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City must take opportunity to fix education system

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■ COMMENTARY

Wednesday's State of Education luncheon could have been an introduction to a better Midland education system.

The takeaway, however, from the event was this community's inability to keep up with the Joneses around the region and state when it comes to investing in its school district. It was a sad reminder of how far behind the district is.

Concho Resources' Tim Leach described the community's indifference to the school best when he said he once talked to a Midland ISD superintendent 20 or 30 years ago and that superintendent said the mission of MISD was about delivering "average results at below average costs." That superintendent should have been fired on the spot. Unfortunately, that former superintendent summed up how a community has looked at its school district with a "do no harm" mentality.

The frustration for those who care about public education is close to an all-time high in Midland. We didn't need a State of Education luncheon to see that. When top executives with oil companies, major employers and Midland's top foundations choose to meet regularly to help solve the problem, that means we are close to crisis level. It's not an exaggeration — it's reality. Midlanders should demand a better public education system than it has today.

What should have been front and center at State of Education is the opportunity that has presented itself. This community can take back its school district. This community can take steps to develop an education system that isn't like anywhere else but is what Midlanders want and what our students need.

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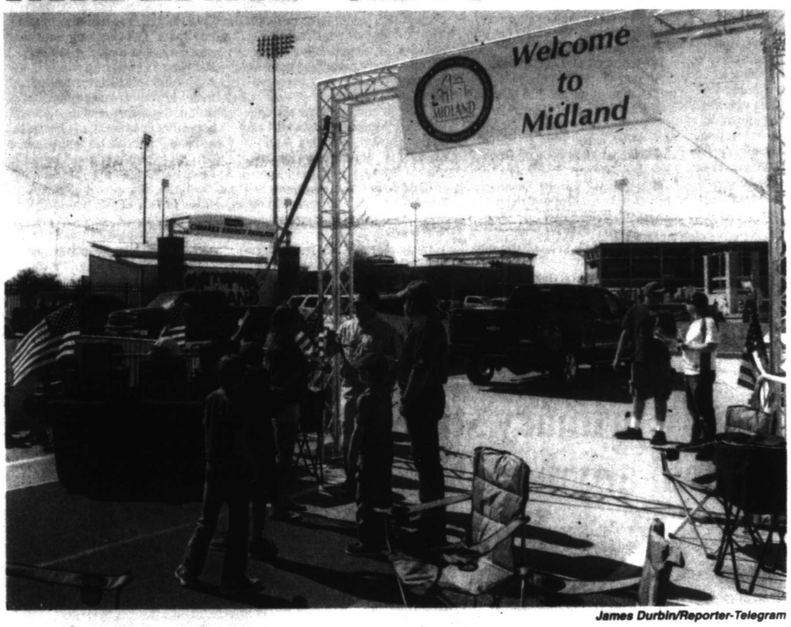

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Tailgaters enjoy the festivities before the start of the Texas Tech spring game Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. See more coverage of the spring game in Sports, Page 1C.

Parties unfold on Grande Stadium parking lot

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Midland and Odessa Texas Tech University alum welcomed the Red Raiders' spring game for its third consecutive year at Grande Communication Stadium. But the 11 a.m. kickoff launched more than the back-and-forth of a scrimmage game. Before the event, Midlanders and Odessans alike threw beers on ice and ruminated over college years in what has become Midland's tailgating extravaganza.

With a sea of trucks, RVs and hundreds of football fans sporting Raider red, the parking lot adjacent to the stadium unfolded into a festival. Country music sputtered from every car stereo creating a mosaic of sound. A bar on wheels held the attention of most Tech alumni while they kept a casual eye over their children, inexhaustibly throwing the pigskin around a nearby yard.

An exaggerated food truck brought in by a Peterbilt big-rig held the center, and throughout the grounds meat enthusiasts readied their smokers hitched to the

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Odessans Cesar Bravo, left, and Carlos Márquez pose with their Texas Tech-themed smoker.

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Santa Rita developers let feedback influence redesign

■ Major changes include above ground parking, no residential space

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On Tuesday, Santa Rita Hotel developers, a consortium of local and in-state people from Overland Partners, Bond Partners, OGX Resources, Design Workshop, Arup, and The Round Table Group, came before City Council and the public to show the latest redesign of the project.

It marked the second time developers have reached out to the public for feedback, proving that the comments they're receiving are causing changes.

In all, the redesign does not adversely veer from the original concept of the mixed-use hotel, as many of the features revealed in December remain. Santa Rita Hotel is still a multi-level boutique hotel with a fitness center, spa facility, high concept restaurant and whiskey bar, gourmet food market and special event space.

And the cost is still in the same range as the original estimates from December, putting the project somewhere in the $80 million to $100 million range. A portion of that cost is to be publicly offset, pending negotiations with the city of Midland.

The latest round of changes to the project include a 20-foot decrease to the height of the building — which decreases the number of floors from 17 to 15 — the predominant use of brick on the outside to blend with other downtown buildings, the elimination of the apartment and condominium space, an increase in office space and the addition of rooftop terraces, one of which is meant for weddings and another that has a swimming pool and bar.

"One thing that we've always looked at with this project is that this is a true city center project," said Robert Watson, CEO of Bond Partners. "We're keeping the amenities that we know would drive people to the downtown area. So when you look at the meeting space, you have a lot of different venues for meetings, from 10-person cocktail receptions to 300-person weddings, indoors or outdoors..."

Overall, the development has created a bigger footprint compared to its December design.

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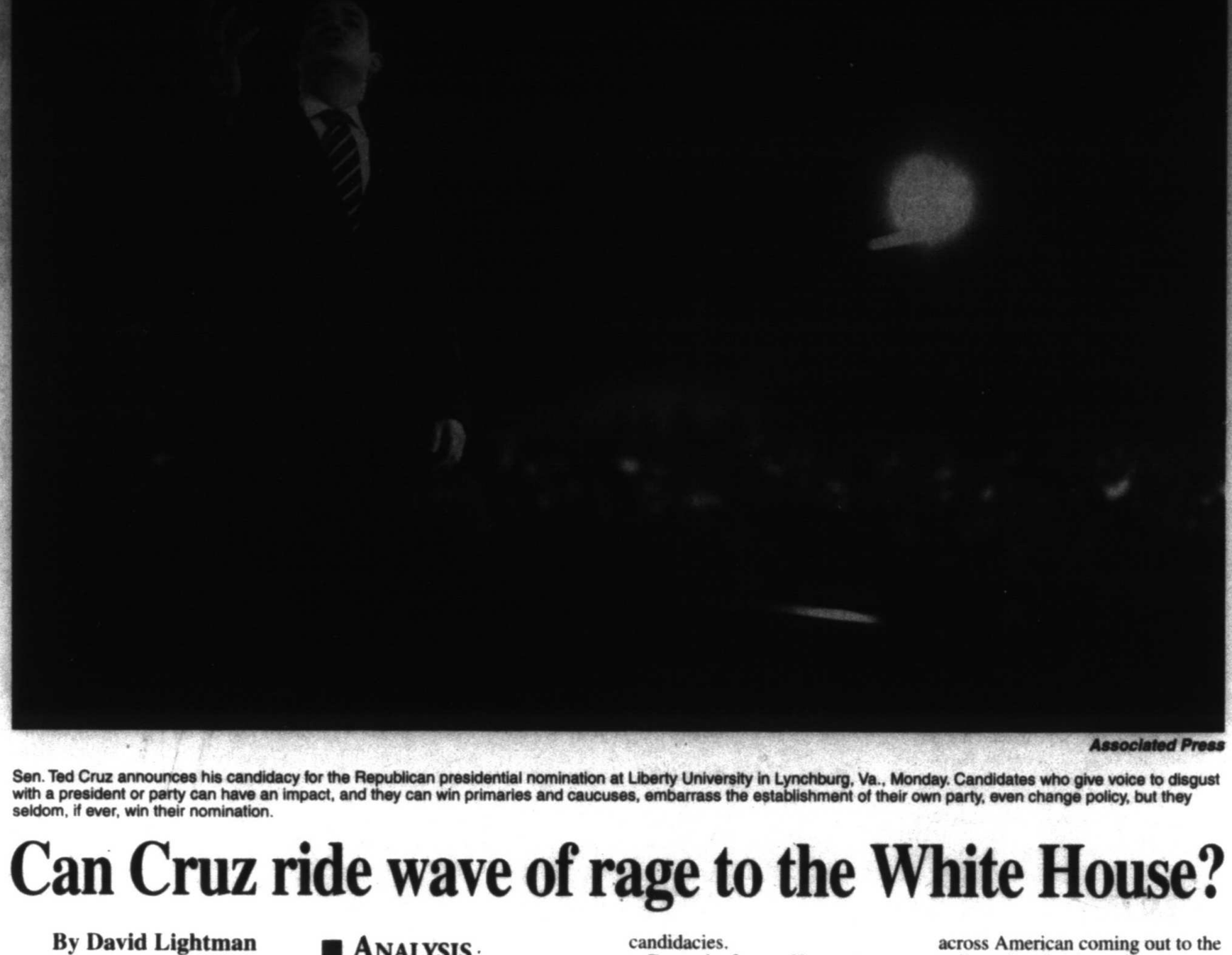

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Sen. Ted Cruz announces his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination at Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va., Monday. Candidates who give voice to disgust with a president or party can have an impact, and they can win primaries and caucuses, embarrass the establishment of their own party, even change policy, but they seldom, if ever, win their nomination.

Can Cruz ride wave of rage to the White House?

By David Lightman
McClatchy Washington Bureau

■ ANALYSIS

WASHINGTON — Ted Cruz is known for one thing: He's relentlessly opposed to President Barack Obama, even if it means shutting down the government to reverse him.

Now as he launches his bid for the 2016 Republican presidential nomination, the senator from Texas faces one overriding question: Can he translate the politics of rage into a successful campaign? History says no. Resoundingly.

Candidates who give voice to disgust with a president or party can have an impact. They can win primaries and caucuses, embarrass the establishment of their own party, even change policy.

But they seldom if ever win their nomination, let alone the White House. One exception: Ronald Reagan, who challenged his party in 1976, fell short, then won it all in an anti-Washington landslide in 1980.

No doubt Cruz will strike a chord in early voting Iowa and elsewhere.

"Not only does he line up with them on conservative issues like abortion, gay marriage, immigration and spending issues, but he's also known as a fighter," said Craig Robinson, editor-in-chief of TheIowaRepublican.com.

Cruz, though, risks joining a long list of insurgents who shot to fame but could not win themselves:

■ Democrat Gene McCarthy, an anti-war candidate who challenged President Lyndon Johnson in 1968 and did well enough to help force Johnson to retire but could not win the nomination.

■ Democrat Gary Hart, who contested Walter Mondale's establishment-backed bid in 1984.

■ Republican Pat Buchanan, who challenged President George H.W. Bush in the 1992 primaries and establishment favorite Bob Dole in 1996.

■ Democrat Howard Dean, who challenged establishment candidates John Kerry and Dick Gephardt in 2004.

Most, eventually, faced the same hurdles that confront Cruz: competition for the angry voter, a constituency unified behind a single rival candidate and questions about their ability to govern.

For years, lacking even one qualification has doomed similar candidacies.

Dean, the former Vermont governor, was a Democratic hero throughout 2003 with his pledge to revive "the Democratic wing of the Democratic Party." Iowa voters were not fond of John Kerry, then a senator from Massachusetts, but saw him as more presidential. Dean sank to third place and to electoral oblivion.

An insurgent must also have a unified constituency, and in this cycle, that's going to be difficult. Most ominously for Cruz, Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker has so far effectively mobilized tea party sympathizers and very conservative voters.

"He can communicate the conservative message very well," said Randy Bowen, a leading Rochester, N.H., conservative activist, said of Walker.

Cruz does start with some advantages. He's a highly effective speaker, able to rouse an audience with ease.

"Imagine millions of conservatives, all across America, rising up together to say in unison, 'We demand our liberty,'" he urged in his speech Monday at Liberty University in Virginia. Cruz then asked the audience to "imagine … millions of people of faith all across American coming out to the polls and voting our values."

And he gets praise in some circles from his willingness to climb onto shaky limbs. Many conservatives speak fondly of his outlier status in the Senate, notably his 21-hour floor speech in 2013 aimed at derailing the Affordable Care Act.

He can also find solace in Iowa's caucus history, where grassroots campaigning can elevate underdogs. "You can't go in and buy Iowa. This is a long, organic process," said Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa.

Trouble is, as Kerry showed, many Iowans are more keen on finding someone with some government savvy. Cruz has been a senator since 2013, and he often gets blame for being willing to force the partial government shutdown that year.

He's likely to face a host of Republicans with far more government experience. At least five current or former governors are considering the race. And even if the candidate of rage wins the caucus, next up is New Hampshire and a very different constituency.

"The turnout in New Hampshire

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Are the early primary states a big deal anymore?

By Steve Peoples
Associated Press

NASHUA, N.H. — Few states have shaped presidential politics like Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina.

By hosting the nation's first presidential primaries and caucuses, the states have heaped political and financial rewards for decades on successful candidates and hastened the end for underachievers. Yet their clout may be declining in 2016.

Campaign aides and veteran political operatives expect the Republicans' next primary season to extend well beyond the first three states, thanks to an explosion of well-financed super PACs, a robust stable of candidates and changes in the election calendar that could make the 2016 GOP primary season one of the most competitive in history.

That drawn-out scenario is despite the wishes of the Republican National Committee, which recently changed rules with the aim of giving the eventual nominee a quicker and easier path to the general election.

While there is little competition expected on the Democratic side, the Republican primary is "shaping up to be the ultimate political marathon," said Phil Musser, a GOP consultant and veteran of presidential politics. He suggested candidates might not get the "slingshot effect" from early state victories that they once might have.

Ronald Weiser, former finance chairman of the Republican National Committee, agrees. "The early states are still important, but they're not critical anymore," he said. "You're not gone if you don't do well in those first couple primaries."

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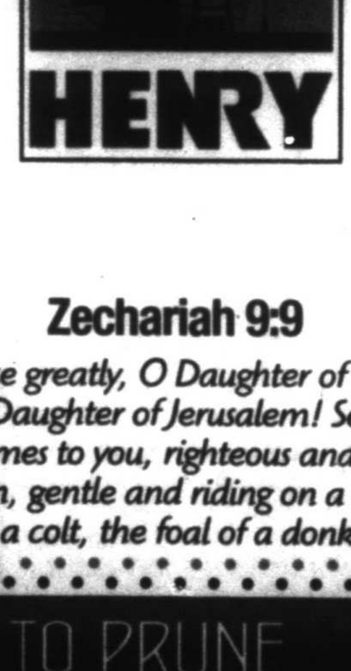

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The GOP quandary: How far right without falling over the edge?

By David Lightman
McClatchy Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — The 2016 Republican presidential candidates figure that to win the party's nomination, they have to get cozy with hard-core conservatives.

But to win the general election, they have to move away from that same constituency.

It's a quadrennial predicament that's bedeviled Republican White House hopefuls since the rise of the Moral Majority and the Christian right 35 years ago. Those interest groups are powerful and persistent, committed to a mission that would recast the party as God-fearing champions of limited government and individual freedom.

Government shutdowns, responsible gun use and lower taxes don't trouble them. Abortions, Obamacare and undocumented immigrants do. The percentage of Republicans who identify as conservative has risen from 62 percent in 2000 to 70 percent in 2014, according to Gallup. Public Policy Polling, a left-leaning firm, last month found that 57 percent of Republicans would support establishing Christianity as the nation's official religion.

"If the evangelical influence just swept across the nation there would be a lot fewer taxes, a lot less need for police forces, a lot fewer drug rehabilitation workers," Rep. Steve King, R-Iowa, told McClatchy in an interview. "That's how the world would be a better place."

The party may have gained big majorities in Congress last year, but the die-hards aren't satisfied.

"Republicans are in the majority, but conservatives are not," lamented Rep. Thomas Massie, R-Ky.

The die-hards won't be easily assuaged. They pack candidate town halls, donate money and provide the manpower for early presidential efforts. Candidates must either toe their line or get tagged as weak.

That's why 2016 top-tier candidates are trying mightily to maintain their appeal to that constituency while trying to avoid saying or doing anything that could haunt them in a general election campaign.

Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker, who is at or near the top of most early polls among Republicans, likes to boast how he stuck to conservative principles to win statewide office three times in a centrist state.

"To win the center, you don't have to go to the center, you have to lead," he said last week during a Tea Party Patriots telephone town hall.

Tea party loyalists are still somewhat wary of Walker, though, because of past positions on immigration and government support for ethanol, a big issue in Iowa, site of the nation's first caucus.

In 2006, he said during his gubernatorial campaign that "we as conservatives should oppose" federal ethanol requirements. But at the Iowa Ag Summit this month, he said he was "willing to go forward" with federal standards.

During last week's call, Tea Party Patriots president Jenny Beth Martin asked Walker why he switched his position. Walker said his position was consistent, explaining that he wants the standard phased out but would not end it right away.

Immigration is also proving a difficult hurdle. Walker, former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and Sens. Marco Rubio of Florida and Lindsey Graham of South Carolina are all viewed with suspicion because they have been sympathetic to paths to legalization or citizenship for immigrants living in the United States without documentation.

Rubio and Walker now say they want border security first before they'll consider dealing with those in this country. Bush backs a path to legalization.

The latest immigration test came last month, when congressional Republicans tried to overturn President Barack Obama's November executive action protecting millions of people from deportation. Republicans wanted to tie Department of Homeland Security funding to repealing Obama's decision.

They failed, but 167 House and 31 Senate Republicans voted against funding the agency with no strings attached. Among them was Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas, a conservative favorite. Seventy-five House Republicans and 23 Senate Republicans voted yes.

Cruz said funding the department without restraining Obama on immigration was a big mistake.

"Congress is obliged to use every constitutional check and balance we have to rein in President Obama's lawlessness," he protested in a news release.

Graham disagreed. "What some people say is conservative is just unwise choices," he told McClatchy in an interview. "I don't think it's conservative to defund the DHS at a time when the threat levels to our nation are so high."

As a governor, Walker didn't have to vote. But he's under fire for signing a 2002 Milwaukee Board of Supervisors resolution endorsing "legislation that will provide greater opportunity for undocumented working immigrants to obtain legal residency in the United States."

Earlier this month, Walker told "Fox News Sunday," "My view has changed. I'm flat-out saying it. … Look at the problems we've experienced for the last few years."

Conservatives are watching closely and so far, none of the top contenders have much appeal.

Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky wins plaudits for his libertarian approach and his skepticism about foreign intervention. But his support for military action against the Islamic State has alienated some conservatives.

Retired neurosurgeon Ben Carson is drawing a sizable following but not showing much mainstream appeal. Ditto Cruz, former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee and former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum.

In a March 1-4 McClatchy-Marist poll, Walker got about one-fourth of the vote of very conservative voters. Huckabee and Carson were next, tied at 19 percent. No else got more than 7 percent.

Huckabee's standing illustrates the problem conservatives face. He won the 2008 Iowa Republican caucus easily. But five days later, among the center-right Republicans of New Hampshire, he sank to third place with 11 percent. When he lost to Sen. John McCain of Arizona in the South Carolina primary 11 days after that, he was finished.

That memory lingers among Republicans. They see a good chance to win the White House in 2016 — after all, only once since World War II ended has the same political party won the presidency three straight times. Walker, Bush, Paul and Rubio all held Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton under 50 percent in this month's McClatchy-Marist poll.

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first, however, Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina will continue to consume much of the political world's attention over the coming 11 months. Those states, along with Nevada, are the only Republican primary contests allowed next February, according to party rules that outline strict penalties for states that try to jump ahead.

Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker spent much of this month trekking through all three states, as did other candidates who are aggressively hiring state-based political operatives.

Bush told South Carolina Republicans their state is critical because it holds "the first big primary," a nod to a projected turnout that dwarfs participation in Iowa, New Hampshire and Nevada. Visiting New Hampshire recently, Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul predicted the primary season could "go on for quite a while," but highlighted the momentum that the early states offer.

Yet those contenders and others are laying the groundwork to continue competing even if they stumble early.

While he faces hurdles in the early states, Bush is amassing considerable resources to go well beyond the early states — both through traditional fundraising and his allied super PAC. Walker's travel schedule includes states voting later in primaries, his aides note. Paul has been organizing a political team both inside and outside the early voting states for several months.

And even before they announce campaigns, many candidates already enjoy the backing of super PACs that can raise campaign cash with no limits.

At least 10 contenders are now backed by super PACs, or related organizations, that offer a financial safety net to help replace the fundraising boost traditionally earned from strong finishes in Iowa, New Hampshire or South Carolina. Florida Sen. Marco Rubio was the latest to join the super PAC club when an ally announced plans to run the organization recently.

Presidential super PACs did not exist at this point in the 2012 campaign. Once established, they showcased the ability of a few wealthy donors to sustain underdog candidates such as former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum and former House Speaker Newt Gingrich.

Conservative donor Foster Friess, who almost singlehandedly bankrolled Santorum's super PAC in 2012, predicted an extended campaign this time because of the quality of the candidates.

"I don't expect a clear leader to emerge until after South Carolina," said Friess.

A compressed voting calendar, as well as natural geographic advantages for some candidates later on, also offers an incentive for some Republican candidates to stay in longer.

Several Southern states, including delegate-rich Texas, are expected to hold their elections March 1, when delegates will be awarded to candidates proportionally. At least three likely competitors have strong ties to Texas — its senator, Ted Cruz; the state's former governor, Rick Perry; and Bush, brother of the former governor and president.

Both Rubio and Bush have won statewide office in Florida, which is expected to hold its primary March 15, the first day that states can host winner-take-all contests. The final primaries or caucuses must be held by June 3, with a Republican presidential nominating convention set for July 18.

Candidates need to win early to show they can go the distance, said Phil Cox, executive director for a super PAC backing New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie. Still, he said, there is less incentive for candidates to drop out early than in the past.

Even Republicans in early states acknowledge the shifting landscape. But they warned candidates not to take those states too lightly.

Candidates who think they can just survive the early rounds and fight through the slog will be following "a really risky strategy without precedent," said Fergus Cullen, former New Hampshire GOP chairman. "A win here is going to mean something."

Cruz

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on election day is not just the activists. It's people who are not ideological," said Andrew Smith, director of the University of New Hampshire Survey Center.

They don't show up at rallies or follow politics day by day. In a January-February statewide poll, Cruz scored a 37 percent favorability rating among Republicans — trailing seven other potential candidates — while 24 percent viewed him unfavorably.

At the moment, Cruz faces a familiar trajectory.

"When Cruz first started coming to Iowa, he was a rock star," said Robinson. "He still gets conservative audiences fired up, but I'm not sure how that will translate to actual support."

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Bergdahl charges stoke fresh criticism of prisoner swap

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The tough military charges against Army Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl have revived the questions and controversy surrounding President Barack Obama's decision to swap five Taliban detainees to secure his release, as well as the wisdom of the White House fanfare that followed.

Bergdahl, who abandoned his post in Afghanistan and was held captive by the Taliban, was charged Wednesday with desertion and misbehavior before the enemy. The latter charge as it applies to Bergdahl carries a sentence of life in prison. If convicted on either charge, he could also be dishonorably discharged, reduced in rank and have to forfeit all pay.

Republicans cast the charges as validation of their fierce opposition to Obama's prisoner swap, which the GOP and some Democrats have long criticized as politically motivated and a flagrant violation of U.S. policy against negotiating with terrorists.

Raising the stakes, the Republican-led House Oversight panel sent a letter to the White House late Thursday requesting "all intelligence, reports and assessments" regarding Bergdahl's disappearance from his unit, his captivity and the exchange.

Lawmakers were furious that Obama authorized the detainees' release from the U.S. prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, without consulting Congress, despite federal law requiring him to do so.

"Today's announcement is the exclamation point on the bad deal the Obama administration cut to free five terrorist killers in its rush to empty the prison at Guantanamo Bay," Rep. Ed Royce of California, the chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said Wednesday.

Sen. Roger Wicker, R-Miss., a member of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the charges were sure to "raise doubts in the mind of the average American" about the initial trade for Bergdahl.

Bergdahl's attorney, Eugene Fidell, did not respond to a request for comment from The Associated Press. He told MSNBC that an upcoming hearing would result in much more information about the sergeant's situation.

"I think at that hearing people will learn many things that they have not yet been privy to, about Sgt. Bergdahl's conduct, his motivation, his intentions, as well as the details of his captivity at the hands of the Taliban for nearly five years," Fidell said.

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The Bible reveals that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds greeted him by waving palm branches and covering his path with palm branches. Immediately following this great time of celebration in the ministry of Jesus, he begins his journey to the cross.

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■ Sunburst USA Beauty Pageant, 1 p.m., Midland Park Mall. sunburst-beauty.com.

■ Live on Stage: The Diamonds, 2:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Monday

■ Basin PBS Community Cinema "The Homestretch," 7 p.m., Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. basinpbs.org.

Tuesday

■ Merle Haggard, 8 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagner-noel.com.

Support groups today

■ Overeaters Anonymous, 4:30 p.m., B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7866.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

Community calendar

■ The city of Midland's Parks and Recreation Department will kick off the Midland RockHounds' upcoming season with Major League Baseball's Pitch, Hit and Run skills competition.

Children between the ages of 7 and 14 are invited to the free event from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday at Security Bank Ballpark, 5514 Champions Drive.

For more information, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 685-7355 or contact Recreation Superintendent Joey Jolly by email at jajolly@midlandtexas.gov.

■ West Texas Iris Society is to meet 7 p.m. Thursday at Community & Senior Services Center, 3301 Sinclair Ave. The program is on iris arrangements for shows.

In addition, there are two iris shows in April: The West Texas Iris Society's 37th annual show is April 18 at Midland Park Mall and the Permian Basin Iris Society's 27th annual show is April 25 at Music City Mall in Odessa. Public viewing for both shows is 12:30-4:30 p.m. The Midland show is outside JCPenney and the Odessa show is at the movie theater entrance.

For more information: call 352-5483.

■ New Beginnings, a new cancer support group, will be meeting 8:30 a.m. the first and third Thursday of the month beginning Thursday. The group will meet at Texas Oncology - Allison Cancer Center, 400 Rosalind Redfern Grover Parkway, Suite 100.

Meeting topics include mental well-being, nutrition, financial well-ness, spiritual comfort and relaxation techniques.

For more information, or to register for the group, contact Fatima at 218-8714 or fatima@giftsofhopemidland.org.

City to host free Easter egg hunt for kids

The public is invited to participate in a free egg hunt on Thursday at the city of Midland Parks and Recreation Division's Easter Egg Eggstravaganza.

The community Easter egg hunt will take place for a second year at the MLK Jr. Park (1415 E. Scharbauer Drive, next to the MLK Jr. Community Center) starting at 5:30 p.m. The event is open to participants 12 years old and under. The hunt will be divided into four age groups: 4 years old and under, 5-7 years old, 8-10 years old and 11-12 years old.

For any questions please contact Joey Jolly at 685-7379 or jajolly@midlandtexas.gov.

Watering schedule

The current outdoor watering schedule allows residents and businesses in the city of Midland to water twice per week.

Even numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Odd numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Tuesdays from 6 p.m. until midnight.

Any violation may result in a fine up to $500.

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Source: City of Midland

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 3-4-5
Pick 3 day: 2-9-7
Pick 3 evening: 9-7-8
Pick 3 night: 4-9-1
Daily 4 morning: 2-3-6-4
Daily 4 day: 8-5-2-2
Daily 4 evening: 0-4-1-2
Daily 4 night: 1-2-4-5
Cash Five: 6-7-8-25-37
Lotto Texas: 5-23-27-40-43-50
Powerball: 2-4-6-12-38 PB: 17
Power Play: 3
All or Nothing morning: 1-5-8-10-12-14-15-16-18-20-21-24
All or Nothing day: 1-2-3-4-7-9-15-16-17-18-20-21
All or Nothing evening: 1-3-4-5-7-14-15-16-17-18-21-24
All or Nothing night: 3-4-7-8-9-10-11-12-16-19-21-24

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

The Midland Chamber of Commerce hosted the State of Education luncheon Wednesday with a panel discussion featuring Rick Davis, MISD board of trustees; Tim Leach, with Concho Resources; moderator Laura Roman; Clarence Scharbauer III, Scharbauer Foundation; and Susan Spratlen, Pioneer Natural Resources.

OPPORTUNITY

From 1A

is no two communities are the same. What's good for a community in south Texas might not be good for Midland due to industry or workforce goals. What is right for a Houston or metroplex suburb might not be right for Midland due to demographics.

When Midlanders passed the largest bond issue in November 2012 to upgrade elementary school facilities, they didn't do so because of a comparison to another community. Midlanders responded with a lopsided affirmative vote because of a need in Midland.

Midlanders should be ready to say what happened in the past is exactly that — ancient history. We are not going to convince a community into making a difference by shaming them with a voting record that is less than stellar.

Those wanting change also have to be patient. Midland ISD took decades to get where it is today. That can't be fixed in one or two years. Another point mentioned Wednesday: the consortium and community will move at the "speed of trust." This community can't ask for anything more.

This opportunity is a gut check for a community. The consortium brings about the best chance to make a difference in a long time, and if these difference-makers can't connect with the community, it probably won't happen. Today is not five, 10 or 20 years ago. Anyone who looked at Friday's Reporter-Telegram knows the city's growing, and what appears to be the largest demographic of those moving to Midland is young adults. Many come from areas where they have seen better public school districts than what Midland has to offer. As Leach said, education is the No. 1 priority of young people when deciding on a place to raise a family.

Combine that business expertise with the institutional knowledge represented with the foundations, and we see the possibility to get things done. Like Clarence Scharbauer III of the Scharbauer Foundation said, when this community needed a hospital, look what we did. When we needed Midland College, look what we did.

There will be a time to talk about needs, tax rates and the plan the consortium will put before the community for its blessing. We don't see reasons for Midlanders to be pessimistic. We agree with Leach who said those looking to make the price of oil an excuse should get over it: "The bust will not kill us. We will kill ourselves."

