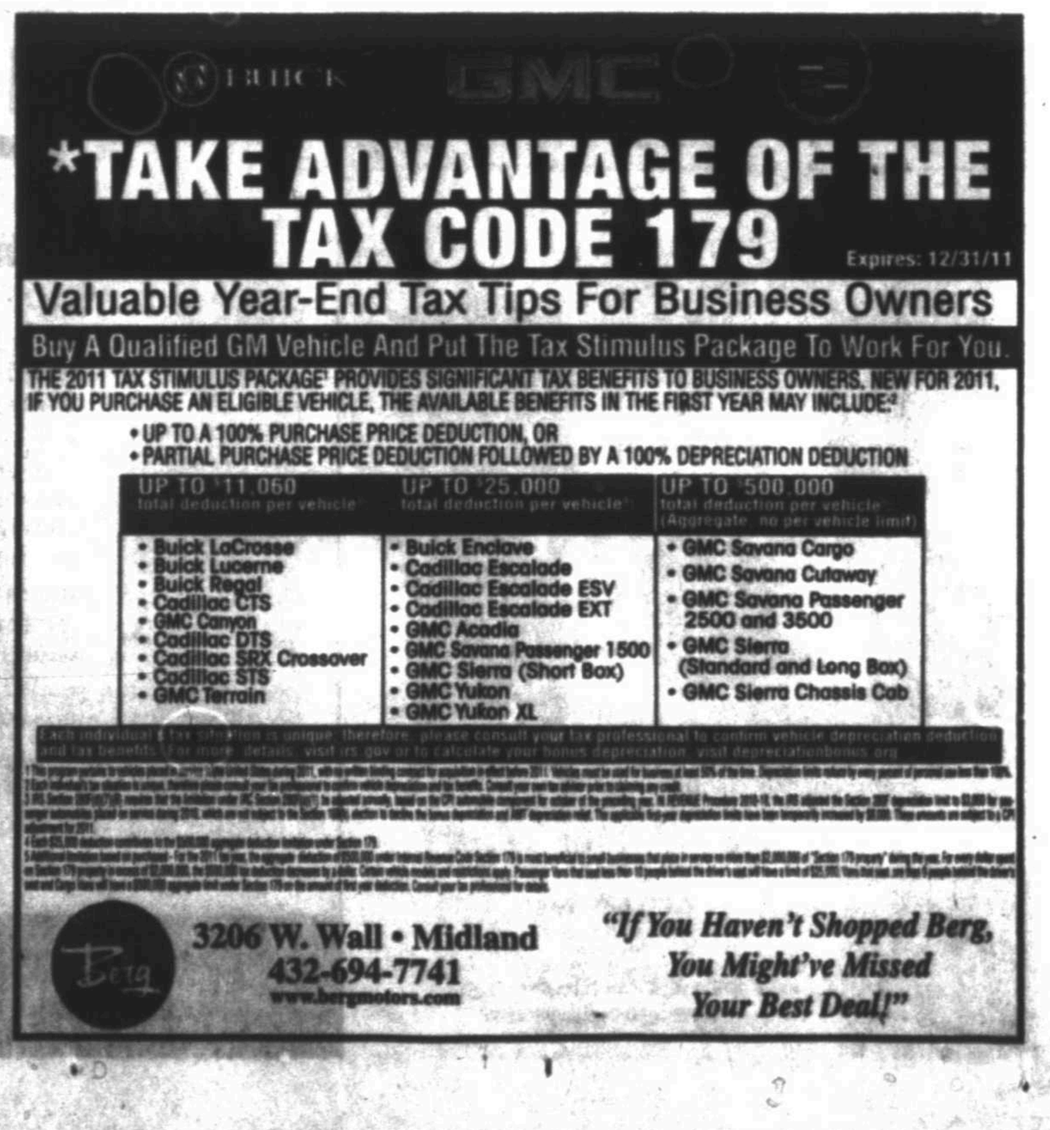

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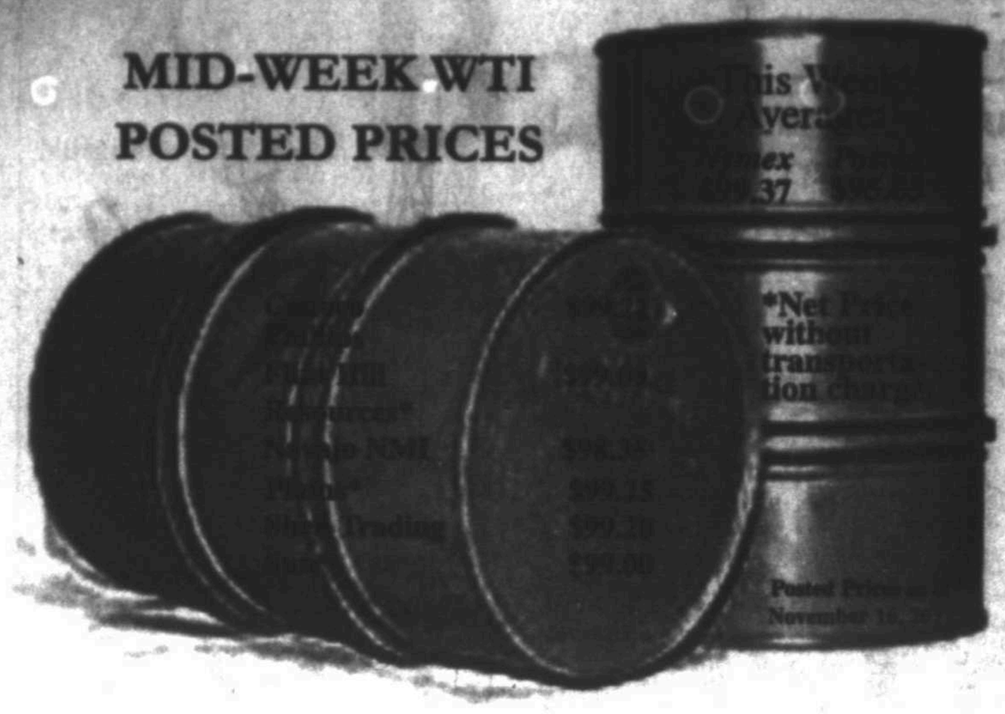

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Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub:	$3.460	$3.040	$3.480
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains:	$3.410	$3.218	$3.350
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Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin:	$3.380	$3.055	$3.415
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ENERGY WATCH

Fed may boost inflation with too-loose monetary policy

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So far this year, inflation has been much higher than the Federal Reserve has expected. Back in January, the Fed expected the PCE Deflator (a broad measure of consumer prices calculated for GDP accounts) to rise 1.5 percent in 2011. But so far this year, these prices are up at a much faster 3.2 percent annual rate. A better known measure, the Consumer Price Index, is up at a 4.1 percent annual rate in the first nine months of the year.

The Fed argues that it really hasn't been wrong. It thinks temporary issues (mostly with commodity prices) are artificially holding up inflation. For next year, the Fed says the PCE Deflator will rise 1.7 percent, a higher forecast than it had for 2011, but still significantly lower than the current pace of inflation.

We think the Fed is making the same mistake again. The Fed, like all Keynesians, believes higher unemployment means lower wages, which, in turn, means downward pressure on inflation. But this was proven wrong in the 1970s, when high unemployment and inflation existed at the same time.

Instead of fixating on the unemployment rate, we see inflation as a monetary phenomenon. Inflation is "too much money chasing too few goods." So, inflation rises when the Fed is loose and falls when the Fed is tight.

Government policy, which enhances or detracts from real economic growth, also has an impact. In the early 1980s, Fed Chairman Paul Volcker's tight money was accompanied by President Reagan's tax cuts. Both helped tame inflation. And the same goes in reverse. Bad fiscal policies that deter growth can make a given monetary policy more prone toward inflation.

Right now the Fed is way too loose. We use nominal GDP growth as the appropriate target for the federal funds rate. In the past two years nominal GDP — real GDP growth plus inflation — is up at a 4.5 percent annual rate. Some view this growth as a rebound from crisis, a temporary upward blip that overestimates economic strength. But, even if we look at average growth back to Q1 2008, nominal GDP is up at a 1.8 percent average rate. Either way, a 0 percent federal funds rate is too low.

With nominal growth accelerating, either real GDP growth must rise to absorb excess monetary liquidity, or inflation will continue to accelerate. Or, a combination of rising real growth and rising inflation could occur.

That last scenario seems most likely. Real GDP growth should accelerate in 2012, to a 3 percent gain from about 2 percent this year. Given lower gas prices, the CPI probably took a breather in October (official data will arrive Nov. 16) and our best guess is that we finish the year up 3.6 percent. Next year, consumer prices are likely to be up 4 percent. To be clear, we think inflation would accelerate even more next year if not for the improvement in real economic growth.

One reason Keynesian models make mistakes is that they miss underlying shifts in economic potential. For example, the Fed still thinks the future long-term average jobless rate should be roughly 5.6 percent — what economists call the "natural rate" of unemployment. In other words, the Fed doesn't think inflation can persist unless the unemployment rate falls below this natural rate.

But what if the natural rate is higher than this? Federal spending has climbed to near 25 percent of GDP — its highest levels in thirty years, reminiscent of a time when most economists thought the natural rate was 7 percent. Like 30 years ago, government spending has increased the natural rate of unemployment and the Fed has missed it. As a result, Fed models will continue to underestimate inflation.

We think the jobless rate is headed down in the next few years and think it will decline a bit faster than the Fed believes. But the only way to get it down to 5.6 percent is to dramatically reduce the size of government or to push so much money into the economy that it artificially pushes unemployment below the natural rate. But that second method can only work for a short period of time. Eventually, a monetary policy loose enough to lower the unemployment rate that much would create a 1970s-style inflation. That would make today's inflation problem look minor in comparison.

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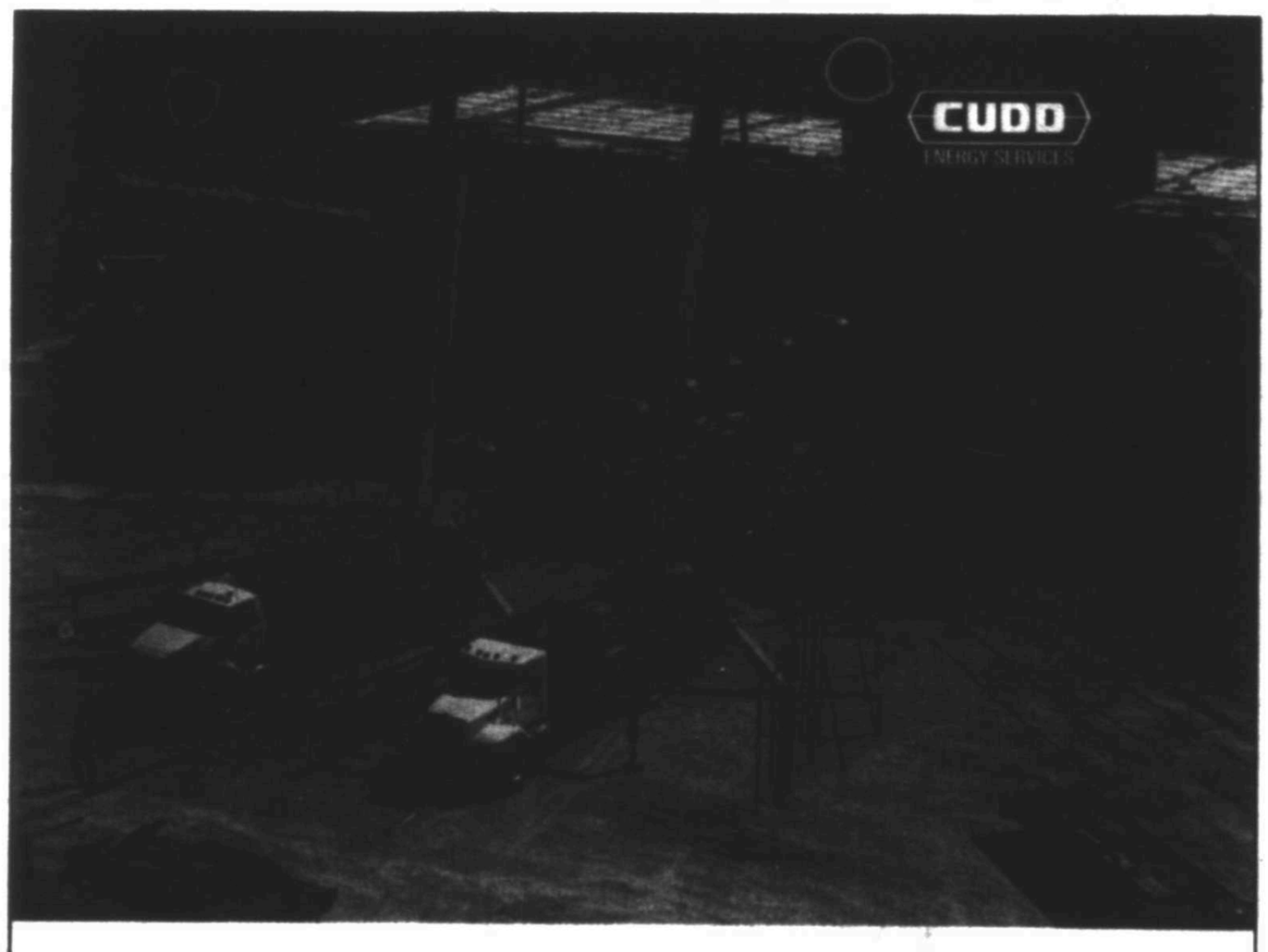

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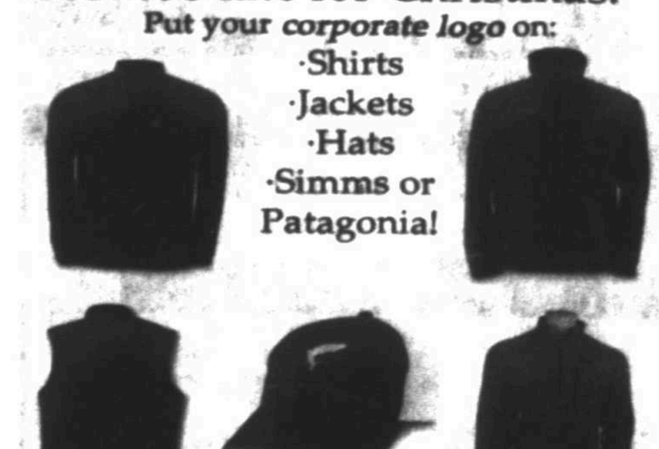

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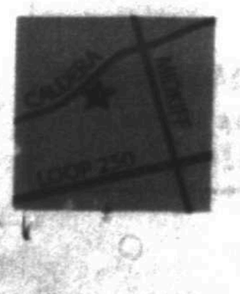

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Propane gel eyed as water-substitute in natural gas fracturing

By Brian Nearing and Anthony Brino
Albany Times Union

ALBANY, N.Y. — In the debate over hydraulic fracturing for natural gas, two facts are beyond dispute: Huge amounts of water are used to break up gas-bearing rock deep underground and huge amounts of polluted water are returned to the surface after the process is complete.

Tainted with chemicals, salts and even mild radioactivity, such water, when mishandled, has damaged the environment and threatened drinking water, helping fuel a heated debate in New York and other states over whether gas drilling is worth its risk to drinking water, rivers and streams.

Now, an emerging technology developed in Canada and just making its way to the U.S. does away with the need for water. Instead, it relies on a thick gel made from propane, a widely available gas used by anyone who has fired up a backyard barbecue grill.

Called liquefied propane gas (LPG) fracturing, or simply "gas fracking," the waterless method was developed by a small Canadian energy company, GasFrac, based in Calgary, Alberta.

Still awaiting a patent in the U.S., the technique has been used about 1,000 times since 2008, mainly in gas wells in the Canadian provinces of Alberta, British Columbia and New Brunswick and a smaller handful of test wells in states that include Texas, Pennsylvania, Colorado, Oklahoma and New Mexico, according to GasFrac Chief Technology Officer Robert Lestz.

Like water, propane gel is pumped into deep shale formations a mile or more underground, creating immense pressure that cracks rocks to free trapped natural gas bubbles. Like water, the gel also carries small particles of sand or man-made material — known as proppant — that are forced into cracks to hold them open so the gas can flow out.

Unlike water, the gel does a kind of disappearing act underground. It reverts to vapor due to pressure and heat, then returns to the surface — along with the natural gas — for collection, possible reuse and ultimate resale.

And also unlike water, propane does not carry back to the surface drilling chemicals, ancient seabed salts and underground radioactivity.

"We leave the nasties in the ground, where they belong," said Lestz.

David Burnett, a professor of petroleum engineering at Texas A&M University, one of the nation's premier petroleum engineering schools, said fracking with propane makes sense.

"From a reservoir engineering perspective, there is no reason this would not be effective," said Burnett, who runs the Environmentally Friendly Drilling Systems Program, a project of the university and the Houston Advanced Research Center, a not-for-profit academic and business consortium.

Supported by some of the nation's largest energy companies, as well as by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority, the drilling program seeks new technologies that develop gas and oil in a safe and environmentally friendly manner.

Burnett said using gas instead of water can serve two ends — protecting the environment and reducing costs to the drilling industry of handling and disposing of tainted water.

But he said propane fracturing is "not a game changer," at least not yet.

"This is a very conservative industry," Burnett said. "Engineers want to see what someone else did first, and they want the data." Most companies that have tried the GasFrac technique have not published data publicly, he said, possibly out of fear of tipping off potential competitors to its benefits.

A search of public research reports on file with the Society of Petroleum Engineers found only two case studies for wells that used propane fracking — one in 2011 and one in 2009.

"You are going to need more than one or two wells to prove this to the industry," Burnett said. And because gas fracking is a proprietary method owned by a still-small company with limited ability to supply and service many new users, "if more people want to use the technology, the cost will probably go up. So GasFrac is kind of caught in a Catch-22."

Propane fracking is still in its infancy, and only time will tell whether the technique will make inroads in a global drilling industry that began using water-based fracking in the late 1940s and since has invested vast amounts in that technology. Hydrofracking for natural gas is now used in more than a dozen states, Canada and around the world.

"The infrastructure is already there for water, people have already put millions into it," Lestz said. "Sometimes the good is the enemy of the great."

Aside from being better environmentally, Lestz said propane fracking also can be more efficient because it allows more gas to flow from wells than water-based fracturing. All the propane leaves the fractured rocks, unlike water, part of which remains behind and can be absorbed into rock to partially block the pathways for gas to escape.

Also, the propane method uses only about one quarter of the number of truck trips that water-based fracking employs, so the impact on local roads, the noise and dust annoyance to neighbors, and the trucking costs for drillers are reduced, he said.

However, propane costs more initially to use, even though it can be resold once recovered. It is also explosive, and requires special equipment to be handled properly and reduce risk.

In January, there was a flash fire at an LPG gas well being drilled in Alberta by Husky Energy, one of Canada's largest energy companies and one of the first to embrace LPG drilling. Three workers suffered burns, although no injuries were life-threatening.

Lestz said an undetected propane leak was to blame, and the company subsequently added more monitoring equipment to reduce the risks. Wells now have 20 propane sensors, up from three, as well as an infrared video monitor that allows gas leaks to be seen by well crews.

A spokesman for the Alberta Department of Occupational Health and Safety said the mishap is still being investigated.

A spokesman from Husky declined questions, saying the company did not want to get "dragged into" any debate about gas drilling.

However, in September, Husky gave GasFrac a vote of confidence with a new three-year contract that carries a two-year renewal option.

And a month before that, the company obtained $100 million in funding from HSBC Bank Canada, Bank of Montreal and Alberta Treasury Branches to help it grow. Lestz said GasFrac expects to be able to expand its equipment "fleet" from two in 2010 to a dozen by 2012.

An industry executive with ties to New York said propane's expense does make it a tough sell.

"Propane is always going to be more expensive than water," said Roger Willis, president of Universal Well Services, a Pennsylvania company that provides drilling equipment to the industry. "But propane fracking will probably be useful in some situations. ... The economics of doing it would be fairly complicated. You have to weigh the cost and recovery of propane versus the transport and treatment of the water."