The opportunity for a better school district will present itself soon enough. Our expectation is that this plan will inspire Midlanders to react differently than they have in the past. The plan will provide the motivation to see education through a new lens and know the school district that's right for Midland is within our grasps.

Asking for anything else is more of the same, and, right now, Midland can do better than that.

HOTEL

From 1A

Developers have also pondered a slight alteration to the hotel name. Developers decided to eliminate "No. 1" from the title but are still debating on a final name, weighing the inclusion or exclusion of "The" in the name, and if "Hotel" should be the first or the last word.

But one notable change is that the underground parking is now a four-story, above-ground garage with 359 spaces on the western side of the development, encompassing the entire North Colorado Street block from West Wall Street to West Texas Avenue.

The ground floor of the parking garage building will not entirely be parking but will also include office and retail space, Watson said. A garage entrance ramp from Wall Street has a 12 percent slope, leading to the second level of the garage building.

"The reason that we go up 20 feet is so that each level of parking works with the levels of the hotel and the public spaces," said Tim Blonkvist, founding principal of Overland Partners. "So you can come up and go across directly into the ballroom area, the athletic club area or the pool deck area."

The developers also matched the facade of the parking garage with the hotel's brick outdoor design, making the establishment less like a parking garage and more like an actual building. The design choice also matches the various downtown buildings that have also chosen brick and mortar, including Luigi's and Centennial Tower.

To explain the switch from underground to above-ground parking, Blonkvist said Tuesday that the underground water table was one concern the team had with an underground parking garage. The team found out about the water table through feedback from another downtown building owner who told them why it's not a good idea to build below ground in Midland.

Spreading out the underground parking garage's size, and therefore potentially encroaching into public property, was another concern. Initially, this wasn't a concern back when the city was going to financially support the underground parking.

"When the city basically backed out and said they're not going to give money toward parking and find parking elsewhere for Midland Center, then it started raising questions about our parking being built in land that we didn't own," Blonkvist said.

And the third reason for the switch to above-ground parking, which ties into the development's effort to make Santa Rita Hotel and the adjoining Centennial Plaza as green as possible, is so that plants can be planted at the ground level. If the project kept the underground parking, the plants would have had to be elevated so that there would be enough soil depth without encroaching into the parking garage.

Commenting on why the residential aspect of the hotel was removed, Blonkvist said the team has been researching the housing scene downtown now that Wall Street Lofts is open. The team found out that people in the lofts are being more attracted to a two-bedroom option, and lofts developers are interested in creating a second phase at another downtown location.

"Housing has come downtown. We love that and want that to happen," Blonkvist said. "And if it wasn't happening, we would feel compelled to want to do it in our project. But since others are taking the opportunity to do that around us, what we want to do is provide more of the amenities that they aren't providing. So it would be a thing where we support them and they support us."

Another consideration the team had when removing housing was parking. If residents lived in the development, then that would mean parking space would be occupied by tenants at night, Blonkvist said. Removing the housing opens up the parking space for special or nightly events.

Looking at conceptual renderings and watching the presentation, the hotel emphasizes not just Permian Basin brown and black color schemes but also green, from the plants strewn all over to the energy-efficient building cooling methods. Blonkvist said he heard comments from people the first time they conducted a public meeting about the project, and one of the concerns was keeping the trees in Centennial Plaza.

Ever since publicly introducing the project in December, the developers have gathered feedback on the project, including the importance of keeping the greenery and public space, building the parking above ground to avoid the underground water table and making the hotel more accommodating for special events such as weddings.

Blonkvist and Watson noted how one person commented in a newspaper op-ed that the hotel was like something from Austin, and they said it was a fair statement. In response, they wanted to redesign the hotel to make it more Midland-like.

When the development team visited the Reporter-Telegram on Tuesday, Watson reiterated how this project is really meant for Midlanders and not just one economic demographic. He made clear that this project is not meant to have an air of pretentiousness and will have amenities that target everyone.

Blonkvist and Watson also commented on how OGX Resources' Kip Agar and Richard Coats, the local financial backing for the project, have stayed committed to the project through revisions and knowing the fact the city still owns the courthouse.

"We're dealing with people that are very interested in making this city better, and they realize the importance that a project like this has for transformation, right in the heart of the city," Blonkvist said. "They're thinking long term."

Once developers acquire the old courthouse property, the developers' goal is to get the financing and final design work together to start construction within the first half of 2016, Blonkvist said. Construction will then take 24 months.

In other words, the grand opening of Santa Rita Hotel is at least three years away.

Courtesy rendering

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TAILGATE

From 1A

back of their trucks. Some folks baked in the sun while reclining in chaise-lounges. Others enjoyed themselves while tending to the meat cooking in the giant smokers while the game itself droned on behind. Everyone's menu was identical: ribs.

But even when the game ended and the stadium's grandstands cleared, the party persisted. The Lubbock-based Tailgate Express company — a tailgating service that hauls out all tailgating necessities, like power generators, satellite TVs and, of course, beer — helped fuel the festivities into the late afternoon.

"It's a turnkey tailgating service — you show up and we'll have everything set up for you," said Tailgate Express owner John English. Currently, the service is present at all Tech games, home and away, and has begun expanding its service to Texas Rangers baseball games. The Midland turnout, English said, easily matches what the spring games bring in Lubbock — proof that the Permian Basin is well within Red Raider territory.

"We had a better rotation than we did at Texas Tech," English said. "I think that the turnout was about the same as what we see in Lubbock during the spring game."

Odessan Cesar Bravo brought his 6-foot homemade smoker emblazoned with Texas Tech emblems. Bravo recounted previous years when he was able to make, on average, five games a season, towing his smoker to away games as far as Austin. Now, parenthood keeps his attendance down to two games a season.

Currently, Texas Tech and local Midland boosters are working to make Midland the spring game's permanent home. Tailgating might become a tradition to be had here at home.

More online

Head over to mrt.com to see more photos of the festivities and user-submitted photos.

Meerkat vs. Periscope: Live-streaming app battle & buzz

By Barbara Ortutay
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Download Periscope, Twitter's just-launched live video-streaming app, and you'll find people broadcasting all sorts of mundane stuff: waiting for AT&T to fix their wiring, getting out of bed in Silicon Valley, looking outside their office window in Chicago.

Watch the videos, and you might ask yourself, is this really the next big thing?

It could be. Check back in a few months, and you'll likely see much more enticing content. After all, the first tweet, sent by co-founder Jack Dorsey in 2006, simply said "just setting up my twttr." Now nearly 300 million people tweet photos and messages every month for work, play and social commentary.

Twitter bought the company behind Periscope earlier this year for a reported $100 million. The launch comes on the heels of rival Meerkat's breakout at the South By Southwest Interactive tech gathering in Texas. The simple app allows people to live stream anything at the touch of a button and dominated conversations at the festival. The app used to let users automatically tweet live streams too, but since buying Periscope, Twitter limited Meerkat's access.

Meerkat, rightfully worried about becoming second fiddle so quickly, announced Thursday that it scored an additional $14 million in venture capital funding.

Here are a few things to know about the emerging trend of live video streaming.

Why now?

Meerkat and Periscope are not the first live-streaming apps by any means. But they are emerging as more people are shooting video with smartphones and sharing their experiences on Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram and a slew of other platforms. And when it comes to business marketing, smaller, emerging services might be more effective than getting lost in the shuffle on big social networks, according to Forrester Research.

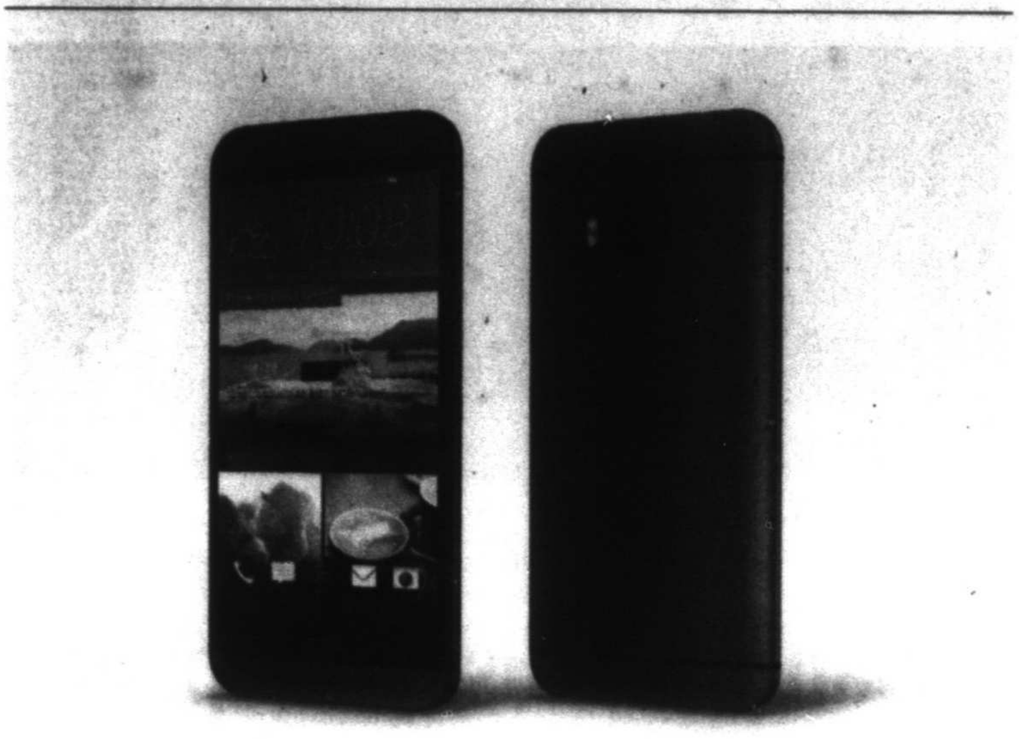
"Marketers who prioritize investments in Facebook and Twitter's over-fished waters are missing a big opportunity to engage with customers on smaller social networks with emerging platforms like video," Forrester's James McQuivey and Julie Ask recently wrote.

Meerkat vs. Periscope

Meerkat was one of the big surprise hits of SXSW earlier this month. The app initially let users automatically tweet live streams to their followers, but that came to a halt after Twitter acquired Periscope and limited Meerkat's access to its service. While the two have many similarities, the automatic linking with Twitter followers gives Periscope a big leg up.

Other differences: Meerkat streams are public-only and live-only. Periscope lets users limit who can see their broadcasts and offers viewers the opportunity to send heart icons to streamers, akin to Facebook's "Like" button. Video streams also can be saved to replay later.

Neither app works without Twitter — you'll need an account to get started. Facebook, so far, has been silent on this front.



Associated Press

The front and rear view of the HTC One M9 smartphone is shown: Advance orders for the new HTC One began Friday and those customers might receive their phones before April 10.

New Samsung, HTC phones coming April 10 in US

Associated Press

NEW YORK — New phones from Samsung and HTC will be available in U.S. stores starting April 10.

Advance orders for the new HTC One begin Friday, and those customers might receive their phones before April 10. Orders for Samsung's Galaxy S6 phones start Friday as well, with delivery expected around April 10.

Phone sizes won't change. HTC is largely keeping the same design, but improving the camera and personalizing the home screen based on your location. It also promises to replace the phone once if you smash or crack it. Samsung is swapping its plastic back cover for more stylish metal and glass to better compete with the iPhone. It also improved the camera and software interface.

Prices will vary by carrier. No-contract versions generally start at about $650, in line with the iPhone and other high-end devices.

At AT&T, prices for the Galaxy S6 start at $685, paid in installments. A higher-end Edge model, with a display that curves on the both sides, starts at $815. The no-contract price for the HTC One is $709.

T-Mobile's prices work out to $680 for the S6, $780 for the S6 Edge and $650 for the HTC One.

Sprint will lease the S6 phone for free and the S6 Edge for $5 a month to those opting for an $80-a-month Unlimited Plus plan. After two years, though, customers must pay the balance or continue a leasing plan, which costs $20 a month for the S 6 and $25 for the Edge. Without a lease, customers pay $650 for the S6 through Sprint's Boost Mobile prepaid service. Sprint is leasing the HTC One phone for $20 a month.

Holy Week 2015
St. Ann's Catholic Church Midland, TX

Palm Sunday
Saturday, March 28
Mass at 5:00 pm
Sunday, March 29
Masses at 8:30 am, 10:45 am, 1:00 pm(Spanish), and 5:00 pm

Lenten Penance Service
Tuesday, March 31
Confessions beginning at 7:00 pm
(visiting priests available)

Holy Thursday
Thursday, April 2
Mass at 7:00 pm
Washing of Feet
Presentation of Sacred Oils
The Lord's Supper and Adoration

Good Friday
Friday, April 3
Stations of the Cross at 12:00 pm
Good Friday Liturgy at 7:00 pm
Liturgy of the Word
Veneration of the Cross
Holy Communion

Holy Saturday
Saturday, April 4
Easter Vigil at 8:00 pm
First Mass of the Resurrection

Easter Sunday
Sunday, April 5
Masses at 8:30 am, 10:45 am, 1:00 pm(Spanish), and 5:00 pm

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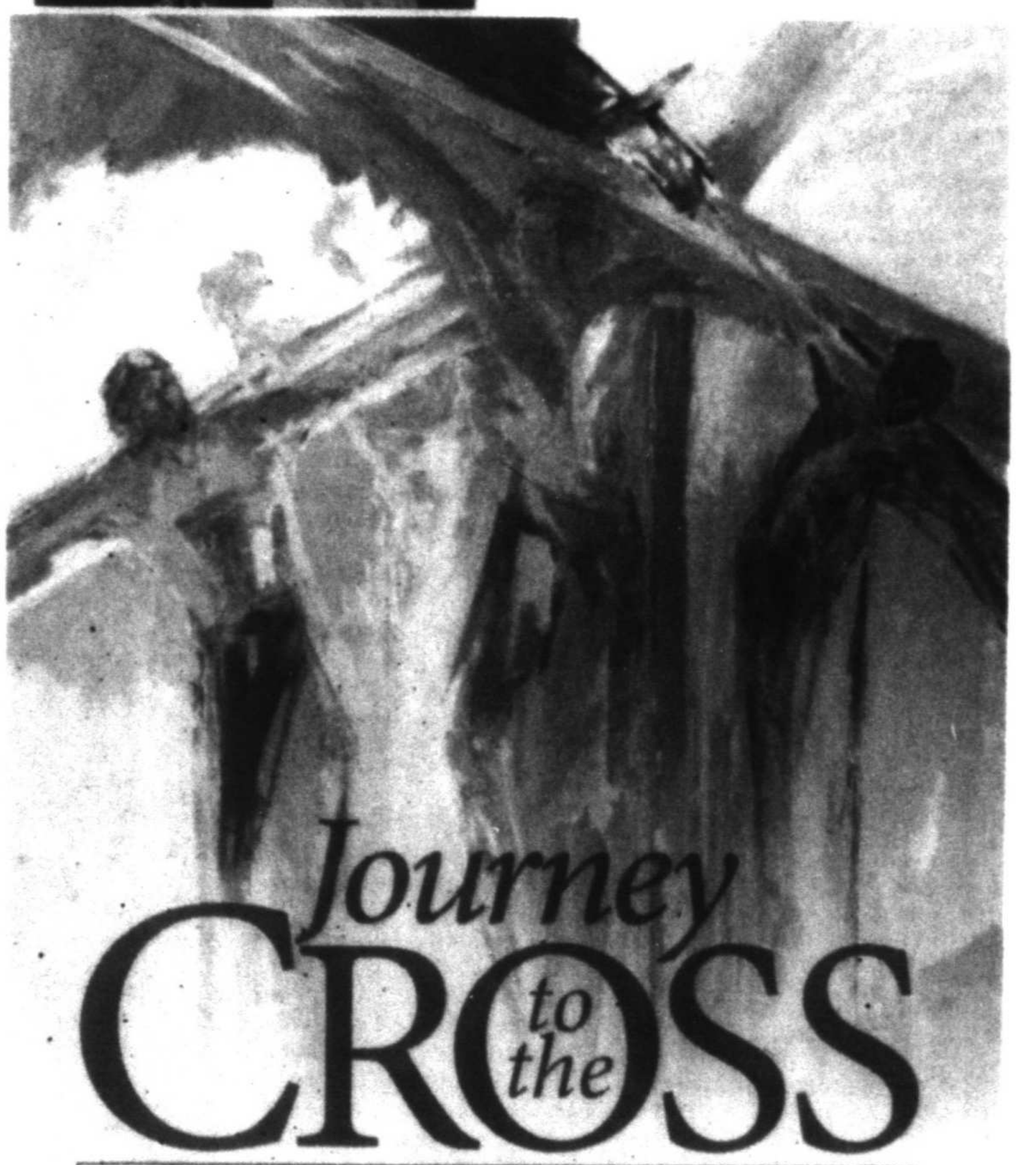

Journey to the CROSS
HOLY WEEK 2015

Palm/Passion Sunday, March 29
8:15 am Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Combined Bridge and Sanctuary Worship in the Sanctuary
5:30 pm Children's Spring Concert, *Fat, Fat Jehoshaphat* in the Sanctuary

Maundy Thursday, April 2
6:30 pm Worship in the Sanctuary

Good Friday, April 3
6:30 pm Worship in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 5
8:15 pm Traditional Worship in Sanctuary with Communion
No Sunday School
10:00 am Family Easter Celebration in the Bridge and Easter Egg hunt on the west playground
11:00 am Traditional Worship in Sanctuary with Communion
11:00 am The Bridge in Lynn Hall with Communion

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A Lufthansa Airlines pilot holds the brim of his cap Feb. 22, 2010, at the airport in Frankfurt, Germany. Carsten Spohr, CEO Lufthansa — the parent company of Germanwings — says his pilots undergo yearly medical examination but that doesn't include psychological tests.

Mentally stable at 38,000 feet: Can you trust your pilot?

By Scott Mayerowitz
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Airline pilots are supposed to be the ones we trust.

They greet us at the door of the plane in their crisp, military-style uniforms, then welcome us aboard with that familiar soothing drawl over the PA system as we buckle ourselves in. When there's turbulence, they offer reassurance. And when the plane safely touches down, they invite us to fly with them again.

Now, that feeling of security has taken a hit.

Investigators say the co-pilot of a Germanwings airliner locked the pilot out of the cockpit and deliberately crashed the jet in the French Alps, killing all 150 people aboard.

"In the near term, pilots will be looked at with a bit more suspicion," said former US Airways pilot John M. Cox, now CEO of the consulting firm Safety Operating Systems. "This rogue pilot is not the first one and sadly will not be the last one."

Since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, aviation security has focused on protecting pilots from passengers — not the other way around. Fliers are screened for guns and explosives, but some pilots are allowed to carry their own weapons. Also, pilots might undergo mental health screenings when hired, but once they are on the job there is very little renewed testing.

"Right now, I don't think there's anyone who isn't worried," said Steve Serdachny, an airline passenger on his way from Toronto to Moscow, via Helsinki. "Flying is a safe form of transport, but you can't stop crazy. If someone decides to act in a crazy manner, there's nothing anyone can do about it."

Passenger confidence will probably be rebuilt over time. Last year, airlines flew 3.7 billion passengers worldwide; 641 died in crashes. And this isn't the first time a rogue pilot killed everyone aboard.

Previous cases included a Japan Airlines flight in 1982, a SilkAir disaster in 1997 and an EgyptAir crash in 1999. Aviation experts believe all those tragedies were pilot suicides. More recently, a preliminary investigation into a November 2013 flight from Mozambique suggests the pilot locked the co-pilot out of the cockpit and then deliberately crashed the jet.

Then there is Malaysia Airlines Flight 370, whose disappearance a year ago remains one of aviation's greatest mysteries. A leading theory is that one of the pilots intentionally crashed the jet in a remote stretch of ocean.

Mental health screening of pilots varies by airline and country. In the U.S., the largest aviation market in the world, pilots are required to pass a physical exam annually or every six months, depending on their age. They are required to disclose all existing physical and psychological conditions and medications or face fines of up to $250,000.

The Federal Aviation Administration says doctors are supposed to ask mental health questions as part of the exam, but several pilots have told The Associated Press they were not specifically questioned about such things.

"They check your eyes, your ears, your heart — all the things that start going bad when you get older. But they don't do anything for your head," said Bob Kudwa, a former American Airlines pilot.

Carsten Spohr, CEO of Lufthansa, the parent company of Germanwings, said psychological tests are not part of his pilots' yearly medical exams.

"No system in the world can rule out such an isolated event," Spohr said.

Andreas Lubitz, the 27-year-old co-pilot of Tuesday's Germanwings flight, underwent his last regular security check on Jan. 27. Nothing unusual was noted.

A French prosecutor said there is no indication the crash was terrorism, and investigators are instead focusing on Lubitz's personal and professional life.

"One person can't have the right to end the lives of hundreds of people and families," said Esteban Rodriguez, a Spanish factory worker who lost two friends in the crash.

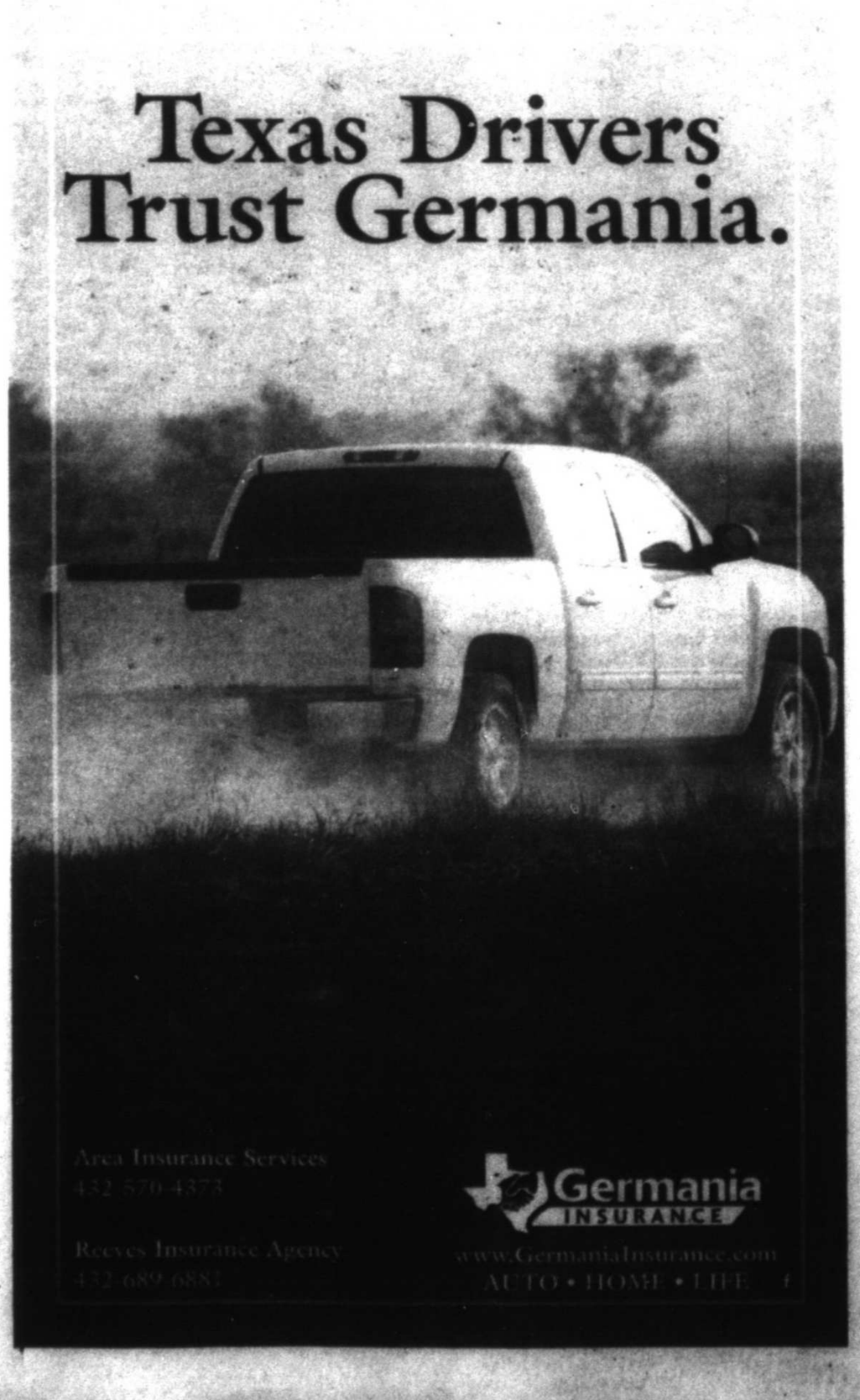
Passengers have always had a special relationship with pilots.

As airlines developed in the early 1930s, a lot of thought was given to ways to reassure jittery fliers. Pilots were given white hats and navy blue, double-breasted jackets. Stripes on their sleeves and cuffs signified rank. The uniform — along with titles of captain and first officer — were borrowed from the ocean liners of the day.

Pilots routinely introduce themselves to the passengers over the PA before takeoff. Travelers rarely hear such greetings from bus drivers, train engineers or ferry captains.

To enjoy their trip, fliers need to ignore the fact that they are in a pressurized aluminum tube, loaded with thousands of pounds of highly flammable fuel, racing through the air at 500 mph and an altitude of perhaps 40,000 feet. It is part of the pilot's job to assure the passengers they are safe.

"Not only do I have to convince myself of that," Cox said, "but I have to convince you to strap into the seat behind me."



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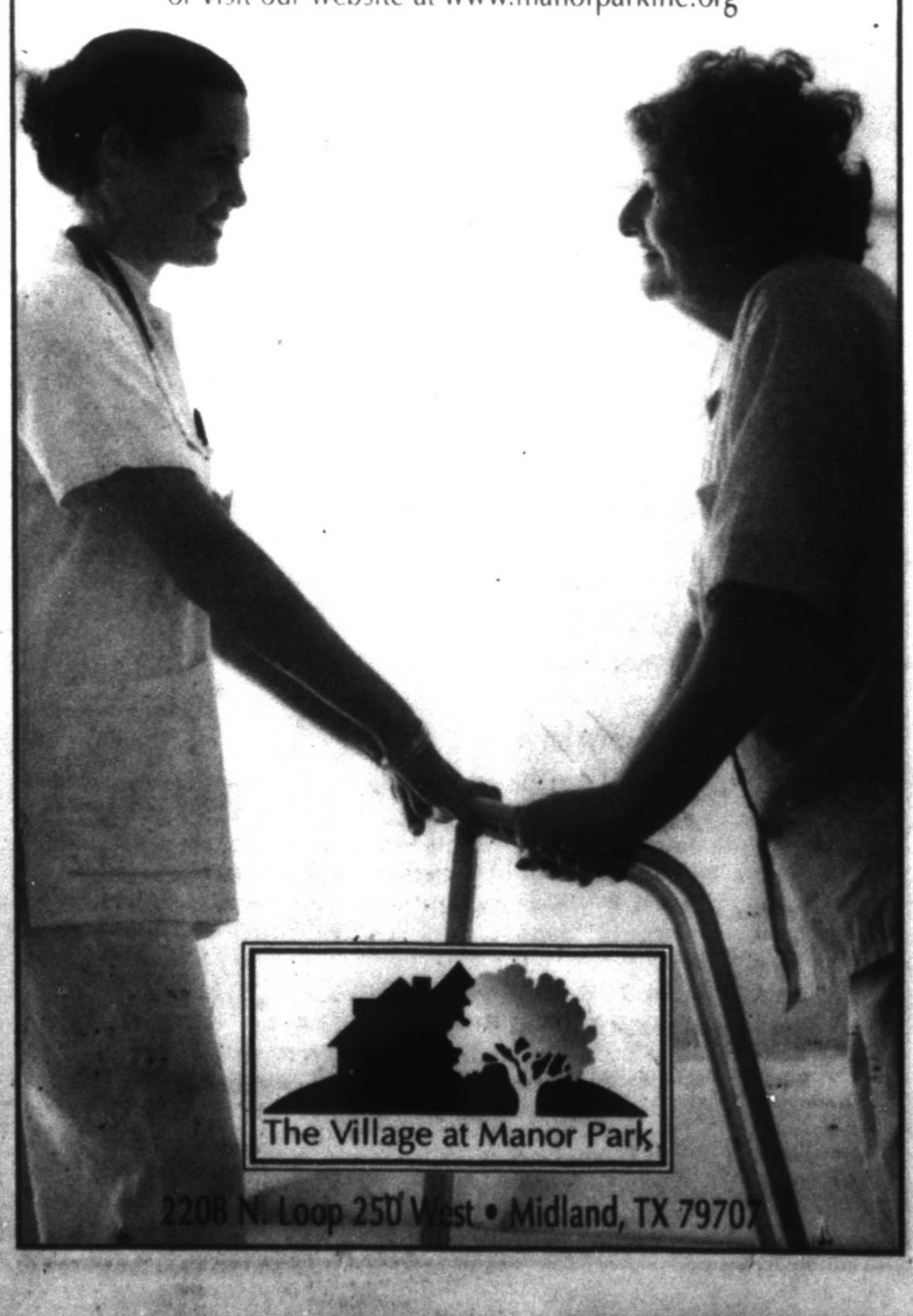

Bird flu found in a top Minnesota turkey producing county

By Steve Karnowski
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — An outbreak of a deadly bird flu strain spread to one of the top poultry producing counties of the nation's top turkey producing state of Minnesota, government officials confirmed on Saturday, raising fears that the that the highly contagious disease could seriously damage the industry.

The highly pathogenic H5N2 strain of avian influenza has infected a third turkey farm in the state, this time a commercial flock of 39,000 birds in Stearns county in central Minnesota. The county is No. 2 in turkey production in Minnesota and is also one of the state's top chicken and egg producers.

State Veterinarian Bill Hartmann said one of the four barns at the Stearns County farm was infected and that many turkeys in it had already died. As is standard procedure, the farm has been quarantined and the remaining birds will be killed. The discovery followed the infections of two other farms in Pope and Lac qui Parle counties of western Minnesota, which have killed thousands of turkeys.

"This is obviously a huge concern to the industry. We are very worried because of the increased turkey production in this specific area," state Agriculture Commissioner Dave Frederickson said.

Hartmann said there is no apparent connection between this flock and the previous two but investigations continue.

The announcement came one day after authorities announced the outbreak at the Lac qui Parle County farm, where the virus quickly killed 22,000 turkeys in one barn. That farm had to kill 44,000 birds in two other barns.

AP file photo

Turkeys are photographed Nov. 2, 2005, at a turkey farm near Sauk Centre, Minn. A dangerous strain of avian influenza has turned up at farms in Minnesota, Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas and several western states. Authorities are trying to determine how the commercial poultry flocks became infected.

Scientists consider wild migratory waterfowl to be a natural reservoir for avian influenza. While they don't generally get sick from flu viruses, they can spread them through their droppings, and farm workers and rodents can track the virus into poultry barns. But top researchers say they don't know how the virus got to Minnesota or how it got into the closed barns.

The confirmation at the Pope County farm on March 5 marked the first detection of H5N2 in the Mississippi Flyway, a major wild bird migration route. H5N2 was also found within the next several days in commercial and backyard flocks in Arkansas, Missouri and Kansas. The same strain also has turned up in several western states in the Pacific Flyway.

More than 40 countries have banned poultry imports from Minnesota since the virus was first detected in the state. Frederickson urged poultry producers in Stearns County and elsewhere to do everything possible to increase their biosecurity.

"This industry is so important to the economy of Minnesota. ... It is so important for all of us to continue to reassure our trading partners that our products are indeed safe," he said.

State Health Commissioner Ed Ehlinger reiterated that this H5N2 virus poses no threat to the general public and raises no food safety concerns, but farm workers who've had contact with the infected flocks will be monitored.

Hartmann said officials were counting up how many flocks are located within the 10-kilometer-radius restricted zone around the Stearns County farm. He said all flocks within that circle are under quarantine and will be tested. Farms in a ring extending 10 kilometers farther out will be notified and asked to watch for any increased mortality in their flocks.

It's not clear why only turkey farms have been affected in Minnesota because chickens can get the disease too, Hartmann said.

Hartmann said he didn't know where this farm's turkeys normally go. The Lac qui Parle County farm supplied Jennie-O Turley Store, but a company statement Saturday said the Stearns County farm did not. The Pope County farm was a breeding operation.

Transgender woman challenges treatment at mental health facility

By Elyssa Cherney
Orlando Sentinel

ORLANDO, Fla.—After recovering from a suicide attempt, prominent transgender performer Danielle Hunter wasn't ready to leave the hospital.

The 48-year-old had checked into a mental-health facility run by Aspire Health Partners on Tuesday seeking supervision and support. Instead, she said, she was removed from her room, had to sleep on a cot in a common area and was told there would be space for her in a room designated for men.

"Being transgender comes along with its own psychological issues," Hunter said by phone Friday. "It's not that we're special or any different than anyone else, but we should be able to be treated like any other human."

Equality Florida, a legal-advocacy group for LGBT people, is helping to move Hunter to another facility, according to Gina Duncan, director of transgender inclusion. Hunter is focused on getting better now but said she wants people to know that she believes she was mistreated because of her gender identity.

A spokesman for Aspire, formerly Lakeside Behavioral Healthcare, said the private nonprofit is formally reviewing the incident and will provide training to its employees to ensure that procedures for room assignments are followed.

Todd Dixon of Aspire's media and government-relations department said he could not comment specifically on Hunter because of patient-confidentiality laws. Generally, he said, policy allows transgender patients to have their own room if space is available.

But the facility — which has four adult units with 116 beds — is frequently at capacity, Dixon said. When that happens, transgender patients are given the choice of sleeping in a common area under nurses' supervision or being placed in a room based on their "biological" gender. If a transgender patient has undergone gender-reassignment surgery, the person is placed in a room based on gender identity.

On Wednesday evening, when Hunter slept on a cot in a common area, there were no empty rooms, Dixon said.

It is difficult accommodating transgender patients given capacity problems and patient liability, he said. For example, Aspire must accept patients to its crisis-stabilization units even if there are no beds available. Pending legislation in Tallahassee that would criminalize using the wrong bathroom could make things harder for Aspire, Dixon said.

"We are all struggling with developing the appropriate process to handling situations like this, and we are more than open to working with our community partners," he said.

The proposed bathroom bill complicates things further because patients at Aspire use the facilities they feel most comfortable with, Dixon said. Transgender activists and allies oppose the proposed measure, which they say unfairly targets their community. But Aspire would be bound to follow the law even if its top administrators don't agree with it.

To make all patients most comfortable, Aspire staff is given training that deals with the LGBT community during new-employee orientation and at other points in their career, Dixon said. Aspire is also partnered with the Orlando-based Zebra Coalition, an organization that helps LGBT youth.

Still, basing the room-assignment policy on a surgical procedure is misguided, said Duncan of Equality Florida. It's a bad idea because many transgender people do not choose to have gender-reassignment surgery, she said.

"It's not about your physical being, it's about your gender identity," she said. "Many people in the transgender community, whether it's due to family circumstances or work circumstances, aren't able to do all the surgery involved with being transgender, but they are presenting as females."

Hunter, who has identified as a woman for more than 20 years, changed her legal name, dresses like a woman and has taken hormones, but she has not had genital surgery. At Aspire, she said she was at first told to sleep on the floor and then given the option of moving to a man's room the next night.

Within the Orlando LGBT community, Hunter is well-known, having performed during the past 15 years at popular venues including Bananas Modern Diner and Funky Monkey Wine Co., and is a frequent Dolly Parton impersonator.

"If somebody as high-profile as Danielle Hunter can be treated in such a miserable fashion, it reminds us there's still a lot work to be done," Duncan said.

Colleges exiting health insurance business

Associated Press

SEATTLE — The federal health care overhaul is leading some colleges and universities to get out of the health insurance business.

Experts are divided on whether this change will be good or bad for students. Some call it an inevitable result of health care reform and a money-saver for students since insurance in the marketplace is usually cheaper than the college plans. Others worry that more students will go without health insurance since their premiums won't be folded into the lump sum they pay for school, and they say college health plans offer more coverage for the money than other options.

The main driver of colleges getting out of the insurance business is a provision in the Affordable Care Act that prevents students from using premium tax subsidies to purchase insurance from their college or university, according to Steven M. Bloom, director of federal relations for the American Council on Education, a Washington, D.C., group representing the presidents of U.S. colleges and universities.

Add to that the provision that allows young people to stay on their parent's health insurance plans until age 26, plus the expansion of Medicaid in some states and the rising cost of student insurance. The result is cheaper health insurance available for students off campus.

But Bloom worries more schools will decide to drop insurance coverage.

"I've heard of instances where schools are thinking about it, but they are reluctant, particularly in instances where states declined to expand Medicaid," Bloom said.

In some states, student plans are still cheaper than individual plans that can be purchased through the exchanges. And students who work part-time and are not on their parents' insurance often can get covered for free in states that expanded eligibility for Medicaid.

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Local forecast

The high temperature tonight could reach 90 degrees for the first time this calendar year. The national Weather Service has loaded the forecast with high temperatures in the 80s and higher than normal for this time of year all but one day in its seven-day forecast.

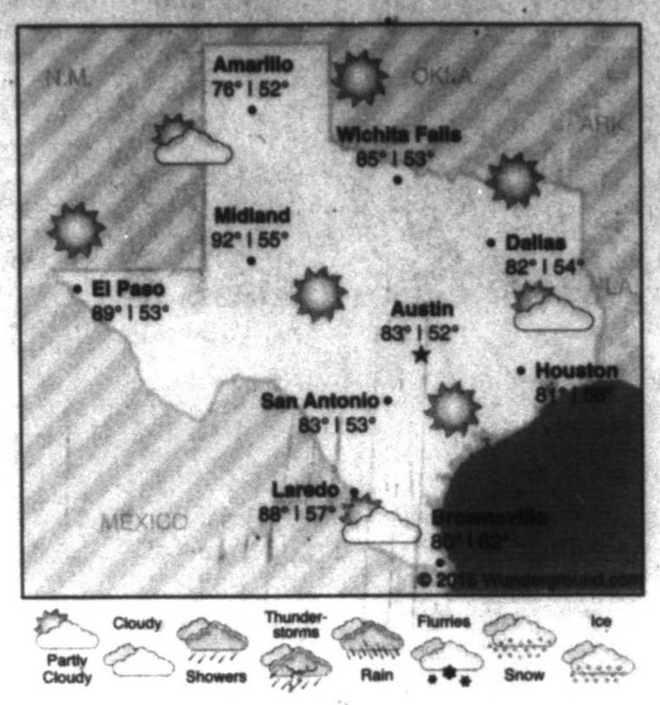
There is a chance of rain Monday night/Tuesday. The best shot is a 30 percent chance on Tuesday.

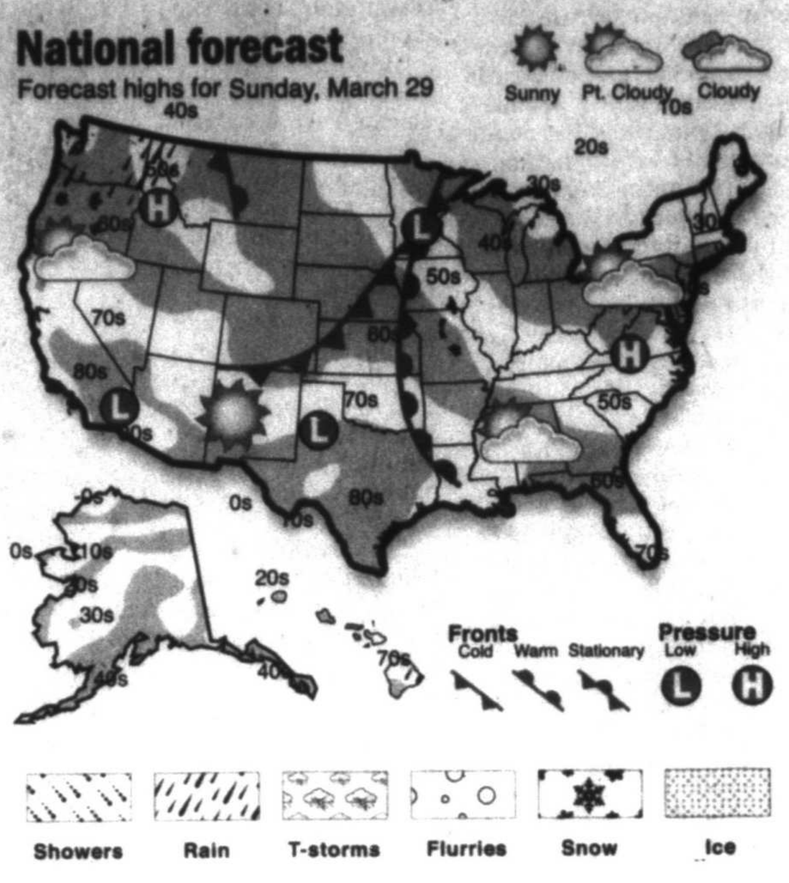
The high on Saturday reached 87, while the low dropped to 51. The record high for March 28 is 92 set in 1963. The record low is 19 set in 1931.

National forecast

Temperatures will begin to warm up in the Northeast today, but highs will still fall well short of normal. Although it will be cool, there will be sunshine across much of the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic. This sun will be protected by high pressure sitting over the Carolinas that and that has sunshine stretching down to the Gulf Coast.

Behind this chilly high a low-pressure system is moving through the Canadian prairies, as well as a line of rain and snow extending into the Northern Plains and Midwest by the afternoon. Snow showers will be expected across Minnesota, Wisconsin and Michigan with rain reaching as far south as Missouri.





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Saturday's temperatures

High	87
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Normal high	74
Normal low	44
Sunrise	7:41 a.m.
Sunset	8:06 p.m.

Gov. Brown signs $1 billion water plan for dry California

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. Jerry Brown signed legislation Friday that speeds up $1 billion in water infrastructure spending amid the worst drought in a generation, although much of the plan was drawn with future dry years in mind.

"This funding is just one piece of a much larger effort to help those most impacted by the drought and prepare the state for an uncertain future," Brown, a Democrat, said in a statement. But he added that no area of the state has rain in the forecast "and every Californian must be doing their utmost to conserve water."

The bills he signed, AB91 and AB92, will offer some aid to residents hurt by the drought, but the vast majority is expedited spending on water infrastructure. The projects will take months or even years to make a difference in California's vast water delivery system, which continues to struggle.

Nearly two-thirds, or $660 million, of the water package goes to shore up flood protection structures to prevent mudslides and sudden storms from overtaking communities. Voters first approved this spending in 2006 after Hurricane Katrina.

Another $267 million from a water measure approved at the ballot last year would help boost local water supplies. It would fund grants for water recycling programs and help small and poor cities provide drinking water by funding new wells and wastewater treatment facilities.

Lawmakers said they need to kick start water projects early, especially as fear mounts that California is in the middle of a long-term "megadrought."

"Part of it is about preparing for tomorrow and the continuing drought if it gets worse," Assembly Speaker Toni Atkins, D-San Diego, said after the vote Thursday.

PHOTO: Volunteers appeal to community members for donations Sept. 6, 2014, at the Porterville Water Challenge on Olive Street in Porterville, Calif. Several locals started their own water challenges to help East Porterville area residents whose well went dry for months. A plan to pump $1 billion of water spending into drought-stricken California cleared the Legislature on Thursday and was sent to Gov. Jerry Brown, who signed the legislation. ***AP file photo***

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Hundreds rally against Indiana law, say it's discriminatory

By Rick Callahan
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Hundreds of people, some carrying signs reading "no hate in our state," gathered Saturday outside the Indiana Statehouse for a boisterous rally against a new state law that opponents say could sanction discrimination against gay people.

Since Republican Gov. Mike Pence signed the bill into law Thursday, Indiana has been widely criticized by businesses and organizations around the nation, as well as on social media with the hashtag #BoycottIndiana. Local officials and business groups around the state hope to stem the fallout, although consumer review service Angie's List said Saturday that it is suspending a planned expansion in Indianapolis because of the new law.

The law's supporters contend discrimination claims are overblown and insist it will keep the government from compelling people to provide services they find objectionable on religious grounds. They also maintain that courts haven't allowed discrimination under similar laws covering the federal government and 19 other states.

But state Rep. Ed DeLaney, an Indianapolis Democrat, said Indiana's law goes further than those laws and opens the door to discrimination.

"This law does not openly allow discrimination, no; but what it does is create a road map, a path to discrimination," he told the crowd, which stretched across the south steps and lawn of the Statehouse. "Indiana's version of this law is not the same as that in other states. It adds all kinds of new stuff and it moves us further down the road to discrimination."

The measure, which takes effect in July, prohibits state laws that "substantially burden" a person's ability to follow his or her religious beliefs. The definition of "person" includes religious institutions, businesses and associations.

Angie's List had sought an $18.5 million incentive package from Indianapolis' City-County Council to add 1,000 jobs over five years. But founder and CEO Bill Oseterle said in a statement Saturday that the expansion was on hold "until we fully understand the implications of the freedom restoration act on our employees."

Saturday's crowd, for which police didn't have an exact estimate, chanted "Pence must go!" several times, and many people held signs like "I'm pretty sure God doesn't hate anyone" and "No hate in our state."

Zach Adamson, a Democrat on Indianapolis' City-County Council, said to cheers that the law has nothing to do with religious freedom but everything to do with discrimination.

"This isn't 1950 Alabama; it's 2015 Indiana," he told the crowd, adding that the law has brought embarrassment on the state.

Among those who attended the rally was Jennifer Fox, a 40-year-old from Indianapolis who was joined by her wife, Erin Fox, and their two boys, ages 5 and 8, and other relatives.

Fox said they married last June on the first day that same-sex marriage became legal in Indiana under a federal court ruling. She believed the religious objections law is a sort of reward to Republican lawmakers and their conservation Christian constituents who strongly opposed allowed the legalization of gay marriage in the state.

"I believe that's where this is coming from — to find ways to push their own agenda, which is not a religious agenda; it's aimed at a specific section of people," Fox said.

Although many Indianapolis businesses have expressed opposition to the law and support for gays and lesbians, Fox worried her family could be turned away from a restaurant or other business and that her sons would suffer emotionally.

"I certainly would not want them to think that there's something wrong with our family because we're a loving family," she said.

Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard, a Republican who opposed the law, said he and other city officials would be talking to many businesses and convention planners to counter the uproar the law has caused. "I'm more concerned about making sure that everyone knows they can come in here and feel welcome," Ballard said.

The Indianapolis-based NCAA has expressed concerns about the law and has suggested it could move future events elsewhere.

Doug McSchooler/AP

Thousands of opponents of Indiana Senate Bill 101, the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, gathered on the lawn of the Indiana State House to rally against that legislation Saturday. Indiana's law has been widely criticized by businesses and organizations around the country.

Dairy farmers asked to consider breeding no-horn cows

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Food manufacturers and restaurants are taking the dairy industry by the horns on an animal welfare issue that's long bothered activists but is little known to consumers: the painful removal of budding horn tissue from calves so farm workers or other animals don't get gored later.

It's routine to remove the horn tissue from young calves before it attaches to the skull, either by burning it out with heat or chemicals or digging it out with sharp instruments. While veterinary groups recommend pain treatment, only about 10 percent of calves are properly medicated, according to Vermont dairy cattle breeder Mark Rodgers.

Certain cows carry a dominant no-horn genetic trait, and are called polled cows. Research has shown it's cheaper to breed polled cattle than to dehorn cows, but experts said the dairy industry has been slow to expand polled genetics because it's been focused on boosting milk productivity. Yet, the change may come sooner than producers expected, as some of the nation's largest food companies, such as General Mills, Nestle and Dunkin' Brands, are asking dairy suppliers to incorporate polled cattle into their herds.

The beef industry already has largely adopted polled cattle. Less than 1 percent of the nation's dairy herds carry the hornless polled gene, but 10 times more polled animals have been registered with breeding programs in the past three years.

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Voters right to remember Clintons' past trials

■ A campaign by the former secretary of state sure to be a reminder of the not-so-great times

GEORGE WILL
Washington Post Writers Group

An abscess of anger seems to gnaw at Hillary Clinton, but the reasons for her resentments remain unclear. The world's oldest party, which governed the nation during two world wars and is the primary architect of America's regulatory and redistributive state, is eager to give her its presidential nomination, in recognition of ... what?

The party, adrift in identity politics, clings, as shipwrecked sailors do to floating debris, to this odd feminist heroine. Wafted into the upper reaches of American politics by stolid participation in her eventful marriage to a serial philanderer, her performance in governance has been defined by three failures.

Her husband, having assured the 1992 electorate that voting for him meant getting "two for the price of one," entrusted to her the project that he, in a harbinger of the next Democratic president's mistake, made his immediate priority -- health care reform. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan urged him to begin with welfare reform, just as wise Democrats wanted President Obama to devote 2009 to economic recovery rather than health care, perhaps sparing the nation six years and counting of economic sluggishness.

Hillary Clinton enveloped her health care deliberations in secrecy, assembling behind closed doors battalions of the best and the brightest — think of many Jonathan Grubers weaving complexities for the good of, but beyond the comprehension of, the public. When their handiwork was unveiled, it was so baroque that neither house of a Congress controlled by her party would even vote on it. This was one reason that in 1994 Democrats lost control of the House of Representatives for the first time in 40 years — a harbinger of 2010, when Obamacare helped end Nancy Pelosi's tenure as the first female speaker.

Clinton's Senate interlude was an uneventful prelude to her 2008 presidential quest, which earned her, as a consolation prize, the State Department. There her tenure was defined by the "reset" with Russia and by regime-change-by-bombers in Libya.

Russia has responded by violently dismembering a European nation. Libya was the object of "humanitarian intervention," an echo of Bill Clinton's engagement in the Balkans that appealed to progressives because it was connected only tenuously, if at all, to the U.S. national interest. Today, Libya is a humanitarian calamity, a failed state convulsed by civil war and exporting jihadists.

These episodes supposedly recommend a re-immersion in Clintonism, a phenomenon that in 2001 moved The Washington Post to say, more in anger than in sorrow, that "the Clintons' defining characteristic" is that "they have no capacity for embarrassment." This judgment was rendered as two episodes were demonstrating that the Clintons in power were defined by their manner of leaving it.

Bill Clinton punctuated his presidency by pardoning the late Marc Rich, a fugitive who 17 years earlier had been indicted for tax evasion, fraud and racketeering. He also traded with Libya and South Africa in contravention of embargos, and traded with Iran during the hostage crisis. Rich's former wife reportedly contributed more than $1 million to assorted Democratic causes, $450,000 for Clinton's presidential library, and $10,000 to the legal defense fund necessitated by Clinton's glandular life that led to the Supreme Court effectively disbarring him from practicing before it.

A year before the Clintons decamped from Washington to begin planning their return to it, they began trucking away from the White House $190,000 worth of furnishings. Perhaps exigencies dictated this; the couple was, Hillary Clinton says, "dead broke." The furnishings became, as things often do with the Clintons, another occasion for an "it depends on what the meaning of the word 'is' is" tiptoe along the ledge of illegality. The White House chief usher thought many of the items were government property donated in 1993 to a redecoration project. Several donors of items said they were told this. Although the Clintons said that all the removed furnishings were personal gifts, they returned $28,000 worth of them.

As Hillary Clinton begins her campaign to again reside with the White House furnishings, remember an episode perhaps pertinent to the family penchant for secrecy and to her personal email server. Sandy Berger, who had been President Clinton's national security adviser, was Clinton's designated representative to the commission that investigated the 9/11 attacks that occurred less than nine months after Clinton left office. While representing Clinton, Berger frequented the National Archives. Later, he was fined $50,000 for surreptitiously taking highly classified documents from the Archives and destroying some of them.

Another Clinton presidency probably would include a reprise of the couple's well-known patterns of behavior. Voters will make an informed choice.

OUR VIEWS

Lower rents are good for our community

There is good news on the housing front. In Friday's edition, business writer Rye Druzin reported that rents for one-bedroom apartments had fallen to $1,110 — the lowest figure since at least January 2013.

Our community needed relief. The report added that rental prices peaked in late 2014, with a one-bedroom averaging for an astonishing $1,340.

The extraordinarily high rents have made Midland look overpriced. Last week, we had a report on Midland ranking among the top 15 "sunniest cities for renters." That list included Las Vegas; Tucson, Arizona; and Tampa, Florida. No cities on the list came close to the median price for a one-bedroom apartment ($1,319). In fact, that report showed the median price for a one-bedroom apartment was $850 nationally and $760 in Texas.

We see what's happening. It is supply and demand working like our community expects. We hope it continues this way. We believe the news of lower rents backs up our view that getting rents lower had to be a focus for our community. We are happy that the City Council worked hard to play catch-up. We also hope that community leaders react appropriately to the downturn and use it as an opportunity make things right in the future.

In our view, oil will go up again, and there will be plenty of opportunity for producers to put rigs back into play. People will be hired and the supply that is being created will be filled.

But in the interim, we will be happy to see rents and housing prices at a new normal, one that doesn't force hard-working residents to wonder if Midland is right for them. When it comes to rents, we aren't there yet, but Friday's news was a step in the right direction.

Will third time be a charm for texting-while-driving ban?

Maybe the third time will be the charm for state Rep. Tom Craddick. Midland's representative got his statewide ban on texting while driving passed through the Texas House for the third straight legislative session.

The bill, according to the Associated Press, would allow police to pull over motorists they suspect are using a wireless device to read, write or send a text message while driving, unless the vehicle is stopped. Offenders would be fined up to $99 for a first offense and a maximum $200 for subsequent ones. The measure passed 102 to 40.

We stand behind Craddick in his efforts. He said, "Texans who text increase their crash risk by eight times," and we agree that lawmakers should do more to help make distracted driving a thing of the past.

We hope leaders in Texas Senate do the right thing and allow for a vote. We believe it will have no problems passing. We then look forward to seeing Gov. Greg Abbott do what Rick Perry wouldn't and sign the bill to become law.

The AP reports 44 states already have some form of texting ban that affects all drivers, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures. Texas should be no different. Craddick, one of the most conservative legislators our state has ever known, sees this. It's time to make the bill he sponsored reality.

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Let's not enable bad parenting

■ It's easy to take credit when a child does well

RUBEN NAVARRETTE
Washington Post Writers Group

America, we have a problem. We already knew that a lot of people were flunking Parenthood 101.

But a racist video of students at the University of Oklahoma shows that the problem extends to people in society who are willing to excuse those who are failing the course.

Welcome to the new social order, where kids call the shots and parents try not to run afoul of their offspring.

Guess which group is getting pushed around. Recently, I heard a dad joke that he tells his son: "I hope you're not talking to your teachers the way you speak to your mom and me. Because they'll slap you."

Yet many parents still think it's their duty to defend their children when they misbehave, to offer excuses, or to make it seem as if it's those who are offended that have the problem.

There was a lot to be offended by at the University of Oklahoma, where members of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity were caught on camera reciting a racist chant that included the "N-word" and a reference to lynching.

Two of the students were identified as Parker Rice, a 19-year-old freshman, and Levi Pettit, a 20-year-old sophomore. Both were expelled from the university, and the fraternity has been banned from campus.

Rice apologized soon after the video was made public earlier this month, but Pettit didn't say a word for more than two weeks. He recently broke his silence, reading from a prepared statement at a news conference in Oklahoma City where he was flanked by local African-American leaders.

"There are no excuses for my behavior," Pettit said. "I never thought of myself as a racist. I never considered it a possibility. But the bottom line is that the words that were said in that chant were mean, hateful and racist."

But what has most interested me all along is the reaction of the parents.

In a skillfully crafted public statement issued just days after the video was released, the Pettits hit exactly the right note by acknowledging that their family had "the responsibility to apologize, and also to seek forgiveness and reconciliation."

Meanwhile, I've been critical of Bob Rice, Parker's father and a Dallas realtor who — aside from hand-delivering his son's statement to the Dallas Morning News — has kept a low profile throughout this whole sordid affair.

As I wrote in a recent column, that's an abdication of parental responsibility. Many readers came to Rice's defense.

A typical response: "At some point, the actions of a child have nothing to do with the way he was parented. As the mother of two grown sons, I took full responsibility for their actions as children and teenagers. However, a parent's responsibility does end. That being said, I do believe it's a parent's responsibility to support and love their children even when they make bad, even reprehensible choices."

In other words, you don't stop loving your children. But at some point, feel free to stop claiming them.

For the last few weeks, we've scrutinized these young men and, to a lesser degree, their parents. Now it's time to focus on those members of society who enable wrongdoing — who, like the reader, are so eager to give parents a pass. Those sorts of lax public attitudes are part of the problem. What happened to holding people accountable?

As the father of three small children, I accept that parents don't just get to share the victories and take their slice of credit when their kid gets into an Ivy League school or wins a championship. That's the easy part of the job. We also need to take a modicum of responsibility when things go wrong.

When I see a child behaving well, or a teenager achieving, or a young adult behaving responsibly, I compliment the parents. Why? Because I assume, from the offspring's accomplishments, that they were raised well. It works the other way too. When we see children misbehaving in public, we glare at the parents. Because, we assume, they're not up to the task.

Even when our children become adults, we don't get to wash our hands of the job we did as parents. It doesn't work that way. There is no expiration date on parenting.

As long as we're accepting gifts for Father's Day, or going to brunch on Mother's Day, we're still in the game. So it's about time that we all learned how to play.

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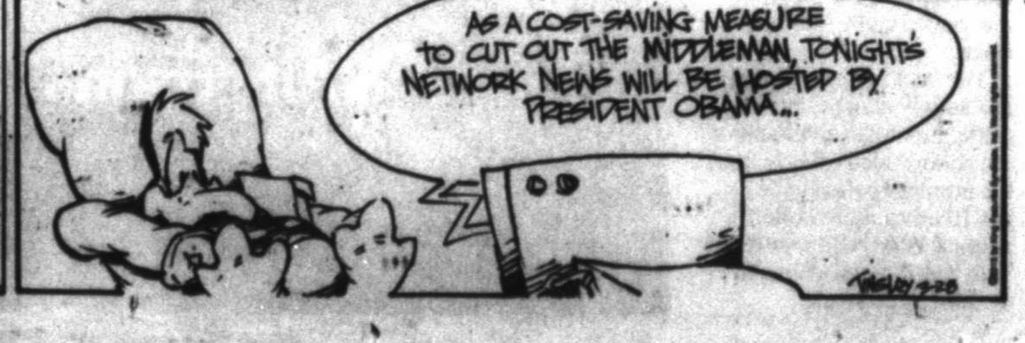

Texting-while-driving ban is long overdue

TOM CRADDICK
State Representative for District 82

On Nov. 10, 2009, Alex Brown died in a single-car rollover crash on her way to Seagraves High School in West Texas. She was distracted by text messages on her phone.

One life lost unnecessarily.

Her family mourned her death. The nation mourned with them.

Out of that mourning, the Remember Alex Brown Foundation was formed: The Brown family traveled the country with Alex's flattened white truck in tow to share their story and to educate drivers on the lethal dangers of texting while driving. They appeared on major news programs, including Oprah Winfrey's No Phone Zone Day show. They were featured on Extreme Makeover: Home Edition. AT&T involved them in their It Can Wait campaign.

Amid the flurry of attention on the issue, other state legislatures several years ago began to adopt laws to curb this behavior and prevent more casualties. As a result of these laws, enforcement efforts and education campaigns, states began to save lives.

But not in Texas.

We know that Texans who text and drive increase their risk of a crash by at least eight times. Texting-related crashes cost Texans an estimated $1.3 billion in 2013, according to the National Safety Council. And the Texas Department of Transportation reports that distracted driving is responsible for one in every five crashes in Texas.

As a lawmaker, I could not in good conscience ignore this issue. With the support of my district, I decided to do something about it in 2011. That year, I filed House Bill 243, the Alex Brown Memorial Act, which would have put in place a statewide ban on texting while driving. It failed to become law.