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N.E.I.A.B. Unit #1009
I.A.B. Northeast (Pennsylvanian 5150); 1,902 fsl, 1,558 fwl, Sec 4, Abst. 1815, I RR, 9 nw Robert Lee; TD 6,225' Comp 7-7-11; producing from 5,012-5,015, treated with 500 gals. 15 percent NeFe; pump 9 BO, 1 MCF, 1 BW, 46 Oil Gravity; API #42-081-31990

Irion County

Expo Resources Inc.
Sugg "BA" #11
Sugg Ranch (Canyon); 4,715 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 9, Blk 27, Abst. 181, H&TC RR, 21 nw Mertzon; TD 7,699; Comp 9-12-11; producing from 7,280-7,440, treated with 750 gals. NeFeHCl, 126,617 gals. gel/foam, 185,000# sand; pump 56 BO, 75 MCF, 55 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-34739

Reagan County

Laredo Petroleum-Dallas Inc.
SRH -B- #11E
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,984 fnl, 838 fwl, Sec 11, Blk 1, Abst. 478, T&P RR, 17 n Big Lake; TD 8,230; Comp 8-23-11; producing from 5,494-7,975, treated with HCL and proppant; pump 18 BO, 95 MCF, 225 BW on one-inch choke, 41 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-37281

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Andrews County

BOPCo LP
University "42" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fel, 1,062 fsl, Sec 42, Blk 5, ULS, 11.5 ne Andrews; TD 12,563; Comp 8-24-11; producing from 8,864-11,787, treated with 72,408 gals. linear gel, 29,358 gals. 15 percent HCl, 430,788 gals. Hybor GR-15, 92,228 gals. Hybor GR-17, 676,494# proppant; pump 72 BO, 75 MCF, 171 BW on 48/64 inch choke, 43.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42764

Fasken Oil and Ranch Ltd.
Fee "BM" 31638
Spraberry (Trend Area); 470 fsl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 16, Blk 40, T-1-N, Abst. 790, T&P RR, 13 nw Midland; TD 11,159; Comp 9-7-11; producing from 8,374-11,069, treated with 1,659,833 gals. crosslink fluid/acid, 973,233# sand; pump 112 BO, 82 MCF, 339 BW, 40.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42657

Reliance Energy Inc.
Mabee "240C" #2602
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fnl, 1,980 fel, Sec 26, Blk 39, T-2-N, Abst. 83, G&MMB&A, 17.6 se Andrews; TD 11,805; Comp 4-28-11; producing from 8,012-11,541, treated with 27,500 gals. 15 percent NeHCL, crosslink gels, 1,124,500# sand; pump 96 BO, 296 MCF, 169 BW, 44 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42361

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
Phillips University "15-11" #11
Martin (Consolidated); 2,381 fel, 330 fsl, Sec 15, Blk 11, ULS, 18 sw Seminole; TD 7,755; Comp 9-6-11; producing from 6,782-7,564, treated with 807 bbls. 20 percent acid, 4,803 bbls. fluid; pump 13 BO, 37 MCF, 304 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42694

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
University Consolidated "V" #2004
Fullerton; 199 fsl, 2,642 fwl, Sec 20, Blk 13, ULS, 14 nw Andrews; TD 7,309; Comp 8-17-11; producing from 6,714-7,093, treated with 72 bbls. 20 percent acid, 4,288 bbls. fluid; pump 207 BO, 45 MCF, 60 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42908

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
University Consolidated "V" #2003
Fullerton; 6 fsl, 1,164 fswl, Sec 20, Blk 13, ULS, 14 sw Andrews; TD 8,555; Comp 9-17-11; producing from 7,917-8,194, treated with 978 bbls. acid, 1,756 bbls. fluid; pump 394 BO, 521 MCF, 58 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42907

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
State Shosid #6
Hudson; 470 fsl, 2,315 fwl, Sec 7, Blk A-30, Abst. 1794, PSL, 27 nw Andrews; TD 7,831; Comp 8-31-11; producing from 7,382-7,814, treated with 976 bbls. 20 percent acid, 2,026 bbls. fluid; pump 28 BO, 15 MCF, 129 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-43042

Texland Petroleum LP
Logsdon "D" et al #39
Fullerton; 1,705 fsl, 1,284 fwl, Sec 25, Blk A-26, Abst. 1970, PSL, 21 nw Andrews; TD 7,532; Comp 9-7-11; producing from 6,866-7,374, treated with 2,400 gals. 15 percent HCL, 26500 gals. borate, 58,000# sand; pump 40 BO, 5 MCF, 62 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-42816

Clayton Williams Energy Inc.
Andrews University "20" #6
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fsl, 1,980 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 5, ULS, 13.9 ne Andrews; TD 11,404; Comp 1-21-11; producing from 7,.375-11,194, treated with 18,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 22,433 bbls. gel and water, 1,235,632# sand; pump 41 BO, 23 MCF, 164 Bw, 34.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-41884

Clayton Williams Energy Inc.
Andrews University "28" #14
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fwl, 1,980 fnl, Sec 28, Blk 5, ULS, 13.8 ne Andrews; TD 11,425; Comp 1-17-11; producing from 7,660-11,313, treated with 16,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 25,839 gals. gel and water, 1,070,492# sand; pump 52 BO, 28 MCF, 198 BW, 34.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-41890

Clayton Williams Energy Inc.
Andrews University "20" #5
Spraberry (Trend Area); 700 fel, 660 fnl, Sec 20, Blk 5, ULS, 13.9 ne Andrews; TD 11,416; Comp 12-28-10; producing from 7,616-11,360, treated with 17,056 gals. 15 percent HCL, 897,637 gals. fluid, 1,145,722# sand; pump 36 BO, 16 MCF, 332 BW, 36.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-41883

Clayton Williams Energy Inc.
Andrews University "33" #9
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fel, 660 fnl, Sec 33, Blk 5, ULS, 13.9 ne Andrews; TD 11,437; Comp 1-31-11; producing from 7,345-11,316, treated with 22,207 gals. 15 percent HCL, 26,601 bbls. gel and water, 1,333,390# sand; pump 44 BO, 26 MCF, 155 BW, 37.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-41891

Clayton Williams Energy Inc.
Andrews University "29" #7
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fsl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 29, Blk 5, ULS, 13.9 ne Andrews; TD 11,435; Comp 10-11-10; producing from 7,410-11,209, treated with 20,314 gals. 15 percent HCL, 913,637 gals. fluid, 1,052,414# sand; pump 36 BO, 32 MCF, 264 BW, 37.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-41271

Clayton Williams Energy Inc.
Andrews University "29" #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fwl, 1,980 fsl, Sec 29, Blk 5, ULS, 13.9 ne Andrews; TD 11,440; Comp 9-30-10; producing from 7,450-11,240, treated with 14,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 1,271,106 gals. fluid, 1,628,112# sand; pump 50 BO, 46 MCF, 132 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-41038

Ector County

ConocoPhillips Company
North Penwell Unit #281
Penwell; 1,320 fsl, 1 fwl, Sec 17, Blk B-15, PSL, 19 sw Odessa; TD 4,950; Comp 5-6-11; producing from 3,788-4,658, treated with 4,103 gals. 15 percent HCL, 216,453# proppant, 135,948 gals. fluid; pump 42 BO, 8 MCF, 1,139 BW, 33.49 OilGravity; API #42-135-40761

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Penwell; 1,980 fnl, 1,980 fel, Sec 19,Blk 41, T-1-S, Abst. 57, T&P RR, 19 sw Odessa; TD 4,920; Comp 8-2-11; producing from 3,520-4,768, treated with acid and fractured; pump 35 BO, 8 MCF, 1,275 BW; API #42-135-40765

XTO Energy Inc.
C.A. Goldsmith et al #2125
Goldsmith (Clearfork)-Directional; 728 fsl, 2,352 fwl, Sec 20, Blk 44, T-1-S, Abst. 686, T&P RR, 16.5 nw Odessa; TD 6,832 MD; Comp 10-4-11; producing from 5,466-6,514, treated with 10,500 gals. 15 percent NeFeHCL, 428,963# sand; pump 51 BO, 16 MCF, 1,985 BW, 34.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-40946

Glasscock County

Adventure Exploration Partners LLC
Brunson #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 2,173 fwl, 2,173 fwl, Sec 34, Blk 36, T-3-S, Abst. 912, T&P RR, 14.86 e Garden City; TD 10,880; Comp 9-16-11; producing from 8,600-10,610, treated with 17,500 bbls. fluid, 623,671# sand; flow 142 BO, 616 MCF, 266 BW on 14/64 inch choke, FTP 1,450 psi, 38 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34261

Element Petroleum Operating LLC
Lawson "23" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fsl, 660 fel, Sec 23, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 276, T&P RR, 11 s Garden City; TD 9,989; Comp 8-12-11; producing from 5,948-9,774, treated with 24 bbls. 15 percent HCl, 703,000# sand; pump 54 Bo, 131 MCF, 187 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-34211

Element Petroleum Operating LLC
Ed Books "25" #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fnl, 660 fel, Sec 25, Blk 34, T-5-S, Abst. 277, T&P RR, 11 s Garden City; TD 9,990; Comp 7-29-11; producing from 7,190-9,846, treated with 602 bbls. 15 pecent HCL, 469,500# sand; pump 42 BO, 108 MCF, 67 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-173-33909

Loving County

GP II Energy Inc.
Montclair #3
Brushy Drawn (Cherry Canyon); 2,180 fsl, 530 fel, Sec 43, Blk 57, T-1, Abst. 221, T&P RR, 10.8 nw Orla; TD 5,410; Comp 9-28-11; producing from 4,597-4,856, treated with 8,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 2,553 bbls. crosslink gel, 98,000# sand; pump 52 BO, 50 MCF, 423 BW, 39 Oil Gravity; API #42-301-31561

Martin County

Piedra Operating LLC
Mabee "2" #2
Spraberry (Trend Area); 810 fsl, 660 fel, Labor 2, League 318, Abst. 1006, Parmer CSL, 29 n Midland; TD 11,108; Comp 9-5-11; producing from 9,494-10,911, treated with 548,697 gals. Hybor GR-15, 4,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 8,000 gals. 7.5 percent HCL, 7,300 sacks sand; pump 88 BO, 134 MCF, 63 BW, 44.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36461

RSP Permian LLC
Cross Bar Ranch #3006E
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,680 fsl, 2,216 fwl, Sec 30, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 890, T&P RR, 23 e Stanton; TD 11,430; Comp 6-10-11; producing from 7,508-11,241, treated with 2,800 gals. 15 percent acid, 14,971 bbls. crosslink gel,1,130,789# sand; pump 154 BO, 140 MCF, 157 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36698

RSP Permian LLC
Cross Bar Ranch #3005E
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fnl, 2,217 fwl, Sec 30, Blk 39, T-1-N, Abst. 890, T&P RR, 23.1 e Stanton; TD 11,448; Comp 6-3-11; producing from 7,490-11,126, treated with 24,250 gals. 15 percent acid, 13,620 bbls. crosslink gel, 994,122# sand; pump 143 BO, 129 MCF, 107 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-36730

Midland County

COG Operating LLC
Claud Black #6
Parks (Consolidated); 860 fsl, 1,980 fel, Sec 8, Abst.1 345, H. Daugherty, 10.2 sw Midland; TD 11,115; Comp 10-4-11; producing from 7,796-10,795, treated with 1,357,000 galas. gel, 828,500# sand; pump 45 BO, 31 MCF, 146 BW, 42 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-37351

Discovery Operating Inc
JW "9" #10
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fsl, 1,700 fwl, Sec 9, Blk 39, T-3-S, Abst. 199, T&P RR, 10.6 s Midland; TD 10,140; Comp 8-30-11; producing from 7,952-10,030, treated with 500 gals. xylene, 11,000 gals. 15 percent acid, 70,000 gals. water, 464,000 gals. Hybor GR-15, 500,000# sand; pump 40 BO, 45 MCF, 90 BW, 41.3 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-37306

Henry Resources LLC
Bohannon "36" 32
Spraberry (Trend Area); 670 fnl, 670 fwl, Sec 36, Blk 41, Abst.1351, T&P RR, 19 sw Midland; TD 10,552; Comp 7-15-11; producing from 7,530-9,990, treated with 826,000 gals. crosslink gel, 662,000# sand; pump 91 BO, 196 MCF, 80 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-37339

Pioneer Natural Resources USA Inc.
Turner "H" 36
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1,980 fsl, 1,980 fel, Sec 39, Abst.1035, L. Leech, 13.6 se Midland; TD 10,430; Comp 6-22-11; producing from 7,202-10,247, treated with 13,500 gals. 15 percent HCL, 642,004 gals. linear gel, 286,742 gals. crosslink gel, 600,924# sand; pump 150 BO, 160 MCF, 114 BW, 42 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-36801

Reeves County

Anadarko Petroleum Corp.
Zeman "3-16" #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 660 fsel, 5,000 fswl, Sec 16, Blk 3, Abst. 2314, H&GN RR, 19 n Pecos; TD 10,802 TVD; Comp 9-1-11; producing from 11,361-15,433 MD, treated with 38,062 bbls. linear and crosslink gel, 1,997,661# proppant; flow 302 Bo, 927 MCF, 1,210 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 1,836 psi, 45.2 Oil Gravity; API #42-389-32882

Sterling County

Stellar Energy Investment Corp.
Buzz Sellers #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fwl, 1,320 fnl, Sec 203, Blk 29, Abst 594, W&NW RR, 18 nw Sterling City; TD 8,210; Comp 9-12-11; producing from 6,690-7,916, treated with 2,000 gals. 10 percent acetic,20,910 gals. 15 percent HCL, 21,290 bbls. slick water, 444,375# sand; pump 17 BO, 35 MCF, 104 BW, 36 Oil Gravity; API #42-431-33315

Ward County

Chesapeake Operating Inc.
Humane Society "34-198 WRD" #1H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 200 fnel, 1,980 fsel, Sec 198, Blk 34, Abst.462, H&TC RR, 4 nw Barstow; TD 10,570 TVD; Comp 9-8-11; producing from 11,057-15,220 MD, treated with 22,400 gals. crosslink gel, 3,798,476# sand; flow 376 BO, 977 MCF, 731 BW on 12/64 inch choke, FTP 3,200 psi, 41.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-35803

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Gaines County

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
Bailey #25
Tex-Mex Southeast (Wichita Albany); 2,589 fsl, 861 fel, Sec 1, Blk A-30, Abst. 2272, PSL, 22 sw Seminole; TD 7,726; Comp 9-4-11; producing from 6,820-7,570, treated with 1,723 bbls. acid, 3,493 bbls. fluid; pump 85 BO, 180 MCF, 129 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-37368

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
Alley "B" #6
Tex-Mex Southeast (Wichita Albany)-Directional; 2,166 fsel, 3,015 fnel, Sec 2, Blk A-30, Abst. 499, PSL, 21 sw Seminole; TD 7,789; Comp 8-27-11; producing from 7,376-7,590, treated with 785 bbls. acid, 1,480 bbls. fluid; pump 99 BO, 91 MCF, 140 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-37421

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
S. Ingler #6
Tex-Mex Southeast (Wichita Albany)-Directional; 2,555 fwl, 2,387 fnl, Sec 10, Blk A-28, Abst. 1957, PSL, 23 sw Seminole; TD 7,777 MD; Comp 8-27-11; producing from 7,015-7,590, treated with 2,040 bbls. acid, 4,047 bbls. fluid; pump 98 BO, 71 MCF, 131 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-37424

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
W.F. Lewallen #9
Tex-Mex Southeast (Wichita Albany); 1,379 fwl, 177 fnl, Sec 10, Blk A-28, Abst. 1957, PSL, 23 sw Seminole; TD 7,755; Comp 8-18-11; producing from 7,041-7,660, treated with 1,985 bbls. 20 percent acid, 3,947 bbls. fluid; pump 100 BO, 72 MCF, 125 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-37423

SandRidge Exploration & Production LLC
Landreth "D" #11
Tex-Mex Southeast (Wichita Albany); 400 fsl, 1,313 fel, Sec 2, Blk A-28, Abst. 1958, PSL, 22 sw Seminole; TD 7,745; Comp 8-18-11; producing from 6,887-7,711, treated with 95 bbls. 15 percent

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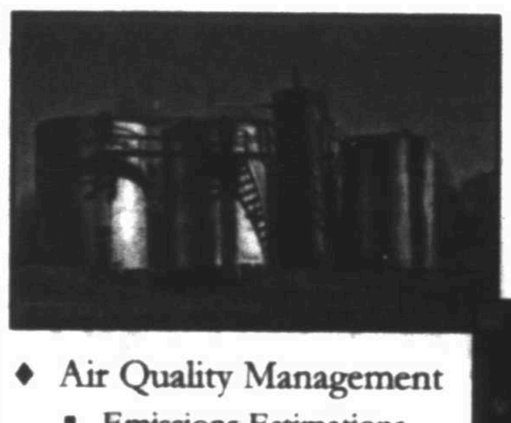
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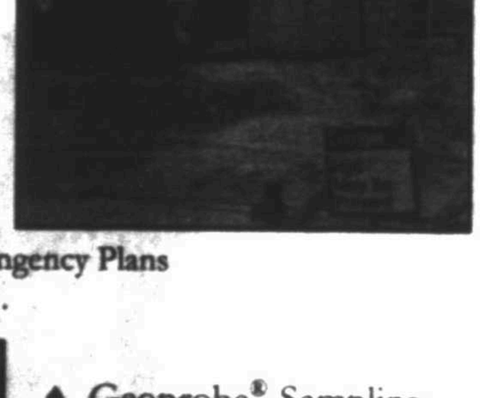
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Crockett County

Approach Oper. LLC
University 45 A #703H
Holt Ranch (Consolidated)-D; University Lands; A-N/A, Blk 45, Sec 7; 6078 FNL 1960 FEL of lse; 2638 FNL 1960 FEL of survey; 18 miles NW of Ozona; obj: 7000; permit #724915; API #105-41331

Nichols, Edwin S Expl. Inc.
Owens, J.W. #2
Clara Couch-Re-Enter; H & OB RR Co./Owen, C; A-4919, Blk GG, Sec 8; 1320 FSL 1980 FEL of lse; 1320 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 14 miles SE of Iraan; obj: 2100; permit #726707; API #105-32247

Irion County

FIML Nat. Res., LLC
Cat Claw #61K
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-616, Blk 1, Sec 61; 3206 FNL 3403 FEL of lse; 2093 FSL 1902 FWL of survey; 26 miles NW of Mertzon; obj: 9500; permit #726482; API #235-34880

EOG Res., Inc.
Linthicum "A" #2 H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; Smith, W; A-873, Blk N/A, Sec 1148; 317 FSL 330 FEL of lse; 317 FSL 615 FWL of survey; 5.5 miles SE of Barnhart; obj: 6300; permit #726864; API #235-34883

EOG Res., Inc.
Linthicum "A" #1H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-D; Anderson, A D; A-7, Blk N/A, Sec 1147; 330 FWL 334 FSL of survey; 5.5 miles SE of Barnhart; obj: 6250; permit #726845; API #235-34882

Reagan County

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
University "2-20" #10
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; University Land; A-N/A, Blk 2, Sec 20; 660 FSL 1980 FEL of lse; 660 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 17.7 miles NW of Big Lake; obj: 10600; permit #726636; API #383-37542

Laredo Pet. - Dallas, Inc.
Lane Trust-D #45R
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Roble Grande (Strawn/Wood-ford)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-641, Blk 34, TSS, Sec 45; 725 FSL 775 FWL of lse; 725 FSL 775 FWL of survey; 14 miles SE of Garden City; obj: 10500; permit #726747; API #383-37546

Laredo Pet. - Dallas, Inc.
Sugg -A- #184H
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Roble Grande (Strawn/Wood-ford)-D; T & P RR Co./Carson, C W; A-62, Blk 2, Sec 184; 7263 FNL 3304 FEL of lse; 1980 FNL 990 FEL of survey; 27 miles N of Big Lake; obj: 10500; permit #725787; API #383-37522

Runnels County

Byrne Oil Co.
Bailey #1
Cockatoo (Gardner) & Clarke (Gardner Lime)-D; Gee, B F; A-1067, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 467 FSL 830 FWL of lse; 830 FWL 467 FSL of survey; 3 miles NE of Winters; obj: 5000; permit #726394; API #399-35303

Schleicher County

Highmount Expl. & Prod. TX LLC
University 57 2 #1
Fawcett (Wolfcamp) & Holt Ranch (Consolidated)-Re-Enter; UL; A-N/A, Blk 57, Sec 2; 800 FNL 580 FEL of lse; 800 FNL 580 FEL of survey; 20 miles W of El Dorado; obj: 7800; permit #701913; API #413-32658

Upton County

James, Inc.
Peak #1
Sallie Ann (Spraberry-Wolf-camp) & Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; T & P RR Co./Price, C H; A-1268, Blk 42, T4S, Sec 22; 660 FNL 660 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 660 FEL of survey; 17.4 miles NE of Crane; obj: 11300; permit #719827; API #461-37535

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
XBC Giddings Estate #4042
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; Throckmorton CSL; A-545, Blk 45, Sec 4; 1670 FSL 6395 FEL of lse; 1670 FSL 6395 FEL of survey; 17.2 miles N of Rankin; obj: 11050; permit #725004; API #461-37671

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Andrews County

SM Energy Co.
University 7 "Berkley" #1
University Block 9 (Penn.)&(Wolfcamp)-Recomp-letion; UL; A-U7, Blk 1, Sec 7; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 1980 FEL of survey; 7 miles SE of Andrews; obj: 10500; per-mit #701648; API #003-42023

W&T Offshore, Inc.
University Land 6-34 #5
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Bresdlove, South (Strawn)-D; UL; A-U175, Blk 6, Sec 34; 511 FNL 2385 FEL of lse; 511 FNL 2385 FWL of survey 18.6 miles NE of Andrews; obj: 12990; permit #726710; API #003-43659

Crane County

Devon Energy Prod. Co. L.P.
University 31-8 #2H
Block 31, NW. (Penn Upper)-D; University Lands; A-N/A, Blk 31, Sec 8; 4819 FSL 2640 FEL of lse; 467 FNL 2640 FEL of sur-vey; 11.5 miles NW of Crane; obj: 7950; permit #726869; API #103-35900

Ector County

Linn Oper., Inc.
Madysen #3602
Spraberry (Trend Area) & STA (Atoka)-D; T & P RR Co./Brock, Y A; A-1192, Blk 42, T2S, Sec 36; 660 FNL 1279 FWL of lse; 1979 FSL 1510 FEL of survey; 3 miles SE of Odessa; obj: 11400; permit #719206; API #135-41253

Sandridge Expl. & Prod., LLC
CVX 43B #18
Goldsmith (Clear Fork)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-291, Blk 44, T1S, Sec 43; 990 FNL 330 FWL of lse; 330 FWL 990 FNL of survey; 8 miles SW of Goldsmith; obj: 9050; permit #726809; API #135-41367

Glasscock County

Laredo Pet. - Dallas, Inc.
Frysak-A #47F
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Roble Grande (Strawn/Wood-ford)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-286, Blk 34, TSS, Sec 47; 2053 FNL 1558 FEL of lse; 2053 FNL 1558 FEL of survey; 14 miles SE of Garden City; obj: 10500; permit #726726; API #173-34553

Howard County

ConocoPhillips Co.
Chalk, G.O.C. #30
Howard-Glasscock (Glorieta)-Recompletion; W & NW RR Co./Millspaugh, S S; A-1544, Blk 29, Sec 140; 660 FNL 760 FEL of lse; 660 FNL 760 FEL of sur-vey; 16 miles SE of Big Spring; obj: 4500; permit #726535; API #227-36451

ConocoPhillips Co.
Chalk G.O. -D- #28
Howard Glasscock&(Glori-eta)-Recompletion; W & NW RR Co./Munn, Mrs. E P; A-1477, Blk 29, Sec 134; 93 FNL 1170 FEL of lse; 2545 FSL 1170 FEL of survey; 16 miles SE of Big Spring; obj: 4600; permit #724771; API #227-36473

Loving County

Energen Res. Corp.
Katie 1-72 #1
Two-Georges (Bone Spring)-D; W & NW RR Co./Meek, W N; A-573, Blk 1, Sec 72; 467 FNEL 567 FSEL of lse; 467 FNEL 567 FSEL of survey; 3 miles E of Mentone; obj: 11500; permit #726655; API #301-31640

Atlantic Oper., Inc.
Pacific 1 #2
Grice (Delaware)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-66, Blk 54, T2, Sec 1; 994 FNL 303 FEL of lse; 994 FNL 303 FEL of survey; 13 miles N of Mentone; obj: 4900; permit #637696; API #301-31369

Martin County

W & T Offshore, Inc.
University 6-15 #1
Spraberry (Trend Area)-D; UL; A-U3, Blk 6, Sec 15; 467 FSL 921 FEL of lse; 467 FSL 921 FEL of survey; 34.9 miles NW of Stanton; obj: 12990; per-mit #726645; API #317-37292

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.
Smoky "20" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Mon Bak (Strawn)-D; T & P RR Co./Vance, J R; A-836, Blk 36, T1S, Sec 20; 200 FWL 644 FSL of lse; 1485 FNL 2404 FEL of survey; 3.1 miles W of Stanton; obj: 12000; permit #724950; API #317-37200

Endeavor Energy Res. L.P.
Boyes "16" #3
Spraberry (Trend Area) & J.L.M. (Mississippian)-D; T & P RR Co./Coffee, J J; A-1129, Blk 34, T2N, Sec 16; 467 FEL 1980 FNL of lse; 1980 FNL 1797 FEL of survey; 3.4 miles W of Knott; obj: 12000; permit #724974; API #317-37201

Midland County

E.G.L. Res., Inc.
Spanish Trail #4706
Spraberry (Trend Area) & STA (Atoka)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-183, Blk 40, T1S, Sec 47; 2343 FNWL 2972 FEL of lse; 467 FNL 2300 FWL of survey; 6 miles W of Midland; obj: 12000; permit #726378; API #329-37671

COG Oper. LLC
Collings, H.S. #9
Parks (Consolidated)-D; Daugherty, M/Meek, I N; A-1447, Blk N/A, Sec 7; 227 FEL 1980 FSL of lse; 1980 FSL 2058 FEL of survey; 11 miles SW of Midland; obj: 12000; permit #726417; API #329-37673

Mitchell County

Schlachter Oper. Corp.
Crawford-Strain Unit #1207
Sharon Ridge (1700)-D; Reiger, G J/Lot 12; A-715, Blk N/A, Sec 2; 1083 FEL 3472 FSL of lse; 302 FWL 824 FSL of sur-vey; 15 miles NW of Colorado City; obj: 1800; permit #271910; API #335-32956

Base Res., Inc.
Foster, Mary Acct. #2 #439
Iatan (San Andres)-Recom-pletion; T & P RR Co./Upschulte, A; A-1483, Blk 29, T1S, Sec 16; 3594.1 FEL 4273.5 FSL of lse; 1687.6 FWL 1039.4 FNL of survey; 9 miles SW of West-brook; obj: 3400; permit #726671; API #335-33962

Pecos County

Red Willow Prod., LLC
McCoy Remme Ranch "99" #1
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-D; H & TC RR Co.; A-638, Blk 1, Sec 99; 1980 FSL 1980 FEL of lse; 1980 FSL 1980 FEL of survey; 29 miles NW of Ft. Stockton; obj: 12500; permit #726719; API #371-38871

Reeves County

Energen Res. Corp.
Cottonmouth 58-47 #1
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-D; PSL/Burchard, A B; A-1530, Blk 58, Sec 47; 467 FNL 567 FEL of lse; 467 FNL 567 FEL of survey; 6.1 miles NW of Toyah; obj: 11500; permit #726654; API #389-33058

Thompson, J. Cleo
Chevron Minerals 29 #10SW
Balmorhea Ranch (Bell Canyon L)-D; T & P RR Co.; A-745, Blk 51, TTS, Sec 29; 2072.3 FNL 467 FEL of lse; 2072.3 FNL 467 FEL of survey; 13.1 miles S of Pecos; obj: 6500; permit #726357; API #389-33055

Red Willow Prod., LLC
Kristin "65" #1
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-D; H & TC RR Co.; A-939, Blk 1, Sec 65; 2084.7 FSL 2083.4 FWL of lse; 2084.7 FSL 2083.4 FWL of survey; 30.6 miles S of Pecos; obj: 12500; permit #726714; API #389-33063

Ward County

Energen Res. Corp.
University 18-18 #1
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-D; UL; A-N/A, Blk 18, Sec 18; 567 FEL 467 FSEL of lse; 567 FNEL 467 FSEL of survey; 6.9 miles NW of Pyote; obj: 11500; permit #726656; API #475-35919

Winkler County

Energen Res. Corp.
University 4-21 #1
Two Georges (Bone Spring)-D; UL; A-N/A, Blk 21, Sec 4; 467 FNWL 881 FSWL of lse; 467 FNWL 881 FSWL of survey; 18 miles NW of Pyote; obj: 11500; permit #726657; API #495-33391

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Cochran County

Crossroads Energy Partners, LLC
Dean Unit #C 6
Slaughter-D; Lipscomb CSL LGE 90; A-78, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 1304 FWL 3968 FNL of lse; 1389 FSL 3879 FEL of survey; 11 miles SW of Whiteface; obj: 5300; permit #724773; API #079-33262

Cottle County

Gunn Oil Co.
Brothers A #10
Broken Bone (Congl.)-D; Richards, W Q; A-1596, Blk 2, Sec 1; 470 FSL 3229 FWL of lse; 70 FNL 7367 FEL of survey; 13.3 miles SE of Swearingen; obj: 12865; permit #663056; API #101-30691

Dawson County

Pioneer Nat. Res. USA, Inc.
Echols "10" #1
Spraberry (Trend Area) & Bresdlove (Strawn)-D; Kent CSL/League 263/Labor 10; A-403, Blk N/A, Sec N/A; 467 FSL 467 FEL of lse; 467 FSL 467 FEL of survey; 16.8 miles SW of Lamesa; obj: 11500; permit #726522; API #115-33456

Gaines County

Occidental Permian LTD.
Cedar Lake Unit #710
Cedar Lake-D; EL & RR RR Co.; A-1666, Blk M, Sec 119; 5306 FNL 5901 FEL of lse; 1313 FSL 753 FWL of survey; 12 miles SE of Loop; obj: 9200; per-mit #726661; API #165-37489

Lynn County

Reatta Energy, Inc.
Monty 438 #2
Draw, NE (Spraberry)-D; EL & RR RR. Co.; A-N/A, Blk 3, Sec 438; 500 FNL 1050 FEL of lse; 500 FNL 1050 FEL of survey; 6 miles NE of Draw; obj: 7000; per-mit #721229; API #305-30512

Terry County

XTO Energy Inc.
Griffin #1
Prentice (6700)-D; C & M RR Co.; A-74, Blk D14, Sec 17; 450 FSL 440 FEL of lse; 2190 FNL 880 FWL of survey; 18 miles NW of Brownfield; obj: 7550; permit #726633; API #445-32314

Yoakum County

Occidental Permian LTD.
Yoakum Wasson Clearfork Unit #4910
Wasson 72-D; Gibson, J H/Jordan, J B; A-629, Blk D, Sec 889; 1569 FSL 2074 FEL of lse; 1569 FSL 563 FWL of survey; 2.8 miles E of Denver City; obj: 8400; permit #724582; API #501-35880

New Mexico

Eddy County

Yates Pet. Corp.
Puppy BPP St Com #1-Y
NW Empire; T17S, R27E, Sec 2; 390 FNL 200 FWL; 9 miles NE of Artesia; Rot 10487 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-39483

COG Oper. LLC
Spruce Fed #2
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2500 FSL 2310 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39463

COG Oper. LLC
Beech Fed #4
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2310 FSL 1650 FEL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4750 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39460

COG Oper. LLC
Spruce Fed #4
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2460 FSL 1650 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4706 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39464

COG Oper. LLC
Beech Fed #5
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 1785 FSL 2073 FEL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4767 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39461

COG Oper. LLC
Loco Hills SWD "33" #6
SWD; T17S, R30E, Sec 33; 2210 FNL 2145 FEL; 2 miles S of Loco Hills; Rot 9700 Wolf-camp; API #30-015-39478

COG Oper. LLC
Fir Fed #2
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2430 FSL 900 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39465

COG Oper. LLC
Loco Hills SWD "34" #5
NE RED Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2430 FSL 900 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39466

COG Oper. LLC
Loco Hills SWD "34" #5
SWD; T17S, R30E, Sec 34; 1650 FNL 1595 FWL; 2 miles SE of Loco Hills; Rot 9700 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-39477

COG Oper. LLC
Fir Fed #3
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 1710 FSL 330 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39468

COG Oper. LLC
Tex-Mack #246
Mar Loco; T17S, R31E, Sec 2; 1780 FSL 1140 FWL; 4 miles NW of Maljamar; Rot 6900 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39461

COG Oper. LLC
Fir Fed #4
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2235 FSL 330 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39462

COG Oper. LLC
Tex-Mack #262
Mar Loco; T17S, R31E, Sec 2; 2310 FSL 1590 FEL; 4 miles NW of Maljamar; Rot 6900 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39482

COG Oper. LLC
Dogwood Fed #4
NE Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 25; 2310 FNL 2275 FWL; 10 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4700 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39467

COG Oper. LLC
Puckett 12 Fed #1
East Fren; T17S, R31E, Sec 12; 75 FSL 330 FEL; 3 miles W of Maljamar; Rot 10940 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-39474

COG Oper. LLC
Ice Dancer 30 Fed Com #2
W Forty Niner Ridge; T23S, R30E, Sec 30; 475 FSL 1890 FEL; 10 miles E of Loving; Rot 12127 Bone Spring; API #30-015-39473

BOPCO, LP
Poker Lake Unit #326
NW Poker Lake; T24S, R30E, Sec 22; 200 FSL 1025 FEL; 12 miles E of Malaga; Rot 12146 Delaware; API #30-015-39479

Lime Rock Res. A LP
Eagle 33 O Fed #19
Red Lake; T17S, R27E, Sec 33; 290 FSL 2210 FEL; 7 miles SE of Artesia; Rot 4500 Glorieta Yeso; API #30-015-39459

COG Oper. LLC
Burch Keely Unit #546
GB-Jackson; T17S, R30E, Sec 18; 440 FNL 460 FWL; 2 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 4800 SR/Qu/GB/SA; API #30-015-39442

COG Oper. LLC
Empire Fed SWD #5
SWD; T17S, R29E, Sec 10; 650 FNL 2310 FEL; 5 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 9200 Cisco; API #30-015-39446

COG Oper. LLC
Burch Keely Unit #552
GB-Jackson; T17S, R30E, Sec 18; 330 FNL 2310 FEL; 2 miles NW of Loco Hills; Rot 4800 SR/Qu/GB/SA; API #30-015-39443

Lea County

BTA Oil Producers LLC
Eagle 8606 JV-P #2
Lane; T10S, T33E, Sec 12; 1650 FNL 1650; 12 miles NE of Caprock; Rot 13700 Abo; API #30-015-40312

COMPLETIONS

From 6G

acid, 998 bbls. 20 percent acid, 5,759 bbls. fluid, 55,700# sand; pump 4 BO, 12 MCF, 195 BW, 32 Oil Gravity; API #42-165-37297

Scurry County

Parallel Petroleum LLC
Lion Diamond "M" Unit #M6R
Diamond -M- (Canyon Lime Area); 878 fsl, 778 fel, Sec 200, Blk 97, Abst. 2930, H&TC RR, 10 w Snyder; TD 7,060; Comp 5-17-11; producing from 6,661-6,868, treated with 3,300 gals. 15 per-cent NeFe, 800# rock salt; pump 20 BO, 259 BW, 40.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-415-34670

Parallel Petroleum LLC
Lion Diamond "M" Unit #M7R
Diamond -M- (Canyon Lime Area); 227 fsl, 1,996 fel, Sec 200, Blk 97, Abst. 2930, H&TC RR, 11 sw Snyder; TD 7,030; Comp 9-21-11; producing from 6,631-6,852, treated with 9,780 gals. 15 percent NeFe, 2,900# rock salt; pump 16.5 BO, 313 BW, 40.7 Oil Gravity; API #42-415-34691

Yoakum County

Walsh Petroleum Inc.
Hamilton "A" #2
Brahaney; 660 fnl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 579, Blk D, Abst. 519, J.H. Gibson, 4 s Plains; TD 6,306; Comp 9-1-11; producing from 5,180-6,282, treated with 2,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 131,000 gals. slick water, 20,000 gals. crosslink gel, 79,000# sand; pump 40 BO, 20 MCF, 581 BW, 30 Oil Gravity; API #42-501-35770

Walsh Petroleum Inc.
Dupree #4
Brahaney; 1,977 fnl, 1,980 fwl, Sec 424, Blk D, Abst. 646, J.H. Gibson, 3 w Plains; TD 5,284; Comp 9-9-11; producing from 5,186-5,282, treated with 2,000 gals. 15 percent HCL, 85,050 gals. gelled water, 74,275# sand; pump 25 BO, 20 MCF, 882 BW, 30 Oil Gravity; API #42-501-35782

New Mexico

Eddy County

COG Oper. LLC
Firecracker State #13
Empire; T17S, R28E, Sec 14; 2310 FSL 2310 FEL; EL 3607 GL; TD 5269; PBTD 5216; Spud 4-18-11; Comp 5-20-11; pro-duction is through treated perfs: 4030-4230; Treat: Acdz w/9500 gals 15% Hcl, Frac w/349,958 gals gel, 445,087# 16/30 white sd, 106,478# 16/30 CRC; IP: 6-20-11 Pump 24 hrs 42 BO, 155 BW, 102 MCF, GOR 2429, Gty 38.7; API #30-015-38418

Apache Corp.
N B Tween State #15
Artesia; T17S, R28E, Sec 25; 970 FNL 840 FWL; EL 3684 GL; TD 5712; PBTD 5686; Spud 3-27-11; Comp 5-25-11; produc-tion is through treated perfs: 3897-3960; Treat: 9500 gals 15% NEFE, Frac w/257,474 gals 20# & 377,800# 16/30 sd; IP: 6-18-11 Pump 24 hrs 13 BO, 403 BW, 6 MCF, GOR 461.54, Gty 40; API #30-015-38408

Cimarex Energy Co. of CO
Chaser 8 State #6
East Empire; T17S, R29E, Sec 8; 330 FNL 1535 FEL; EL 3617 GL; TD 5307; PBTD 5269; Spud 2-21-11; Comp 5-17-11; production is through treated perfs: 3878-4180; Treat: 2,002,030 gals slickwater & 780,320# 40/70 white sd; IP: 5-25-11 Pump 24 hrs 39 BO, 799 BW, 179 MCF, GOR 4513, Gty 38.72; API #30-015-38001

Devon Energy Prod. Co. LP
Todd 15 H Fed #8
Ingle Wells; T23S, R31E, Sec 15; 1650 FNL 660 FEL; EL 3453 GL; TD 8423; PBTD 8336; Spud 3-24-10; Comp 8-13-11; pro-duction is through treated perfs: 7314-7336; Treat: Acdz w/8k 7.5% acid & BS, 3497 gals 25# linear gel, Frac w/102,335 gals Spectra Frac 250, w/116,956# 20/40 white sd, 43,319# 16/30 Siber Prop; IP: 6-13-10 Pump 24 hrs 14 BO, 220 BW, 12 MCF; API #30-015-37649

OGX Res. LLC
Mongo 25 Fed Com #2
Willow Lake; T24S, R28E, Sec 25; 1980 FNL 374 FEL; EL 3912 GL; TD 11,445; PBTD 11440; Spud 2-17-11; Comp 5-21-11; production is through treated perfs: 7424-11318; Treat: 69,224 bbls crosslink gel & 2,831,992# 100 mesh; IP: 6-14-11 Flow 24 hrs 674 BO, 2056 BW, 2338 MCF, FTP 700, CP 1200, Gty 40; API #30-015-37164

COG Oper. LLC
Kool AID State #2
Empire; T17S, R28E, Sec 24; 1650 FNL 330 FEL; EL 3694 GL; TD 5430; PBTD 5391; Spud 10-31-10; Comp 12-16-10; produc-tion is through treated perfs: 3850-4100; Treat: Acdz w/14,094 gals acid, Frac w/472,844 gals gel, 107,831# SLC, 565,869# white sd; IP: 12-22-10 Pump 24 hrs 100 BO, 513 BW, 115 MCF, Gty 39.6; API #30-015-36479.

Lea County

COG Oper. LLC
GC Fed #36
West Maljamar; T17S, R32E, Sec 20; 2012 FSL 2240 FEL; EL 3991 GL; TD 7151; PBTD 7096; Spud 7-5-11; Comp 8-15-11; production is through treated perfs: 5400-5575; Treat: Acdz w/14,364 gals 15% HCl, Frac w/479,777 gals gel, 539,932# 16/30 brown sd, 111,355# 16/30 siberprop; IP: 8-18-11 Pump 24 hrs 105 BO, 197 BW, 243 MCF, GOR 2314, Gty 37.9; API #30-025-40150

Amtex Energy Inc.
Teapot #2
Airstrip; T18S, R34E, Sec 34; 250 FSL 3789 FEL; EL 4008.8 GL; TD 14,411; PBTD 14,315; Spud 2-16-11; Comp 7-4-11; production is through treated perfs: 11,806-14,311; Treat: Acdz w/33,500 gals 10-15% Hcl, Frac w/2,246,490# sd & 2,122,709 gals fluid; IP: 8-25-11 Pump 24 hrs 231 BO, 105 BW, 128 MCF, GOR 554; API #30-025-39910

Cimarex Energy Co. of CO
Mallon 35 Fed #4
Lea; T19S, R34E, Sec 35; 660 FSL 660 FWL; EL 3899 GL; TD 11750; PBTD 7999; Spud 11-27-10; Comp 3-31-11; production is through treated perfs: 11001-11594; Treat: 675,492 gals 20# borate XL, 1,223,125# 20/40 white sd; IP: 4-16-11 Pump 24 hrs 47 BO, 8 BW, 19 MCF, GOR 404, Gty 40.6; API #30-025-39362

Apache Corp.
Turner #30
Penrose Skelly Paddock; T21S, R37E, Sec 22; 990 FSL 1030 FEL; EL 3402 GR; TD 5700; PBTD 5637; Spud 9-4-11; Comp 9-12-11; production is through treated perfs: 3777-3907; Treat: 9022 gals acid, 102,900 gals SS-30, 262,661# 20/40 sd, 7268 gals gel; IP: 9-23-11 Pump 24 hrs 28 BO, 186 BW, 101 MCF, GOR 3607, Gty 32.5; API #30-025-40174

Siana Oper. LLC
Curry State #5
South Antelope Ridge; T23S, R34E, Sec 22; 1980 FNL 990 FWL; EL 3452 GL; TD 7850; PBTD 7793; Spud 5-24-11; Comp 7-29-11; production is through treated perfs: 7170-7300, Treat: 3000 gals 7.5% NEFE; IP: 8-3-11 Pump 24 hrs 4.4 BO, 3 BW, 1 MCF, GOR 227, Gty 37.1; API #30-025-39908

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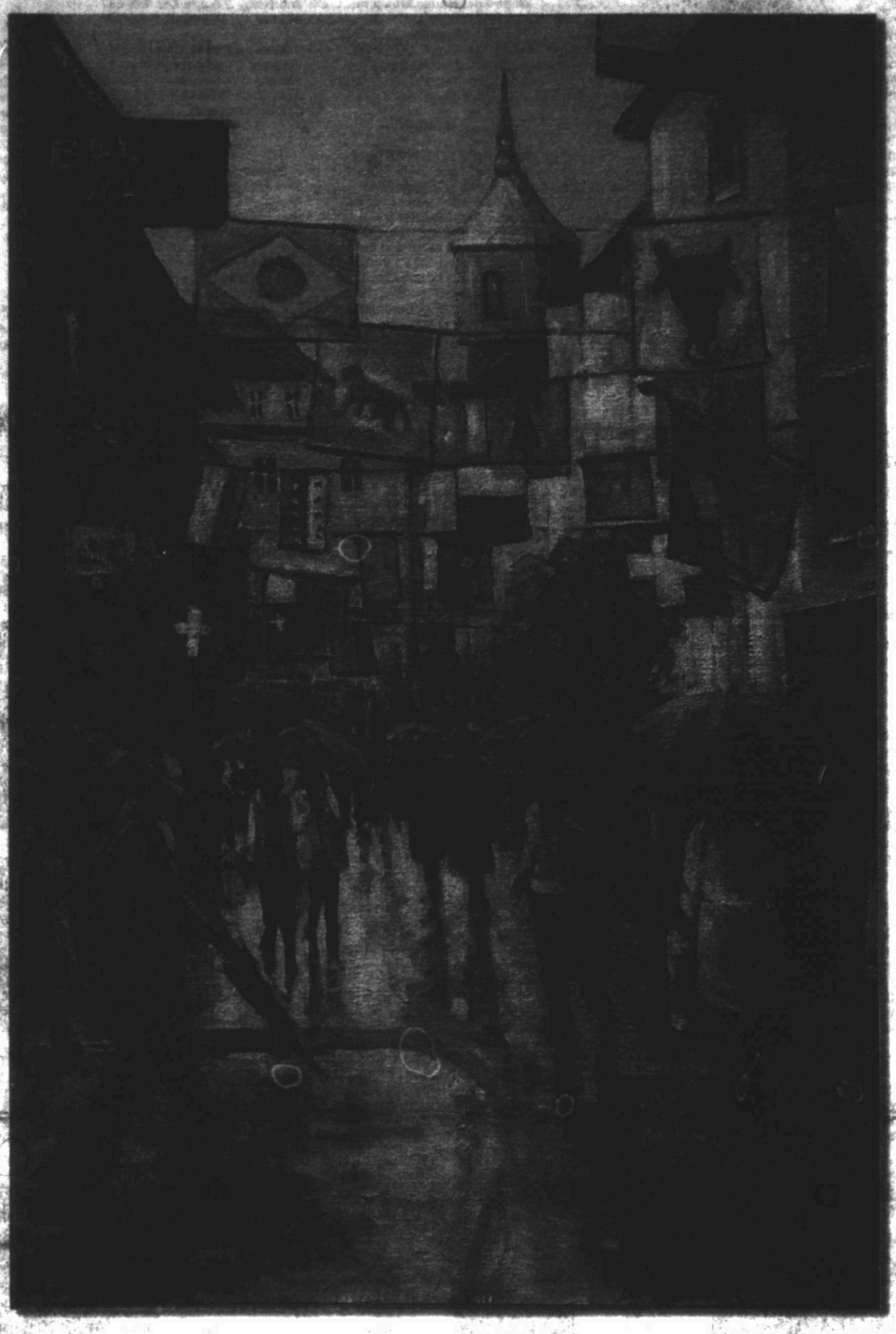

Doris Spires "Rainy Day in Luzern" painting, left, is part of the Southwest Impressionist exhibit at the Haley Library. BELOW Doris Spires "Frosty the Snowman," BOTTOM RIGHT Charles Pruitt "Jenny Lake." BOTTOM LEFT Mary Rasmussen "Summer Pleasures."