That same year, 415 Texans died in distracted-driving crashes and 16,707 were seriously injured, according to the Texas Department of Transportation.

In 2013, I filed the same bill. It failed again.

That year, 463 Texans died in distracted-driving crashes and 19,994 were seriously injured. The fatalities will continue to rise unless we take action. The time to enact this law is now.

This year I've filed the Alex Brown Memorial Act once again. The legislation, House Bill 80, will prevent the deaths of more Texans, and I'm confident that my fellow lawmakers will support laws that will save lives.

Because of the state's inaction, over 38 Texas cities have already passed ordinances that govern texting while driving. They should be commended. However, this patchwork of state laws and variety of local ordinances confuses drivers and jeopardizes safety. With one uniform law, drivers will know that they are prohibited from texting while driving on city streets, county roads and through school zones.

Texans are supportive of a statewide ban, too. A recent State Farm survey showed that 88 percent of individuals surveyed supported a measure that would prohibit drivers from text messaging or emailing. Similarly, 77 percent of Texas Republican voters said last year that they support a texting-while-driving ban.

This shows that Texans know all too well that texting drivers put the lives of other drivers, passengers and pedestrians at risk — just like drunken drivers.

These deaths are unnecessary and completely preventable. With a law, with enforcement and with education, we can save lives.

Texans' lives are worth more than a text.

Former Speaker of the House, Tom Craddick of Midland, serves as Texas State Representative for House District 82. Craddick is the author of the Alex Brown Memorial Act relating to the creation of an offense for use of a hand-held wireless communication device for text-based communication while operating a motor vehicle.

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Midland-Odessa and Pecos division needs a new federal judge

Last month, U.S. District Judge Rob Junell assumed senior status as a jurist, essentially retiring as a full-time federal judge. During the dozen years that Junell served on the bench, he heard thousands upon thousands of cases in both the Midland-Odessa and Pecos Divisions of the Court.

As many know, Junell is an avid mountain climber, and it takes a person who possesses that type of energy and commitment to serve as federal judge in this area of Texas — an area unlike any other judicial district in the United States.

This division of the federal judiciary is unique compared to other areas of the country. For example, the Dallas Division of the U.S. Courts serves Dallas and six of the surrounding counties. Seven federal judges have been appointed to handle this caseload. In contrast, the Midland-Odessa and Pecos Divisions are presided over by a single judge, and this one person presides over an area that covers 16 counties in West Texas, stretching from Midland to the edge of El Paso — from the New Mexico border to the Rio Grande. Not surprisingly, criminal activity in this area is large and growing — including drug cartels transporting narcotics from Mexico, the flood of illegal entries into the United States, and the suspected terrorist activities directed at our local oil production. The federal caseload for this area has historically been one of the largest in the nation — and the crime rate in West Texas is expected to continue growing.

Asking someone to handle such a monstrous caseload, as Junell has so ably done these past dozen years, is to ask a lot of one person. And all of West Texas is grateful for the dedication he has shown as our federal judge. However, now West Texas sits with no federal judge appointed to serve our citizens — no one permanently assigned to preside over the tremendous number of federal cases that need prosecution. While the federal bench sits empty, the criminal element has not gone into retirement. Instead, drug cartels, human traffickers and those who wish to harm this country continue to pose a daily threat. Although judges from other areas have agreed to help on a part-time basis, West Texas needs a full-time federal judge to be appointed — and sooner, rather than later.

We ask our fellow citizens to contact our senators from Texas, John Cornyn and Ted Cruz, and urge them to begin the process of filling this important judicial position as early as possible. West Texas deserves nothing less.

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Leading means making our morals the guiding beacon

MIKE CONAWAY
Texas District 11 Congressman

One of the biggest challenges we face as we progress as a nation and a people is staying true to the morals, values and beliefs that we have carried forward from the time of our founding. This sentiment remains true across all facets of life, whether its businesses, communities or households. The further removed we are from the impacts of our decisions, the easier it becomes to let our morals take a back seat to our ambitions. However, I do not believe that morality and prosperous growth are mutually exclusive. In fact, I believe that progress is most meaningful and long lasting when we make honest, moral decisions.

Prosperity is not something we should take for granted. We have to work hard to earn it, and while sometimes a shortcut can be tempting, short-term satisfaction — six months, or maybe even a few years — is never better than the long-term fulfillment that comes with listening to your moral compass. Progress is certainly something to strive for, but it means nothing if you've sacrificed your core values and beliefs to achieve it.

We are all familiar with the parable in the Gospel of Matthew where Jesus instructs men to build their houses on rock. Some listened, and when floods came, their houses were safe from harm. Some men did not listen and built their homes on sand. Rain fell, and the floods came, and the houses built on sand could not withstand the storm. A house, a business, a family or a community built on compromised morals will not withstand the storms life brings. While it's not always the easiest route, if we make our morals the guiding beacon as we make decisions about growing a business, governing our country or in our everyday lives, we will be much better off.

Whether you are a leader in the business community, an elected official or a citizen concerned with the future of our nation, it is important that the decisions we make every day are grounded in a sense of moral purpose. Our values and beliefs are tested every single day. There are often temptations to take the easy way out, especially in business and politics. If we chose not to lead with morality and teach our children to do the same, we might one day find ourselves in a world devoid of purpose and principles. However, it is my hope that morality will find its way back into every aspect of our lives and decision-making processes. Our towns, states and nation will be better for it.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Anyone else like to see safe streets?

Race tracks, generally speaking, employ track officials. Midland Motor Speedway, aka Loop 250, apparently has none. When was the last time anyone actually watched the Midland Police Department "managing" traffic on Loop 250?

On (last) Sunday morning at about 11 a.m., as I drove to work, I observed a group of three heavy-duty 18 wheeler oilfield trucks driving at 75 mph. Pickup drivers, as a group, do exactly the same thing. Are trucks exempt from the 60 mph posted speed limit? The four areas with the highest percentage of accidents are Loop 250 exits, including Andrews Highway, Midkiff Road and Midland Drive, mainly due to failure to control speed, talking on cellphones, poorly maintained older vehicles and not using seat belts, etc.

Now, thank God for rain. The downside is we no longer have potholes; we now have sinkholes. The service roads from Business 20 onto Loop 250 and off Loop 250, frankly speaking, are extremely dangerous due to sinkholes.

Speaking of the Business 20 service roads, lack of even basic routine maintenance leaves the edges hazardous to your health. I've bent two expensive wheels. The turn onto 7100 Airline from the Business 20 service road has a sinkhole big enough to hide a Corvette in. It's the same for the section of the county road between Oakwood Mobile Homes and the Stripes field office. And who's allowing drivers to park work trucks and big trailers in the ditch behind Oakwood Mobile Homes?

By the way, what's the time frame for completion of the Tradewinds extension?

Bob Miller

People interpret Constitution 'differently'

I read and hear people every day talking about the U.S. Constitution. I majored in government in college, and people talk about their knowledge of the Constitution. I am shocked at how much most citizens don't know about the Constitution.

Some delegates refused to sign the Constitution for a number of reasons. John Lansing and Luther Martin opposed the Constitution because they felt it violated states' rights. Robert Yates stood with Lansing in opposing the notion of a strong national government and feared it endangered the rights of states and individual freedoms. Patrick Henry was elected as a delegate to the Constitutional Convention, but declined, because he "smelt a rat."

The word "democracy" does not appear in the Constitution. The Constitution was "penned" by Jacob Shallus, a Pennsylvania General Assembly clerk, for $30. Of the spelling errors in the Constitution, "Pensylvania" above the signers' names is probably the most glaring.

On March 24, 1788, a popular election was held in Rhode Island to determine the ratification status of the new Constitution. The vote was 237 in favor and 2,945 opposed. Rhode Island had no delegates at the convention and no one from the state signed the Constitution. Of the 42 delegates who attended most of the meetings, 39 actually signed the Constitution. Charles Carroll, Samuel Chase, Thomas Stone and William Paca were elected to represent the state of Maryland; Thomas Carroll was excluded as an official delegate because of his faith (Catholic).

Only six people signed the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Constitution. They were George Read of Delaware, George Clymer, Ben Franklin, Robert Morris and James Wilson of Pennsylvania and Roger Sherman of Connecticut.

I asked a college government professor about people understanding the Constitution. "The Constitution is similar to the Bible. Many people interpret the documents differently," he said.

After thinking about all this constitutional material the last few days, I was wondering if God might have wanted us to have a king. I might be right because God has failed to provide us with a presidential candidate.

Dennis Wallace

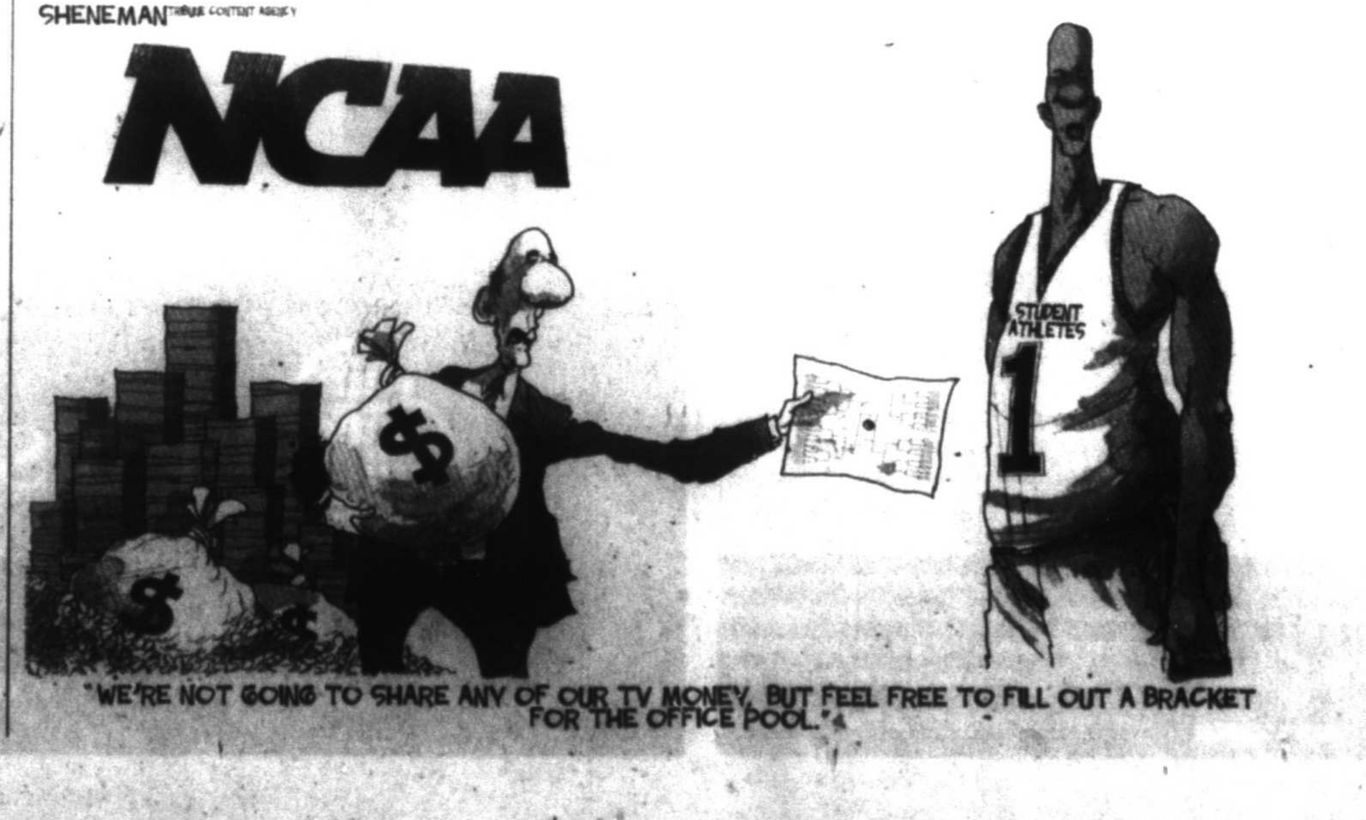
City Council does not appreciated citizens' needs

Well, it appears our City Council is continuing to spend our tax dollars on helping the rich with political power, while the working-people homeowners of Midland foot the bill. I wonder how many of our city streets could be repaired with the $20 million (and probably more) of our tax dollars going into the pockets of those who want to build property in downtown Midland, but want a handout to do it.

I suggest two new businesses for Midland (and perhaps our City Council would chip in some of our tax dollars to help them): instead of car dealerships, a business that builds and sells covered wagons and a horse ranch to provide the power to pull them. That is the only vehicle that is safe on Midland streets. I guess our City Council members don't drive in Midland or they would have the intelligence to fix the streets, i.e., give back to the taxpayers by protecting their lives and vehicles.

Where is John Galt when you need him?

Mary Mabry



Experts: Sex bias case will embolden women despite verdict

By Sudhin Thanawla
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — A long legal battle over accusations that a prominent Silicon Valley venture capital firm demeaned women and held them to a different standard than their male colleagues became a flashpoint in the ongoing discussion about gender inequity at elite technology and venture capital firms.

Though Ellen Pao lost her lawsuit against Kleiner Perkins Caufield & Byers, Silicon Valley observers said her case and the attention it received will embolden women in the industry and continue to spur firms to examine their practices and cultures for gender bias.

"This case has been a real wake up call for the technology industry in general and the venture capital community in particular," said Deborah Rhode, a law professor at Stanford University who teaches gender equity law.

Heff Chiu/AP

Ellen Pao, center, walks to Civic Center Courthouse in San Francisco on Friday. A long legal battle over accusations that a prominent Silicon Valley venture capital firm demeaned women and held them to a different standard than their male colleagues became a flashpoint in the ongoing discussion about gender inequity at elite technology and venture capital firms.

The jury of six men and six women rejected all of Pao's claims against Kleiner Perkins on Friday, determining the firm did not discriminate against her because she is a woman and did not retaliate against her by failing to promote her and firing her after she filed a sex discrimination complaint.

In making their case during the five-week trial, Pao's attorneys presented a long list of alleged indignities to which their client was subjected: an all-male dinner at the home of Vice President Al Gore; a book of erotic poetry from a partner; being asked to take notes like a secretary at a meeting; being cut out of emails and meetings by a male colleague with whom she broke off an affair; and talk about pornography aboard a private plane.

But the heart of their argument was that Pao was an accomplished junior partner who was passed over for a promotion and fired because the firm used different standards to judge men and women.

Kleiner Perkins' attorney, Lynne Hermle, countered that Pao failed as an investor at the company and sued to get a big payout as she was being shown the door. They used emails and testimony from the firm's partners to dispute Pao's claims and paint her as a chronic complainer who twisted facts and circumstances in her lawsuit and had a history of conflicts with colleagues that contributed to the decision to let her go.

Rhode and other experts said Kleiner Perkins and the venture capital industry in general did not come out looking good even though they won the case.

"Venture capital firms recognize it's not appropriate to be out in the streets celebrating," said Freada Kapor Klein, founder of the Level Playing Field Institute, a nonprofit that aims to boost minority representation in science, technology, engineering and math fields. "They don't have the moral high ground."

Even before the Pao trial started, a succession of employment statistics released during the past 10 months brought the technology industry's lack of diversity into sharper focus.

Women hold just 15 percent to 20 percent of the technology jobs at Google, Apple, Facebook and Yahoo, according to company disclosures. The data were mortifying for an industry that has positioned itself as a meritocracy where intelligence and ingenuity are supposed to be more important than appearances or connections.

The venture capital industry is even more male-dominated, with a study released last year by Babson College in Massachusetts finding that women filled just 6 percent of partner-level positions at 139 venture capital firms in 2013, down from 10 percent in 1999.

Klein said before the verdict she was contacted by more than a dozen venture capital and technology companies asking how they could improve the environment as a result of the Pao case. She expected some firms will be "smug" after the verdict and do little to change for fear of being dragged through the mud while others will step up.

The attention surrounding the case makes it more likely other women who believe they have been discriminated against will go to court, said David Lewis, CEO of OperationsInc., a human resources consulting and contracting firm. Two women who formerly worked at Facebook and Twitter filed gender discrimination cases against the companies during the Pao trial. One of Pao's attorneys, Therese Lawless, is representing the plaintiff in the Facebook lawsuit.

At the very least, Pao's suit will prompt more women to open up about their experiences in the workplace, said Nicole Sanchez, founder of Vaya Consulting, which tries to help Silicon Valley companies increase diversity.

"I do see a trend now in the name of Ellen Pao," Sanchez said, pointing to the Twitter hashtag, "ThankYouEllenPao" that popped up as the verdict came in. "Women in technology are telling their stories."

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10:30 am Family Worship

Wednesday, April 1
7:00 pm Youth Led Stations of the Cross

Thursday, April 2
7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service
9:00 pm Prayer Vigil

Friday, April 3
7:00 pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 4
7:00 pm Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 5
8:00 am Traditional Worship
9:45 am Family Easter Egg Hunt & Butterfly Release
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"Mad Men," cast member Jon Hamm who played Donald Draper, poses beside Don's charcoal grey suit and some objects AMC and Lionsgate TV series, "Mad Men" that were donated to the National Museum of American History on Friday in Washington.

'Mad Men' ends, but show's relics find new life at museum

Brett Zongker
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Don Draper is making his exit with "Mad Men" this year, but his image as a 1960s advertising man will live on at the Smithsonian Institution.

Jon Hamm, who plays Draper on the AMC drama about a New York ad agency, joined cast members and show creator Matthew Weiner at the National Museum of American History on Friday to donate costumes, props, sketches and a script from the show. The collection includes Draper's trademark gray suit and fedora.

"Mad Men's" final season begins April 5.

STAR OF THE SHOW — AND THE MUSUEM

A crush of cameras surrounded Hamm at the museum as he smiled and posed with his suit from the show — the trademark of the "Mad Men" costumes. But he took no questions. Hamm recently completed treatment for alcohol addiction and has asked for privacy through his publicist.

REAL-LIFE RELICS

Curators at the Smithsonian were particularly interested in "Mad Men's" real 1960s-period relics, from cigarette cartons and liquor bottles to shaving kits and tooth brushes that were used in the show, along with costumes that were recreated for the period. Some objects, including Draper's suit, will be featured in an exhibit on American culture slated for 2018.

Entertainment Curator Dwight Blocker Bowers said "Mad Men" producers did the best research he's ever seen for a TV show, with meticulous detail to create the look of a 1960s ad agency.

LOOKING AHEAD

Weiner, the show's creator, said he was thrilled that objects from the show might one day be seen during a school field trip at the Smithsonian.

"What I love about these objects being here is that these are for the most actual objects; they are not recreation," he said. "This is the archaeological site of humanity from this period. We're glad that we saved these things."

'ALL GOOD THINGS'

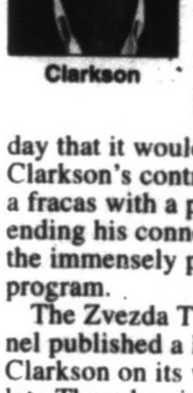
AMC President Charlie Collier said "Mad Men" perfectly recreated the 1960s, and he said the show's creators were honored that Draper's suit would join Dorothy's ruby slippers from "The Wizard of Oz" and other objects from entertainment history at the museum.

"You know, they say that all good things must come to an end, and all great things come to the Smithsonian," he said.

Russian military TV station offers job to former 'Top Gear' host

Associared Press

MOSCOW — A television station owned by the Russian defense ministry is offering a job to former "Top Gear" host Jeremy Clarkson.



Clarkson

The BBC announced Wednesday that it wouldn't renew Clarkson's contract after a fracas with a producer, ending his connection to the immensely popular program.

The Zvezda TV channel published a letter to Clarkson on its website late Thursday, inviting him to visit Moscow in April and discuss launching a car show in Russia.

Zvezda also quoted a Clarkson representative, saying that the offer has been forwarded to his client and that he is considering it.

The Guinness Book of World Records has described "Top Gear" as the world's most widely watched factual program. It broadcasts to 214 territories worldwide and has an estimated global audience of 350 million.

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Total		**$27,701.10**

This week we received many, many calls for assistance with rent. While a lot of it can be attributed to the layoffs in the oilfield that we hear so much about these days, but there are other situations as well. Some examples of people we helped this week:

Jerome had been working long hours and bringing home $1300 weekly after taxes. He was laid off three months ago, but when his company rehired him last month, he found that his hours and his wages were cut. He now brings home $600 each week. He and his family are scrambling to readjust their lifestyle to the reduction in wages, and they are looking for more affordable housing. They needed a little help with their rent this month and we were happy to help them.

Nora is a single mother of 5. Her husband had faithfully paid the rent on her house since their divorce however he was laid off two months ago and without income, was unable to help her. She works cleaning houses so that she can adjust her schedule to meet the needs of her children, and the job affords her enough money to pay the utility bills and put food on the table. But she could not pay the rent. She received an eviction notice to vacate the house and in desperation she called us. When we met with her she told us that her ex-husband had recently been hired into a roustabout job and is to start working in two days. She is confident he will begin assisting her again just as soon as his checks start rolling in.

Angela shares an apartment with her sister and brother. She is a full time student at Midland College and has a part time job. Her sister works for a drycleaner. Together the three of them had been able to pay the rent each month. But her brother was laid off one month ago and has yet to find another job. The two sisters were unable to make up the difference. We were able to help them with rent.

Brenda is on disability but when her rent was increased she felt she needed to find some kind of supplemental income to be able to keep her apartment. She was told she could take a part time job and earn a certain amount of money and still keep her disability. But with the shortage of workers during the holiday season she ended up working extra hours to fill in the gap. As a result she earned more money that was anticipated, and Social Security is holding her March and April checks to pay back the overage. She was able to pay her March rent and we helped her with April. Once her checks resume in May she will be out of the hole and will keep a more watchful eye on her supplemental income.

Miguel works at a car wash but our recent rains kept him off work for several days. Morris works as a landscaper. He too was seriously affected by the recent rains, which prevented him from working. These people, along with many in the construction industry are affected by the weather, and if they do not work they do not receive pay. With the high cost of living in Midland it is very difficult for people in these industries to stockpile money. They live from paycheck to paycheck.

We are only beginning to see the economic downturn in our roller-coaster economy brought on by falling oil prices. It brings us great joy to be able to help as many people as we can during these trying times. We thank all of you who make that help possible through your continued care and support of the poor through Helping Hands. God bless you!

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Ousted from Cuba, Americans cling to claims for seized property

By Adam Geller
Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — The smell of Cuban coffee drifts from the kitchen as Carolyn Chester digs through faded photos that fill boxes spread across the dining table.

Friends linked arm-in-arm on a Cuban beach.

Men in suits and women in evening gowns at a Havana nightclub.

And in almost every frame, an American man with a salt-and-pepper mustache and a raven-haired woman — Chester's parents — smiling at good fortune that, they could not know, would soon be snatched away.

"I always heard about Cuba ... and all this money that we lost and 'Maybe one day,' but I didn't understand it," Chester said.

Six decades later, that day might finally be nearing for Chester and others like her. To reach it, though, diplomacy will have to settle very old scores.

After Fidel Castro seized power in 1959, Cuba confiscated property belonging to thousands of American citizens and companies. Edmund and Enna Chester lost an 80-acre farm, thousands of dollars' worth of stock, and a Buick that, who knows, might still be plying Havana's streets.

In 1996, Congress passed a law insisting Cuba pay for confiscated property, valued today at $7 billion, before lifting the U.S. embargo.

That went unmentioned in President Barack Obama's December announcement that the countries would resume diplomatic ties. Given Cuba's frail economy, experts said companies whose property was taken might settle for rights to do business there and move on.

But corporations don't cling to memories like families can. That's clear inside Chester's 832-square-foot bungalow, where her mother's gold-framed portrait watches over the yellowing property deed and worthless stock certificates — reminders that Cuba before Castro is history.

But bitterness over what came after lingers on.

Inside a little-known federal agency, 5,900 claims files tally property that once belonged to Americans in Cuba.

But, really, the claims are stories of lives left behind.

Edmund Chester's story began when he returned to Louisville, Kentucky, from the Army and found work as a newspaper reporter. He taught himself Spanish and in 1929 was hired by The Associated Press, which dispatched him to Havana.

Chester spent a decade reporting from the Caribbean and Latin America, time that seeded two crucial relationships.

The first came after covering a 1933 revolt that put a former sergeant, Fulgencio Batista, in charge of Cuba's military. In the 1950s, when Batista was Cuba's dictator, he trusted Chester — by then a confidante and no longer a journalist — to write his biography.

The second began when Chester covered a 1939 earthquake in Chile and spotted Enna at a hotel swimming pool.

In 1940, CBS hired Chester as chief of radio broadcasting for Latin America. Eventually, he became the network's director of news in New York.

Chester returned to Cuba in 1952, buying a chain of radio stations on an island that was a U.S. economic outpost and a hedonistic getaway for Americans, including celebrities like Frank Sinatra.

Chester eventually sold the stations, but the family continued splitting time between Havana and Florida. He opened a public relations agency in Cuba and bought an 80-acre farm there. In 1957, the Chesters acquired $250,000 worth of Cuban Telephone Co shares.

But Edmund Chester, then Batista's speechwriter, grew uneasy as Castro gained ground.

"I agree that we ought to make (a) complete break with Cuba at the earliest possible moment," he wrote Enna in 1958.

He rejoined the family in Florida before Christmas. Batista fled days later, and Castro seized control.

When the Soviet Union began shipping oil to Cuba, the U.S. ordered island refineries, most American-owned, not to process its archrival's crude.

Cuba seized the refineries. The U.S. eliminated price protection for Cuban sugar, which earned 90 percent of the island's hard currency. By the time President John F. Kennedy imposed the embargo in 1962, Cuba had confiscated scores of properties.

Marooned, Edmund Chester wrote that his nest egg had been "whipped into a batch of Cuban scrambled eggs by the tyranny of Fidel Castro."

The federal Foreign Claims Settlement Commission fielded thousands of claims for confiscated Cuban property. The largest came from corporations, led by U.S.-owned Cuban Electric Company, for power plants valued at $268 million. But most came from individuals and families.

Experts differ on what to make of the American claims, protected by international law.

"You're now dealing in the realm of memory more than anything else," said Robert Muse, an attorney representing companies with claims.

But Mauricio Tamargo, commission chairman until 2010 and now a Washington attorney representing claimants, said confiscations inflicted lasting damage on families.

"Many of them never recovered financially," Tamargo said.

In 2005 U.S. officials commissioned a study of the claims and strategies for settling them. A group at Creighton won the job.

Professors pored over old claims. Two flew to Cuba, searching for the properties. Some were moldering, others gone.

"These are people's lives, the things that they lost," political science professor Rick Witmer said.

But Cuba doesn't have the money to pay claims in full, law professor Michael Kelly said.

In 2007, Creighton professors cautioned claims might net just 3 or 4 cents on the dollar.

Claimants had long been told losses would be adjusted for inflation. When an investor offered to buy Chester's claim for a fraction of its original $489,000 value, she grew angry and began devoting hours to studying records.

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The Takeaway: Celebration of the Arts 2015

By Rich Lopez
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■ COMMENTARY

A bright-shining sun made for a gorgeous Saturday at the Celebration of the Arts 2015 in Centennial Plaza. With events both inside the Midland Center and out in the plaza, the annual Arts Council of Midland fundraiser hosted both local and visiting artists with entertainment for adults, children and even pets. Here are some takeaways from this year's event.

TAKE IT OUTSIDE

With temperatures in the 80s, it was almost a shame to go inside to see all the artwork in the Midland Center. Personally, I wanted to enjoy the day, which led me to wonder why not just move the entire arts festival outside? With streets blocked anyway and the space of Centennial Plaza, moving artists outdoors would be not only a celebration of arts but also of springtime in Midland much like the Deep Ellum Arts Festival in Dallas or the Main Street Art Festival in Fort Worth. Visually, it would add a festive and more inviting air to more foot traffic.

OVERLOOKED GEMS

The main stage performances started with the Hispanic Cultural Center's folklorico and flamenco dance troupes. The center's flamenco troupe made their debut at the COA. Both teams were charming, featuring young children and teens with stunning dress costumes. The dancers

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Children enjoy creating art at Celebration of the Arts in downtown Midland on Saturday.

RYDER WARREN
Midland ISD Superintendent

SB 149 one of many bills that could fix our school system

Let me start off this week's article with a huge thank-you for the organizers and the participants in this year's Midland Chamber of Commerce State of Education luncheon. We really appreciate Bobby Burns and his chamber staff for organizing the yearly event, and the four panelists, in their discussions about the challenges of our school district, really did an outstanding job.

Clarence Scharbauer III, Tim Leach, Susan Spratlen and Rick Davis made great points on the future of our school district and our community, and I truly appreciate their efforts and the efforts of so many others. Lastly, Laura Roman did an amazing job facilitating that discussion, and we have always appreciated her work on behalf of the school district. As pointed out by the panelists, transforming MISD into a district that will serve every student with excellence will not be an easy fix, but as a community, we are going to dedicate ourselves to that end and do whatever it takes to get that win.

For the remainder of our spring semester, I am going to be reporting on several important initiatives the district is undertaking for our students. I also want to keep everyone abreast of very important issues our state legislators are discussing in Austin and relate my take on those issues and the potential effects to MISD and Midland as a whole.

We are seeing important bills being debated in Austin over these last few weeks. The Reporter-Telegram Editorial Board wrote a very good article last week about Sen. Kel Seliger's bill — Senate Bill 149 (SB149). In that editorial, the Reporter-Telegram board took the stance that... "graduation panels aren't in the best interest of students in Midland."

I would like to offer an opposing viewpoint to that opinion.

As a public school leader in Midland, I feel we now have a group of legislators — a group of leaders — who are truly assessing the legislative decisions made in the past regarding Texas public schools and Texas public school children, and they are progressively attempting to right the ship for our students.

During the 2013 Legislative Session, one major component of House Bill 5 (HB 5) was the total replacement of the state's "4X4" graduation requirement — a model that mandated 16 different courses which students had to complete to graduate high school. That requirement gave very little space in their schedule for courses the students could choose in relation to the students' own gifts or dreams. Austin had control over every degree plan in the state.

HB 5 tossed this plan, created a Foundational Graduation Plan to serve all students, and inserted the "Endorsement" system in which students and parents/caregivers may now choose courses that best fit the students. Now — instead of following a mandated set of so many courses, students can truly plan their own route through high school, and this was one of the most progressive decisions our state leaders could have made, and I feel that many of the bills that have been introduced this session will continue that reforming trend.

That is why I do not think we need to look at any of these specific bills, like SB 149, as stand-alone legislation. I feel we need to look at multiple bills that are working together to fix our system. Just to name a few in addition to Sen. Seliger's bill, we have SB 1200 by Larry Taylor (chair of the Senate Education Committee), HB 742 and HB 743 by Dan Huberty, HB 1164 by Gary VanDeaver, HB 2804 by Jimmie Don Aycock (chair of the House Education Committee) and HB462 by Craig Goldman.

As reported, SB 149 creates graduation

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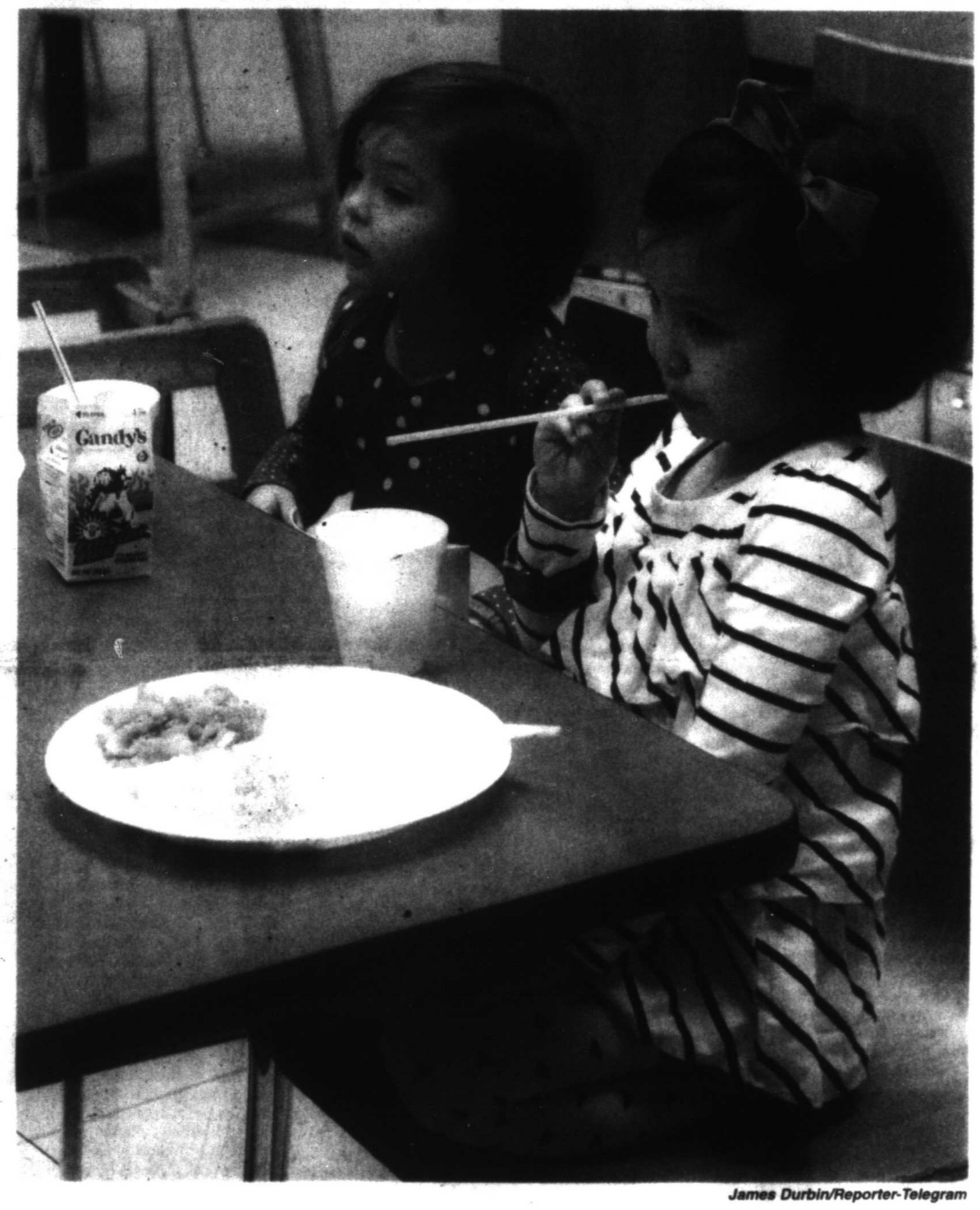
Breakfast buddies



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Children enjoy breakfast during the Midland Northside Lions Club's Bunny Breakfast at Midland Park Mall on Saturday.

Sale's not a sale unless it's 70 percent off

TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real life columnist

The wife really loves a sale.

She would crawl out of the hospital to make sure that one of her store discount coupons didn't expire.

It's a game with her. If she doesn't get a deal, she doesn't buy. If the discount isn't deep enough, she will take her business elsewhere.

She likes to get quantity and quality for her bucks. Sometimes that's hard to do. But she has a knack for finding good quality at a discounted price because she has the patience of Job.

For one of her birthdays, I gave her a prepaid VISA card so she could buy clothes. It was two years before the right deal came along and she loaded up a grocery cart full of clothes.

Proudly, she came home and stated, "I saved you a lot of money."

She'll go the extra mile to save me money. It's her favorite thing to do, but I didn't have the heart to tell her that she really didn't save me any money because the card was all she was going to get anyway.

Besides, it put me in a bind. Because she took two years to use the card, was I really contractually obligated to give her another gift on her birthday as long as that one was still in effect?

I've pondered that question and I really haven't come up with a perfect answer, but I want everyone to know that I decided to take the path of least resistance and keep up with the birthday giving even though the card was still nestled in her purse.

There were two reasons I chose this path. First, it was hard keeping up with the card status. Did she use it, or does she still have it? It was a cumbersome endeavor in the brain department just keeping up with it. Also, I can't bear that "you don't love me anymore" routine. And I was afraid she was going to employ that tactic on her birthday whether I was contractually obligated or not.

I know that's taking the easy way out, but if you have been married for any time at all, you will understand that principle rarely stands up to a wife who has been scorned in any form or fashion.

But I digress. There is no denying that the wife can find the best sales and get a mighty bang for her buck. She's always had that talent. She has a strategy and a full game plan for attacking her work.

She laughs at a store that offers a 10 or 25 percent sale. She won't even go in the place. A 40 percent off is the bare minimum starting point. Fifty percent off is more than acceptable, but the holy grail of sales starts at 70 percent off.

But the quality also has to be present. More times than not, a 70-percent-off sale has already been picked over with little quality left. Judging from the wife's performance, a great 70-percent-off sale will occur once every two years. That's the bonanza and that's when you put the hammer down.

That's when you are hitting on all cylinders, but it's not the pinnacle of sale shopping. The top of the mountain sale is 70 percent off with another redeemable store coupon that is not contingent on existing sales or discounts.

That's when you slap your mamma and start clearing the racks. The holy day of shopping has arrived.

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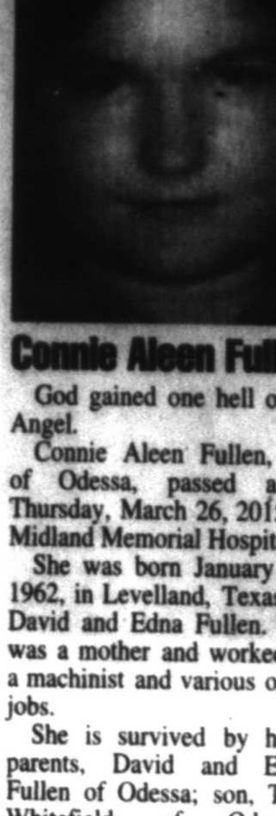

Connie Aleen Fullen

God gained one hell of an Angel.

Connie Aleen Fullen, 53, of Odessa, passed away Thursday, March 26, 2015, at Midland Memorial Hospital.

She was born January 14, 1962, in Levelland, Texas, to David and Edna Fullen. She was a mother and worked as a machinist and various other jobs.

She is survived by her parents, David and Edna Fullen of Odessa; son, Trey Whitefield of Odessa; daughters, Kacee Klein and husband Joseph of Odessa, Charlee Davidson and husband Josh of Midland, and Jessee Sullivan and husband Robby of Greenwood; brothers, Bo Fullen of Midland and Gary Fullen of Ranger, Texas; grandchildren, Hailee Klein, Brian Davidson, Callee Davidson, Cooper (Cowboy) Sullivan, and Jenesis Howard; several nieces and nephews; and all of Connie's crew.

No public viewing; flowers may be sent to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

Graveside services will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, March 30, 2015, at Sunset Memorial Gardens with Pastor Rick Holman officiating.

Services entrusted to Hubbard-Kelly Funeral Home.

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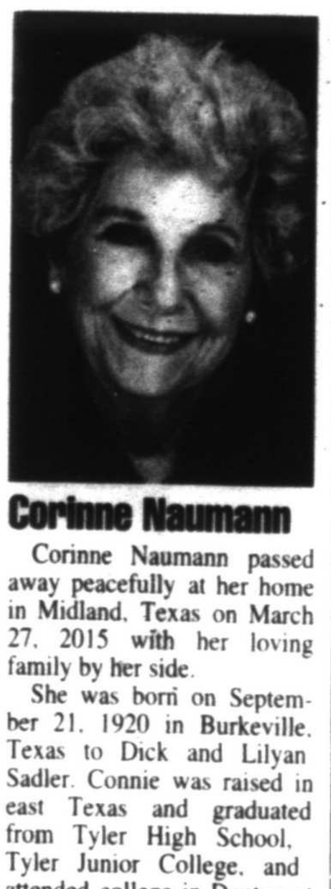
Conrad Allen Dorsey

Conrad Allen Dorsey, born in Midland on August 25, 1944, died at his home March 19, 2015. Born to a Pioneer Midland family, he was a veteran serving in the United States Army, 1963 to1969. He had many talents, and was an excellent woodworker; he loved working in his shop at home.

He is survived by his sister, Kathleen V. MacIntosh of Cedar Park, Texas; his cousins, Becky Kinney (Leo), Bud Hewitt (Jackie), Maggie Ingram, and Billy Hogsett; and nephews, Matt Simmons, Tracey Simmons, Chris MacIntosh, and Zach Powell.

Graveside services will be Monday at 11:00 a.m. at Fairview Cemetery, under the direction of Thomas Funeral Home.



Corinne Naumann

Corinne Naumann passed away peacefully at her home in Midland, Texas on March 27, 2015 with her loving family by her side.

She was born on September 21, 1920 in Burkeville, Texas to Dick and Lilyan Sadler. Connie was raised in east Texas and graduated from Tyler High School, Tyler Junior College, and attended college in Denton at Texas State College for Women, transferring to The University of Texas in Austin.

After college, she worked for the Security Intelligence Corp in San Antonio and Dallas before transferring to G-5 Intelligence at Fort Shafter, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Upon returning to the states, she met and married Henry Jack Naumann on March 18, 1950. They lived in Tyler, Nacogdoches, Los Angeles, New Orleans, and Houston before being transferred to Midland by Humble Oil and Refining Company (Exxon).

She was preceded in death by her parents; four siblings; a daughter, Nancy Merchant; and Connie's husband, H. Jack Naumann.

She is survived by her daughter, Diane Ellis and husband, Jody Ellis; her son, H. Jack Naumann, Jr and wife, Melinda; four grandchildren, Laura Ellis, Courtney Ellis, Krista Naumann Sheffield, and Joshua Naumann; two great grandchildren, Beckett Sheffield and Violet Sheffield; and by numerous beloved nieces and nephews.

Her kindness, loving nature, and wonderful sense of humor brought so much enrichment to her family. Her passing will leave an eternal void, but her memory will continue to live on in each and every one of her family members.

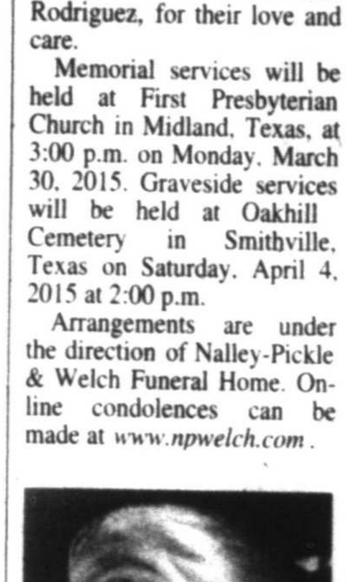
Connie was very active in numerous organizations over the years, often serving in leadership roles of the Lt. William Brewer Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution; Daughters of the Republic of Texas; Permian Basin Landwives; Petroleum Club Wives; Petroleum Museum, and En Amie. She and her husband were long time members of the First Presbyterian Church of Midland.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Petroleum Museum of Midland or the First Presbyterian Church of Midland.

The family would like to thank her many special caretakers, but most especially Darlene Wilson and Rosa Rodriguez, for their love and care.

Memorial services will be held at First Presbyterian Church in Midland, Texas, at 3:00 p.m. on Monday, March 30, 2015. Graveside services will be held at Oakhill Cemetery in Smithville, Texas on Saturday, April 4, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

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



Dorothy Wasson Duncan

Dorothy Wasson Duncan, born in Big Spring, Texas, to Sue King Wasson and Elmo Wasson in Big Spring, went home to her Heavenly Father March 25, 2015.

She is survived by the love of her life, her husband of 66 years, James Duncan; her children, Debbie Duncan Petree of Lubbock, Texas, Dave and wife, Paula Duncan of Dallas, Texas, and Sunny Duncan of Midland, Texas; three grandchildren, James and his wife, Angela Petree, Paige and husband, Tom Kuchler, and Alyson and husband, Powie French; and four great grandchildren, Kennedy and Duncan Kuchler, and Hattan and Lyles French.

There will be a private burial for family only, followed by a service at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home Chapel in Midland at 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 31, 2015.

For Dorothy it was all about faith, family and friends. A beautiful Christian Lady outside as well as inside; she was gracious, gentle and grateful for all those she knew and loved. A gift of making everyone feel special, her sweet spirit will be missed as well as her sense of humor.

She had many interests and continued to seek knowledge on a number of subjects. She played a great hand of bridge and was a Life Master.

Heaven is a little brighter because of her presence. We will miss you Dottie, Mom, and Mimi.

The family suggests memorials can be donated to a charity of your choice.

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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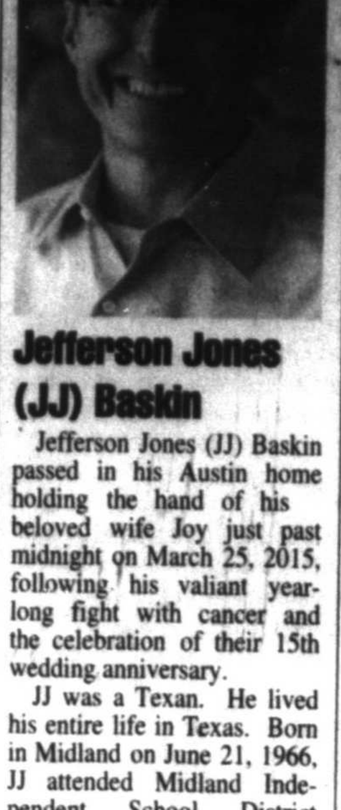

Jefferson Jones (JJ) Baskin

Jefferson Jones (JJ) Baskin passed in his Austin home holding the hand of his beloved wife Joy just past midnight on March 25, 2015, following his valiant year-long fight with cancer and the celebration of their 15th wedding anniversary.

JJ was a Texan. He lived his entire life in Texas. Born in Midland on June 21, 1966, JJ attended Midland Independent School District schools, graduating in 1984 from Midland High School. He was active in band, drama and speech, and performed at Midland Community Theatre. He then attended Trinity University in San Antonio, where he graduated in 1988 with a B.A. in Political Science. Immediately thereafter, he moved to Austin, where he later attended the Lyndon Baines Johnson School of Public Affairs at The University of Texas and earned a Master of Public Affairs (MPAff.) He lived the remainder of his life in Austin.

JJ was a tireless public and community servant. Early in his career, he worked for Bob Bullock in the Texas State Comptroller's Office and was one of the first employees in the successful Attorney General campaign of Dan Morales. Though primarily a Democrat, JJ was actively involved in political campaigns for those public servants-Democratic or Republican-who supported his values, in particular those of education.

JJ was a Director of the Texas Lyceum, which is dedicated to educating Texans, through a non-partisan and non-political forum of depth and integrity, regarding the choices that Texans face.

Recently, JJ also became a director of Public Agenda, a national, non-profit, non-partisan, New-York-based organization that helps diverse leaders and citizens navigate divisive, complex issues and work together to find solutions.

JJ was a social/philanthropic entrepreneur. He had a profound respect for the not-for-profit sector's power to complement the for-profit sector. As a result, he became one of Texas' leading experts in philanthropy. He lectured at dozens of conferences and professional events across the state and nation on stakeholder engagement, board involvement, strategic planning and best practices in fund-raising. In 2013, he co-chaired the Texas Lyceum's first-ever conference dedicated to philanthropy, which featured keynotes from the College Board, The Economist, Educate Texas, the Gates Foundation and Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors. He also served as an Executive-on-Loan to San Antonio Mayor Julian Castro's SA2020 for philanthropy.

JJ was a friend of education-from pre-K to higher-education-in both our state and country. For five years, he worked at the Southwest Educational Development Laboratory (SEDL). He was Co-President of the PTA at his children's school, Mathews Elementary, as well as President of the Austin Public Library Foundation. Through the Austin Community Foundation and his personal non-profit Education Capital, he lead the annual report and survey efforts for the Texas Education Foundation Network, A Texas Pioneer Foundation-sponsored project providing research, development and dissemination to 340 education-related foundations. JJ also served as a Trinity University Associate and an Executive-on-Loan to Mayor Castro's SA2020 for education.

JJ was a Longhorn. As a result, he was especially active in education at The University of Texas. In 2011, the Texas Ex-Student Association honored JJ with the Top Hand Award, which recognizes an individual who has given extraordinary service to the Texas Exes and the University of Texas. JJ is one of only 97 individuals to receive the award in the 130-year history of The University and from The University's 450,000 alumni.

JJ was a man of God. A life-long Presbyterian, JJ took enormous joy in his faith in general and the Presbyterian Church in particular. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Midland, the First Presbyterian Church of San Antonio, University Presbyterian Church of Austin and-for the last 14 years-Covenant Presbyterian Church of Austin, where he was an elder and Clerk of the Session. Also, for years, he served on the Board of Trustees of Mo Ranch, the Presbyterian retreat center located on the Guadalupe River just outside of Hunt, Texas. He chaired Mo Ranch's Strategic Planning Committee.

JJ was a friend to literally thousands. A world-class connector, he took enormous joy in serving others. He also inspired thousands with his valiant fight against cancer. "JJ's Fight Club" evidenced his many friends and his inspiring battle against his disease. Formed by JJ's friends in mid-2014 following JJ's cancer diagnosis, JJ's Fight Club rallied to support JJ in his fight against his disease. The group now has friends in all 50 states and 17 foreign countries.

Finally, JJ came from a very close family, so he was, first and foremost, a family man. He adored his saintly wife Joy. He was deeply engaged in the lives of his sons, Ben and Judge, who were the lights of his life. Joy, Ben and Judge were the center of all of his decisions. Laughter filled their home, and they loved spending time together as a family.

JJ is survived by his wife, Joy Surratt Baskin of Austin; his sons, Ben Baskin and Judge Baskin of Austin; his mother, Joan Ragsdale Baskin of Midland, Texas; his sister, Becky Baskin Ferguson and her husband Doug Ferguson of Midland; and by his brothers, Bo Baskin of Austin and Steve Ragsdale Baskin and his wife Susie Baskin of Marble Falls, Texas.

He is also survived by his in-laws, Jim and Liz Surratt of Port Orange, Florida; his brother-in-law, Tommy Surratt of Gainesville, Florida; his nieces and nephews, Arthur James (AJ) Ferguson of Midland, Joan (Joanie) Baskin Ferguson of New York City, Katherine (Katie) Stewart Baskin of New Orleans, Louisiana, Annabelle Marie Baskin of Washington, D.C., Pat McKinney (Mac) Baskin, III of Austin, Wiley Baskin of Marble Falls, Texas, William (Liam) Baskin of Marble Falls, Terrill Baskin of Marble Falls, and Virginia Baskin of Marble Falls; his aunt, Kathy Ragsdale of Hunt, Texas; his uncle, Bill Baskin of Lake Jackson, Texas; and his cousins, Molly Baskin of Chicago, Illinois, Jamie Baskin of Austin, Bob Baskin of Richmond, Virginia, Stuart Baskin of Tyler, Texas, Beth Baskin Hill of Lake Jackson, Janie Ragsdale of Hunt, Texas, Julie Ragsdale of Los Angeles, California, Silas Baggett (Jeepers) Ragsdale, III of Hunt.

He is preceded in death by his father, Pat McKinney Baskin; and by his grandparents, Silas and Sadie Ragsdale, and James D. and Ruth Baskin.

Services will be held at 3:30 p.m. Monday, March 30 at Covenant Presbyterian Church at 3003 Northland Drive in Austin. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to Trinity University c/o Sharon Schweitzer, 1 Trinity Place, San Antonio, Texas 78212; Wonders and Worries at 9101 Burnet Road, Austin, Texas 78758; or Mo Ranch at2229 FM 1340, Hunt, Texas 78024.

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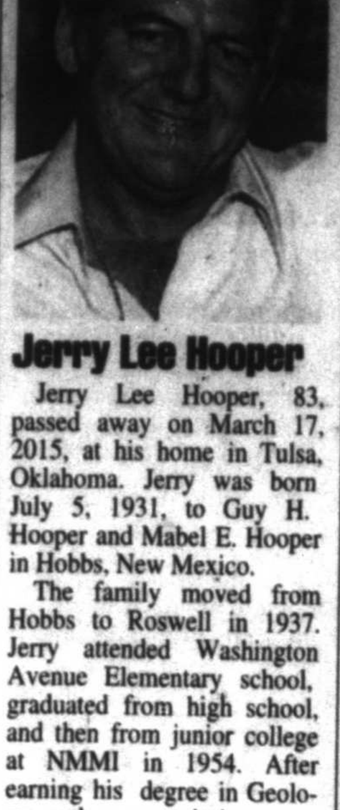


Jerry Lee Hooper

Jerry Lee Hooper, 83, passed away on March 17, 2015, at his home in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Jerry was born July 5, 1931, to Guy H. Hooper and Mabel E. Hooper in Hobbs, New Mexico.

The family moved from Hobbs to Roswell in 1937. Jerry attended Washington Avenue Elementary school, graduated from high school, and then from junior college at NMMI in 1954. After earning his degree in Geology and a commission as a 2nd Lt. from Texas Tech University, he was assigned to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri for the duration of his military service.

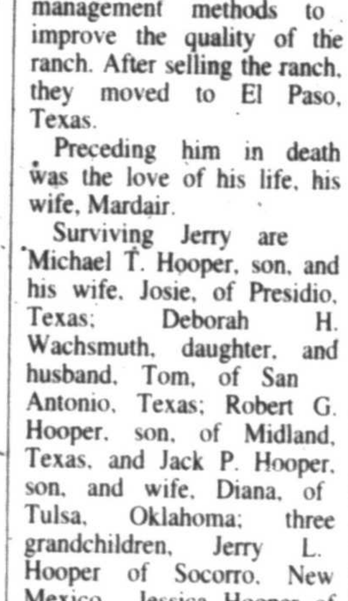
Jerry married Margaret Adair Travis in 1953 in Roswell. He was employed by Lone Star Production Company and later Adobe Oil and Gas Company, before he formed his own independent oil company.

Jerry and his wife enjoyed visiting their ranch in northern New Mexico near Las Vegas. They raised buffalo, llamas, and other exotic animals, kept their ponds stocked with trophy trout, and practiced sound land management methods to improve the quality of the ranch. After selling the ranch, they moved to El Paso, Texas.

Preceding him in death was the love of his life, his wife, Mardair.

Surviving Jerry are Michael T. Hooper, son, and his wife, Josie, of Presidio, Texas; Deborah H. Wachsmuth, daughter, and husband, Tom, of San Antonio, Texas; Robert G. Hooper, son, of Midland, Texas, and Jack P. Hooper, son, and wife, Diana, of Tulsa, Oklahoma; three grandchildren, Jerry L. Hooper of Socorro, New Mexico, Jessica Hooper of Tulsa, and Adair Hawkins and husband, Josh, of Dallas; and one great grandson, Sammy Hawkins, of Dallas.

Jerry will be greatly missed by his family and friends.



Jimmie Lynette Meador

Jimmie Lynette Meador, 74, of Midland, Texas, was born in Lubbock, Texas on February 24, 1941 and passed on to her final reward on March 26, 2015 at Midland Memorial Hospital after a valiant fight with a short illness.

Jimmie graduated from Lubbock High School in 1959. She married Danny Meador on November 14, 1959 and they moved to Midland, Texas. They lived in Midland for their married life of 56 years. They had two sons, the oldest of which preceded Jimmie in death in July of 2012.

Jimmie worked at many different jobs as a secretary. The one she loved most was for Attorney John Hyde, who later became a district judge. Jimmie's major interest was her family. Her interests outside the home included her primary interest which was her church, Alamo Baptist, where she was very active, Pink Ladies at Midland Memorial Hospital, and The Crisis intervention Department of Midland County Sheriff.

Jimmie was preceded in death by both of her parents and her eldest son.

Jimmie is survived by her spouse, Danny Meador; her youngest son, Chris Meador of Midland, Texas; her sister Pam Smith of Conroe, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews, as well as many, many special close friends.

The memorial service will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, March 30, 2015 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Gary Redwine officiating.

The family of Jimmie Meador thanks all the members of Alamo Baptist Church and the Midland County Sheriff's Office with a special thank you to the people of the Civil and Warrants Department.

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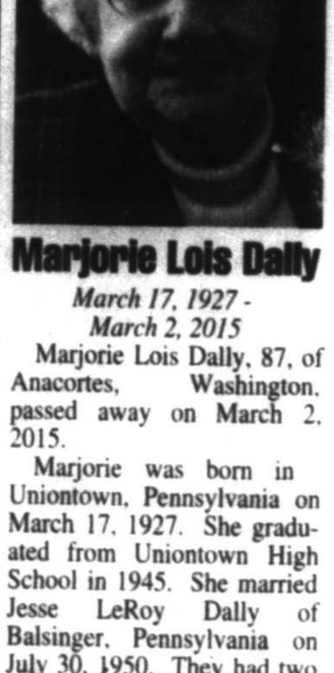


Marjorie Lois Dally

March 17, 1927 - March 2, 2015

Marjorie Lois Dally, 87, of Anacortes, Washington, passed away on March 2, 2015.

Marjorie was born in Uniontown, Pennsylvania on March 17, 1927. She graduated from Uniontown High School in 1945. She married Jesse LeRoy Dally of Balsinger, Pennsylvania on July 30, 1950. They had two children, David Jesse Dally and Suzanne Lynn Dally McIntyre.

Marjorie and Jess lived in Morgantown, West Virginia before leaving for overseas work in Turkey for a few years. Upon returning to the United States, they moved to Texas where they spent the great majority of their lives together. Initially they lived in Arlington and then moved to Midland about 1962. In 1987, they moved to Houston.

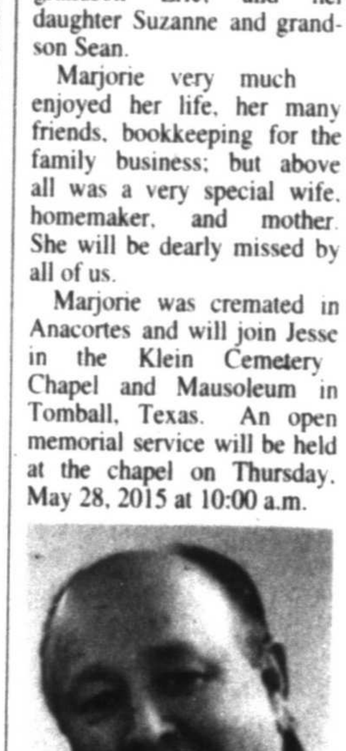
In 1999, after 49 years of marriage, Jess passed away. Marjorie stayed in Houston near David's family until 2011. She then moved to Anacortes, Washington to spend more time near Suzanne and her family.

Marjorie was preceded in death by her parents, Irving J. Renninger and Mary Katherine Jobes; her husband, Jess; and her nine brothers and sisters.

She is survived by her son David, his wife Susan and grandson Eric; and her daughter Suzanne and grandson Sean.

Marjorie very much enjoyed her life, her many friends, bookkeeping for the family business; but above all was a very special wife, homemaker, and mother. She will be dearly missed by all of us.

Marjorie was cremated in Anacortes and will join Jesse in the Klein Cemetery Chapel and Mausoleum in Tomball, Texas. An open memorial service will be held at the chapel on Thursday, May 28, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.



Mike Bowling

Mike Bowling was a loving Husband, Father, Brother, and Friend. He went to be with his father and Savior on March 18, 2015. He left behind a wife of 37 years, Bobbi; two wonderful children Alicia and Ian; four grandchildren: Maura, Jase, Andrew, and Barrett; A mother Joyce, two sisters Becky and Angela, as well as many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Mike was a man that lived life to the fullest. He served our country through the Navy proudly, in addition to that Mike was a well dedicated oil man. His family and friends meant the world to him. His passions included Golf, Poker, Fishing, NASCAR, and his favorite Ten-

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nessee Vols, and most importantly making those around him smile.

Mike was laid to rest in Tennessee where he will call forever home as he always wanted. He shall shine on through those souls he's imprinted on and helped through his own donations.