Cindeka Nealy Reporter-Telegram

SOUTHWEST impressionists

Artists have grown through their support for each other

By Georgia Temple
Entertainment Editor

When the doors opened for the Southwest Impressionists 23rd annual Art Show and Sale, eager visitors crowded into the Haley Library.

"We've been very gratified by the response to the show," said Pat McDaniel, director of the Haley Library. "This reaffirms our thinking that Midland has a significant appreciation of fine art. And Midland is also very fortunate to have four artists of this caliber that have painted and shown together for nearly 25 years and are still able to produce enough work to have an annual show."

"It's probably the best show we've ever had," said Charles Pruitt, one of the four members of the Southwest Impressionists. "I don't think there's any doubt of that as far as sales go, but I also think we've had some of the best work we've ever had. And I think it shows in the sales we've had."

The exhibition, which closes Wednesday, included 80 pieces of art. To date, 37 of the works have sold.

"We've had good follow up attendance," said McDaniel. "I encourage people to get out and see it before it comes down."

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SUNDAY

Arts Council of Midland: Midland's non-profit arts council and umbrella organization for performing and visual arts organizations, 401 W. Texas Ave., Suite 508, 687-1149. EXHIBIT: Art in the Park, four selected sculptures: "Rolling Keel" by Kurt Dyrhaug of Beaumont, "Higher Reaching" by John Frost of Irving, "Mata Hambre" by Tommy Gregory of San Antonio, and "Untitled" by Kyle Olson of Seguin. Windlands Park, 1001 West Dengar, during park hours. Free.

Basin PBS: AMERICA IN PRIME-TIME: The finale focuses on "The Crusader," characters who fight for causes, often while also battling internal demons. Included: remarks from Alan Alda ("M*A*S*H"); Steven Bochco and David Milch ("NYPD Blue"); Chris Carter and Gillian Anderson ("The X-Files"). 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: DOCUMENTARY: Woody Allen: Part 1 of 2. Robert Weide's profile of Woody Allen chronicles Allen's career from his days writing for Sid Caesar in the 1950s to the present; features footage of him at home and on a movie set; and includes a tour of his childhood haunts in Brooklyn. 8 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Austin City Limits: AMERICANA MUSIC FESTIVAL: Performers include Gregg Allman, the Civil Wars, Justin Townes Earle, Jessica Lea Mayfield, Robert Plant and Lucinda Williams. 10 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Ellen Noël Art Museum: EXHIBIT: Paintings by Rene Alvarado, through Jan. 29, 2012. Regular museum gallery hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., 4909 East University, Odessa, 432-550-9696 or noelartmuseum.org.

George W. Bush Childhood Home: HISTORIC HOME: Come tour this unique landmark which was home to two Presidents, two Governors, and a First Lady. Listed on the National Register of Historic Sites and restored to the 1950s period when the Bush family lived in the home, this home is truly a unique landmark in the history of Midland and of the country. You'll see a 1950s restoration with period furnishings, learn a little more about Midland in the 1950s and a great deal more about the Bush family and their impact on Midland and the country.

University of Texas of the Permian Basin: Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery: 4901 East University, Odessa. Regular hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday-Sunday 2-5 p.m. Call 432-552-2808. Free and open to the public.

White-Pool House Museum: National Register of Historical Places. Texas Historical Landmark Texas Archaeological Landmark. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, 112 East Murphy St., Odessa, 432-333-4072. Free.

MONDAY

Basin PBS: DOCUMENTARY: Woody Allen: Conclusion. Robert Weide's profile of Woody Allen chronicles Allen's career from his days writing for Sid Caesar in the 1950s to the present; features footage of him at home and on a movie set; and includes a tour of his childhood haunts in Brooklyn. 8 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Basin PBS: THE MARK TWAIN PRIZE: George Carlin (1937-2008) is posthumously awarded the 11th Mark Twain Prize for American Humor. Among those paying tribute are Bill Maher, Denis Leary, Garry Shandling, Joan Rivers, Jon Stewart, Lewis Black, Lily Tomlin, Margaret Cho and Richard Belzer. From the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. 9:30 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

The Haley Library and History Center: ART SHOW & SALE: 23rd Annual with new works by Southwest Impressionists Don L. Parks, Charles N. Pruitt, Mary Rasmussen and Doris Spires, through Nov. 23. Permanent collections including paintings, bronzes, firearms and artifacts that exhibit pioneer settlement of the Great Southwest and the cattle industry, 1805 West Indiana. 682-5785. Regular hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free.

Midland Arts Association: EXHIBIT: Works of Don Parks, artist for the month of November. Community National Bank lobby, 401 West Texas. Regular hours are 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday.

Midland Community Symphonic Band: MEETING: Weekly meeting. New members always welcome. 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. For more information call Chuck at 694-7153.

Midland County Public Library: Circulating art prints: hundreds of art prints are available for circulation. 301 West Missouri Avenue. For more information call Diana at 688-4334.

Midland County Historical Museum: EXHIBIT: An exhibit honoring World War II veterans is now in place, in cooperation with the Texas Historical Commission's three-year program. Permanent exhibits: Native American artifacts; early Midland photos and relics; replica of Midland Man discovery; early obituary files available for research, 301 West Missouri. Open Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 2-5 p.m. Call 432-682-2931 or 432-688-8947. Free.

Midland Palette Club: EXHIBIT: Works of Clara Johnson, artist for the month of November, Chase Bank lobby, 2301 West Wall. Monday-Friday, banking hours.

TUESDAY

Blakemore Planetarium: Permanent exhibits are open Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. with admission charged. Closed Sunday and Monday. A Sky Show is playing every Tuesday through Friday at 4:15 p.m. and Friday evenings at 7:15 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. with two shows on Saturdays at 1:15 p.m. and 3:45 p.m. with admission charged. 1705 West Missouri Avenue. For more information call 683-2882.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum: EXHIBIT: A World of Masks: From the Collection of Jim Collett. This exhibition, on view through Jan. 31, 2012, will look at masks from a variety of cultures and countries. Also featured will be masks created by students of Bowie Fine Arts Academy. There will be an activity area to make your own mask and create a play based on the masks you made. Permanent exhibits include "My Town", "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound". Regular museum hours are Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., 1705 West Missouri, 432-683-2882. Admission charged.

Midland Palette Club: PAINT TIME: Join us for painting time each Tuesday from 9 a.m.-12 noon, 907 West Wadley. For more information call 352-8297.

WEDNESDAY

Basin PBS: A TRIBUTE TO COUNTRY MUSIC: President Obama and First Lady Michelle Obama host a celebration of country music in the East Room of the White House. 7 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

Parker House Ranching Museum: Permanent collection of Tom Lea and his work, also featuring area local history exhibits. Museum hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Wednesday-Saturday, 1118 Maple, Odessa, 432-335-9918. Free.

THURSDAY
THANKSGIVING DAY

Basin PBS: INDEPENDENT LENS: Reel-Injun: Cree filmmaker Neil Diamond examines Hollywood's depiction of Native Americans in "Reel Injun" via movie clips and comments from actors and filmmakers, including Adam Beach, Clint Eastwood, Graham Greene, Jim Jarmusch, Chris Eyre and Wes Studi. 9 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

FRIDAY

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Midland Community Theatre: MUSICAL: "The Sound of Music". 8 p.m. Cole Theatre, 2000 West Wadley, for more information call 570-4111. Admission charged.

SATURDAY

Basin PBS: LAWERENCE WELK: A Thanksgiving celebration includes "There's No Place Like Home for the Holidays"; "A House With Love in It," with Guy Hovis and Raina English; "Be Thankful," with Joe Feeney; "Back in Your Own Backyard," with Ken Delo and Arthur Duncan; "Baby Face." 6 p.m. PBS TV Channel. For more information: 432-563-5728 or basinpbs.org.

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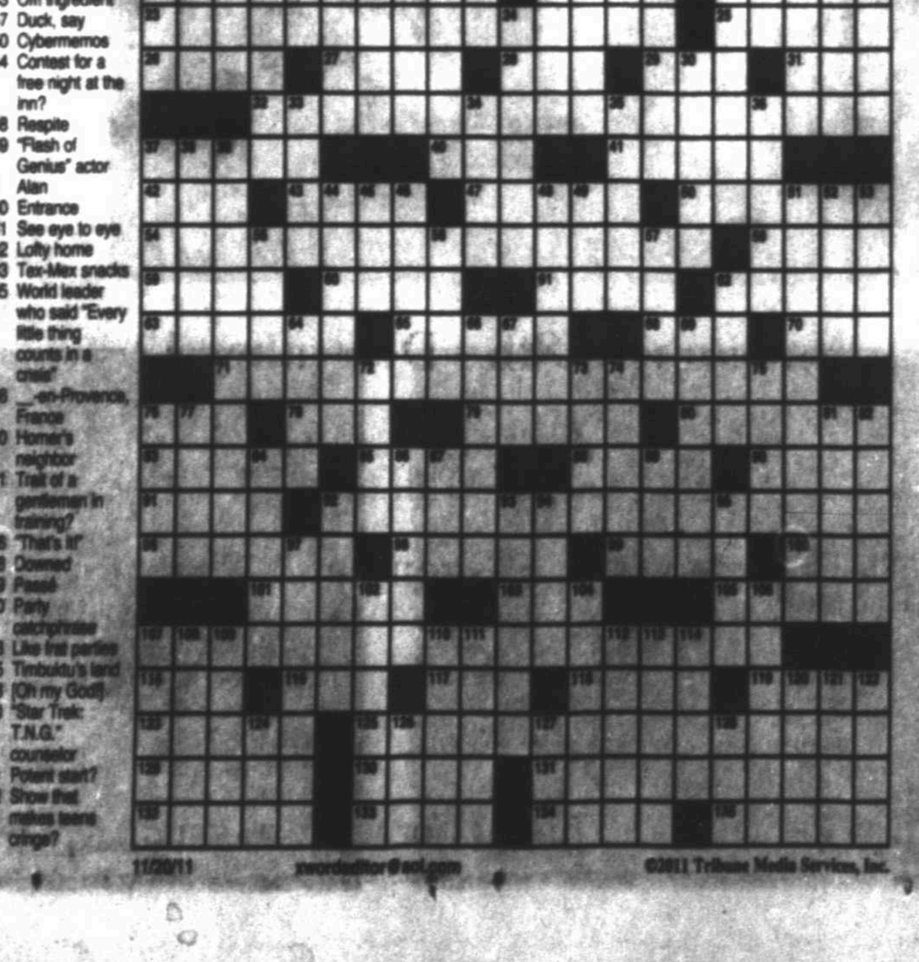
ACROSS
1 Gut feeling
6 Vegging out
10 Bratz product
14 "Ain't happening"
19 Receive useful information about
21 "East of Eden" director Kazan
22 French story
23 Ring from Chuck Berry?
25 Bizarre
26 "Off the Court" author
27 Willingly
28 Lummox
29 Small batteries
31 Frat party purchase
32 Tiny decathlon entrant?
37 Writer who worked on Friday?
40 Monopolize
41 Bank features
42 Nuevo menos ocho
43 Offi ingredient
47 Duck, say
50 Cybermemos
54 Contest for a free night at the inn?
58 Respite
59 "Flesh of Genius" actor Alan
60 Entrance
61 See eye to eye
62 Lofty home
63 Tex-Mex snacks
65 World leader who said "Every little thing counts in a crisis"
69 ___-en-Provence, France
70 Homer's neighbor
71 Trait of a gentleman in training?
76 "That's it!"
78 Damned
79 Powell
80 Party compromise
83 Like first parties
85 Timbuktu's land
88 (Oh my God!)
90 "Star Trek: T.N.G." counselor
91 Potent stuff?
92 Show that makes teens cringe?
96 Lipton rival
98 "Bummer"
99 Small monkey
100 Summer overseas
101 Perp's cover
103 "Uh-uh"
105 Grannies
107 Fixture that refunds money for unused time?
115 Affair twosome?
116 General on a menu
117 Dull finish?
118 Worm, often
119 Egg cell
123 Perp's cover
125 Mass hub
126 Hangout?
127 9 to 5, e.g.
130 "The Neverending Story" author
131 Sound bed
132 Oilfield
133 Offspring
135 "Agnes"
136 Spanish cordial
139 Lotus-shaped opening

DOWN
1 Tourist city SE of New Delhi
2 Metros and Prizms, at first
3 Longing
4 Grow fond of
5 ___ carte
6 Hindi is a subgroup of it
7 12-time All-Star Jeter
8 Bath sponge
9 Photographer's order: Abbr.
10 Morning brew order
11 Norwegian king, 995-1000
12 Rep name
13 Detective
14 "Deck the Halls" sequence
15 Some anchors
16 Suffix with Capri
17 Verse often about nature
18 Fairy tale baddies
19 Divisive element
20 Attending a Dodgers home game, say
24 Tenant
30 Google revenue source
33 Prynne's stigma
34 "I Feel Bad About My Neck" author Ephron
35 Abbr. on a shingle
36 Neapolitan song title opening
37 Boxer who held titles at four different weights
38 ___ Gay
39 What-eats-what order
44 Wraps up by
45 Tokyo, before 1868
46 Govt. security
48 Fine-tune
49 Special effects technique, briefly
51 Gets jealous
52 "Night Court" Wheel
53 Vehicle on a Christmas card, perhaps
55 Half a fish
56 Central Utah city
57 Average
62 Rink maneuver
64 Our Gang assent
66 Covering up
67 Golfer Gary Player's homeland: Abbr.
69 Place to be
72 Prize fish
73 "Let ___!"
74 One way to cope
75 Dilling go
76 Lilo file, X
77 Main website page
81 Main artery
82 Evenings, in ads
84 George Harrison teamed it in the '60s
86 Rack up
87 Bar code?
89 ___-8



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GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Handle With Care

Neither vulnerable. South deals.

NORTH
♠ Q J 4 2
♡ A 6
◇ 5 4 2
♣ A 9 7 6

WEST
♠ A K 9 8
♡ Void
◇ K Q 8 3
♣ 10 5 4 3 2

EAST
♠ 10 7 6 3
♡ K Q 8 7
◇ 10 9 6
♣ J 8

SOUTH
♠ 5
♡ J 10 9 5 4 3 2
◇ A J 7
♣ K Q

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1♡	Dbl	Rdbl	Pass
2♡	Pass	3♡	Dbl
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: King of ♠

South's rebid of two hearts suggested a minimum opening bid with long hearts and no desire to defend. North stretched a mite to raise to three hearts and East's double suggested a touch of insanity in the family — even if he could score two heart tricks, there was no guarantee that West, sandwiched between two hands of fair strength, could produce three to set the contract.

West's king of spades won the first trick and he shifted to a club, ducked to the king. Declarer now found the winning line — he continued with the queen of clubs, and overtook in dummy to return the queen of spades, losing to the ace as declarer jettisoned his diamond loser.

West belatedly shifted to the king of diamonds, taken by the ace. A heart to the ace provided the entry for South to get rid of his last diamond on the jack of spades and concede two trump tricks to land his contract.

Note that, without the double, declarer might well have cashed two clubs from hand, then crossed to the ace of hearts and tried to discard a losing diamond on the ace of clubs — down one!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Nov. 20, 2011:
This year you note conflicting and sometimes confusing currents. The unexpected occurs. If you are single, forming a relationship could be interesting. If you are attached, you need to bond as a team. LIBRA likes peace.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★ The unexpected punctuates even the best-laid plans. Don't get frustrated. Rather, look at this situation as an adventure. Tonight: Time for that special person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Don't try to suppress your childlike joy when facing certain situations. If someone is going to be a grump, this person alone can change his or her mood. Tonight: Think "tomorrow."

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ Stay centered. Open up to new changes. A friend does the unexpected, and in some sense delights you to no end. Tonight: The fun surrounds you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Make calls early and touch base with others. Plans will need to be tossed. Your flexibility becomes one of your greatest strengths. Tonight: Make it early, if possible.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Sunday brings news that might cause you to stop and think. The unpredictable tones plans. Foster better communication. Tonight: At home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ A neighbor or relative has a lot to share. This person demands attention. If you choose to pass, you better have a good excuse! Tonight: Don't cook; go out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ You do need extra time off from your routine. Do for you. You are seeing instability around you. Tonight: Perking up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Grasp what is happening with a friend and make that extra effort to help this person relax. Go off and enjoy a game or a gathering of friends. Tonight: Play it low-key.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ You are able to handle a lot, but you also want to relax. Clear out as much as you need to. The unexpected occurs with a child or loved one.. Tonight: Where the action is.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ Make calls to loved ones. Make plans for a mini-escape. Invite a relative to join you. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ Someone seeks you out — finally. Be receptive to this person. You need time to feel the situation out. Be careful handling funds. Tonight: Hang out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Follow through on what is happening. A new beginning becomes possible with more give-and-take. Postpone a discussion until later. Tonight: An intimate chat.

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BORN TODAY
Politician Robert F. Kennedy (1925), actress Bo Derek (1956), actor Cody Linley (1989)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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THE WEEK AHEAD

Arts and Entertainment opportunities in the Permian Basin Nov. 20-26

SUNDAY

Drama

ODESSA —Alicia takes a journey to self-awareness in the Globe Theatre's production of the Silvia Gonzalez's bilingual "Alicia in Wonder Tierra," on stage at 2:30 p.m. today. This is the final performance.

"It's kind of like 'Alice in Wonderland' meets the 'Wizard of Oz,' and it incorporates The Day of the Dead," said Cecilia Corral, who plays Alicia. "This young teenage girl, she's kind of lost her roots, her heritage. She happens to go to a Mexican curio shop with her mom. It's not her scene. She'd rather be shopping at the mall or with her friends somewhere. ... She ends up tripping over a pot and bumps her head, and she winds up in Wonder Tierra."

Tickets are $15 for adults, $13 for students and seniors, $10 for groups of 10 or more and $7 for those under the age of 12. For reservations, call 580-3177. The theater is located at 2308 Shakespeare Road.

Festival

BIG SPRING —St. Mary's Episcopal Church is hosting its 10th annual St. Andrew's Day Festival at 7 p.m. today.

The service includes instrumental and choral music of Scotland, England and Wales; the presentation of flags and singing of traditional patriotic songs. Guest musicians include E.J. Jones, Doug Frobese and Richard Kean on Great Highland bagpipes; and Stephen Cameron on Scottish snare drums.

Prelude will begin at 6:45 p.m. and a gala reception featuring traditional Scottish fare will follow in the courtyard. Those in attendance are encouraged to wear Scottish attire.

MONDAY

Exhibition

An exhibition of works by the Southwest Impressionists closes Wednesday at the Haley Library & History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave.

The works are by Mary Rasmussen, Don L. Parks, Charles N. Pruitt and Doris Spires. Regular hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. The works are for sale.

THURSDAY: THANKSGIVING

FRIDAY

Musical

Midland Community Theatre's final show of the season — "The Sound of Music" — is on stage in Davis Theatre I at Cole Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave.

The Rodgers & Hammerstein stage musical, with book by Howard Lindsey and Russel Crouse, premiered Nov. 16, 1959, with Mary Martin and Theodore Bikel in the leading roles. The 1965 film musical starring Julie Andrews and Christopher Plummer received five Academy awards. Both are loosely based on the memoir of Maria von Trapp, "The Story of the Trapp Family Singers."

Many songs from the musical have become standards, including the title song "The Sound of Music," "Edelweiss," "My Favorite Things," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain" and "Do-Re-Mi."

"'The Sound of Music' has been around forever," said Mike Harrell, who has been cast as Captain von Trapp. "There are generations that know these songs and know this general story, and it's so wonderful. If you pardon the expression — clichés are clichés for a reason. Icons are icons for a reason. And 'The Sound of Music' is an icon."

Tickets are $18 for adults; $12 for children 18 or younger; $15 for seniors 65 or older and $10 for active military with ID. All ticket requests must be applied to a membership or paid for. Tickets not purchased online may be exchanged or refunded up to two days prior to the date on the tickets. All online sales are final.

Curtain is at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday matinees. Ticket holders must be in their seats before curtain. Call 570-4111 for reservations.

The production runs through Dec. 18.

SATURDAY

Military rodeo

The Professional Armed Forces Rodeo Association's (PAFRA) 2011 World Finals Rodeo is set for Saturday and Nov. 27 at the Horseshoe.

The rodeo finals will be at 1 and 7 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Nov. 27. Matinee tickets are $9 for adults and $5 for children. Night time tickets are $12 for adults and $8 for children. VIP tickets and tables are available at all shows at $25 and may be purchased online at midlandhorseshoe.com or at the gate.

The Professional Armed Forces Rodeo Association is a non-profit, tax-exempt veteran's organization comprised of active duty servicemen and women, reservists and honorably discharged veterans. It is designed to give military cowboys and cowgirls a forum to compete against each other at the national level.

UPCOMING

Concert

Tickets are on sale now for the Grammy Award winning America's performance Nov. 28 at the Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center.

The group is known for, among others, the songs "A Horse with No Name," "Sister Golden Hair" and "Ventura Highway."

Tickets may be purchased at www.wagnernoel.com or by calling 552-4430. Ticket prices range from $25 - $75.

Exhibition

ODESSA —"A Secret Passion: Vintage Costume Jewelry from the Linda Smetak Collection" is on display at the Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd., through Jan. 15.

A lunch and lecture with special guest Steven Porterfield is set for noon Nov. 29. At that time, Porterfield will give verbal appraisals of vintage costume jewelry brought by attendees. The lecture is free and open to the public. Those attending are asked to bring their own lunch.

Also planned is a Random Acts of Art Jewelry Recovery Workshop on Dec. 10 from 1 to 4 p.m. Registration is required. The registration fee is $30.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday, 2 to 5 p.m. Admission is free. A Secret Passion: Vintage Costume Jewelry from the Linda Smetak Collection is sponsored in part by The Connoisseurs of the Ellen Noël Art Museum, OCA&H, the Texas Commission on the Arts and Fischer Jewelers of Odessa.

Dinner Theater

ODESSA — Mark 10 Theatricals presents "The Infamous Gold Rush of Deadcow Arizona" — an Old West comedy melodrama — at Dee's Bistro, 622 N. Lee Ave. at 7th St., Dec. 2 and 3.

Tickets to the dinner theater production are $25 and include entrée, trimmings, dessert and show. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Dinner is at 7 p.m. The show follows. Visit www.mark10theatricals.com or call 432-853-5249 for more information. Reservations are required.

Southwest Impressionists artists from left, Don L. Parks, Mary Rasmussen, Doris Spires and Charles Pruitt.

ARTISTS

From 1H

The Southwest Impressionists — Midlanders Don L. Parks, Mary Rasmussen, Doris Spires and Pruitt — have found their working arrangement as artists has served them well.

"We challenge each other to try to take it to the next level," said Parks, in a telephone interview from Silver City, N.M., where he was working on a commission.

"We have the advantage of being able to critique each other's work," said Pruitt. "You get a professional to critique your work, that's a pretty good advantage because most artists work alone."

"We have definitely grown a lot by our association with each other plus our camaraderie," said Rasmussen. "We've been together about 26 years, and we are very supportive of each other."

"I think an artist needs the support of other artists," said Spires. "You learn from each other. You are excited for each other when nice things happen to the other ones. It's a great little club."

Pruitt, Parks and Rasmussen grew up in the country.

"I love the out-of-doors, but I'm not able to paint on location as some of the others do," Rasmussen said. "A lot of my works are still lifes because I set them up and paint them in my studio, and I'm painting from life, which is what plein air painting is."

Their passion for plein air painting drew the four together in the beginning.

"The challenge of putting God's creation on a two-dimensional piece of canvas is just huge," said Parks, who has been painting since the early 1970s. "You never get bored trying to capture that even though you know you will never be able to do it the way that God does it."

ALL THE DETAILS

23ND ANNUAL SOUTHWEST IMPRESSIONISTS ART SHOW AND SALE

When: Now through Wednesday

Hours: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Where: Haley Memorial Library and History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave.

Info: No admission charged. All of the paintings are on display and for sale. Part of the proceeds go to the Haley Library, which is supported solely through private contributions.

Definition: En plein air is a French expression which means "in the open air," and is particularly used to describe the act of painting outdoors.

Call: 682-5785 for more information

'Walking Dead' creator is keeping it real

By Frazier Moore
Associated Press

NEW YORK — When Robert Kirkman talks zombies, he sounds more like a diligent student of such creatures than the guy who creates them for an audience of millions.

For example, ask Kirkman if being transformed into a zombie is a fate worse than death and he replies, reasonably enough, "I don't really know what it's like to be a zombie. But I'm pretty sure what it's like to be dead: You're dead. That's not good, right? Being a zombie looks bad from the outside, but from the inside, it could be a great existence.

"How a zombie feels is a great mystery."

A hearty chap of 32 with a neat beard and an outgoing manner, Kirkman has clearly opted against being a zombie know-it-all, despite years dwelling on the subject for his wildly successful comic book, "The Walking Dead," and the wildly successful AMC series of the same name that his comic inspired and that draws an average audience of 6.6 million viewers each week. (It airs Sundays at 8 p.m.)

As the second season unfolds, Kirkman continues to regard the zombie apocalypse at his series' core as yet another mystery beyond his ken.

"Who knows what causes a zombie invasion? I don't think we'll ever find out," he says matter-of-factly. "But that's not what the show is about. Our show is about a group of people dealing with the fallout. If a zombie invasion were to really happen, they would be more interested in finding food and staying alive. They would not be busy trying to find out where the zombies came from."

Like the comic book (with nearly 100 issues published so far), the series focuses not on zombies, but on a tattered group of survivors on the outskirts of Atlanta. Principal among them is Sheriff Rick Grimes (played by series star Andrew Lincoln), who, like the rest of the band, must carry on in a shattered society while defending themselves against the ever-present plague of so-called "walkers," zombies always hungry for something — like a human — to feed on or infect.

"The more time you spend on the zombies," Kirkman says, "the more it fits into the realm of science fiction. But we're telling about a completely real world. The disaster could have been a massive earthquake that caused society to crumble. Having zombies instead just makes it more interesting. But they're the only unreal thing about the show."

Growing up in Kentucky, Kirkman was a fan of zombie movies.

"They're totally entertaining and I have a hard time finding one that I don't love," he says. But he had a beef with the genre. "They always have one of two endings: Either everybody dies, or most people die and two people ride off into the sunset and you never see them again.

"I wanted to follow survivors in that world and see what they do and where they go."

What they do is confront one obstacle after another.

On this week's episode, the hunt goes on for a missing child. Another character falls victim to a crippling injury, a zombie attack and more. A romantic rendezvous takes a shocking turn. And Deputy Shane Walsh fondly recalls his many high school conquests, before the chilling thought hits him that, in this post-apocalyptic world, all those girls are gone.

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Reviews of recent CDs

MESHELL NDEGEOCELLO
"Weather"

With singer/songwriter Meshell Ndegeocello's signature smoky voice, and instrumentation that feels lush even at its most spare, the aptly named "Weather" is a brooding, atmospheric album perfect for a lazy late fall afternoon.

"Weather" is the versatile Ndegeocello's ninth release in 20 years, a body of work punctuated by her unmistakable bass playing, smooth voice and lyrics that range from uplifting to heart-wrenching.

"Weather" is an unpredictable blend of beautifully melancholy meanderings like "Feeling for the Wall," "Oysters" and "Don't Take My Kindness for Weakness," and smart bouncy tunes like "Chance" and "Rapid Fire."

On tracks like the deliciously moody "Crazy and Wild," Ndegeocello uses sparse but powerful vocals, piano and drums to evoke the rawest of emotions, producing songs you both hear and feel.

CHECK OUT THIS TRACK: "Dirty World" brings the bass in a way only Ndegeocello can — funky, pointed and urgent — with just the right amount of in-your-face bravado: "Dirty World/kick and scream/and watch it burn." Even at her warmest, she still manages to be cool.

— Karen Hawkins
Associated Press

DAVID NAIL
"The Sound Of A Million Dreams"

David Nail owns a soulful voice custom-made for heart-tugging narratives, which is what he continues to concentrate on for his second album, "The Sound Of A Million Dreams."

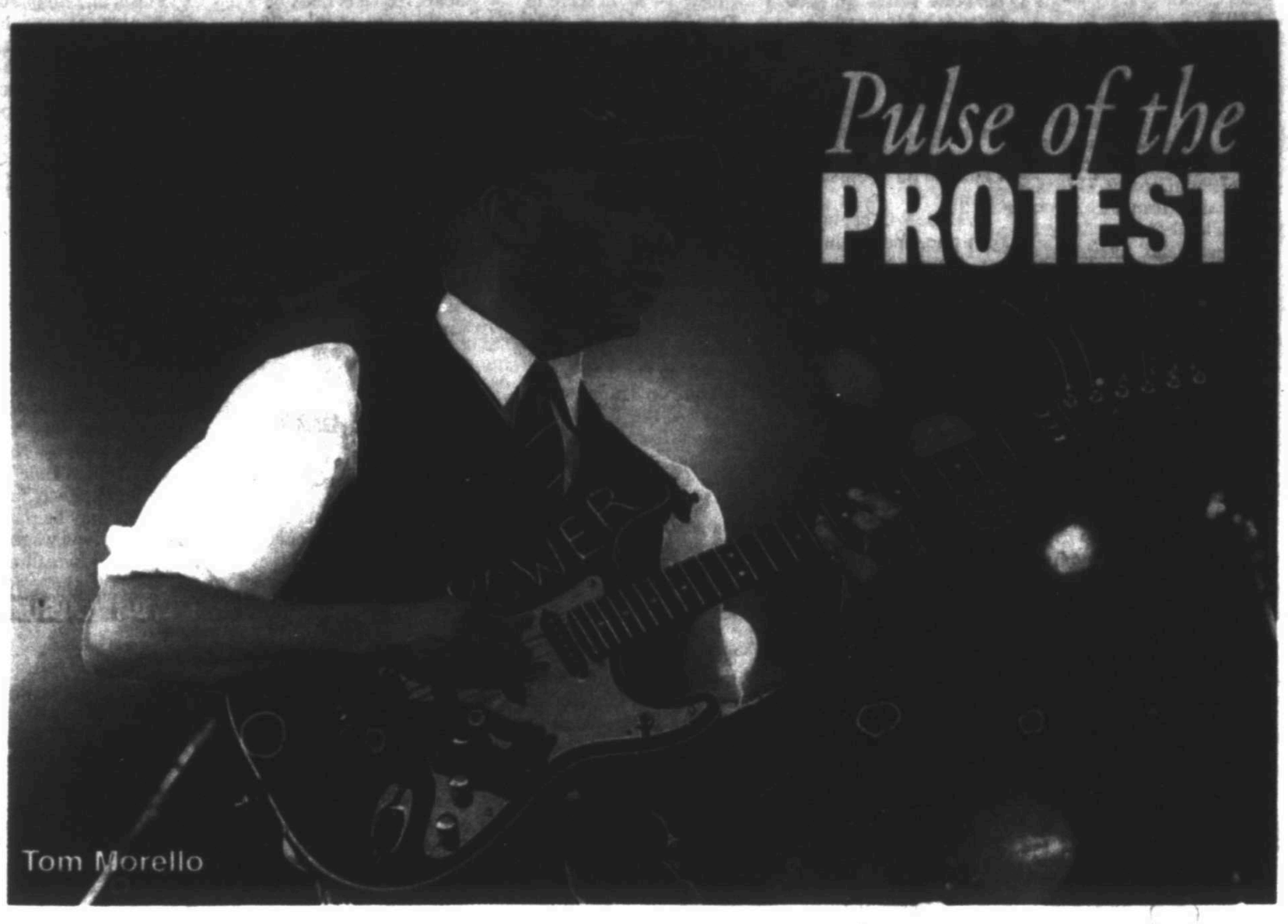
The album's first hit, "Let It Rain," mines the same reflective melodrama found in his previous country radio favorites "Red Light" and "Turning Home." Most of "The Sound Of A Million Dreams" stays in that comfort zone, portraying Nail as a thoughtful guy who sings about mature relationships, whether it's hoping to reveal his feelings to someone he just met ("Catch You While I Can") or discovering he hasn't revealed enough to someone who has been in his life for years ("I Thought You Knew").

Working with producers Frank Liddell, Chuck Ainley and Glenn Worf — the same team behind Miranda Lambert's "Four The Record" — Nail leans on arrangements resembling the blend of pianos and orchestral strings that works so well for Lady Antebellum.

In the personal testimony of the ballad "Catherine" and the tender break-up song "That's How I'll Remember You," Nail brings out emotions with subtle expressiveness. At a time when country music overflows with macho bluster and vocal overkill, Nail is a restrained romantic — and that may be enough to set him apart.

CHECK OUT THIS TRACK: Nail lets loose only once on his new album, and that's on the bluesy roadhouse rocker "Grandpa's Farm." Reminiscent of classic Gulf Coast funk by Delbert McClinton or Little Feat, the song proves Nail sounds great on R&B-inflected tunes, a trait he ought to show more often.

— Michael McCall
Associated Press



New generation of music is central to protest

By David Bauder
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The sound of insistent drumming bounces off the sides of nearby office towers announcing the location of the Occupy Wall Street home base long before its inhabitants are otherwise seen or heard.

Turn a corner in Zuccotti Park and you're likely to run into a drum circle or find someone strumming a guitar. Maybe it's an amateur trying to keep spirits up, or it could be the real deal — recording artists such as David Crosby and Graham Nash.

Music and musicians are woven into the fabric of the Occupy Wall Street protest, much as they were in movements, confrontations and protests of the past, from the American Revolution to slavery to the Civil War, suffrage movement, labor movement, civil rights movement and Vietnam War. But no defining anthem such as "We Shall Overcome" or "Which Side Are You On" has yet emerged for the protesters who have taken on corporate America.

"Every successful progressive social movement has a great soundtrack. The soundtrack (for Occupy Wall Street) is just as democratic and grassroots as the movement," said singer Tom Morello, who was given an MTV online music award for his performance of "The Fabled City" at Zuccotti Park last month. A clip of the performance has spread widely online.

Morello, who performs solo as the Nightwatchman and was a member of Rage Against the Machine, has also brought his guitar and sung at Occupy demonstrations in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Seattle, Vancouver, British Columbia, and Nottingham and Newcastle, England. Just before midnight Wednesday, he performed near a darkened kitchen area at a demonstration in London.

He has also volunteered to contribute to an album of protest songs that Occupy Wall Street is putting together as a fundraiser this winter.

If Occupy Wall Street has no anthem yet, it's partly due to how a new generation experiences music: through personalized iPod playlists streaming through headphones instead of communal singalongs.

True to a movement that claims to speak for the 99 percent of Americans who aren't superrich, Occupy Wall Street embraces many forms of expression. Musicians across several generations and styles have given their support.

"The more the merrier as long as you're going to bring in positive vibrations for the movement," said Kanaska Carter, a singer-songwriter who traveled from her home in Canada to camp out at Zuccotti Park in downtown Manhattan near Wall Street. She helped arrange Morello's appearance and is shown in the video clip of his performance, standing near him holding a guitar.

Crosby and Nash's manager sent an email to Occupy Wall Street's website asking if the musicians could perform. Crosby quietly came a few days earlier to check out the scene, worried that cold weather would make it difficult for him to play guitar, said Beth Bogart, who helped show him around. The day of their visit was warm, however. Because police don't allow amplification, the performance was decidedly old school. The audience heard only as far as the singers' voices could project.

Bogart couldn't hear Crosby and Nash, but "you could just see the energy," she said. "When the whole audience started singing you could see their spirit lifted. It really was a good vibe."

Among the first New York performers was Jeff Mangum of Neutral Milk Hotel, an indie rock cult favorite who played a long set. Rapper Talib Kweli performed and so did Michael Franti. A 92-year-old Pete Seeger and Arlo Guthrie, veterans of the labor, peace and civil rights movements, sang "We Shall Overcome." Sean Lennon and Rufus Wainwright offered an irony-drenched version of Madonna's "Material Girl."

Kanye West and Katy Perry walked through Zuccotti but didn't perform.

Then there are those drums, beaten steadily by about a dozen people who call themselves Pulse. Police and protesters have limited the hours of drumming to help neighbors work and occupiers sleep.

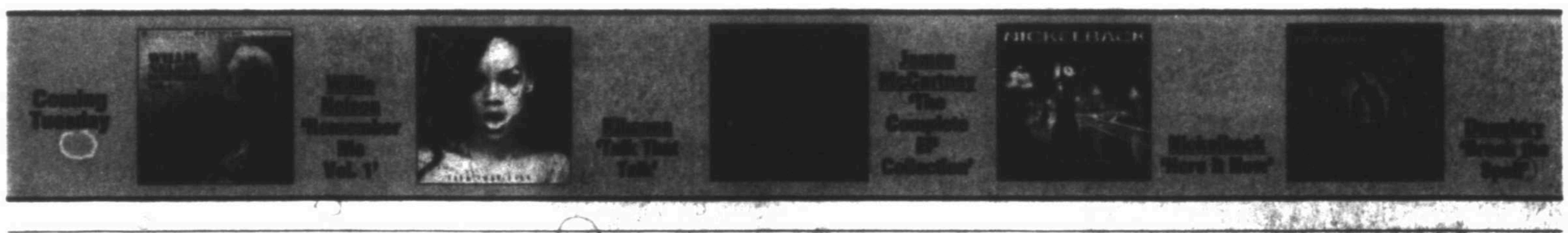
An Internet-connected, do-it-yourself culture allows people beyond those at Occupy demonstrations to join in. They can write their own songs and spread them on Twitter or YouTube. The band Atari Teenage Riot has made a new video for its song "Black Flag" that includes clips from Occupy demonstrations sent in by fans, said Shannon Connolly, vice president for digital music strategies at MTV. While she's staying in Zuccotti Park, Carter has written movement-inspired songs "Stand Up to Wall Street" and "Game of Chess" that she's put on her websites.

"The movement is not waiting for superstars to grace it with their presence," Morello said. "It's not waiting for a Diane Warren-penned anthem featuring Rihanna and Drake."

Occupy Wall Street's nature as a sometimes unfocused expression of dissatisfaction plays into the diversity, too, said Amy Wlodarski, a music professor at Dickinson College in Carlisle, Pa.

"There's no centralized musical figure because there isn't a coherent value that is going to be communally expressed in song," she said.

Yet from the earliest days of America, music has been a cornerstone of protests and conflicts and movements. Music provided a voice for the disenfranchised and stirred people to fight injustice. The Revolutionary War produced "The Liberty Song." "Follow the Drinking Gourd," with its escape directions for fleeing slaves, was the anthem of the underground railroad, while "Battle Hymn of the Republic" gave support to Union soldiers during the Civil War. Women fighting for the right to vote in the early 1900s had "Suffrage Song." There was even a protest song about lynching, the jazz-infused "Strange Fruit."



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20 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Riley's
20 **Bun-B, Rekluse, MC Magic, La-La, Lil Cuete, Filly Brown, Cuete Yeaka, Lil Joe y La Familia, Real Life, Chino, Seryous** @ 40th annual Tejano Super Car Show
20 **Richard Jaquez, Technical Jazz, Alan Childs, Cozette Baker** @ Music City Mall
23 **Casey Donahew Band, Matt Kimbrow** @ Dos Amigos
24 **Rich O'Toole** @ Rockin' Rodeo
25 **Reno Divorce** @ New Blue Max
25 **Randy Rogers Band** @ Graham's
25 **Corbell Blues Band** @ Detour
25 **Chris Wels** @ Cigar Frog's
25 **Technical Jazz, Chiquesta Hines** @ Music City Mall
25-26 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Your Place
25-26 **Roosevelt** @ Hot Shots
25-26 **Grindstone** @ The Bar
26 **Micky and the Motorcars** @ Lone Star Bar
26 **Andrae & Justin, Allstars, Jeff Williams, Chiquesta Hines, Lois Stone** @ Music City Mall
26 **Horse Opera** @ New Blue Max
26 **Lee Brice** @ Dos Amigos
26 **Brandon Rhyder** @ Rockin' Rodeo
26 **Cory Yeager** @ Cigar Frog's
27 **Tommy Jean Jerry Band, Richard Jaquez, Ann Russell** @ Music City Mall
27 **Penny Arcade** @ Blue Max
28 **America** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
28 **Robert Coboe aka Bobby Loco** @ TJ Rabbits
29 **Cory Yeager** @ Buffalo Wild Wings

December

2 **Greg Maldo** @ The Detour
2-3 **Shane Rogers Band** @ Escape Lounge
3 **Susan Landers Kolb** @ Cigar Frog's
3 **Kevin Ochs** @ Hawks Nest
3 **Insidious Decrepancy, Shackled to the Grave, Kanye East, Blistering Depravity, Negative Offset** @ Pine Box
4 **Tim Lovelace** @ First Church of the Nazarene
4 **Oh Sleeper, Stray From the Path, Close Your Eyes, Norma Jean, Lower Than Atlantis** @ Dos Amigos
8 **Graham Lindsey** @ New Blue Max
8 **Charlie Robison** @ Rockin Rodeo
9 **Stoney LaRue, Sammy Fox & the Intervention** @ Dos Amigos
9 **Dizzi LaMar & Desert Wind** @ Detour
9-10 **Darren Welch Group** @ The Bar
9-10 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Flash's Cantina
10 **Kyle Park** @ Dos Amigos
10 **Justin Langston** @ Cigar Frog's
10 **Kyle Bennett Band** @ Lone Star Bar
10 **Hard Tymes** @ Stardust Club
10 **Continental Band** @ New Blue Max
10 **Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Brothers Band** @ Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center
13 **Michael Martin Murphy** @ Ector Theater
15 **Cory Morrow** @ Rockin' Rodeo
16 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Riley's
16 **Black Eye Shiner** @ Detour
16-17 **Electric Gypsies** @ The Bar
16-17 **Glowebox** @ Hot Shots
16 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Riley's
17 **3 Lit Pigz** @ Hawks Nest
23 **Shane Rogers** @ Detour
27 **Illustrations** @ Pine Box
31 **Justin Langston** @ Cigar Frog's
31 **Hybrid Child** @ Outer Limits

January

6-7 **Kevin Ochs** @ Riley's

LUBBOCK

November

29 **Mannheim Steamroller** @ City Bank Auditorium

December

2 **Lady Antibellum, Edens Edge, Josh Kelley** @ City Bank Auditorium
11 **As I Lay Dying, Of Mice & Men, The Ghost Inside, Iwrestledabearonce, Sylosis** @ Pavilion at Lone Star Center

NEW MEXICO

December

18 **Glen Campbell** @ ICMG

DALLAS-FORT WORTH

November

22 **Solefald, Zero** @ House of Blues
23 **Bunbury, Zoé** @ House of Blues
25 **Stammtisch** @ Gilley's Dallas
26 **Demi Lovato** @ Verizon Theatre at Grand Prairie
29 **Wilco, Nick Lowe** @ Music Hall at Fair Park

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The kitchen is in this area and is open to the den, which will keep you in on all the action! This is a kitchen where you will enjoy cooking! Granite countertops, a tile backsplash and walls of stained oak cabinets will allow for storage and keep things out of sight. Black appliances look modern and new and a corner pantry adds bonus storage. Pull a barstool up to the granite countertop separating the den from the kitchen for additional seating. The informal dining area is right off the kitchen and has a view of the backyard.