In lieu of a service and/or flowers we're asking donations be made in his honor through his tribute page under Michael Bowling on The American Heart Association website.

Mike "Dad", we love you and words can't describe how much we miss you. Fly free, be free.

Always and forever,
Your Family.

Death Notices

Francis Marvin "Frank" Singleton

Francis Marvin "Frank" Singleton, 93, of Midland, passed away on March 27, 2015.

The family will be accepting guests from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home on Tuesday, March 31, 2015. Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. at First Christian Church on Wednesday, April 1, 2015. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Frank is survived by his wife, Anna Joy Singleton; and their children and great-grandchildren.

Mikel L. Warner

Mikel L. Warner, 72, of Midland, Texas passed away March 27, 2015.

She is survived by her husband, Jim; daughter, Jacqueline Thompson; and by one sister.

There are no services at this time.

STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

BROWNSVILLE

Antelope on run from Texas zoo for 5 days returns to ranch

An elusive antelope that fled last month from the Gladys Porter Zoo and was on the run for nearly a week will be returned to a North Texas ranch with an escapist name he earned while in captivity.

The 3-year-old male greater kudu, left unnamed for weeks, had trouble adjusting to the rest of the herd at the zoo in Brownsville, authorities told the Brownsville Herald.

After the antelope's brief freedom, zoo fans voted to name him "Kudini," after escape artist Harry Houdini, zoo officials announced Friday.

The spiral-horned antelope escaped from the zoo Feb. 18. Kudini was caught nearly a week later near an international bridge to Mexico.

Zoo officials early in the ensuing monthlong quarantine period began to doubt that the kudu would be able to adapt to a captive herd.

"After watching this animal closely for over 30 days, we just don't think he will ever feel comfortable in close proximity to people," said Walter DuPree, the zoo's mammal curator. "Many antelope adapt, but not this one."

The animal spent most of his life on a North Texas ranch, where he was trucked Friday. The name of the ranch was not immediately released.

CORSICANA

Ex-justice of peace gets nearly 2 years in drug case

A former justice of the peace in Navarro County has been sentenced to nearly two years behind bars in a 2014 drug case.

Donna Murray was sentenced Friday in Corsicana.

The Corsicana Daily Sun reported Murray was convicted March 4 of possession of a controlled substance. She was sentenced to 23 months in a state jail, fined $1,000 and ordered to pay court costs.

Murray resigned from office in 2009.

Corsicana is 50 miles southeast of Dallas.

TxDOT approves monument near Fire Station 4, pavement markings throughout region

From staff reports

The Texas Transportation Commission, led by Chairman Tryon Lewis of Odessa for the next six years, approved a $442,080 bid for a 10-feet-high, 50-feet-wide monument to be placed near Fire Station 4.

The commission approved the bid by contractor Encino Landscape, Inc., of the Texas city of Cleveland. The monument will have "Midland" placed on it with 3-feet-tall letters, as well as an oil derrick, a pump jack and a Texas star. It will be placed in the triangular region bordered by Big Spring Street, Solomon Lane and North Lamesa Road.

The monument is funded by Keep Midland Beautiful. The group received funding as part of the Governor's Community Achievement Award. The award is given to communities that have the best grassroots environmental projects each year, according to a news release by Gene Powell, Texas Department of Transportation Odessa District public information officer.

Powell also informed the public that the 12-county Odessa District is also receiving pavement markings in various locations, including a 2-mile segment of Interstate 20. The first segment runs from Farm-to-Market Road 1927 in Ward County to 7.6 miles east of the Crane County and Ector County line. The second segment runs from the Jeff Davis County line to 10 miles east of it.

Vizcaino, Inc., of Odessa, won the I-20 job with a $193,241.53 bid and the other district-wide jobs with a $711,132.85 bid.

The other locations set for pavement markings are:

- Business Interstate 20 throughout Midland County.
- State Highway 176 throughout Andrews County.
- SH 115 in Andrews County from SH 176 to the Winkler County line.
- SH 302 in Ector County from the Winkler County line to near West Loop 338.
- FM 1882 (West County Road) in Ector County from U.S. Highway 385 north of Odessa to Kermit highway and also from Business Interstate 20 to US 385 south of Odessa.
- SH 158 in northern Ector County from US 385 to the Midland County line.
- SH 349 from the Martin County line to 3 miles south of I-20.
- SH 137 in Martin County from SH 176 to BI-20.
- US 385 throughout Crane County.
- US 67 from US 385 to the Pecos River (Upton, Crane and Crockett counties) and also from I-10 to the Brewster County line in Pecos County.
- US 285 in Pecos County from Dickinson Street to approximately 19 miles south.

No timeline has been established for any of the projects.

Recent rains could improve outlook for Texas cattle herds

By Bil Hanna
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

SAGINAW— Rancher Pete Bonds likes what he's seen of the rain in 2015.

He is optimistic that the above-average rainfall for North Texas could turn things around for the drought-stricken region.

"It's a hell of a lot better than it was," said Bonds, owner of Bonds Ranch in Saginaw.

The Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported while Bonds and other ranchers hope that four years of bone-dry conditions may soon be over, he is not ready to start "doubling down" by going on a spending spree to replenish his cattle herd.

Despite the rain, there hasn't been enough runoff to fill his stock tanks.

"We've had good moisture," Bonds said. "We finally got this ground wet, but we've still got a big, bad problem that we have not run any water."

The weather will likely be a topic of conversation this weekend in Fort Worth at the annual convention of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, of which Bonds is president.

At Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport, 9.11 inches of rain had fallen through Tuesday morning — 1.58 inches above normal. A year ago, only 2.13 inches had fallen.

"What will get me excited is when we see two years of normal rainfall," Bonds said. "One wet spell isn't going to do it. I don't know what's going to happen. Only God knows that."

As of Jan. 1, the inventory of cattle and calves totaled 11.8 million in Texas, up 6 percent from Jan. 1, 2014. Texas ranks first in the U.S. in total cattle and calves, making up 13 percent of the nation's inventory, said Bryan Black, a spokesman for the state Agriculture Department.

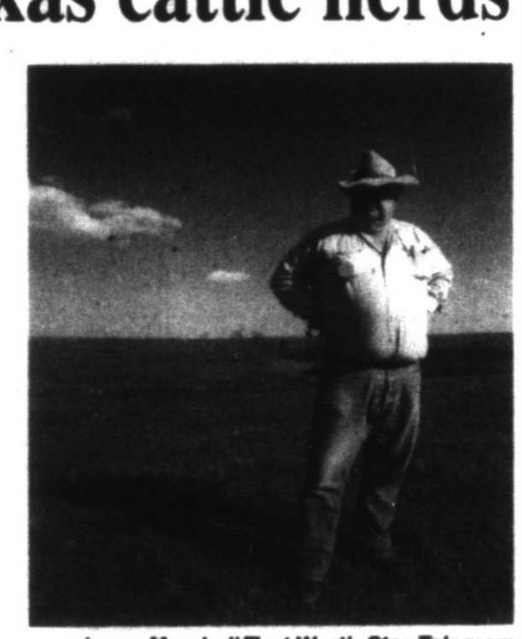
Some big producers started moving their herds out of Texas in 2011, taking them to rain-fed pastures in such states as Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming.

If ranchers become more optimistic and start buying cattle, it would take about three years to rebuild their herds and drive down beef prices, Bonds said. Live cattle were trading at $1.62 a pound Tuesday, compared with 95 cents in 2010 — before the drought took hold.

The Climate Prediction Center's seasonal drought outlook shows some improvement in Dallas-Fort Worth through June, but the dry conditions are hanging on west of Fort Worth. Areas to the south and east of DFW are in far better shape, and some have seen the drought disappear.

To combat the drought's toll, the U.S. Agriculture Department announced last week that the Livestock Forage Disaster Program is available to help offset grazing losses in 2015. Similar benefits were available from 2011 to 2014, and more than 300 operators in Tarrant and Johnson counties signed up, said Kirk Goodman, the USDA Farm Service Agency executive director for Johnson and Tarrant counties.

"This drought has been compared to the drought of the '50s," Goodman said.



Joyce Marshall/Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Pete Bonds, president of the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association, is cautiously optimistic that drought conditions are improving but is not ready to start "doubling down" and buying a lot of cattle. He stands near a stock tank on his Saginaw ranch that is still very low on Tuesday.

"There have been periods of abundant rains, and then it goes back to dry. We have been in this drought since before 2011."

Not all ranchers will qualify for the federal program if they've been cutting back their herds, said Kerry Cornelius, director of Texas Christian University's Ranch Management Program.

"To benefit, you've got to have cattle," Cornelius said. "The first thing we teach in the time of drought is the need to liquidate if you don't have enough forage and feed available. In this drought, you've had to buy feed one, two, maybe three years in a row."

As far as buying more cattle, many remain hesitant, Cornelius said. That's not only because of concerns that the drought will return but also because of the high cost of cattle.

"Mainly, it's the amount of money it takes to get into the market today," Cornelius said. "Everything is a multiple of three times. It takes three times the amount of money to run the same amount of cattle it did five or six years ago. There are few ranches back to full capacity."

Jim Link, who runs a stocker operation and lives on the Tarrant-Johnson county line, said conditions vary across North Texas. Some places have water while others do not.

Link doesn't own cattle long-term. He buys them when they weigh 300 to 400 pounds and sells them when they're about 800 pounds.

"I'm cautiously optimistic the market is starting to come back," Link said. "I think we're going to have a good year for grazing anyway."

But like Bonds, Link isn't ready to open his wallet.

"Until I see Benbrook Lake full and all of these ponds full, I'm not going to say it's over," Link said. "What would be great right now would be a 2- or 3-inch downpour. But it took me two days this weekend to get half an inch."

Review: Texas rarely prosecutes adults when kids access guns

Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas rarely prosecutes people who fail to secure their guns from children, according to a newspaper review of Department of Public Safety statistics.

Gun owners can be charged with a misdemeanor in Texas if they fail to secure their firearms or leave them in a place that a child can access. But the child access prevention, or CAP, law is rarely applied in Texas, the Austin American-Statesman reported Friday.

Authorities have arrested more than 200 people accused of making a firearm accessible to a child since 1995, when that section of the Texas penal code was enacted, but there have been only 61 convictions, DPS figures show.

Jon Vernick, co-director of the Center for Gun Policy and Research at Johns Hopkins University, said studies show CAP laws are linked to fewer accidental deaths among children and even fewer suicides among teens.

"Good research demonstrates that these laws save lives," he said.

Florida was the first state to pass a CAP law in 1989, which paved a way to prosecute gun owners if unsupervised children got hold of a firearm and shot themselves or someone else.

A study that appeared in the Journal of the American Medical Association in 1997 found that storage laws appeared to prevent unintentional shooting deaths among children younger than 15.

In Harris County, three children were involved in unintentional shootings over four days. After the third shooting March 2, in which a 6-year-old boy was shot by his brother, Sheriff Adrian Garcia hours later held a news conference and promised a serious push to give away gun locks and preach gun safety at every public meeting.

ARTS

From 1B

were all luminous. They kicked off the outdoor entertainment with a sweet spirit despite some slight choreography derailments. Midland has a treasure with both troupes that hopefully everyone can see more of.

WELCOME ADDITION

There was food on the premises thanks to food trailers Cane d' Oro and The Original Funnel Cake but Which Wich's new location in the Wall Street Lofts was an ideal option for many hungry festival-goers. A constant stream of customers was in and out of the small sandwich spot but with several menu options, many folks seemed to opt for the new kid on the block. They've also stepped up their game in short time. They were churning out orders far faster than they were in the restaurants first few days.

STANDING ROOM ONLY

The main stage featured performances throughout the day, but there being no chairs was kind of a bummer.

WILLIAMSON

From 1B

The wife won't even let me shop for my own clothes because she knows I'm going to walk into a store and buy the first thing I like. So I have to wait for her to tell me when a sale is going on — then she will determine if I really need new clothes by the discounted price that is being offered and by what kind of store coupons are available.

I swear that stores are lucky if they can get rid of the wife without paying her as she leaves the store.

Thought for the Week:

"Shopping is really complicated if you are a girl."
— author Helen Slater

WARREN

From 1B

committees to look beyond one graduation requirement and truly look at the "total" student. These committees will not be in place for all students. Students who are chronic failures on the End of Course Exams (EOC's) will not qualify to be assessed by the committee. The school principal, the student's teachers, the counselor and the parent or caregiver will be the committee members, and they will be charged with looking at many metrics of a student's academic career in order to make a decision. Their decision must be unanimous, and that decision will not be made until after the student completes additional graduation requirements assigned by the committee.

Again, not all students will qualify for these committees, and I would also surmise that not all students who do will qualify for graduation, because of the stringent guidelines placed on the committees. It does, however, give educators, parents and ultimately students the chance to be successful using a variety of academic indicators — instead of just one.

For the rest of these bills, like SB 149, the goal is to create a Texas public school testing and accountability system that works for students, educators, and parents and not against. Brief summaries of these bills are as follows:

- SB 1200: Taylor calls for the creation of a committee to recommend a completely new system of testing and accountability measures for Texas public school students.
- HB 742: Huberty eliminates certain STAAR (State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness) exams from third through eighth grade and requires school districts to test internally in those areas.
- HB 743: Huberty calls for the suspension of the entire STAAR program until the test can be determined to be "valid and reliable by an independent entity."
- HB 1164: VanDeaver calls for the revision of STAAR writing tests in grades 4, 7, and on the English I and English II tests to give more local control to address writing skills of students.
- HB 2804: Aycock calls for the elimination of STAAR testing for science, social studies and writing. The bill mandates that all local districts locally adopt assessment programs for these three areas.
- HB462: Goldman would allow students who take and pass dual credit courses — courses in which students gain both high school and college credit — to be allowed to substitute those successfully completed courses for STAAR requirements.

All of these bills complement each other and strive to change the direction of Texas public education, and hopefully that direction will be based on teaching and learning and not on high stakes testing. In that respect, many of these bills follow the premise that our current testing program — the STAAR — is broken, and these bills strive to put our students on a fair playing field as the process plays out to change the STAAR.

We are currently in the fourth year of STAAR implementation. The most disconcerting realization that educators, parents, and now legislators have come to is that there has been virtually no Texas school district — large or small, property wealthy or property poor, demographically diverse or homogeneous, urban, suburban, or rural — that has made any statistical gain in its STAAR scores since its inception.

The entire validity of the test is being questioned. And while the Texas testing program is being hashed out, which is a very big deal, these bills attempt to add an equity component, so students will not be adversely affected by this system.

To me, these state leaders are not standing on old notions and traditions — they are identifying weaknesses in our current programs, and they are leading the charge to make sure all students have at least a chance to succeed. SB 149 and many other bills on both sides of the legislature are attempting to accomplish that goal for our students.

Thank you for your support of our children and our schools. If anyone has questions about the issues in my article or about anything else, please do not hesitate to contact me at ryder.warren@midlandisd.net.

Clerics urge US to end family detention of immigrants

By Seth Robbins
Associated Press

DILLEY — About 80 faith leaders from around the U.S. have signed a letter to President Barack Obama urging the government to stop detaining immigrant families, while high-ranking clerics visiting a South Texas detention facility Friday criticized the practice.

The U.S. government opened the detention centers, including two in Texas, in response to the tens of thousands of immigrants who crossed the U.S.-Mexico border last summer. Most were women with children or unaccompanied minors from Central America.

In their letter, released Friday, Christian and Jewish clerics decried the policy of detaining mothers and children as "inappropriate and unjust." Detention is harmful to children, they said, and leaves the mothers with diminished access to the legal system.

"These families are not a threat to our communities — they pose no risk to our safety and have committed no crimes. They themselves are fleeing real forms of terror, with a majority having valid asylum claims," the clerics wrote.

Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller of San Antonio, along with four other Catholic and Lutheran bishops, toured the South Texas Family Residential Center in Dilley Friday, speaking with some of the 390 women and children housed there. The facility is expected to eventually hold 2,400 people.

The bishops said the women were upset about judges requiring them to post thousands of dollars in bonds for their release.

"If there was a theme to what I saw today it was tears, tears, tears. The people I spoke with had many tears," said Bishop Michael Rinehart, head of the Texas-Gulf Coast Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church.

U.S. Customs and Immigration Enforcement said in a statement that the centers are an important response to the surge in illegal immigration last summer and an effective and humane way to keep families together. ICE said its centers "operate in an open environment, which includes medical care, play rooms, social workers, educational services, and facilitate access to legal counsel."

Eusebio Elizondo, auxiliary bishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle, said after the tour that he had seen mainly young mothers with very young children. He had seen no child older than 10, he said, and the youngest was a 9-month-old baby. Elizondo said he spoke with three women who reported feeling pressured to sign voluntary deportation documents before they could see a judge.

"If this is to send a message to other countries, I'm not certain that it's effective for that purpose because we have people still coming," said Bishop Julian Gordy of the Southeastern Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church. "I know it has been really effective to a distressing degree in separating families."

The bishops said their churches would be willing to help the immigrants if they were allowed to live in communities while their cases are processed.

Otero County officials dig proposed mining project

Associated Press

ALAMOGORDO, N.M. — A historic southern New Mexico mining town that once shined with the gold rush could sparkle again with some garnet.

Otero County commissioners approved financial assistance Tuesday for a proposed garnet mining operation in Orogrande. Commissioners and the Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce have been in talks with former Rosemont Realty CEO Dan Burrell about the $20 million project.

Burrell discovered in 2013 what could be the largest freestanding deposits of garnet in the U.S. in the Jarilla Mountains Mineral District. He has proposed establishing a mine and a crushing plant in Otero County and is even investing $3 million of his own resources.

Chamber of Commerce President Mike Espiritu said the project would create 47 high-paying jobs and give business to Otero County Electric Cooperative. The goal is to start production in 2016, the Alamogordo Daily News reported.

"We are in direct competition with surrounding states. We have to move on this rather quickly because it does take about 12 months for all this to happen," Espiritu said.

Albuquerque attorney Stuart R. Butzier, who specializes in assisting clients in mining and ranching, has been helping Burrell with negotiations with the Bureau of Land Management.

"We have taken a proactive approach on Burrell's resources group to meet with BLM three times," Butzier said. "We've explained to them how we're going to permit and they've been very attentive and appreciative of our approach."

According to Butzier, they already have a permit from the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division that has allowed some exploration drilling at the garnet site. And because of the federal General Mining Law of 1872, the BLM cannot keep Burrell's company from accessing the site.

Attorney David P. Buchholtz, whose Albuquerque firm is also involved in the project, said a lot of the funding will come from industrial revenue bonds. Industrial revenue bonds is a type of bond organized by a state or local government. A government entity sponsors the bond issue but its proceeds go to private businesses. The county would not be responsible for any debt incurred by them, Buchholtz said.

"The only responsibility comes from the developer through these payments. The county is not the buyer of the bonds, we're not asking the county to participate in any way in connection in development of the financing," Buchholtz said.

County commissioners plan to further discuss the project during their next two meetings but have so far expressed support.

Orogrande was a booming mining town that experienced a gold rush in 1905. But the mining dried up by the 1940s and roughly 50 people call the community home.

REGION BRIEF

FROM WIRE REPORTS

OKLAHOMA

State's mining and logging sector hit by layoffs

TULSA — Oklahoma's mining and logging sector, which includes the oil and gas industry, lost an estimated 2,400 jobs in February as the state's overall jobless rate remained steady.

The Tulsa World reported that the Oklahoma Employment Security Commission (OESC) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics announced the job losses Friday. According to the OESC's chief economist, Lynn Gray, the job decline matches that of the worst month for the industry since 1990.

According to government data, February was the third month in a row that the state's jobless rate remained at 3.9 percent.

Gray said that in December and January, the mining and logging sector lost an estimated 100 and 500 jobs, respectively. Several energy-related companies in Tulsa have let go of workers in recent months.

Crowd turns out for funeral of slain Navajo police officer

Associated Press

FARMINGTON, N.M. — People lined the streets Friday as the funeral procession honoring a Navajo Nation police officer made its way through Farmington.

Law enforcement officers from across the country and residents from throughout the Four Corners region gathered for the funeral of 42-year-old Alex Yazzie.

Yazzie, of Crownpoint, was fatally shot during a March 19 shootout between tribal police and Justin Fowler near the Arizona-New Mexico state line.

Fowler led police on a high-speed pursuit from a home in Shiprock, New Mexico, where he allegedly had been beating his wife and mother.

Authorities say Fowler also wounded two officers before being killed by police in Red Valley, Arizona.

New Mexico Gov. Susana Martinez also ordered flags to be flown at half-staff until sunset Friday in honor of Yazzie.

Navajo Nation President Ben Shelly called on federal and state lawmakers to provide more funding to the tribe's public safety services and a full review by Navajo officials of tribal laws pertaining to public safety.

"The laws we have are outdated, we need to change it," Shelly said.

Among the achievements listed in the eulogy was Yazzie's selection in February 2002 as the first criminal enforcement officer for the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency.

In April 2012, he transferred to the Navajo police department and was assigned to the Shiprock District.

Rolanda Cowboy, one of Yazzie's nieces, remembered her uncle as possessing a unique laugh and love for his children.

Pastor Alvin Cayatineto of the Souls of Life Fellowship Church in Standing Rock used part of his message to comment on the number of public safety personnel in attendance at Yazzie's funeral, some coming from as far as away as Chicago or from the Jicarilla Apache, Oglala Sioux and Southern Ute tribes.

"This shows a respect that they have for their brother. Being here shows the commitment to each other and to your colleague," Cayatineto said.

Dr. Varsha R. Gillala, D.O.
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Dr. Varsha Gillala, D.O is the founder and the primary physician at Recovery & Goals, PLLC. She began her medical practice in Houston, TX as an independent contractor with US Physiatry. Prior to moving to Midland, she worked at Kelsey-Seybold Clinic in the Spine department. She is a Board Certified Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation physician, who started her practice in 2012. She has an undergraduate degree in Biological Sciences from Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge. She is trained in osteopathic medicine; she completed her medical training at Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine. Later, she completed her Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation residency at Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX in June 2012.

She maintains her Board Certification in Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation.

Dr. Gillala is an Associate Medical Director with Active staff privileges providing inpatient admissions and patient care at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital in Midland/Odessa.

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Up & Down in Texas politics: Taxes, gay marriage license ban

By Will Weissert
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Having faced six major school finance lawsuits since 1984, the Texas Legislature has traditionally stayed away from passing major reforms while the courts are in the process of sorting out the issue.

Why? Because any eventual ruling can wipe out policies that legislators have just approved.

Well, so much for conventional wisdom.

House Public Education Chairman Jimmie Don Aycock has announced plans for a sweeping school finance makeover. And he's not waiting for the conclusion of an ongoing case in which the state Supreme Court will review a state district judge's finding that Texas' public education funding is unconstitutionally inadequate and unfairly distributed.

A final ruling won't come until after the legislative session is over, but Aycock says he has bipartisan support to pour an extra $3 billion into classrooms and help restructure funding formulas now.

"We just want to look at what is right to do, regardless of where the court case falls," said Aycock, a Killeen Republican.

Tradition mandates not touching school finance amid court cases, however, because lawmakers have been down that road before.

In 1991, legislators overhauled school finance laws to create county education district tax rates in response to previous lawsuits. Less than nine months later, the Texas Supreme Court declared that unconstitutional.

Aycock said he's well aware all this session's work could be voided by court order, but "this is at least an attempt."

Here are other issues that had strong weeks — and didn't — in Texas politics.

WHAT'S UP

Tax Cuts: The Senate has approved $4.6 billion in tax cuts, the largest of their kind since 2006. Some powerful business lobbying groups have panned the plans, though, saying top firms will end up shouldering larger tax burdens while small businesses get breaks. That means the tax-cut package may not be a slam-dunk in the House.

WHAT'S DOWN

Removing Judges From Straight-Party Ticket Voting: Rep. Ken Sheets' bill would pull judges' names from straight-party voting tickets. The Dallas Republican argues that strong judges often get unnecessarily booted from office during a banner election year for one party or the other. The bill was left pending in House committee, but not before it drew criticism from some of Sheets' colleagues and other bipartisan elected officials. Among the concerns expressed: The bill could confuse voters and hurt turnout.

Prohibiting County Clerks From Recognizing Same-Sex Marriage: A plan to bar state and local employees from licensing or recognizing same-sex marriages — even if the U.S. Supreme Court eventually overturns Texas' statewide ban — has attracted loads of attention. But its notoriety may exceed its chances of becoming law. After emotional debate in House committee, the bill was left pending. Democrats have decried it as anti-gay. Republicans, meanwhile, oppose the extra costs associated with the bill since it mandates that marriage license issuance duties would go to the secretary of state rather than individual counties. It would cost Texas $1.4 million during the first year and $1 million annually afterward.

Fort Worth demolishes homeless camp, scattering 80 people

By Emily Schmall
Associated Press

FORT WORTH — The city of Fort Worth has started breaking up a homeless camp, using heavy equipment to clear the area and force more than 80 adults and children to abandon most of their belongings.

Activists on Saturday took some individuals to assistance centers or hotels. Others at the site are expected to move to alternate hiding places outdoors near the camp and a cluster of homeless shelters "to buy them more time," said Beth Bergeron of the homeless outreach group Rita's Hope.

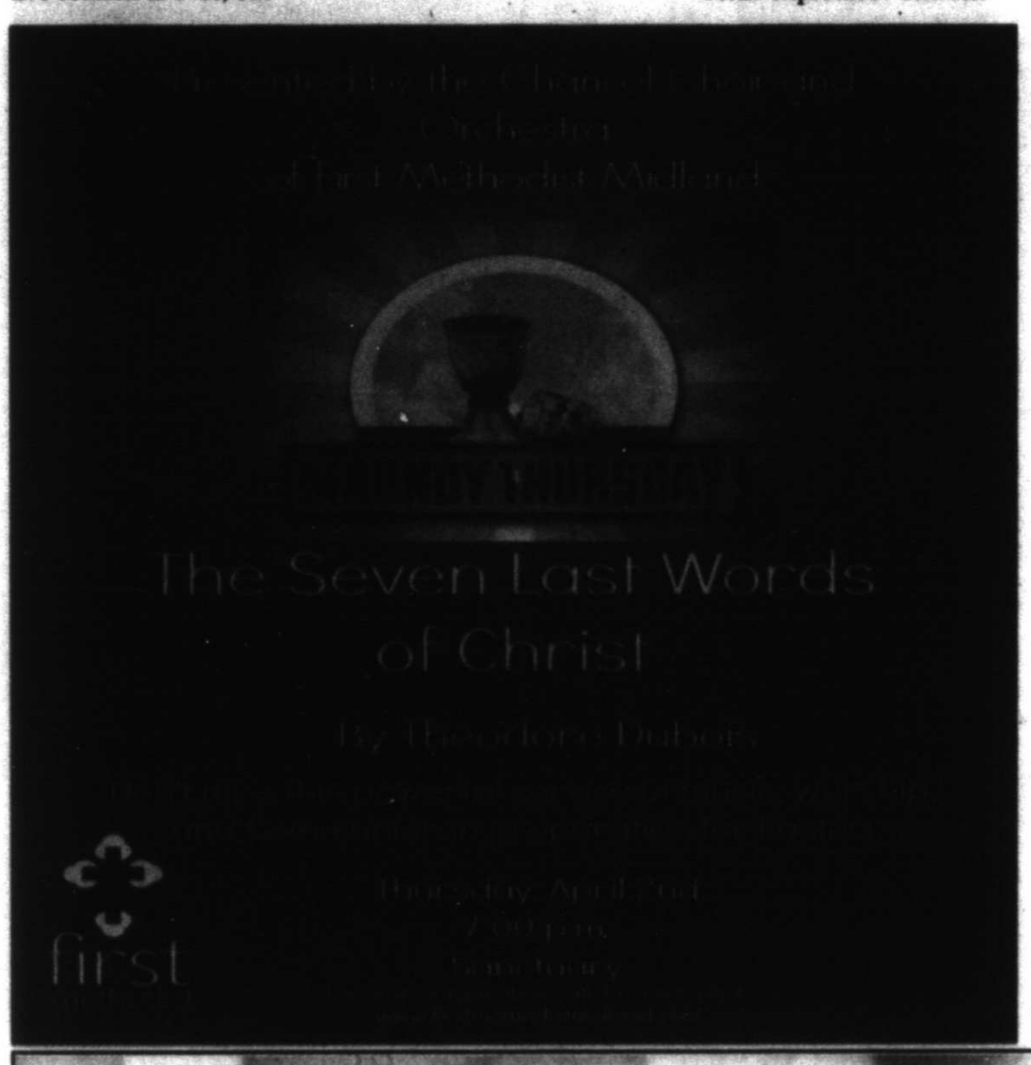
City code enforcement officer Brian Bennett says Fort Worth breaks up between 100 and 120 homeless camps each year.

"I've seen a young girl trade sex for money, I've seen animal cruelty, assault," Bennett said, adding that the camps "don't get people out of homelessness."

Some of the homeless people had put together shacks while squatting on the swath of private property in a wooded area. Bits of carpet, industrial foam and pallets formed the floor of one camp. One dumpster overflowed with clothing. In the last year, Bennett said, the city has removed 68,000 pounds of trash from homeless campsites.

The homeless people were moved for code violations.

One man, David Miller, was demolishing his shack to scrap the metal where he had lived for about a year. The shack had glass windows and a soap dispenser mounted to the wall.