Down a hallway from the kitchen is a full bathroom and bedroom. All the bathrooms in the house have modern bronze fixtures and tile floors. This bedroom has a tile floor, ceiling fan and walk-in closet in addition to doors that open to the back porch.

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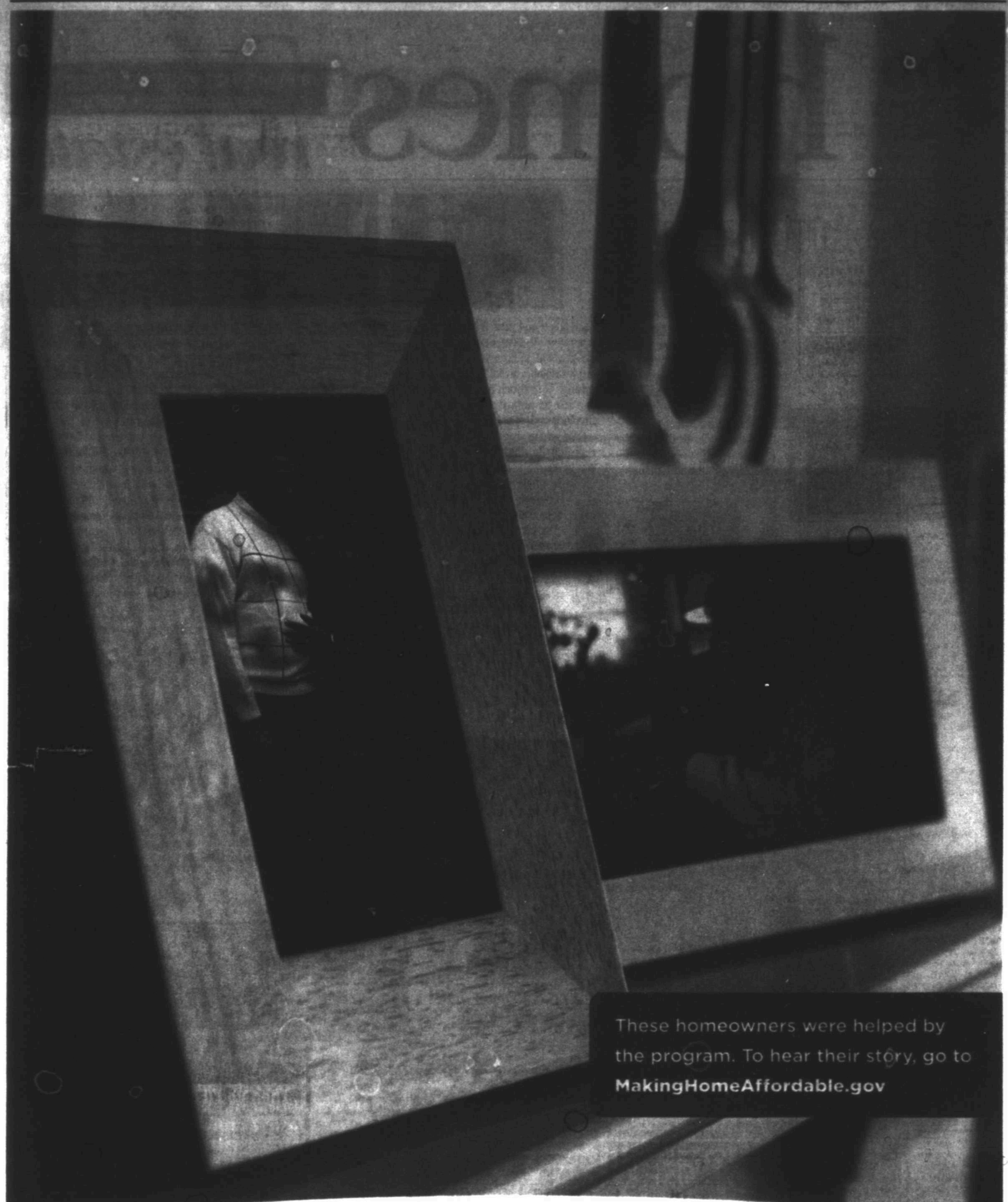

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This article submitted by Victoria Printz & Jeaneen Pruitt of The Victoria Printz Team Realtors.

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(Midland, Texas) – Local agent Dawn Cramer has joined forces with Coldwell Banker Covenant. She brings her market expertise and skill to a national leader in the real estate industry. Cramer decided to team with Coldwell Banker for the brand recognition, one of the highest in the country, the business tools provided and overall support for her and her business.

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Beckett & Pine

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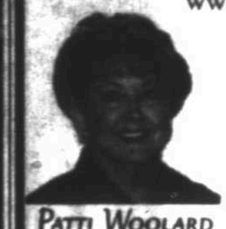

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ANSWER:

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Given your sudden loss of income you may actually qualify for a mortgage modification. Check out the Home Affordable Modification Program at MakingHomeAffordable.gov.

Did your employer reduce hours so everyone would still have a job? If yes, fewer hours may be a tough - but better - option than no hours.

A caution: Some people may suggest that you purposely miss a payment to qualify for a mortgage modification. If you do, your credit will take a hit and you may not qualify for the best-available modification options. Be sure to make your payments.

QUESTION:

We've sold our house, and settlement is in six weeks. We're happy to have sold, but is there anyway we can delay closing for another month?

ANSWER:

Your buyers bought with the expectation that they will get the keys in six weeks. No less important, if settlement is delayed they could lose their mortgage lock and possibly 30 years of low-cost payments. Also, they may have sold their property or ended their lease based on the closing date.

If you really need additional time ask the purchasers if they can defer closing. Maybe a post-settlement occupancy agreement is possible - that is, closing as planned and then you rent back the property for a short period. There are a lot of complications and cautions here and a written agreement will be necessary. The buyers will need to check with their lender, broker and attorney for specifics.

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ALL ON BOARD

SERVING ON A HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION IS MORE THAN JUST MEETINGS. HERE'S WHAT GOOD BOARD MEMBERS SHOULD KNOW

By BARBARA BALLINGER
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Group living - whether in a condo or co-op building or home community - often involves delegating responsibility to a board. Under ideal conditions, members take their leadership seriously and oversee the physical and financial safety of the structure and people living in it within - during routine and emergency time - and the well-being of their shared common areas.

While no single template works, there are certain issues board members should consider to be diligent and prepared in advance. Here are seven key tips:

Insure the Board

To protect board members from legal challenges, be sure to have directors' and officers' insurance, which the building or HOA should purchase, says Michael M. Silverman of Gloron Agency, an insurance brokerage in New York.

Get Lawyer-Drafted Bylaws

Most boards and HOAs have authority to react and spend funds within certain guidelines when time is a factor. Matt Zifrony, a real estate attorney with Tripp Scott in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., who's also president of his HOA, agrees, noting that in his own community of 3,000 homes, he has authority as president to spend money to save lives and prevent health and safety disasters. But it's important, he says, that rules are legal for the state, as statutes vary. Also important are meetings with the building's attorney, accountant, and real estate appraiser, so adequate insurance is carried and appropriate reserves set aside.

Secure Finances

Board members need to be familiar with the building or association's operating expenses, insurance coverage for shared areas, and reserves, so the latter are adequate for routine repairs and maintenance and emergencies, which helps avoid levying special assessments. Some buildings like to keep 3 percent to 5 percent of the budget in a cash reserve, says Zifrony.

Have a Bank in Your Corner

Most buildings and HOAs deal with significant operating and reserve funds, but it's smart to have a bank line of credit for an emergency, says Alan S. Chesler, founder of Alan James Insurance, a brokerage in Sunrise, Fla.

Consider a Property Manager

Many buildings and communities have enough of a financial net worth and also are large enough that they want someone more skilled than those on their board to manage the goings-on of the building. The solution: Hire a professional manager. Find certified managers from the National Board of Certification for Community Association Managers at www.nbccam.org. Board members also can glean information from the Community Associations Institute, an organization that provides resources to volunteer homeowners, at www.caionline.org.

Have a Natural Disaster Plan

Advance planning is best to avoid delaying getting help, since the problem may worsen and materials and work crews might not be available, says Chesler. "This is very different from when a roof may need repair, and members can shop around for bids," he says. An evacuation plan also needs to be firmed up and disseminated to homeowners.

Keep Owners in the Know

Besides having an annual meeting to update owners about the state of their building or homes, shared finances, and upcoming needs, the board should have a well-thought out way to keep everyone informed throughout the year.

A property manager or board member may send out regular notices and post them in a central spot, and they may institute a phone tree for emergencies. "It's easy these days to keep in touch via texting and Twitter, but email addresses and phone numbers should be gathered in advance," says Zifrony.

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WHERE TODAY'S DOWN PAYMENTS COME FROM

With the housing crash in the wake of the financial industry meltdown, gone are the days when most homebuyers could squeak by with a tiny down payment. Today, many lenders require a minimum down payment of at least 20 percent —which begs the question, where are buyers getting the extra funds needed nowadays?

According to the National Association of Realtors' Profile of Home Buyers and Sellers 2005-2010, 66 percent of recent homebuyers used savings for the down payment on their home purchase, up from 50 percent in 2005. Receiving a gift from a friend or relative has increased as a down-payment source among all buyers, from a low of 9 percent in 2006 to a high of 18 percent in 2010.

"Savings are providing the bulk of down payments, but people are also asking their families to step up and gift or lend them money to meet the strict financing guidelines that banks are following," said Perrine Knight, a commercial and residential broker with Baird and Warner in Chicago.

"I would also advise researching any down-payment assistance programs and grants in your county and state that buyers could possibly qualify for," said Sam Bass, a broker with Acadia Realty in Atlanta.

The down payment isn't the only fund you need to be concerned about. To ensure that you have enough salted away for down payment and closing, Knight recommends raising at least 25 percent of the home's price if you're purchasing below $417,500 and 30 percent or more for any property that's more costly. Home shoppers who qualify also may want to pursue a mortgage loan insured by the Federal Housing Administration FHA, which requires only 3.5 percent down.

–Erik Martin

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Shown by Needa Faught, 553-8581

FEATURED HOMES

3823 METZ DR. - $182,500
A terrific two living area home near Midland College! This spacious 3 bedroom home is located close to the Elementary & Middle Schools. The trees are gorgeous!

6300 HOMESTEAD - $300,000
Wide open spaces. This beautiful home boasts of spacious rooms and tons of storage. Chef's kitchen & walk-in pantry. Great views of golf course from living area.

HOMES AVAILABLE

4 BEDROOM

6300 HOMESTEAD	#1794	$699,900
5202 CASTLE PINE RD	#0951	*UNDER CONTRACT*
6917 ROBBIE RD	#4394	$275,900
5005 MONTICELLO CT	#3124	*REDUCED* $275,000
3615 HYDE PARK	#2934	$225,900
3212 RANCHLAND	#2734	*TEMP HOLD*

3 BEDROOM

2600 REBECCA DR	#2594	*UNDER CONTRACT*
2521 SHELL AVE	#1744	*UNDER CONTRACT*
5403 LA JOLLA COVE	#0754	*REDUCED* $225,900
4108 CYNTHIA DR	#4094	$705,000
5309 BRAZOS	#5224	$167,900
3800 PRINCETON AVE	#1554	*UNDER CONTRACT*
2823 METZ DR		$182,500
4623 BOWIE	#4824	*REDUCED* $175,000
408 PLAYER	#1414	$161,800
7006 E. CO. RD. 90	#4264	$130,000
2609 CUTHBERT AVE	#4714	$130,000
2900 N. I ST	#2584	*ACQ*
4709 ANETTA DR	#0944	*REDUCED* $154,500
4207 PLEASANT DR	#1844	$99,000

3 BEDROOM

6004 E. CO. RD. 65	#4794	*UNDER CONTRACT*
1105 E. NEW YORK	#2104	$84,900

1 & 2 BEDROOM

600 LIDDON #57	#2364	*REDUCED* $49,000

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6917 ROBBIE RD	#4392	$275,900
8201 SAN ANTONIO	#2534	$190,000
3617 MAPLE AVE	#2474	$179,900
1434 E. 16TH ST	#2304	$159,000
1436 EMERALD	#1064	$149,900
5033 WINCHESTER AVE	#0374	$135,500
408 WAVERLY	#2274	*REDUCED* $115,000
2505 CUSTER	#2844	$86,000
2716 BAGLEY	#2744	$65,000

COMMERCIAL

603 FITCH AVE ODESSA, TX	#4204	$18,000

NEW LOT

15001 E. CO. RD. 106 STANTON, TX		*UNDER CONTRACT*

GARDENDALE LISTING

16661 N. DERBY	#4014	$100,900

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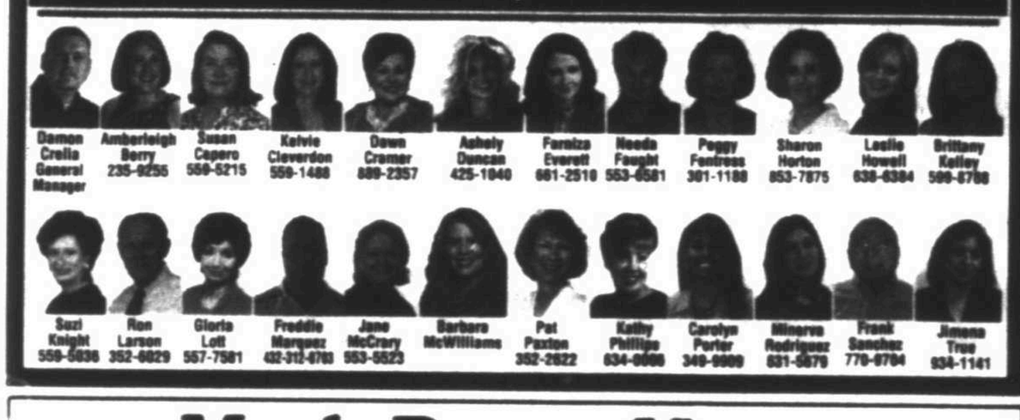

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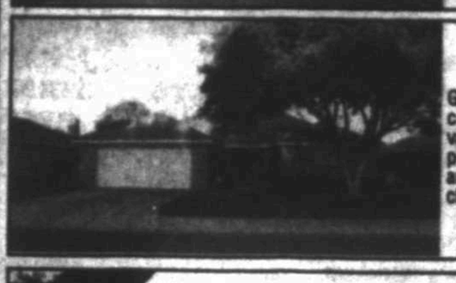

3204 Edgemont
Midland, Tx.
Gorgeous home in Fairmont Park on a cul-de-sac! Large entry, living area with vaulted ceiling and fireplace. Tile floors and plantation shutters. Large master bedroom and bathroom with his and her sinks and closets. Beautiful home waiting for you!
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UNDER CONTRACT

4305 Creekridge Dr.
Midland, Tx.
Room galore! At over 3,200 square feet, this spacious 4 bedroom/3 bath/2 living/2 dining home has numerous updates and paint. Features include large rooms with tons of storage. Master suite has large bedroom, 2 dressing areas with closets, shower & tub. Two bedrooms with own vanity area & share bath. Large, brightly lit, bonus room. Fireplace enclosed in '08. HVAC in '09, exterior paint '11. Established landscape, 2 storage buildings. Owner Agent.
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UNDER CONTRACT

4001 Wylee Cove
Midland, Tx.
Class as a whistle and beautifully landscaped front and back. Ready to be moved into corner lot with easy access to a huge workshop on back. City park located right behind the home. Cul-de-sac street for privacy. Sequestered master bedroom with dual sinks and dual walk-in closets. Updated open kitchen with a great dining area. Vaulted ceilings in spacious living area with fireplace and built ins.
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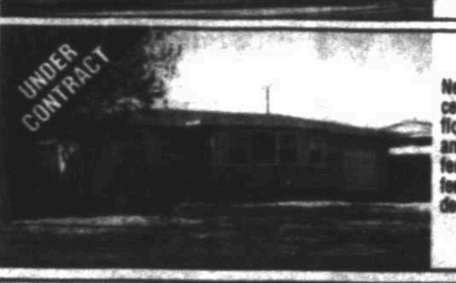

UNDER CONTRACT

3209 Kessler Ave.
Midland, Tx.
Neat three bedroom, one bath home with central heat and air. Wood, tile and carpet floors and recent updates in the kitchen and bath. Features a large backyard, wood fence and storage building. 1,071 square feet-information is from the FHA Appraisal and is deemed reliable but not guaranteed.
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5816 Llano.... $296,500

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5904 Pedernales.....$237,500

This home includes; 4 large bedrooms, 2 baths, wonderful family room, and an oversized 2 car garage. Master Suite boast his and her vanities with seperate tub and shower and a great walk-in closet with tons of built-ins! Lots of storage space in this great floorplan! Beautiful stained concrete throughout!

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5900 Oak Creek- 4 bed, 3 bath, 1 living 2dining, 3 car garage.....$311,500
5816 Llano- 4 bed, 3 bath, 2 dining, 2 1/2 car garage.....$296,500
5906 Pedernales- 3 bed, 2 bath, 1 living, 1 dining, 2 garage.....Under Contract
5907 Oak Creek- 4 bed, 3 bath, 2 living/dining, 3 garage.....$318,500
5904 Pedernales- 4 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage.....$237,500
5908 Pedernales- 4 bed, 2 bath, 2 car garage.....$246,500

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3907 SINCLAIR
Great family home, 3 bedroom 2 1/2 bath, 2 living areas, in Westgrooved Park. Tile, plantation shutters. We kitchen, living, dining area & hall. The home also has an alarm system on doors, windows and motion inside. This home is ready to move into. $168,500. Call John.

220 E. CIRCLE
3 bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage built in 2006. What a deal for $148,000. Please call Carol.

3313 STANOLIND AVE.
Great location on beautiful tree lined street in our area. Two car open and garage. 2 living areas are split wood burning fireplace, 2 dining area, big kitchen with lots of cabinets. Large bedrooms with lots of closet space. Tile in bathrooms and a large patio room. $102,000. Owner agent. Call Cindy at 413-6496.

NEW LISTING
4207 THORNRIDGE
Wonderful home only 4 years old - 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 2 living areas plus an office - 4 car garage plus an Arandis pool and spa. PLUS a 1 bedroom suite separate living area guest house with full bath. 2 great patios - one with a fireplace and outdoor kitchen. $719,000. Call Kent 557-7443.

6404 CARNATION
Incredible home on 2 acres - gayle kitchen - 3 greenrooms plus indoor pool with living area around pool - separated master suite with separate office - huge family room with office also living room - this is truly spectacular - dont miss it. $469,000. Please call Janeen.

4110 HARLOWE
Nice 3 bedroom 2 bath 2 living home in Permain Estates. $99,900. Call Carol

NEW LISTING
GOLF COURSE
202 W. ESTES AVE.
New Three bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage, with stained concrete floors. New construction cheaper than rent. Will be ready by the end of the year or slightly before. $114,900. Call Carol.

4010 RUSTIC TRAIL
Prime location to prestigious green tree north. Wonderful lot! Wide river half acre. 3 living areas, 3 fireplaces, 2 dining areas, call Kent Payne. $399,900 Call Kent.

NEW LISTING
2017 CO. RD. 1140
Beautiful country home on 2.47 acres. LOTS OF SPACE! Spacious open floor plan with great storage. Covered patio and sprinkler system all around. Beautiful kitchen with island. This home has been well taken care of in many things to list. ID 3408. $178,000 Call Chris.