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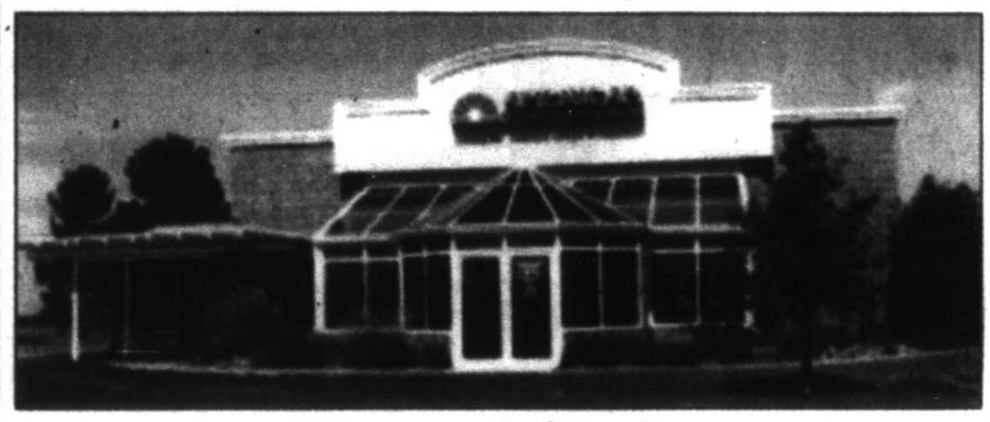

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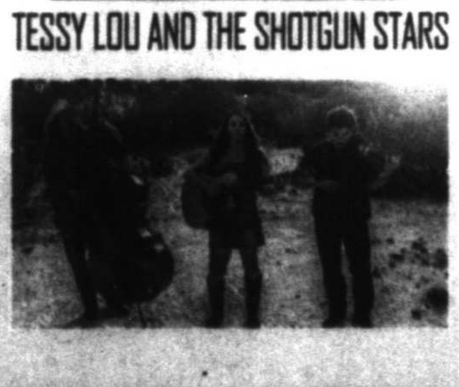

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GUILTY PLEAS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Guilty pleas accepted and sentences imposed March 16-20 by district judges George D. Gilles, Robin Malone Darr, Elizabeth B. Leonard and Rodney W. Satterwhite:

Brianna Raquel Barriga, 22, possession of a controlled substance, two years TDCJ, pay restitution; 180 days driver's license suspension.

Oline Basped III, 49, possession of a controlled substance without intent to deliver, extended two years, 14 days jail.

Isaac Sanchez Benavides, 34, driving while intoxicated for third or more times, two years TDCJ.

Jordan Thomas Brown, 23, assault of a public servant, three years TDCJ; attempting to take weapon from law enforcement officer, three years TDCJ; tampering with or fabricating physical evidence, revoked three years TDCJ; possession of a controlled substance in a correctional facility, three years TDCJ.

Sergio Salvador Caro, 26, evading arrest and detention in a motor vehicle, four years deferred, $500 fine, court cost, 100 hours community service.

Shawn Michael Ceniceros, 19, possession of a controlled substance, deferred adjudication, five years community supervision, fine, pay restitution, 160 hours community service, TAIP.

Timothy Joseph Chambers Jr., 25, possession of a controlled substance, deferred adjudication, five years community supervision, 240 hours community service, CRTC.

John Robert Collins, 39, theft of property more than $1,500 by check, six months state jail.

Jonathon Ramon Cuellar, 21, assault, eight years deferred, $1,500 fine, court cost, 150 hours community service, Project Adam.

Richard Eugene Duginski, 39, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence, revoked and sentenced to two years TDCJ; possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, revoked and sentenced to one year state jail.

Selena Bethani Enriquez-King, 37, theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, 20 months state jail, pay restitution; theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, 20 months state jail, pay restitution.

John Michael Fonda, 39, injury to a child, extended supervision two years.

Luis Armando Flores, 28, evading arrest, five years deferred, $1,500 fine, court cost, 200 hours community service.

Adolfo P. Garcia Jr., 39, manufacturer or delivery of a controlled substance, two years TDCJ.

Manuel Gomez Gardea, 31, possession of a controlled substance, three years deferred., $500 fine, court cost.

Victor Hugo Gomez, 22, sexual assault of a child, 10 years deferred, $1,500 fine, court cost, 90 days jail, 200 hours community service, sex offender program.

Herminio Gonzalez III, 27, possession of a controlled substance, revoked six months state jail.

John Robert Hooser, 36, obstruction or retaliation, two years TDCJ.

David Earl Jordan, 55, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, four years deferred, $1,500 fine, court cost, 200 hours community service, Project Adam, TAIP.

Victor Alex Madrid Jr., 25, possession of a controlled substance, three years TDCJ.

Demetria Iris Miller, 41, injury to a child, elderly individual or disabled individual, three years deferred, $500 fine, court cost, 150 hours community supervision.

Terry Louise Miller, 46, theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, five years deferred, $500 fine, court cost, $2,501.76 restitution, 200 hours community service.

Noe M. Minjarez-Villalobos, 26, failure to comply with sex offender registration, two years TDCJ.

Nathan McCullan Moats, 22, possession of a controlled substance, five years deferred, $1,000 fine, court cost, 150 hours community service, TAIP.

Jeffrey Wayne Metcalf, 25, assault on a public servant, adjudicate 10 years, suspended five years probation, 15 days jail.

James Lee Owens, 59, possession of a controlled substance — cocaine, six months state jail.

Eric Payen, 23, possession of a controlled substance, deferred adjudication, two years probation, fine, pay restitution.

Armando Ramos Pioquinto, 22, possession of a controlled substance, eight years deferred, $1,000 fine, court cost, 250 hours community service.

Kendall Marie Roemisch, 33, burglary, four years deferred, $1,250 fine, court cost, 150 hours community service, anger management.

Juan Martiniano Rodriquez, 38, possession of a controlled substance in a drug-free zone, three years deferred, $1,500 fine, court cost, 150 hours community service, TAIP.

Chevar Lamont Saddler, 26, assault on a public servant, continue supervision.

Billy Santiago Sandoval Jr., 19, aggravated assault of a child, deferred adjudication, 10 years probation, 90 days jail, fine, 300 hours community service, sex offender registration, order for special driver's license sex offense.

Samuel Bradley Smith, 27, unauthorized use of a motor vehicle, 13 months state jail.

Genaro Alberto Vargas, 45, possession of a controlled substance, three years TDCJ; failure to appear, three years TDCJ.

Christopher Douglas Wallace, 28, manufacturer of delivery of a controlled substance, 20 months state jail.

Tristan Marcel Ward, 23, possession of a controlled substance, seven months state jail.

Clinton Earl Williams III, 23, tampering with or fabricating physical evidence, deferred adjudication, five years community supervision, $500 fine, 200 hours community service.

Note: TDCJ = Texas Department of Criminal Justice; TAIP = treatment alternative to incarceration program, CRTC = court residential treatment center; ISP = intensive supervision parole

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Lesie C. Belcher, 38, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under four grams and tampering with physical evidence.

Raul D. Herrera Jr., 37 of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under one gram.

Jose L. Hinojos Jr., 31, of Amarillo was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under one gram.

Manuel H. Rodriguez, 22, of Midland was charged Monday with tampering with physical evidence.

Chandler R. Trost, 21, of Midland was charged Monday with burglary of a habitation.

Jose E. Villanueva, 33, of Midland was charged Monday with tampering with physical evidence.

Joshua D. Wheeler, 36 of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under four grams.

Latyrum Williams, 18, of Midland was charged Monday with possession of a controlled substance under four grams.

Jesse M. Caddell, 41, of Midland was charged Tuesday with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Jeremy C. Entrekin, 31, of Midland was charged Tuesday with assault of a family or house member with impeded breath.

Kendrick D. Harris, 24, of Amarillo was charged Tuesday with tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

Kenneth M. Harris, 26, of Amarillo was charged Tuesday with tampering or fabricating physical evidence.

Augustine Olano-Sanchez, 39, of Midland was charged Tuesday with continued sexual abuse of a child under 14 years.

Armando Perez Jr., 20, of Midland was charged Tuesday with delivery of marijuana under a quarter of an ounce.

Jerrica D. Barbiera, 25, of Midland was charged Wednesday with forgery of a government financial instrument.

Felix V. Bermea III, 25, of Midland was charged Wednesday with obstruction or retaliation.

James M. Scamici, 33, of Midland was charged Wednesday with possession of a controlled substance and possession of a dangerous drug in a drug-free zone.

Cameron M. Williams, 21, of Midland was charged Thursday with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Denote D. Kendricks, 19, of Midland was charged Thursday with burglary of habitation.

Shaquille D. McAffe, 18, of Midland was charged Thursday with theft of a firearm.

Rickey L. Prince, 55, of Midland was charged Thursday with a third count of driving while intoxicated.

Mason C. Casey, 19, of Midland was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram in a drug-free zone.

Marc A. Flores, 20, of Midland was charged Friday with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Ana M. Garces, 33, of Midland was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

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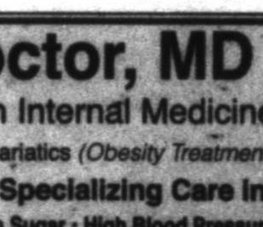

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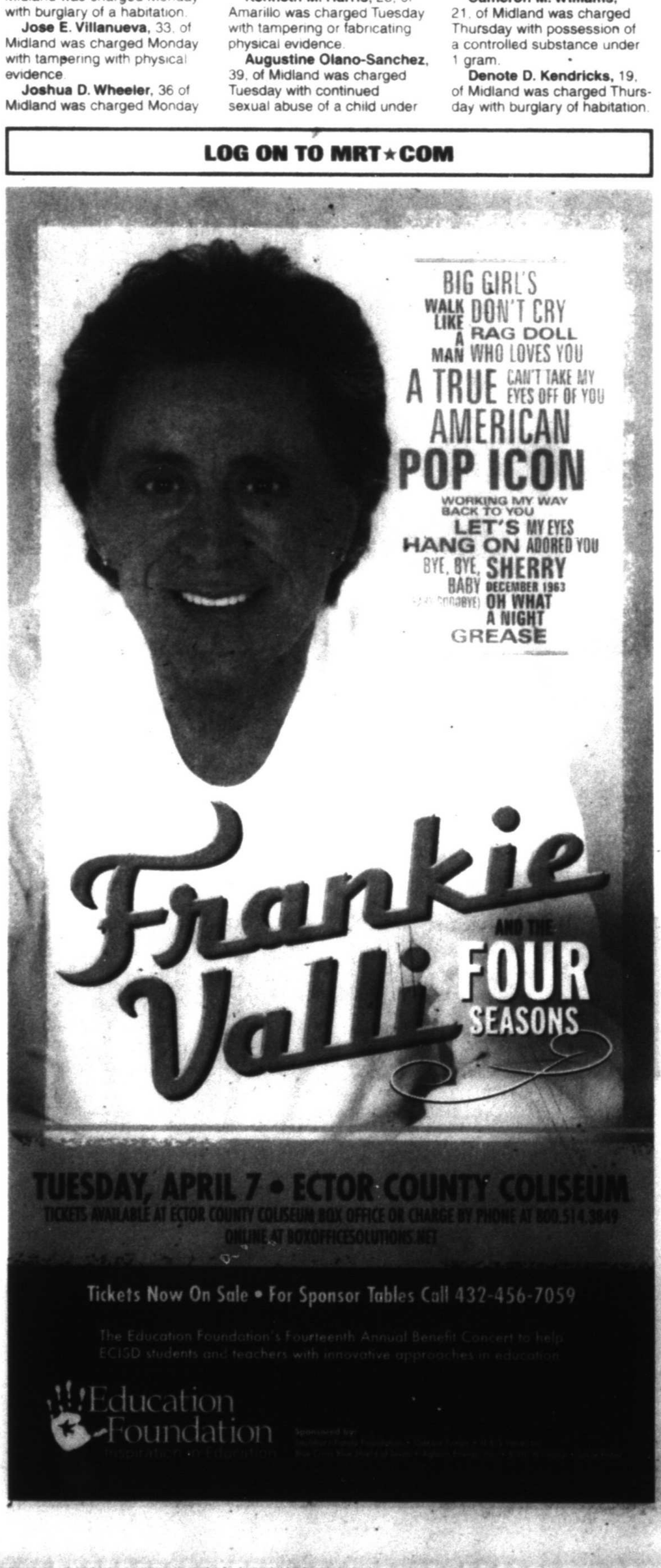

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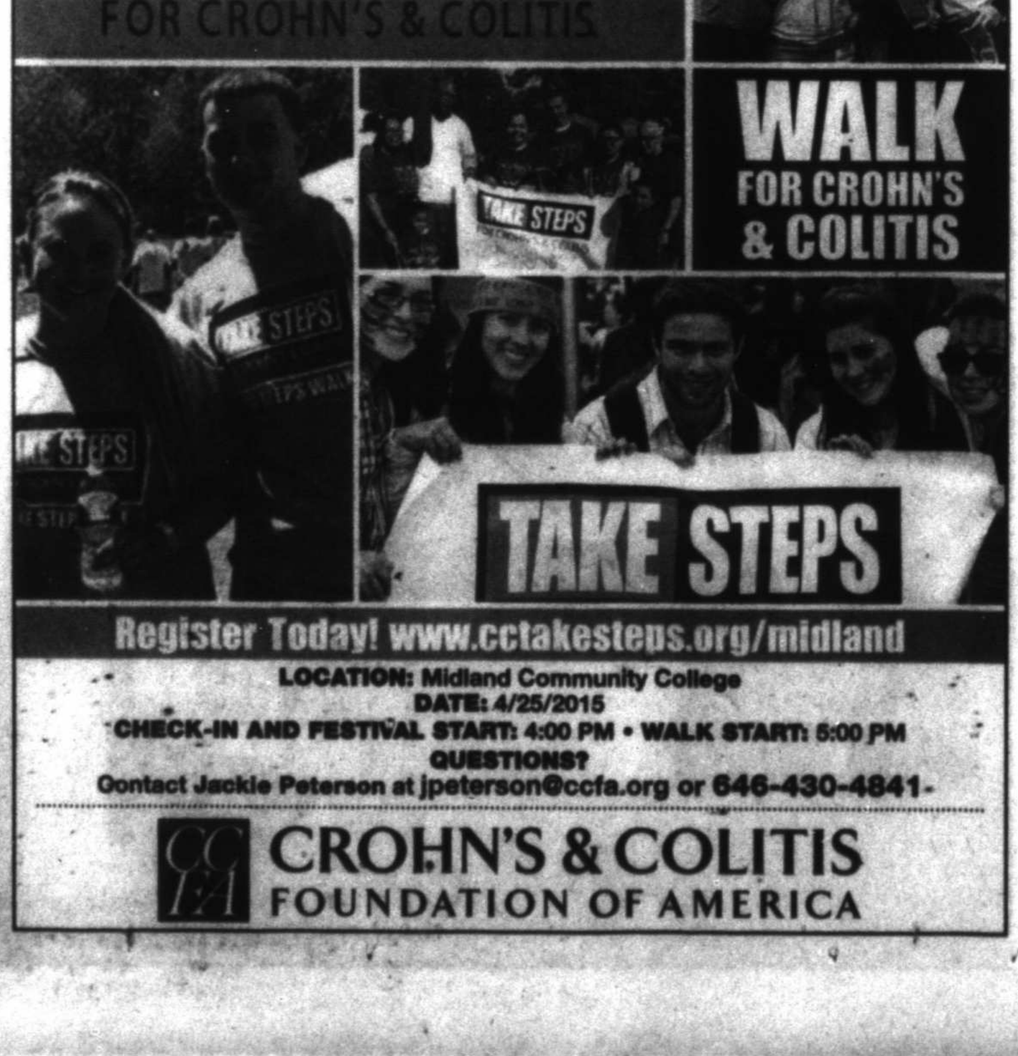

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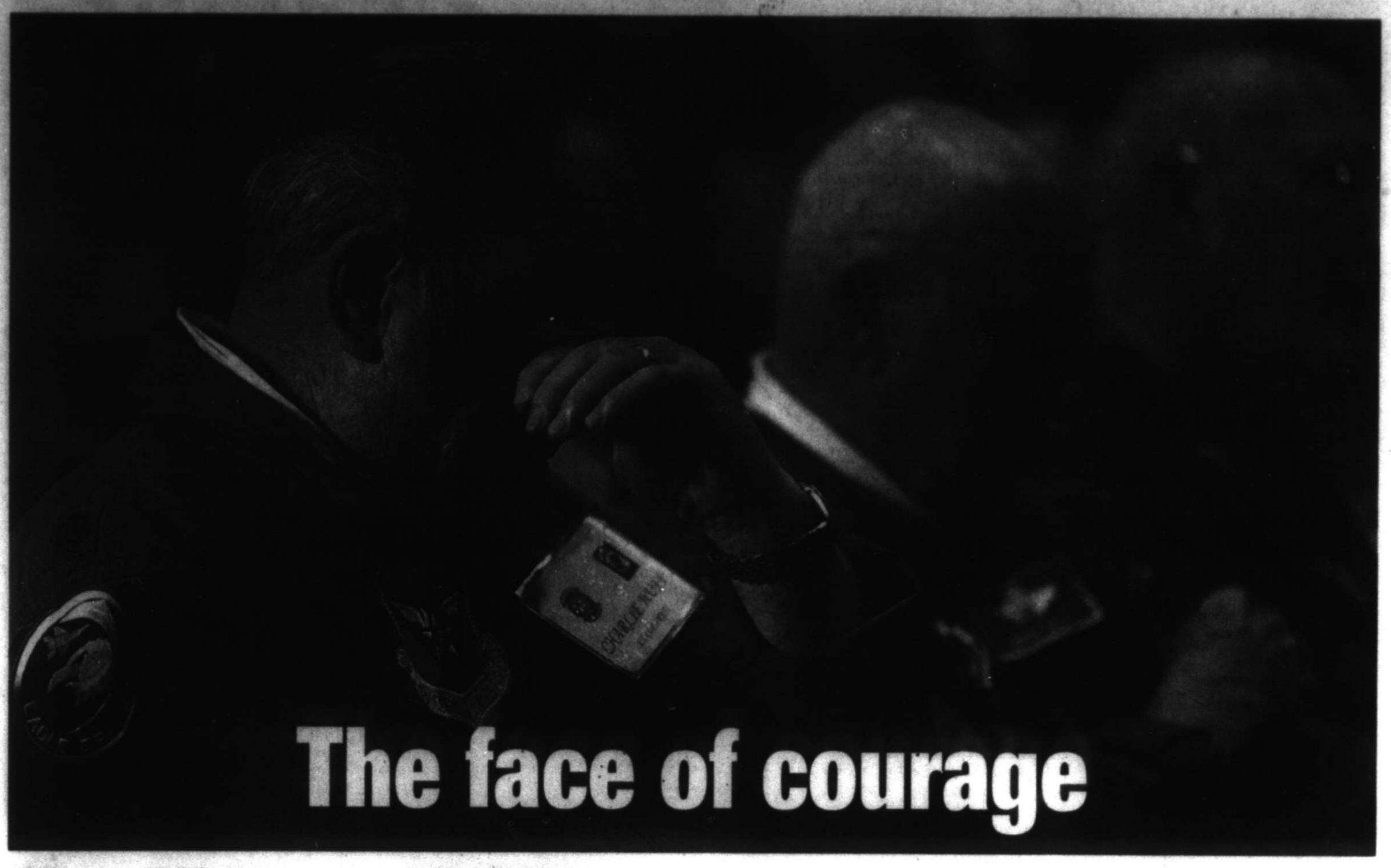

The face of courage

For Vietnam POWs, resistance wasn't futile

By Sig Christenson
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — Retired Navy Cmdr. Everett Alvarez Jr. flew one of the first combat missions of the Vietnam War in August 1964, soon after President Lyndon B. Johnson told the nation the United States would strike targets in the north following the Gulf of Tonkin incident.

But Alvarez's A-4 Skyhawk was crippled by ground fire and went down. Moments later, one of the Navy's few Hispanic pilots had become the war's first American POW.

Six weeks of intensive interrogation followed.

"It was pretty easy to convince them that I was a very junior j.g.," Alvarez, a Silver Star recipient, told the San Antonio Express-News, referring to his rank as a lieutenant. "I didn't know anything, I just arrived at the ship and my primary duty was I was in charge of the popcorn machine."

Alvarez's strategy illustrates how hundreds of American prisoners of war endured brutal living conditions and sadistic interrogation techniques during a long and increasingly unpopular war. Their captors' goal was to break the prisoners in a quest for tactical information, but the POWs — often in solitary confinement but united in the face of increasing torture — found ways to resist.

Many former prisoners came to Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph after the war to requalify as Air Force pilots. Last week, they returned for the 42nd annual Freedom Flyers Reunion at Randolph, where young Air Force pilots, family and friends saluted old heroes and remembered the 1,636 Americans who still are missing in action.

The ranks of Vietnam's POWs are thinning, prompting retired Marine Lt. Col. Orson Swindle III to think back on comrades who've died in the past year or two, among them Air Force Col. Bud Day, a Medal of Honor recipient, and Brig. Gen. James Robinson "Robbie" Risner, who was senior ranking officer and later vice commander of the 4th Allied Prisoner-of-War Wing.

A Korean War ace who lived for years in San Antonio, Risner died in 2013. Like other prisoners at Hoa Lo Prison, dubbed the "Hanoi Hilton," he was in solitary confinement. He also was placed in a darkened cell for 10 months and stayed sane exercising. Risner's mantra, banged out in a "tap code" created by the POWs, was to give the enemy as little as possible.

"I didn't have the honor of living with Robbie Risner, but I heard Robbie Risner, having been tortured and tortured and tortured, his voice cracking," said Swindle, a two-time Silver Star recipient. "He was setting the example. Basically no matter what they want you to do, you fight it, and these guys just didn't mouth words, they lived it."

The reunion was part of a Randolph program established in the wake of "Operation Homecoming."

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the return of POWs to the United States in 1973, and included the 18th annual Prisoners of War and Mission in Action Symposium. Around 150 Air Force pilots back from captivity returned to active-duty flight status with the help of instructors from the base's 560th Flying Training Squadron.

The first flight, given to Lt. Col. "Bud" Flesher on May 21, 1973, was designed to be what the last mission in Southeast Asia should have been — a traditional greeting by fellow pilots armed with a bottle of champagne, which they drank in honor of those who didn't make it back.

The 560th's "Charging Cheetahs" developed the requalification course, which included academics and about 45 hours of flying. The squadron's pilots have taken 195 former POWs who couldn't return to the cockpit or didn't want to on one last "fini flight," a tradition last observed five years ago.

"I think for the most part, the ones that have wanted to have done it. There may be a couple out there that haven't, and I'm kind of selfishly hoping for another one," said the squadron's commander, Lt. Col. Joel DeBoer.

Facing the crowd that surrounded Randolph's Missing Man Monument as a light but steady drizzle fell, Swindle said his fellow former prisoners of war were worth remembering.

"They are just extraordinary people caught in extraordinary circumstances in turbulent times, and asked to do so much more than was probably expected by any one of them or any of us," he said.

Sitting in a cell that was the size of a small pantry, Alvarez ate a meal one day and saw that a fellow prisoner had written something on the bottom of the plate.

"Is there a wok in Hanoi?" it said.

Alvarez, a Salinas, California, native who was a prisoner from August 1964 to February 1973, scratched his initials into the plate and soon got another message.

"'Hi, E.A., the score is Navy 7, Air Force 7.'" Alvarez recalled. "Why in the world would they want to give me the score of Navy-Air Force?"

It was a scorecard of another kind — the number of American POWs.

Lt. Col. (Retired) Charlie Huff, left, is overcome with emotions as he listens to a story about how a fellow Air Force pilot was killed after being captured during the Vietnam War during the group's annual reunion at Joint Base San Antonio-Randolph Air Force on March 20 in San Antonio. Lt. Col. (Retired) John Yuill, center, a member of the Freedom Flyers from the Vietnam War, who was a POW for 6 years, sits next to him. The reunion was part of a Randolph program established in the wake of "Operation Homecoming," the return of POWs to the United States in 1973, and included the 18th annual Prisoners of War and Mission in Action Symposium. ***Ap photo/San Antonio Express-News***

'Llama drama' owners say USDA draws line against appearances

By Terry Tang
Associated Press

PHOENIX — The llamas that became a social media sensation running around a Phoenix-area retirement enclave last month are saying goodbye to the spotlight with one last event Saturday.

Kahkneeta and Laney, whose televised dash mesmerized the Internet and Sun City residents, will likely be making their final public appearance at a Phoenix race track, according to owners Bub Bullis and Karen Freund.

The llama drama that spawned jokes and Twitter hashtags also got the attention of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Freund said.

"If this opens up a can of worms where everybody across the country gets shut down doing this, that's really unfair," Freund said. "That's really a horrible thing to do to people who benefit from them."

A USDA official contacted them shortly after the Feb. 26 incident, saying they needed a license to showcase their llamas or even allow people to snap photos of them, the couple said. Neither was aware of such a policy. The husband and wife, who are both retired Phoenix police officers, had planned to continue offering the llamas for therapy and educational purposes.

"They just totally destroyed everything I had planned for my retirement," Freund said. "We've taken them to schools before. Now they're telling me I can't do anything, even like a photo shoot."

Freund said she is frustrated because the USDA won't respond to any of her follow-up calls about the matter because everything has to be in writing. So they are giving up for now.

USDA national and state offices did not immediately return messages Friday seeking comment.

The couple began raising llamas nine years ago. They currently care for nine.

Most of their llamas are used to being around people at parades and other events. Bullis said he's still not sure what spooked Kahkneeta, a 4-year-old white llama, to run off while visiting a senior living facility in Sun City.

Ap file photo

In this image taken from video and provided by abc15.com on Feb. 26, a Maricopa County Sheriff's vehicle tries to herd two quick-footed llamas as they dash in and out of traffic before they were captured in Sun City, Ariz. The llamas that became a social media sensation running around the Phoenix suburb last month are saying goodbye to the spotlight. Owners Bub Bullis and Karen Freund said Kahkneeta and Laney, whose televised dash mesmerized the Internet and Sun City residents, will likely be making their last public appearance Saturday, March 28 at a Phoenix race track.

"They will just be on the farm and if somebody drives by and takes a picture, I guess I'll get a fine."

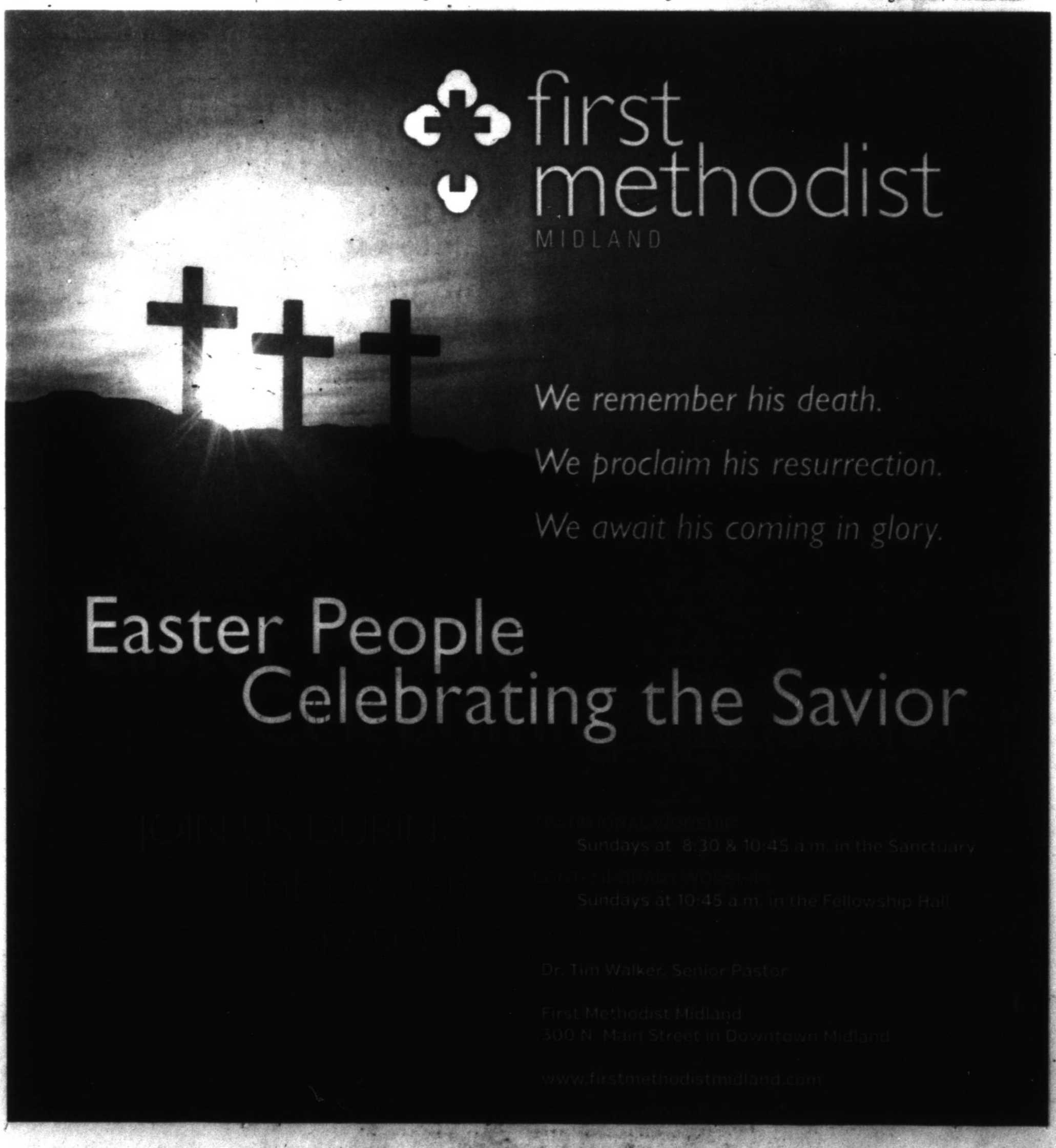
Karen Freund, llama owner

"We figured she would come back. That was a lesson learned. I couldn't believe she didn't come back," Bullis said.

Laney, a 1-year-old black llama, then got loose and followed Kahkneeta. What unfolded over the next few hours has become the stuff of social media legend. Twitter exploded with reactions to the live broadcast of the fugitive llamas. Trending hashtags included #LlamasOnTheLoose and #TEAMLLAMAS. Arizona U.S. Sen. John McCain and the Arizona Cardinals even got in on the tweets. The football team tweeted salary offers in hay, which the couple is still hoping to collect.