4003 W. BIG SPRING
4 bedroom 1 bath. Commercial or residential. $139,000 Call Carol.

NEW LISTING
3000 CO. RD. 1195
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6501 Dunbloine-NEW-Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath home on 2.5 acres in Dublin Club Ranch Estates! Plantation shutters, crown molding & miles of tile! Fantastic gourmet kitchen w/granite countertops, double ovens, island, pantry, & 2 breakfast bars! Private master bath has tub, shower & jetted tub, double sinks, & 2 walk-in closets! Large backyard, covered patio & 5 car garage! $399,000

6504 Dunbloine-NEW-Fabulous 3 bed/2.5 bath in Dunn Tree! Welcoming entry foyer leads to gleaming hardwood floors, tastefully updated kitchen with granite countertops, tile backsplash, island, & stainless steel appliances, family room, and wall of bright windows! Good sized bedrooms and master bath with separate shower & jetted tub! Relax on the covered patio & enjoy the fenced backyard! Two car garage with extra parking for RV or boat! $249,900

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1913 Pridgeswood-NEW-4 bed/3 bath home in lovely Crestmoor Heights! Upon entering, you will realize the soaring ceilings, dramatically arched doorways, custom lighting, brick fireplace and stone floor plan! The gourmet kitchen features double ovens & granite countertops! The cozy master suite has an incredible walk-in closet and jetted tub! $349,900

2007 Crestmoor-NEW-This is preferred 4 bed/3 bath living! Offering a 3 car gar (4th bed is large 4 space in gable, it could be multigenerational quarters living w/Parlor & Crown molding, Charmed kitchen w/open to living area & has granite island, skylight, stainless appliances, 2 ovens, gas cooking & stone backsplash. Separated master suite w/vaulted bath ceiling, jetted tub, 2 vanities & wrap around closet $359,900

6003 Heather Rd.-Lovely 4 bed/3.5 bath home in desirable Forest Neighborhood w/metal paint, crown molding, big window w/plant ledge, & hardwood floors throughout! Kitchen w/granite counters & stainless appliances, breakfast bar, and double oven! Incredible master suite w/vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, & separate shower & jetted tub! $274,900

3305 Marble Meadow-4 bed/2.5 bath home in Crestgate w/miles of spectacular tile, walls of windows, soaring vaulted ceilings w/crown moulding, custom lighting and granite countertops within backsplash! Gourmet kitchen w/pantry, breakfast bar, and double ovens! Incredible master suite w/vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, & separate shower & jetted tub! $299,900

2007 Durand-NEW-Beautiful 4 bed/3.5 bath home in Wakefield Forest! Delightfully wheatsel paint, crown molding, big window w/plant ledge, & hardwood floors throughout! Kitchen w/granite counters & stainless appliances, breakfast bar, and double oven! Incredible master suite w/vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, & separate shower & jetted tub! $299,900

3705 Crestmont-NEW-Absolutely immaculate 4 bed/2 bath on a quiet cul-de-sac! Soaring ceilings, lush carpeting, & walls of bright windows! Spacious kitchen w/pantry, breakfast bar, abundant cabinets, & breakfast dining! Step master suite has a soaking ceiling & private bath w/large closet, double sinks, & separate shower! Lovely backyard w/covered patio! In great condition! $299,900

3305 "D" St.-NEW-Darling 3 bed/1 bath on a quiet, tree-lined street! Gleaming hardwood floors, bright skylights, custom lighting, walls of windows, and soaring ceilings! Inviting den w/towering brick fireplace! Kitchen w/pantry, breakfast bar, and stone backsplash! Generous sized bedrooms with hardwood floors! Relax on the covered patio & enjoy the fenced backyard! Two car garage with extra parking for RV or boat! $174,900

3713 Castlerock-NEW-Charming 3 bed/1 bath! Lovely kitchen w/miles of tile, abundant cabinet space & a bright window! Cozy & spacious living area w/tile surround gas fireplace & crown molding! Master bedroom has patio access & a private bath! Guest bedrooms are spacious w/plenty of closets! The backyard is HUGE and has a storage shed & covered patio! Large fence covers the property! $135,000

4+ BEDROOMS

3101 Briarwood-Large country estate on 14.15 Acres! Fabulous landscaped grounds w/mature trees, & 2 bed/1.5 Bath living/mother-in-law quarters with full bath. Tennis courts & circle drive. (100 ft Diameter) 7 guest apartments: 2 Baths ea) $1,200,000

3501 Dunbloine-Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath home on 2.5 acres in Dublin Club Ranch Estates! Plantation shutters, crown moulding & miles of tile! Fantastic gourmet kitchen w/granite countertops, double ovens, island, pantry, & 2 breakfast bars! Private master bath has tub, shower & jetted tub, double sinks, & 2 walk-in closets! Large backyard, covered patio & 5 car garage! $399,000

4004 Timberwood-Fabulous 4 bed/2.5 bath home in Green Tree w/towering gulf course views, gleaming hardwood floors, tastefully updated kitchen w/granite counters & stainless steel appliances, family room w/fireplace & access to the backyard! This home is complete with a large backyard, covered patio, & 3 car garage! $449,900

6301 Prairie Village-Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/3 bath! Delightful dining home by Howard Construction! Soaring ceilings, stacked crown moulding, walls of windows, plantation shutters throughout, gorgeous granite countertops throughout! $399,900

1913 Pridgeswood-This immaculate 4 bed/3 bath home is located in the lovely location of Crestmont West! Upon entering, you will realize the soaring ceilings, dramatically arched doorways, custom lighting, brick fireplace and stone floor plan! The gourmet kitchen features double ovens & granite countertops! The cozy master suite has an incredible walk-in closet and jetted tub! $349,900

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3307 Crestmont-Absolutely lovely 4 bed/2 bath home in the quiet location of Crestmont West! Upon entering, you will realize the soaring ceilings, dramatically arched doorways, custom lighting, brick fireplace and stone floor plan! The gourmet kitchen features double ovens & granite countertops! The cozy master suite has an incredible walk-in closet and jetted tub! Most $349,900

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6315 Oak Valley Dr.-Lovely 4 bed/3 bath/2 gar. On gorg key homes. Great open feel as you enter this open floorplan with 9' ceilings & 2 fireplaces! Gourmet kitchen w/big island perfect for gatherings. Granite, stone backsplash, 2 ovens $324,900

6701 Bridlewood Blvd.-Fabulous 4 bed/3.5 bath on a corner lot in Bridlewood Estates! Gleaming hardwood floors, miles of tile, incredible built-ins, crown moulding, soaring ceilings, huge windows & plantation shutters! ..... SOLD in 6 Days $399,900

3307 Briarwood-Lovely 4 bed/3 bath home in Briarwood! Gleaming hardwood floors throughout! Kitchen w/granite counters, island & tile backsplash! Generous sized bedrooms with hardwood floors throughout! Relax on the covered patio & enjoy the fenced backyard! Two car garage with extra parking for RV or boat! $299,900

5703 Lee Phillips-Lovely custom ranch in the heart of Bedford Est. Kitchen w/cherry cabs & Jenn-Air cooktop open to formal living & formal dining. Outdoor kitchen w/ granite, island & bar, custom cabinets, 2 ovens & outdoor appliances. Two master bedrooms (Master retreat suite, ... $294,900

3500 Heather Rd.-Lovely 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 gar open feel floor plan. Unbelievable space & versatility. Living room w/fireplace & corner fireplace, soaring ceilings... Study w/plantation shutters, spacious den. 2 Separated suites. 2 lovely patios w/outer kitchen. Lots of storage (walk-in closets in every bedroom!) Every efficient home w/wood trim, accent roof, auto sprinkler front/back! $274,900

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3307 Briarwood-Lovely 4 bed/3 bath home in Briarwood! Gleaming hardwood floors throughout! Kitchen w/granite counters, island & tile backsplash! Generous sized bedrooms with hardwood floors throughout! Relax on the covered patio & enjoy the fenced backyard! Two car garage with extra parking for RV or boat! $299,900

5703 Lee Phillips-Lovely custom ranch in the heart of Bedford Est. Kitchen w/cherry cabs & Jenn-Air cooktop open to formal living & formal dining. Outdoor kitchen w/ granite, island & bar, custom cabinets, 2 ovens & outdoor appliances. Two master bedrooms (Master retreat suite, ... $294,900

3500 Heather Rd.-Lovely 4 bed/3.5 bath/2 gar open feel floor plan. Unbelievable space & versatility. Living room w/fireplace & corner fireplace, soaring ceilings... Study w/plantation shutters, spacious den. 2 Separated suites. 2 lovely patios w/outer kitchen. Lots of storage (walk-in closets in every bedroom!) Every efficient home w/wood trim, accent roof, auto sprinkler front/back! $274,900

4+ BEDROOMS

3501 Dunbloine-Spectacular 4 bed/3.5 bath home on 2.5 acres in Dublin Club Ranch Estates! Plantation shutters, crown moulding & miles of tile! Fantastic gourmet kitchen w/granite countertops, double ovens, island, pantry, & 2 breakfast bars! Private master bath has tub, shower & jetted tub, double sinks, & 2 walk-in closets! Large backyard, covered patio & 5 car garage! $399,900

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2005 Dunbloine-Fabulous 4 bed/3.5 bath home in Crestgate w/miles of spectacular tile, walls of windows, soaring vaulted ceilings w/crown moulding, custom lighting and granite countertops within backsplash! Gourmet kitchen w/pantry, breakfast bar, and double ovens! Incredible master suite w/vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, & separate shower & jetted tub! $399,900

5501 Briarwood-Lovely home in rock paint, 4 bed/3 bath/2 gar (oversized) large living w/fireplace (gas logs), tile throughout (except bath), Open kitchen w/granite, bar w/desert lighting, 2 ovens, gas cd & stone tile in, Formal & breakfast dining areas. Sep. Master ..... JUST IN $259,900

5501 Wallenwing-Darling 4 bedroom in Crestmont! Estates' located on a quiet cul-de-sac! Gleaming hardwood floors, miles of tile, crown moulding, incredible built-ins and soaring ceilings are some of the fabulous features this home has to offer! Lovely kitchen w/standard cabinets and adjacent breakfast dining area that looks into the backyard! Covered patio and HUGE backyard w/huge trees! $254,900

2007 Durand-Beautiful 4 bed/3.5 bath home in Wakefield Forest! Delightfully wheatsel paint, crown molding, big window w/plant ledge, & hardwood floors throughout! Kitchen w/granite counters & stainless steel appliances, breakfast bar, and double oven! Incredible master suite w/vaulted ceilings, walk-in closet, & separate shower & jetted tub! $299,900

3705 Crestmont-Absolutely immaculate 4 bed/2 bath on a quiet cul-de-sac! Soaring ceilings, lush carpeting, & walls of bright windows! Spacious kitchen w/pantry, breakfast bar, abundant cabinets, & breakfast dining! Step master suite has a soaring ceiling & private bath w/large closet, double sinks, & separate shower! Lovely backyard w/covered patio! In great condition! $299,900

2007 Crestmont-Absolutely lovely 4 bed/2 bath home in the quiet location of Crestmont West! Upon entering, you will realize the soaring ceilings, dramatically arched doorways, custom lighting, brick fireplace and stone floor plan! The gourmet kitchen features double ovens & granite countertops! The cozy master suite has an incredible walk-in closet and jetted tub! Most $349,900

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

2101 Rush-Darling 3 bed/2 bath home with large landscaped grounds & a dazzling stone ground pool & vacant deck! Huge greatroom with a cozy brick fireplace and access to the backyard! The kitchen is fabulous, with abundant cabinet space! ..... JUST IN $229,900

1009 Dunbloine-Fabulous 3 bed/2.5 bath with open floor plan in Polo Park Estates! Custom lighting, walls of windows, miles of tile, and cozy brick fireplace! Lovely kitchen w/standard cabinet & counter space, breakfast bar, granite countertops! ..... JUST IN $209,900

2003 Harwood-Fantastic 3 bed/2 bath w/plantation good house on a quiet, tree-lined street in old Midland! Tons of recent updates including paint, water heater, & bathroom work! Gleaming hardwood floors, plantation shutters and miles of tile! SOLD in 6 Days $199,900

4401 Portland-NEW-Beautiful 3 bed/2 bath/2 gar on gorgeous lot! Spacious living w/recessed ceiling, lovely stone fireplace & recent paint. Updated kitchen w/lots of cabinets, 2 pantries, granite tile c.T., Stone backsplash, stainless appliances (gas) brick floors! ..... JUST IN $194,900

1009 "F" St.-Darling 3 bed/1 bath home on a corner lot! Custom lighting, bright windows, & brick fireplace! Entrance is thru a lovely courtyard! Spacious master bed w/bright windows, access to the courtyard & a private bath! Guest bedrooms are large and share a jack-and-jill bath! This wonderful home is complete with a lovely backyard & 2 car garage! $174,900

3020 Hyde Park-Charming 3 Bed/2 Bath on a quiet, tree-lined street! Gleaming hardwood floors, bright skylights, custom lighting, walls of windows, and soaring ceilings! Inviting den w/towering brick fireplace! ..... JUST IN $169,900

4306 Fallon-Adorable home located in northgate on a cul-de-sac!! Granite countertops in bathrooms with undermount sinks and updated fixtures. Beamed ceilings in la dining room ..... JUST In 1 Day $162,500

2000 Michigan-Spacious home with incredible curb appeal! Three bedrooms, two baths, two garage. Living area w/fireplace, kitchen w/gas stove & breakfast area. Open master bed w/walk-in closet. Auto sprinkler (front only) ..... JUST $135,900

3113 Lauderdale-Charming 3 bed/1 bath! Lovely kitchen w/miles of tile, abundant cabinet space & a bright window! Cozy & spacious living area w/tile surround gas fireplace & crown molding! Master bedroom has patio access & a private bath! Guest bedrooms are spacious w/plenty of closets! The backyard is HUGE and has a storage shed & covered patio! Large fence covers the property! $125,000

2601 Michigan-Spacious three bedroom, two bath, two story home on large fenced in corner lot! Living area with brick fireplace, and hardwood floors, open wood paint. Open kitchen w/refrigerator may stay with beautiful oaks. Sit-main greenroom! Updated Vanities! ..... JUST $124,900

105 E 21st St., Crane, TX-Spacious 3 bedroom 2bath home on a .37 Acre lot! 24 X 44 shop, detached guestroom w/ bath (540 square Ft). Granite, enclosed patio, and a 5 car carport! Worth a little bit, let's of potential! $99,000

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1501 Thistle Rd ..... 1 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Car Garage/Odessa ..... Under Contract
1411 Kentucky ..... 3 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Car Garage $92,900
4006 Anetta Dr ..... 3 Bdrm/1 Full Ba/1 Half Ba ..... Under Contract
3211 Michigan Ave ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage ..... Under Contract
910 E. 40th St ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $163,000
5905 Kermit Ave ..... Odessa/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage $165,000
3307 Casorla Ave ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $165,000
4912 Godfrey St ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
2104 Wydewood Dr ..... 3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
2502 Candle Tree Cove ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage $235,000
5002 Opal Ct ..... 3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage $312,500
5707 Los Patios ..... 4 Bdrm/3 Ba/ 2 Car Garage ..... Under Contract

NEW CONSTRUCTION

1206 E. Nobles ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage ..... SOLD
409 E. Pecan Ave Midland Gallery Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage $129,900
6819 Los Conchos ..... Morse Properties/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
3107 Chelsea Pl ..... Veatch Construction/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage Under Contract
5709 Los Patios ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage ..Under Contract
4706 Yearwood ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage ..Under Contract
4501 Yearwood ..... Ashlegden Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $271,500
4704 Yearwood ..... Veatch Construction/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $272,500
5815 Llano Ct ..... Ashlegdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5702 Los Patios ... Dozier Custom Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $276,000
5711 Los Patios ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage $276,500
3001 Baybridge Ct ... Henson Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5606 Oak Creek ..... Ashlegdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage..Under Contract
5601 Coquina ..... Ashlegdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage $289,000
5713 Los Patios ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage ..Under Contract
5810 Llano Ct ..... Ashlegdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage..Under Contract
4711 Yearwood ..... Crystal Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $290,000
5007 Gateway ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage ..Under Contract
5314 Mathis St ..... Bronson Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
307 Skywood ..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage $315,000
403 Pinewood ..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage $327,500
405 Pinewood ..... Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage $330,000
5006 Gateway ..... Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5304 Hilltop Dr ... Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
5317 Hilltop Dr ..... Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage..Under Contract
4306 Wood Dr ..... Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage ..... SOLD
6600 Los Conchos ...Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/3 Car Garage $669,000
4313 Wood Dr ..... Crystal Homes/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage ..... SOLD
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7409 N. Co. Rd. 1297 ..... 1.32 Acres $39,000
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6450 Mockingbird Lane ... Los Conchos Estates/0.924 Acres $62,000
County Rd. 016 ..... 79.85 Acres $110,000
3005 Tumbleweed Trail ..... 2.0 Acres/Horse Here $125,000
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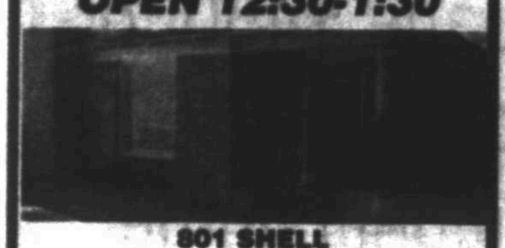
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Immaculate 3 bed/2.5 bth in Holiday Hill Village!
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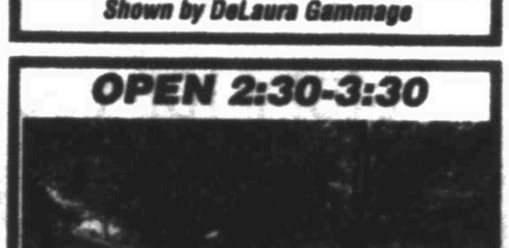
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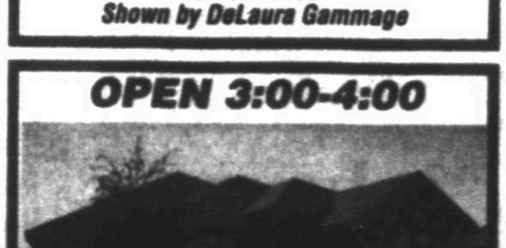
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Like new, very clean, open living area.
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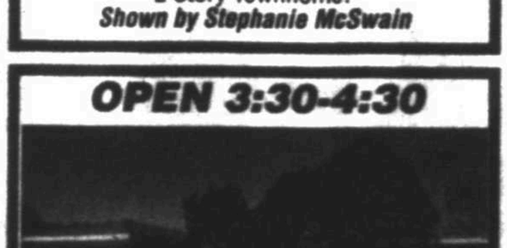
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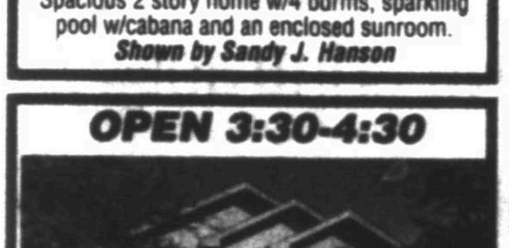
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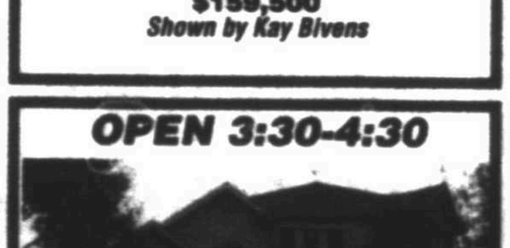
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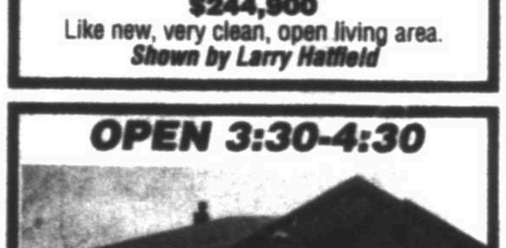
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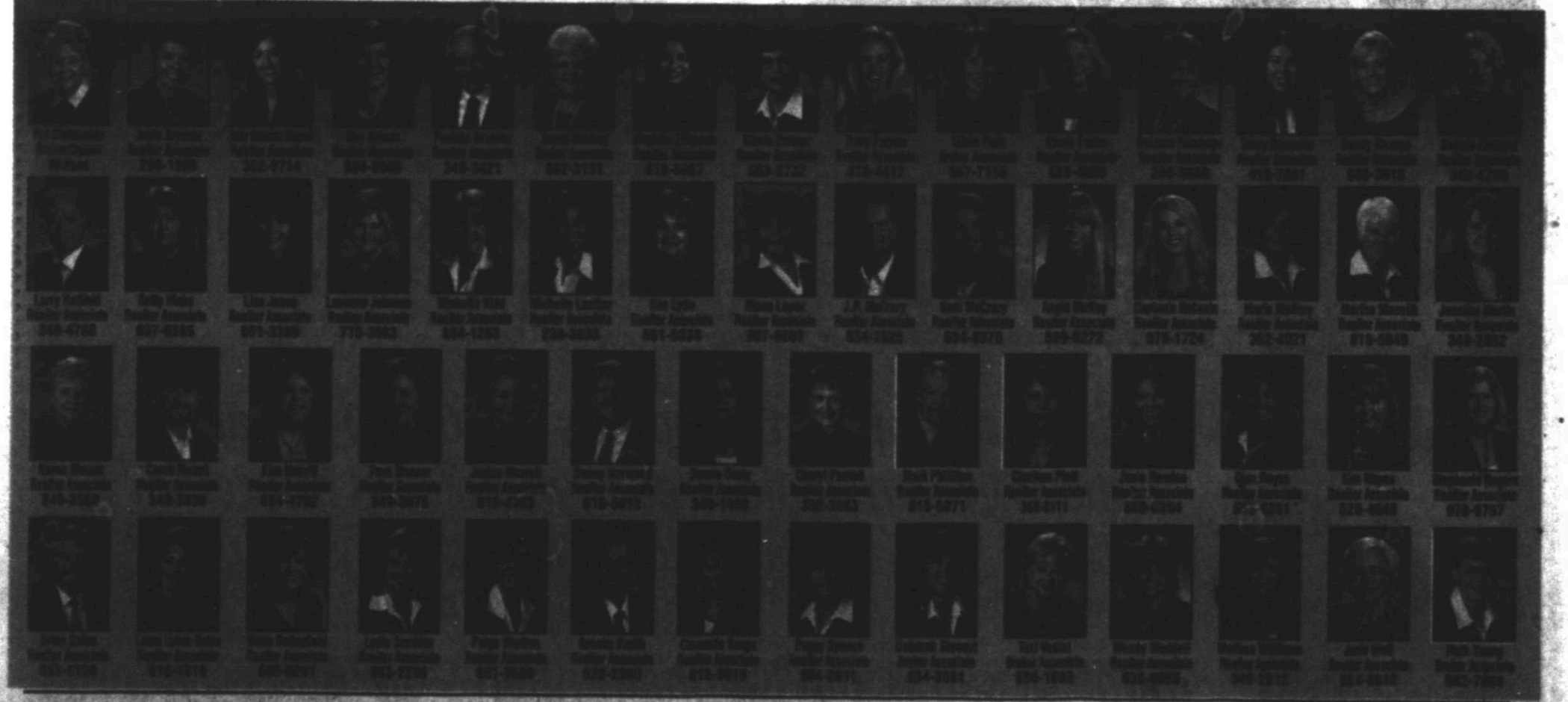

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5702 Greenridge	UNDER CONTRACT	MLS #87827	$294,500
4511 Teakwood Trace		MLS #87743	$289,000
4009 Lehigh Drive		MLS #87120	$269,999
3155 Danley Drive (Lake Colorado City)		MLS #85245	$90,000
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Sunridge Ranch Estates 3+acres lots		Per Lot	$75,000
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3304 ALFORD...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #86437 ... $189,000
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10104 E. CO. RD. 103...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86409 ... $335,000

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4909 YEARWOOD...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86991 ... $305,900

4911 YEARWOOD...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86992 ... *SALE PENDING*

Jesse Chavez Construction

3207 TRAVIS...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87535 ... *SOLD*

Double E Construction

1601 WASHITA...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87635 ... *SALE PENDING*
1603 WASHITA...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87138 ... $215,000

MIDLAND'S FABULOUS FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS

3100 LANTANA LN...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757 ... MLS #86813 ... *SALE PENDING*
6308 DUNBLANE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88004 ... $899,900
00 LAKES...Martha Manulik 618-5049 ... MLS #87547 ... $790,000
3809 FAIRWOOD CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88355 ... $750,000
217 BLACKBERRY...Marla Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #88054 ... *SOLD*
6713 HILLCREST CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87774 ... *SALE PENDING*
4905 RUSTIC TRAIL...Danny Norwood 818-5012 ... MLS #87549 ... $699,900
6010 MIRA VISTA CIRCLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87764 ... $685,000
6016 FERN...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87967 ... $600,000
7008 CALEN CT...Amy Barnett 352-6714 ... MLS #87540 ... $599,900
24 LAKES DRIVE...Samantha McCrary 634-6370 ... MLS #88024 ... $565,000
1209 CASTLE ROCK CT...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757 ... MLS #81489 ... $530,000
4100 FAIRWOOD DR...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS #87362 ... $469,900
3011 TUMBLEWEED...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88372 ... $439,000
5107 HILLTOP DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87776 ... *SALE PENDING*
4402 TANFORAN...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #87660 ... *SOLD*
6321 PRAIRIE RIDGE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87425 ... $399,900
4405 IRVIN DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88391 ... $399,900
4306 SKYLINE DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87989 ... $395,000
4901 RUSTIC TRAIL...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88386 ... $390,000
2101 S. CO. RD. 1087...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86406 ... $360,900
3010 KNIFFEN RD...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #88198 ... $344,900

2291 PRINCETON AVE...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #87778 ... $340,000
4806 CHERRYWOOD...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #88267 ... $339,000
5208 OAK VALLEY DR...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #88302 ... *SALE PENDING*
5911 GRASSLAND BLVD...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #86967 ... *SALE PENDING*
10104 E. CO. RD. 103...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86409 ... $335,900
5504 RIDGEMONT...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #88207 ... $329,900
5907 OAK CREEK...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88250 ... $318,500
4506 GREEN TREE BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87225 ... *SALE PENDING*
4125 FOX HOLLOW CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88030 ... $308,000
4611 TEAKWOOD TRACE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #87743 ... $299,000
5702 GREENRIDGE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #87827 ... *SALE PENDING*
3007 CRESTLINE AVE...Debbie Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #88186 ... *SALE PENDING*
3011 NORTHFIELD...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #86723 ... *SALE PENDING*
5412 BASSWOOD CIRCLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88032 ... $276,000
5787 SABINE...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #87469 ... *SALE PENDING*
3800 S. CO. RD. 1184...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87498 ... *SALE PENDING*
2402 CULPEPPER DR...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #87946 ... $259,900
5001 CASTLEFORD...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #86647 ... $260,000
1216 CO. RD 1129...Mark Phillber 618-5071 ... MLS #86976 ... $259,500
2308 HERMITAGE CT...Elissa Ratt 557-7159 ... MLS #88044 ... *SALE PENDING*
2817 CALDERA BLVD...Deborah Stewart 934-3881 ... MLS #88336 ... *SALE PENDING*
5010 SHERWOOD...Joyce Brickey 352-4127 ... MLS #87275 ... *SALE PENDING*

2821 EMERSON PL...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #88118 ... *SALE PENDING*
4700 MELVILLE DR...Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #86094 ... $259,000
2516 KESWICK RD...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #88085 ... *SALE PENDING*
1004 PEDERNALES...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88245 ... $257,500
4107 GODFREY ST...Perkins Brasher 349-3421 ... MLS #86056 ... $234,900
5717 SAN SABA...Teri Vestal 556-1632 ... MLS#87420 ... *SOLD*
4202 CRESTRIDGE...Martha Manulik 618-5049 ... MLS #87628 ... *SALE PENDING*
2929 MAXWELL DR...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ... MLS #87061 ... $229,900
1211 NEELY...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #87663 ... $210,000
421 W. SHANDON AVE...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88131 ... *SALE PENDING*
419 W. SHANDON AVE...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88133 ... *SALE PENDING*
5100 E. CO. RD. 90...Ashely St John 352-6254 ... MLS #87629 ... $189,900
3520 IMPERIAL AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88252 ... $189,900
2208 WHITNEY DR...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #87768 ... *SALE PENDING*
3304 ALFORD ST...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #86437 ... $189,000
2829 SHANDON AVE...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #88127 ... *SALE PENDING*
207 L ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87017 ... $175,000
4307 GREENBRIAR DR...Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #88202 ... $172,500
3223 CAMARIE...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #87918 ... *SALE PENDING*
3917 ANETTA DR...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88132 ... *SALE PENDING*
1906 PECOS...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #87888 ... *SALE PENDING*
3121 KESSLER...Kim Rhyne 528-4646 ... MLS #87982 ... *SALE PENDING*

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1700 I STREET...Karen Mason 349-3550 ... MLS #86369 ... $550,000
1904 S. CO. RD. 1121...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87673 ... $485,000
804 CARGNERO...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #87724 ... $450,000
207 SKYWOOD CIRCLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87914 ... $425,000
5810 LLANO...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88251 ... $296,500
5400 LA JOLLA COVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87923 ... $279,900
5707 CARMEL CT...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #86109 ... $279,900
7 CHATHAM CT...Josie Alvarez 296-1395 ... MLS #86875 ... *SALE PENDING*
1801 WASHITA...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87070 ... *SALE PENDING*
4000 LEHIGH DR...Sandy Hanson 618-5017 ... MLS #87120 ... $269,900
2911 CALDERA BLVD...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #88272 ... $269,900
1301 MISSOURI AVE...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #87699 ... $264,900
1011 WALL ST...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #88128 ... $264,900
5401 SAN SABA CT...Teri Vestal 556-1632 ... MLS #88317 ... $249,900
3005 BAYBRIDGE...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #88213 ... $244,900
5707 RIO GRANDE AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88199 ... $239,000
5707 SAN SABA AVE...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #87921 ... *SOLD*
1101 S. CO. RD. 1129...Joyce Brickey 352-4127 ... MLS #87706 ... *SALE PENDING*
4309 TUMBLEWEED...Josie Alvarez 618-5013 ... MLS #87679 ... $229,900
1623 PUEBLO...Jesse Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87252 ... *SOLD*
1911 LEVONBRIAE CT...Dona Satterfield 689-6241 ... MLS #87944 ... *SALE PENDING*
3909 BERMUDA CT...Martha Manulik 618-5049 ... MLS #88037 ... *SALE PENDING*
1903 WASHITA...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87138 ... $215,000
4308 KNIFFEN...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #86828 ... $214,900
3214 HIGHSKY DR...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #87486 ... *SALE PENDING*
2222 CIMMARON...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87445 ... $205,000
2211 HUMBLE AVE...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ... MLS #86642 ... $205,000
5325 SE CO. RD. 1800, ANDREWS, TX...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #87929 ... $199,000
3404 STANOLIND AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88304 ... *SALE PENDING*
3403 EDGEMONT...Donna Omar 349-1458 ... MLS #88312 ... $192,900
3298 FRONTIER...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #88351 ... *SALE PENDING*
2914 MOSS AVE...Laura Lyons Sales 618-1818 ... MLS #88190 ... $189,900

5201 N. MIDKIFF RD...Teri Vestal 556-1632 ... MLS #87935 ... $189,900
3001 VERMONT AVE...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #87153 ... $189,000
3231 SHANDON AVE...Karen Mason 349-3550 ... MLS #86637 ... *SALE PENDING*
804 BOYD AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #86667 ... $182,500
3316 WEDGEWOOD ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #86365 ... $180,000
5909 SHERWOOD DR...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #87947 ... *SOLD*
5225 BRAZOS...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #88214 ... *SALE PENDING*
2104 LINDORA WAY...Larry Hatfield 684-0675 ... MLS #88018 ... *SALE PENDING*
901 SHELL AVE...Marla Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #87422 ... $179,900
2208 CIMMARON...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #88244 ... *SALE PENDING*
4201 FERNCLIFF AVE...Peggy Spence 352-6254 ... MLS #87111 ... $179,000
2208 PRINCETON AVE...Karen Mason 349-3550 ... MLS #87644 ... $175,000
2413 GODDARD CT...Josie Alvarez 296-1395 ... MLS #87041 ... $174,900
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3007 PERIMAN CT...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #87620 ... $169,900
2800 S. CO. RD. 1089...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #88400 ... $169,000
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413 NEELY...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #88364 ... $165,000
3524 IMPERIAL AVE...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #87748 ... *SALE PENDING*
1908 OAKLAWN DR...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #87446 ... *SOLD*
1404 TEXAS AVE...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87798 ... $159,900
10300 CO. RD. 86...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #87074 ... $159,900
3808 SINCLAIR...Larry Hatfield 684-0369 ... MLS #88035 ... *SALE PENDING*
2000 N. D STREET...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #87407 ... $159,500
2311 TERRACE...Martha Manulik 618-5049 ... MLS #88292 ... *SALE PENDING*
421 E. DENGAR...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88249 ... $150,000
4318 GREENBRIAR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #88205 ... *SALE PENDING*
1100 HODFORD ST...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #88170 ... *SALE PENDING*
3507 IMPERIAL AVE...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #87300 ... *SALE PENDING*
1716 A NAVAJO DR...Dona Satterfield 689-6241 ... MLS #87237 ... $145,000
410 E. SPRUCE...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #86383 ... $145,000
3705 STANOLIND...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #87016 ... $145,000

800 W. 16TH, ODESSA...Dona Satterfield 689-6241 ... MLS #87672 ... $144,900
1703 W. CO. RD. 134...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88399 ... $135,000
4614 ANETTA DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88053 ... $132,500
4321 COUNTRY CLUB DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88320 ... *SALE PENDING*
1705 S. JEFFERSON ST...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #88031 ... *SOLD*
704 LANHAM ST...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86868 ... *SALE PENDING*
302 S. GLENWOOD...Gloria Farmer 563-2732 ... MLS #85043 ... *SALE PENDING*
2506 FANNIN AVE...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #88286 ... *SALE PENDING*
12309 CO. RD. 129...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86979 ... $130,000
4730 CUTHBERT AVE...Amy Barnett 352-6714 ... MLS #88160 ... $129,900
3216 W. LOUISIANA...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87004 ... $129,000
3307 CUNNINGHAM...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87044 ... $125,000
3917 IMPERIAL AVE...Chad Tabor 687-6500 ... MLS #86528 ... *SALE PENDING*
1001 TARLETON...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #87352 ... *SALE PENDING*
4607 PLEASANT DR...Teri Vestal 556-1632 ... MLS #87996 ... $114,000
1297 E. GOLF COURSE...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #86766 ... *SALE PENDING*
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4300 PASADENA...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #88083 ... $103,900
4724 CROCKETT...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #87242 ... $99,900
1102 CUTHBERT AVE...Angie McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #86183 ... $99,500
3297 ILLINOIS...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #86930 ... $95,000
1600 WEATHERFORD ST...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #87950 ... *SALE PENDING*
4318 MONTY...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #87726 ... $89,900
3297 TRAVIS AVE...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #87535 ... *SOLD*
6006 E. CO. RD. 85...Caleb Matott 349-3930 ... MLS #86282 ... $85,000
600 DEVONIAN...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #86427 ... *SALE PENDING*
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4804 CHEROKEE DR...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88329 ... $75,000
1702 E. OAK AVE...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88330 ... $75,000
2100 PECOS ST...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ... MLS #86922 ... *SALE PENDING*
715 CRESTVIEW DR...Sue Lytle 661-5337 ... MLS #87527 ... *SALE PENDING*
4811 VERSAILLES DR...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87534 ... *SOLD*

MIDLAND'S BEST 2 BEDROOM & 1 BEDROOM HOMES

4008 & 4002 ANDREWS HWY...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #88081 & #88082 ... $425,000
2001 PCR 2240...Teri Vestal 556-1632 ... MLS #88000 ... *SALE PENDING*
4304 CRESTWOOD AVE...Martha Manulik 618-5037 ... MLS #87309 ... $189,900

1403 TENNESSEE AVE...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #88362 ... $123,000
105 RIDGLEA DR...Ashley St John 352-6254 ... MLS #87773 ... *SALE PENDING*
2707 FRANKLIN...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #86477 ... *SALE PENDING*

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3609 GASTON...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #88065 ... $94,000
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10315 CO. RD. 109...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #86359 ... $475,000
1004 S. CO. RD. 1121...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87673 ... $465,000
3400 CO. RD. 1121...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88075 ... $369,900
4402 TANFORAN...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #87660 ... *SOLD*
2101 SCR 1087...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86406 ... $360,900
10104 E. CO. RD. 103...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #86409 ... $335,900
3107 C 2150 STANTON...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #88177 ... 15 Acres/$330,000
10002 E. CO. RD. 109...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #87664 ... *SALE PENDING*
3800 S. CO. RD. 1184...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87498 ... *SALE PENDING*
1216 S. CO. RD. 1129...Mark Phillber 618-5071 ... MLS #86976 ... $259,500

2001 PCR 2240...Teri Vestal 556-1632 ... MLS #88000 ... *SALE PENDING*
10005 E. CO. RD. 109...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #88036 ... *SALE PENDING*
1101 S. CO. RD. 1129...Joyce Brickey 352-4127 ... MLS #87706 ... *SALE PENDING*
5325 CO. RD. 1000, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #87329 ... $199,000
10000 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86864 ... *SALE PENDING*
2204 N. CO. RD. 1040...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #86883 ... *SOLD*
5100 E. CO. RD. 90...Ashely St John 352-6254 ... MLS #87629 ... $189,900
3409 W. CO. RD. 101...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #88101 ... *SALE PENDING*
10700 CO. RD. 105...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #88306 ... $189,000
401 E. CO. RD. 148...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #87417 ... $174,500

2800 S. CO. RD. 1089...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #88400 ... $169,000
10300 CO. RD. 86...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #87074 ... $159,900
6502 W. FM 846 KNOTT...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #88060 ... $159,000
1703 W. CO. RD. 134...Josie Rendon 889-6394 ... MLS #88399 ... $135,000
12309 CO. RD. 129...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86979 ... $130,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 6 Lots Left...3.5 Acre Lots/$95,000
6000 E. CO. RD. 85...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #86282 ... $85,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... 3+ Acre Lots/Lots $75,000/EA.
FM 2632, BROWNWOOD LAKE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... $44,000
10620 CO. RD. 109...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87162 ... $20,000

OUT OF TOWN, ANDREWS & ODESSA LISTINGS

2200 WESTSIDE DR., STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #87159 ... $415,000
9177 CEVALIA DR., ODESSA, TX...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #84152 ... $395,000
7900 CO. RD. 110, GREENWOOD...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #87829 ... $369,900
4100 FM 818, BIG SPRING, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #87958 ... $375,000
3107 C 2150, STANTON...Caleb Matott 687-6500 ... MLS #88177 ... $330,000
3800 REDBUD, ODESSA, TX...Ashley St John 352-6254 ... MLS #87817 ... $309,900
1218 LA PAZ, ANDREWS, TX...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #84584 ... $225,750
1200 DOUGLAS AVE., BIG SPRING, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 MLS #87609 ... $224,950
4913 VALLEYBROOK LN., ODESSA, TX...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #87546 ... $224,000
5325 SE CO. RD. 1800, ANDREWS, TX...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #87329 ... $199,000
10000 E. CO. RD. 104, GREENWOOD...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86864 ... *SALE PENDING*
3011 LARKSPUR, GARDENDALE, TX...Mark Phillber 618-5071 ... MLS #85677 ... *SALE PENDING*
2114 NE CO. RD. 101, ANDREWS, TX...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #84472 ... $195,000
401 DEALY, BIG SPRING, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #86040 ... $179,000

1700 E. 21ST., ODESSA, TX...Gloria Valdez Farmer 563-2732 ... MLS #83237 ... $169,900
700 ST. DONIFACE, STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #88294 ... *SALE PENDING*
14000 LARIAT TR., GARDENDALE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87753 ... $165,000
712 BURLESON, STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #84740 ... $164,000
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501 6TH ST., STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #86987 ... *SALE PENDING*
710 BURLESON, STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #87741 ... $154,000
105 2ND STREET, STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #88201 ... *SALE PENDING*
6002 W. FM 846 KNOTT...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #88060 ... $159,000
2014 KEYSTONE DR., ODESSA, TX...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #87775 ... $149,900
600 W. 16TH, ODESSA...Dona Satterfield 689-6241 ... MLS #87672 ... $144,900
15300 GARDENDALE RD., GARDENDALE...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #86178 ... $139,900
604 BROADWAY, STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #88271 ... $139,000

100 E. FORRESTER, McCAMEY, TX...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #86278 ... $134,900
1007 JOHNSON AVE., BIG SPRING, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #88346 ... $110,000
217 HENDRICKSON ST., GOLDSMITH...Mark Phillber 618-5071 ... MLS #88123 ... $102,400
1712 CRESCENT DR., ODESSA, TX...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #85699 ... *SALE PENDING*
8001 HARVARD AVE., ODESSA, TX...Danny Norwood 682-5544 ... MLS #84156 ... $94,900
3105 DAWLEY DR, COLORADO CITY...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #85245 ... $90,000
2101 LIVE OAK LANE, BROWNWOOD...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #84003 ... $76,000
208 S. BURLESON, McCAMEY...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #87603 ... $65,000
1001 FM 700, BIG SPRING, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #87769 ... *SOLD*
1913 PALOMAR LN., ODESSA, TX...Gina Reyes 553-6381, MLS #87969 ... *SALE PENDING*
401 ST. JOSEPH, STANTON, TX...Michelle Kidd 894-1253...MLS #79043 ... $48,000
HWY. 176, TARZAN...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #87267 ... $34,000

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

3009 S. CO. RD. 1295...Amy Brasher Barnett 352-6714 ... MLS #74663 ... *SALE PENDING*
7409 W. I-20, MIDLAND...Sam McCrary 634-8370 ... MLS #87850 ... $3,975,000
3600 ANDREWS HWY., ODESSA, TX...Marla Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #87818 ... $1,600,000
6000 E. HWY. 80...Amy Brasher Barnett 352-6714 ... MLS #85159 ... $1,200,000
11011 CO. RD. 125, ODESSA, TX...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #86474 ... $850,000
2112 E. I-20 SERVICE ROAD...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #74975 ... $570,000
1000 E. BIG SPRING...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #85135 ... $425,000

1011 WALL ST...Ruth Young 682-7884 ... MLS #88128 ... $264,900
4301 W. ILLINOIS...Mark Phillber 618-5071 ... MLS #86368 ... $229,900
1600 FRONT ST...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS 86585 ... $210,000
1000 N. CO. RD. W., ODESSA, TX...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #83958 ... $200,000
3229 KESSLER...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #87891 ... $200,000
2003 ANDREWS HWY, ODESSA, TX...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86616 ... $197,000
4533 GLENEAGLES DR...Josie Alvarez 618-5013 ... MLS #84014 ... $179,900

412 N. TERRELL...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #82697 ... $160,500
408 WAKEFIELD...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #84320 ... $160,000
607-609 COLORADO...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #87483 ... $125,000
600 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS# 79703 ... $100,000
6707 FM 307...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87671 ... $80,000
301 W. OHIO AVE...Jane Wolf 684-6040 ... MLS #87481 ... *SALE PENDING*
208 S. BURLESON, McCAMEY...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #87603 ... $65,000

LANDS AND LOTS

CO. RD. 1129 S...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #78101 ... $12,000/ACRE
3009 S. CO. RD. 1295...Amy Brasher Barnett 352-6714 ... MLS #74663 ... *SALE PENDING*
S. FM 1788...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #8205/94.4 Acres/$944,400
HIGHWAY 191...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #87988 ... $437,500
0 W. CO. RD. 150...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #86592 ... $250,000
HWY. 176, TARZAN...Caleb Matott 349-3300 ... MLS #87266 ..102 Acres/$255,000
10700 CO. RD. 120...Brooks Smith 618-5035 ... MLS #86000 ... $203,125
2003 ANDREWS HWY, ODESSA, TX...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86616 ... $197,000
1139 JOHNSTON RD...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #87751 ... $148,000
ELKINS RD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #82559 ... 39 Acres/$132,529

CO. RD. 2300...Deborah Stewart 934-3881 ... MLS #86332 ... $100,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 6 Lots Left...3.5 Acre Lots/$95,000
6787 FM-307...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #87671 ... $80,000
7290 W. CO. RD. 44, SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #86919 ... $80,000
7210 W. CO. RD. 44, SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Caleb Matott 349-3330...MLS #86919 ... $80,000
I-20 W...Jennifer Martin 520-0200 ... MLS #75806 ... *SALE PENDING*
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... $70,000
FM 2632, BROWNWOOD LAKE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... $44,000
0, CO. RD. 1003...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #82101 ... *SALE PENDING*
C2100 STANTON...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #88104 ... $55,000

C2100 STANTON...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #88105 ... $55,000
HWY. 176, TARZAN...Caleb Matott 349-3330..0.46 Acre Lots...MLS #87267..4 Lots Left/$34,000
CO. RD. 86...Lavonne Johnson 618-5002 ... MLS #88199 ... *SALE PENDING*
I-20 & WARDBOURNE RD...Brooks Smith 528-2980 ... MLS #86417 ... $30,000/PER ACRE
FIREBLAND ADDITION...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... 1+ Acre Lots/$20,000/PER ACRE
2001 SE CR 4031, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #84606 ... $20,000
2001 SE CR 4001, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker 266-1448 ... MLS #84606 ... $20,000
SUNRIDGE DEVELOPMENT...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819...Land & Lots $38,250 - $81,250
1.59 to 3.25 acres ... $25,000 Per Acre
10020 E. CO. RD. 109...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #87162 ... $20,000

FARMS AND RANCHES

WARD COUNTY...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... $40 Acres/$225,000
CR 100-Vineyard 33 Acres...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #85502 ... $200,000
2200 N. CO. RD. 1040...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #86883 ... *SALE PENDING*
JEFF DAVIS COUNTY...Caleb Matott 349-3330...Big Cat Ranch/Finest Ranch in Texas ... 10,350 Acres/$700/Acre
JEFF DAVIS COUNTY...Caleb Matott 349-3330...Mamie's Canyon Ranch/The Best of Texas ... 6,401 Acres/$375/Acre
7110 W. CO. RD. 46...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 3.5 Acres/$125,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 9 Lots Left ... 3.5 Acre Lots/$95,000

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2100 W. WADLEY...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #88365 ... $1,500.00/MO.
612 N. TERRELL, Office Space...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #87297 ... $1,000.00/MO.

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