Since then, Bullis and Freund said things have quieted down except for more requests for llamas at small city events. The couple said they are only at Turf Paradise this weekend because that was scheduled before the great llama escape. Next month, they and the llamas will be moving about 100 miles north of Phoenix to Chino Valley.

"They will just be on the farm and if somebody drives by and takes a picture, I guess I'll get a fine," Freund said.



Lady Rebels top Lady Bulldogs in pitchers' duel

By Christopher Hadorn
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Spectators were treated to a thrilling pitchers' duel during this season's first edition of the Lee-Midland High softball rivalry on Saturday afternoon.

Lee's Darby O'Grady and Midland High's Kendra Evans each posted zeros on the scoreboard in every inning except one. Both pitched well enough to win at Gene Smith Field.

However, it was the resilient Lady Rebels that prevailed with a 3-2 victory over the heavy-hitting Lady Bulldogs in District 3-6A play.

With the win, Lee (5-7, 2-2 District 3-6A) forced a two-way tie for third place with MHS (15-5, 2-2 District 3-6A). It was quite a turnaround for the two teams as Midland High began the week at 2-0 and the Lady Rebels sat in the basement at 0-2.

In the top of the first inning, it took only four batters for MHS to jump on Lee with a 2-0 lead.

But the Lady Rebels didn't get discouraged even though the Lady Dawgs threatened with runners in scoring position in each of the following six innings, all of which were fruitless rallies.

"We stayed positive," Lee third baseman Cidney Martin said. "We talked about it before the game to always stay positive throughout because this is one of the biggest games of the season, just to stay strong throughout and see what the outcome would be."

Luckily for the Lady Rebels, O'Grady has proven of late that she doesn't get discouraged by runners on base and neither does her defense.

In the top of the fourth, MHS threatened to score with runners on second base and third base and one out.

Midland High's Deandra Allen hit a shallow fly ball to Lee right fielder Tasha Lindenmuth. Lindenmuth made an impressive catch on the run and fired home to catcher Kirklynd Newsom.

Newsom caught the ball and charged up the line to tag out an MHS runner trying to advance home for an inning-ending double play.

"It kind of cut off their momentum," O'Grady said. "That was a big play for us."

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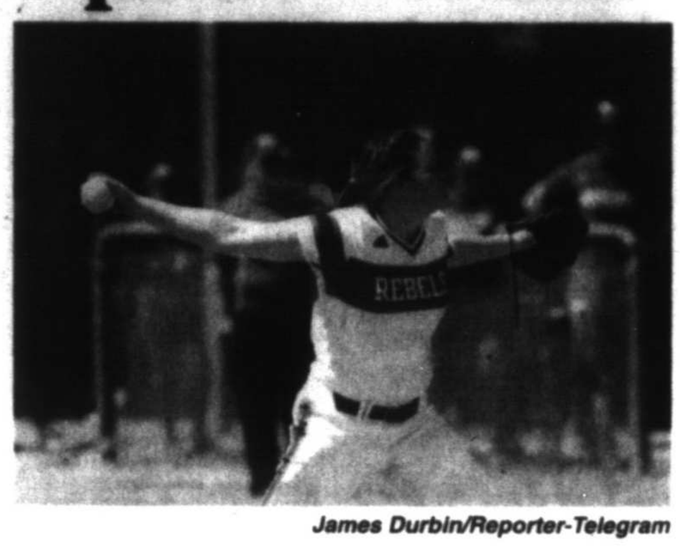

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Lee's Darby O'Grady throws a pitch in Saturday's game against Midland High at Gene Smith Field. O'Grady pitched her team to a 3-2 win over the Lady Bulldogs.

Red Raiders invade

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

TOP: Texas Tech head coach Kliff Kingsbury watches his players during the Texas Tech Red and White Spring Game on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium. RIGHT: Texas Tech quarterback Patrick Mahomes prepares to pass the ball.

Texas Tech's QB situation not settled just yet

By Oscar LeRoy
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Patrick Mahomes took all the reps as the first team quarterback during the Texas Tech Football Red and Black Game on Saturday, but head coach Kliff Kingsbury said don't count out Davis Webb as a starter just yet.

Webb is coming off offseason surgery on his non-throwing shoulder, and Kingsbury said that after careful consideration he decided to hold him out during the Red Raiders' annual trip to Grande Communications Stadium.

"He's doing well," said Kingsbury of Webb. "We've been practicing him, we just thought in this environment, with guys going hard, if he were to fall, we didn't need (anything bad) to happen.

"We told him that this deal is not going to be over for a while as far as competition goes."

When asked if Webb objected to the decision; Kingsbury said, "Strongly. Strongly. But we had to do what's best

Please see TECH/6C

1st-year DC Gibbs labels defense a 'work in progress'

By Oscar LeRoy
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Texas Tech's first-year defensive coordinator David Gibbs wasn't ready to praise the work of his defense during Saturday's Red and Black Spring Game at Grande Communications Stadium, preferring to call it a "work in progress."

Gibbs was just hired from the University of Houston in early January in hopes of settling what has been a revolving door at the position the past few years. And considering the Red Raiders have only had nine practices this spring, the veteran coach said it's way to early to make definitive judgments.

"The truth is, defensively we probably weren't ready for a spring game yet, as far as installation and learning a new defense, learning new schemes, terminology and all that," said Gibbs matter-of-factly. "(Head coach Kliff) Kingsbury and (offensive coordinator Eric) Morris offense (is) in year three. The kids played hard, they flew around, made some good plays, made some bad plays. We're in transition right now. We're a work in progress. I wasn't disappointed, but I've been telling them that all spring."

The Red Raider defense made its share of plays with the highlight being an interception by Micah Awe against quarterback Patrick Mahomes in the first half

Please see DEFENSE/6C

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Defensive back Nigel Bethel II (1) brings down wide receiver Ian Sadler after a short gain in Saturdays Texas Tech Red and Black Spring Game at Grande Communications Stadium.

Rebels open district play with win to snap skid

Rebels	9
Panthers	5

By Will Korn
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Lee coach Brian Roper said one reason his team had been on a four-game losing streak over the last two weeks was that the Rebels' bats had gone cold.

But Lee finally rediscovered its offensive potential. It racked up 15 hits on the way to a 9-5 win against Odessa Permian in the two teams' District 3-6A opener on Saturday at Ernie Johnson Field.

With the win, Lee improved to 9-5-1 overall and 1-0 in District 3-6A play, while Permian fell to 3-13 overall and 0-1 in district.

Brady Roper

Mata

"It was an offensive day," Roper said. "It took us a little while to get things cleaned up, but our guys battled, we were competitive and swung the bats well."

Senior center fielder Brady Roper led the Rebels with a 3-for-4 day at the plate, an RBI and two runs scored. As Lee's two-hole hitter, he has been part of a dangerous trio of hitters at the top of the Rebels' lineup all season.

"I just came out confident and aggressive, just trying to do my job, play my role," Brady Roper said. "The middle of the lineup did a great job of driving us in. Overall, we hit really well today as a lineup."

Lee's top three hitters, Ty Coleman, Roper and Hunter Coleman, combined to hit 8-for-13, with two runs driven in. They also scored five of the team's nine runs.

After surrendering a run to Permian in the top of the first, the Rebels exploded out of the gates in the bottom of the first and chased Panthers starter Andrew Hernandez after just five outs. Lee had piled up 10 hits and eight runs on Hernandez by the end of the second inning giving its starter, Chapman Payton, a comfortable lead to work with.

But Permian never went away, thanks to effective plate discipline and two-strike hitting for most of the day. Brian Roper said he was impressed with how the Panthers' hitters continued to drag out at-bats and make the Lee pitchers really work to retire them.

"On days like today, you can't keep giving them extra at-bats," Roper said. "To their credit, they did a tremendous job of hitting with two strikes. We got ahead, we just couldn't put them away. I don't know how many two-strike hits they got, but they got a bunch. They did a great job with that."

Permian scored a pair of runs over the next two innings to cut Lee's advantage to 8-3. Evan Mata then took over in relief for Payton in the fifth inning after the Panthers' first two hitters reached base. Mata escaped the inning without a scratch.

But the Panthers forged one final rally and loaded the bases with no outs in the sixth on a double, a walk and

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Midland High opens its district season with a loss to Odessa High

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BOXING

China vs. Cuba, 6 p.m., UDN

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Wichita State at TCU, 1 p.m., FSSW/FCSC

Kansas at Texas Tech, 1 p.m., FCSP

Oregon at Arizona, 1 p.m., P12/P12 LA

Tennessee at Vanderbilt, 2:30 p.m., SEC

California at Utah, 4 p.m., P12 BAY

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Iowa at Michigan, 2 p.m., BTN

Utah at Stanford, 2 p.m., P12 BAY

Washington at Oregon, 4 p.m., P12/P12 LA

Georgia at Tennessee, 6 p.m., SEC

Arizona State at Arizona, 8 p.m., P12/P12 BAY/P12 LA

GOLF

European PGA: Trophee Hassan II, Final Round, 8 a.m., GOLF

PGA: Valero Texas Open, Final Round, Noon, GOLF

PGA: Valero Texas Open, Final Round, 2 p.m., NBC

Champions: Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic, Final Round, 2 p.m., GOLF

LPGA: Kia Classic, Final Round, 5 p.m., GOLF

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

NY Mets vs. St. Louis-, Noon, MLB

Seattle vs. San Diego, 3 p.m., MLB

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Elite 8: Michigan State vs. Louisville, 1:15 p.m., CBS

Elite 8: Gonzaga vs. Duke, 4 p.m., CBS

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

East Final: Boston College/Denver vs. Providence/Miami (OH), 4 p.m., ESPNU

Midwest Final: Rochester Institutue of Technology/Minnesota State-Mankato vs. Harvard/Omaha, 6:30 p.m., ESPNU

MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

Brown at Princeton, 10 a.m., ESPNU

Duke at North Carolina, Noon, ESPNU

Ohio State at Penn State, 2 p.m., ESPNU

Michigan at Maryland, 4 p.m., BTN

MEN'S SOCCER

Friendly: Brazil vs. Chile, 8:55 a.m., beIN/beIN2

UEFA 2016 Qualifying: Georgia vs. Germany, 10:45 a.m., FS2/FOXDEP

UEFA 2016 Qualifying: Northern Ireland vs. Finland, 10:45 a.m., FOXSOCP

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Liga BBVA: Barcelona B vs. CD Tenerife, 11:45 a.m., beIN2

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UEFA 2016 Qualifying: Hungary vs. Greece, 1:45 p.m., FOXSOCP

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Liga BBVA: CD Sabadell vs. RCD Mallorca, 2 p.m., beIN2

Brazil: Sao Paulo vs. Linense, 2 p.m., GolTV

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Brazil: Santos vs. Sao Bento, 4:30 p.m., GolTV

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RUGBY

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SKIING

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TENNIS

ATP & WTA: Miami Open, Third Round, 10 a.m., TENNIS

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Elite 8: Baylor vs. Notre Dame, 7:30 p.m., ESPN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

Louisville at Northwestern, Noon, BTN

WHAT'S ON RADIO

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Texas vs. LA Dodgers, 3 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

NBA

Dallas at Indiana, 6 p.m., KBST 1490 AM (Big Spring)

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

BALTIMORE ORIOLES — Optioned RHP Tyler Wilson to Norfolk (IL).

CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Optioned RHP Daniel Webb to Charlotte (IL). Reassigned LHP Zach Phillips to their minor league camp.

KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Granted INF Ryan Roberts his unconditional release.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS — Optioned RHP Cam Bedrosian to Salt Lake (PCL). Released RHP Matt Lindstrom. Reassigned LHP Adam Wilk to their minor league camp.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned OFs Aaron Hicks and Eddie Rosario and RHP Trevor May to Rochester (IL). Reassigned RHP Mark Hamburger and C Dan Rohlfing to their minor league camp.

TEXAS RANGERS — Acquired LHP Sam Freeman from St. Louis Cardinals for a player to be named or cash considerations. Optioned RHP Anthony Ranuado to Round Rock (PCL). Reassigned RHP Ross Ohlendorf to their minor league camp. Released RHP Juan Carlos Oviedo and OF Nate Schierholtz from their minor league contracts.

National League

CHICAGO CUBS — Optioned LHP Eric Jokisch to Iowa (PCL). Released LHP Felix Doubront.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Optioned RHP Jairo Diaz, INF Cristhian Adames and OF Kyle Parker to Albuquerque (PCL). Reassigned LHP Ken Roberts, C Ryan Casteel and C Dustin Garneau to their minor league camp.

MIAMI MARLINS — Reassigned INF Scott Sizemore to their minor league camp.

NEW YORK METS — Reassigned OF Alex Castellanos, LHP Scott Rice and RHP Chase Bradford to their minor league camp.

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Reassigned INF-OF Jake Goebbert, INF Brett Wallace and C Cody Decker to their minor league camp.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Reassigned 2014 F Kevin Fiala to Milwaukee (AHL).

American Hockey League

SPRINGFIELD FALCONS — Signed F Seth Ambroz to an amateur tryout contract. E

CHL

ECHL — Suspended Ontario's Norm Ezekiel two games and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions in a March 27 game at Bakersfield. Suspended Indy's Nick Bruneteau one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions in a March 27 game against Reading. Fined Florida's Mike Aviani an undisclosed amount for his actions in March 27 game at Elmira.

GWINNETT GLADIATORS — Signed F Justin Buzzeo.

COLLEGE

READING ROYALS — Signed F Zac Frischmon. Announced D Maxim Lamarche was reassigned to Lehigh Valley (AHL).

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
New York	2	0	1	7	5	2
D.C. United	2	1	0	6	2	2
New York City FC	1	1	2	5	3	2
Orlando City	1	1	2	5	4	4
New England	1	2	1	4	2	6
Toronto FC	1	1	0	3	3	3
Columbus	1	2	0	3	3	3
Montreal	0	1	2	2	2	3
Philadelphia	0	1	2	2	3	5
Chicago	0	3	0	0	1	5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
FC Dallas	3	0	1	10	6	1
Vancouver	3	1	0	9	5	4
San Jose	2	2	0	6	6	6
Los Angeles	1	1	2	5	5	4
Houston	1	1	2	5	2	2
Sporting Kansas City	1	1	2	5	3	4
Seattle	1	1	1	4	5	3
Colorado	0	0	3	3	0	0
Portland	0	1	3	3	3	4
Real Salt Lake	0	0	2	2	3	3

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

Saturday's Scores

New England 2, San Jose 1

Montreal 2, Orlando City 2, tie

D.C. United 1, Los Angeles 0

Sporting Kansas City 1, New York City FC 0

New York 2, Columbus 1

Vancouver 2, Portland 1

Houston 0, Colorado 0, tie

FC Dallas 0, Seattle 0, tie

Today's Games

Philadelphia at Chicago, 4 p.m.

Toronto FC at Real Salt Lake, 6 p.m.

NBADL STANDINGS

East Conference

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sioux Falls	27	19	.587	—
Fort Wayne	26	21	.553	1 1/2
Iowa	24	22	.522	3
Grand Rapids	21	24	.467	5 1/2

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Maine	32	14	.696	—
Canton	28	18	.609	4
Erie	22	25	.468	10 1/2
Delaware	19	28	.404	13 1/2
Westchester	10	36	.217	22

West Conference

Southwestern Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Austin	31	16	.660	—
Rio Grande Valley	26	22	.542	5 1/2
Oklahoma City	25	22	.532	6
Texas	21	24	.467	9

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Bakersfield	34	13	.723	—
x-Santa Cruz	32	14	.696	1 1/2
Reno	17	30	.362	17
Los Angeles	15	32	.319	19
Idaho	8	38	.174	25 1/2

x-clinched playoff spot

y-clinched division

Saturday's Scores

Rio Grande Valley 127, Austin 102

Erie 113, Delaware 107

Canton 99, Iowa 90

Sioux Falls at Idaho, late

Fort Wayne at Los Angeles, late

Texas at Reno, late

Bakersfield at Santa Cruz, late

Today's Games

Grand Rapids at Maine, Noon

Canton at Iowa, 4 p.m.

Oklahoma City at Austin, 5 p.m.

Texas at Santa Cruz, 8 p.m.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

SOUTHWEST

Concordia-Austin 3-1, LeTourneau 0-4

Fresno St. 8, New Mexico 1

Georgia Southern 12, Texas St. 3

St. Edward's 4, Lubbock Christian 2

Seattle 16, Texas-Pan American 6

SOUTH

Alice Lloyd 3-2, Point Park 1-4

Auburn-Montgomery 6-8, Belhaven 3-5

Austin Peay 9, Tennessee Tech 8

Boston College 6, Duke 3

Brescia 2-0, Rio Grande 1-7

Campbellsville 17, Cumberlands 1

Carson-Newman 5-9, Lenoir-Rhyne 3-0

Castleton 12-15, Colby 10-4

Charlotte 5-9, Louisiana Tech 0-5

E. Mennonite 10-9, Hampden-Sydney 9-5

GRU Augusta 3-8, Georgia Southwestern 2-2

Guilford 5-7, Bridgewater 7-6

Indiana-Southeast 15-8, Asbury 2-1

Le Moyne-Owen 3-12, Lane 2-3

Lindsey Wilson 9-22, Pikeville 6-1, 1st game, 14 innings

Limestone 5-10, Barton 2-8

Lipscomb 8, Georgetown 3

Longwood 5, High Point 2

Louisville 8, Georgia Tech 3

Martin Methodist 4-2, Faulkner 3-8

Miami 4, North Carolina 3, 11 innings

Middle Tennessee 8, Old Dominion 2

Mobile 3-3, Loyola (NO) 2-4

Morehead St. 11, E. Kentucky 10

Mount Olive 11-12, Emmanuel 0-1

NC State 7, Pittsburgh 1

Pfeiffer 6-5, Erskine 5-13

Point 8-4, Milligan 4-5

Radford 8, Charleston Southern 4

Rhodes 7, Berry 0

Spalding 6-4, Webster 4-3

Spring Hill 19-12, Kentucky St. 6-1

St. Catharine 6, Georgetown 0

Tennessee 9, Vanderbilt 5

Tenn. Wesleyan 3, St. Andrews 0

Thomas More 5-5, Westminster (Mo.) 4-4, 1G, 8 innings

Truett-McConnell 6, Union (Ky.) 0

Tusculum 8-9, Anderson (SC) 7-2, 1st game, 12 innings

UAB 6, W. Kentucky 5

UNC-Greensboro 7, ETSU 5

UT-Martin 5, Belmont 4, 10 innings

Virginia 9-4, Notre Dame 1-2

Wake Forest 7, Clemson 3

MIDWEST

Culver-Stockton 2-6, Evangel 1-5

Doane 3-4, Mount Marty 0-5

Park 7, Missouri Baptist 6, 12 innings

EAST

CCNY 4-8, John Jay 3-2

Chestnut Hill 6-2, Caldwell 5-0

Pace 5-8, S. Connecticut St. 0-4

Post (Conn.) 5-6, Philadelphia 0-4

Sunday Morning Line

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The barbecue was on the grill and there was even some alcohol flowing as the Texas Tech football team was back at Grande Communications Stadium on Saturday morning.

It was estimated that between 8,000 and 10,000 fans showed up to cheer the Red Raiders and watch them practice for about two hours under the warm sun during the Red and Black Spring Game.

While there are football programs in the Southeastern Conference that attracts as many as 50,000 to a spring game, the fact that we have seen crowds in the neighborhood of 10,000 show up to the scrimmage here in Midland is a testament to the popularity of the Red Raiders in this area.

In the Permian Basin we have graduates from many universities from across the state and the southwest region of the country, but this will always first and foremost be Red Raider country. I even saw a nameless Texas grad doing the "Guns Up" sign at the end of the scrimmage.

It really doesn't matter how many West Texas colleges and universities start a football program, it won't take away the popularity of the Red Raiders in West Texas.

Going to a major college football game and looking at the pageantry that comes with just the pregame is enough to get anyone excited and fired up. Plus, by getting to watch Big 12 football, or any major college football for that matter, you get to watch some elite talent on a weekly basis.

For some West Texans, who sometimes spend half a day driving just to watch major college football, Saturday was just enough to satisfy their hunger for college football until fall arrives.

■ As for the actual spring game itself, it was kind of hard to tell just how much the Red Raiders have improved as the first-team offense went against the first-team defense, and then the second teamers went against each other.

Quarterback Patrick Mahomes looked decent, and there were flashes of good plays by the usual suspects on the team, but it's always hard to gauge how a team is progressing when the players go up against fellow teammates.

I guess we'll have to wait until fall to know for sure if the Red Raiders are going to be better than last year's 4-8 record.

■ News came down on Saturday that Rick Barnes was out as head coach of the Texas men's basketball team.

Barnes spent 17 years with the Longhorns and compiled a record of 604-314, but he was frustrating many fans with his team's inability to win in the postseason considering some of the talent he had in Austin, and they probably had a good point.

While Barnes' track record would have been enough at most programs, his lack of postseason success is just not good enough at Texas.

Barnes is a good coach, and it was sometimes puzzling why he didn't have more success at a program that seems to have everything it could ask for in terms of money, support and facilities.

Barnes should find a job quickly, while Texas will have its pick when searching for his replacement.

■ And finally, a big shout out to the Midland High girls and boys soccer teams who respectively won their Class 6A bi-district playoff games this weekend.

After a 4-1 victory over Arlington Lamar, the MHS boys next face El Paso Eastwood in the area round at noon Thursday at Odessa's Ratliff Stadium.

The MHS girls, who beat Weatherford, 2-1, next face Amarillo High at 5 p.m. Thursday at Lubbock's Monterey High School in an area round game.

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Vazquez helps MHS roll to win vs. Lamar

From staff reports

ABILENE — Behind two goals from Homero Vazquez, the Midland High boys soccer team rolled to a 4-1 win over Arlington Lamar in the bi-district round of the Class 6A state playoffs, Saturday at Shotwell Stadium.

With the win, the Bulldogs (17-4-2) advanced to the area round where they'll take on El Paso Eastwood. The game is scheduled for noon Thursday at Ratliff Stadium.

"It felt good," MHS head coach Warren Cottle said. "The guys were excited about it. It's always a new environment when it's one and done. We're looking forward to the next round."

Alex VonHolle got MHS on the board first when he scored on a penalty kick in the 20th minute. In the 51st minute, Issac Venegas cashed in. off of a corner kick assist from Francisco Rodriguez, giving MHS a 2-0 lead.

Then Vazquez began to put his stamp on the game.

In the 68th minute, he ripped a shot past the Lamar keeper from 25 yards out as the Bulldogs took a 3-0 advantage.

After the Vikings tallied a score in the 70th minute, Vazquez struck again on an assist from VonHolle.

Chaps pick up doubleheader sweep against Westerners

From staff reports

SNYDER — The Midland College baseball team swept a doubleheader at Western Texas College on Saturday, winning 9-7 in eight innings and then posting a 5-0 shutout.

In the first game, MC (17-12, 12-4 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) led 7-0 through three innings before the Westerners eventually tied it at 7 with a run in the bottom of the seventh inning.

However, in the eighth, the Chaps got a run off an error as Christian Whigham (2-for-4) scored, and then Brent Stewart brought in his third run of the game on a sacrifice fly.

Dustin Angiel got the win in relief.

In the second game, Aaron Rumfield scattered five hits and pitched seven scoreless innings to lead the Chaps.

MC had a 1-0 lead for most of the game thanks to an RBI single by Antonio Reyes (3-for-4, 3 RBI) in the first inning.

The Chaps then put the game away with a four-run seventh as Reyes plated two with a double and then Stewart (2-for-4) connected for a two-run home run.

Midland College next travels to New Mexico Junior College at 4 p.m. Wednesday to play a nonconference game.

FIRST GAME

MIDLAND COLLEGE 9

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE 7, 8 INNINGS

Midland	403 000	02—9	6	4
WTC	001 150	10—7	6	4

Tucker Davidson, Coleman Watts (5), Dustin Angiel (5) and Bryndan Arredondo, John Millan, Cole Shoemaker (1), Luis Andrades (1), Braden Peterson (3), Osvaldo Raya (6) and Omar Figueroa. W — Angiel. L — Raya. 2B — MC: Christian Whigham, Arredondo; WTC: Feliz Hernandez. HR — WTC: Francisco Martinez.

SECOND GAME

MIDLAND COLLEGE 5

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE 0

Midland	100 000	4—5	8	1
WTC	000 000	0—0	5	2

Aaron Rumfield and Arredondo. Eric Perez, Francisco Cervantes (6), Andrades (7) and Figueroa. W — Rumfield. L — Perez. 2B — MC: Anthony Reyes, Brent Stewart. HR — MC: Stewart.

Records: Midland College 17-12, 12-4 in WJCAC; Western Texas 9-22, 5-11.

Next: Midland College at New Mexico Junior College, 4 p.m. Wednesday.

Howard College takes series from No. 3 Lady Chaparrals

From staff reports

BIG SPRING — The Howard College softball team bested No. 3 Midland College in the team's four-game series after sweeping Saturday's doubleheader.

The Lady Hawks outslugged the Lady Chaps, 10-7, in game one and followed with an 8-0 win in six innings during the second contest.

Midland College (33-4, 8-4 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference) fell out of first place and dropped two games behind WJCAC leader Odessa College (10-2 WJCAC) after losing three of four to Howard.

The Lady Hawks (26-9, 7-3 WJCAC) pummeled Lady Chaps' pitching, tallying 10 or more hits in both games Saturday.

Midland College committed eight errors in the twinbill too.

Melissa Zuniga homered for the Lady Chaps in game one, her second straight game with a home run.

Midland College hosts Luna Community College in a conference doubleheader at 1 p.m. Friday.

GAME 1

HOWARD COLLEGE 10

MIDLAND COLLEGE 7

Midland College	005 200	0 —7	7	5
Howard College	602 011	x—10	11	2

Dominique Lozano Alcocer, Tyneesha Houkamau (1) and Vanessa Munoz. Anelle Charuk and Jaelyn Young. W — Charuk. L — Lozano. 2B — Midland: Houkamau, Munoz. Howard: Jaelyn Young. HR — Midland: Melissa Zuniga. Howard: Samantha Ohmie.

GAME 2

HOWARD COLLEGE 8

MIDLAND COLLEGE 0 (6 INNINGS)

Midland College	000 000	—0	7	3
Howard College	230 201	—8	10	1

Kaitlyn Durrett and Vanessa Munoz. Alisha Quinterro and Jaelyn Young. W — Quinterro. L — Durrett. 2B — Howard: Courtney Laughlin. HR — Howard: Jaelyn Young.

Records: Midland College 33-4, 8-4 WJCAC. Howard College 26-9, 7-3 WJCAC.

Next game: Luna Community College at Midland College (DH), 1 p.m. Friday.

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Texas fires men's basketball coach Barnes after 17 years

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Texas basketball coach Rick Barnes will be released after yet another quick exit from the postseason, people with knowledge of the decision told The Associated Press on Saturday.

Barnes

The decision came after Texas athletic director Steve Patterson and Barnes met Saturday, according to the people who requested anonymity because the school wasn't expected to make a formal announcement before Sunday.

The 60-year-old Barnes shaped Texas into a national basketball power with three Big 12 championships and 16 NCAA Tournament appearances in 17 years. He had four years left on his contract at $2.65 million per year and will receive a severance of $1.75 million under his contract because he is being released before April 1.

Barnes didn't immediately respond to text and telephone messages seeking comment.

Barnes built a program with NBA-level talent that reached the Final Four in 2003 and produced two national players of the year in T.J. Ford (2003) and Kevin Durant (2007). Barnes also led Texas within one game of the Final Four in 2005 and 2008.

But while the program continued to win, and even reached its first No. 1 ranking in the 2009-2010 season, the Longhorns have struggled in the postseason in recent years despite rosters full of future NBA players.

Texas hasn't advanced past the first weekend of the NCAA Tournament since 2008. The latest defeat was this season's opening-round loss to Butler. Texas had much higher hopes when the Longhorns began the season ranked in the Top 10, only to limp through a ragged season and barely scrape their way into the tournament.

Barnes' 17-year tenure was the longest in the Big 12. He's 604-314 in 28 seasons overall and won 402 games at Texas.

Texas was mostly a basketball afterthought when it hired Barnes from Clemson in 1997. He dumped Tom Penders' free-wheeling offense with a tough, defense-first mentality that immediately produced Texas' first Big 12 regular-season title in 1999.

But while Barnes brought a new game plan to the court, it was his ability to land some of the biggest recruits in the country that paid the biggest dividends. Barnes recruited a litany of top talent to a "football school," none bigger than Ford and Durant.

The zenith was the 2003 Final Four where the Longhorns lost to eventual national champion Syracuse and Carmelo Anthony.

The program was still humming when Durant won national player of the year honors as a freshman in 2007. Even after he left, Texas won a share of its third Big 12 title under Barnes and was regularly among the top programs in the country. By midway through the 2009-2010 season, a 17-0 start earned the Longhorns the program's first No. 1 ranking.

But that season ended in disappointment as the Longhorns limped to a 24-10 finish and a first-round loss in the NCAA Tournament. That started a period of stagnation for a program that had become used to success, and while Barnes' teams were good, many saw them as failing to live up to high expectations.

NBAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HORNETS 115
HAWKS 100

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Kemba Walker scored 21 points and the Charlotte Hornets beat an Atlanta Hawks team missing all five starters, 115-100 on Saturday night.

Gerald Henderson scored 20 points on 9-of-10 shooting, and Mo Williams hit four 3-pointers and had 18 points as the Hornets snapped a three-game losing streak.

Marvin Williams chipped in with 17 points for Charlotte (31-41), which moved back within a game of eighth place in the tight Eastern Conference.

Kent Bazemore scored 20 points and Dennis Schroder had 17 points and 11 assists for the Hawks, who sat all five starters one night after clinching the top seed in the East playoffs.

DeMarre Carroll, Kyle Korver, Al Horford and Paul Millsap were given a night to rest, while Jeff Teague sat out with a sprained ankle for Atlanta (55-18). Bazemore, Mike Muscala, John Jenkins and Elton Brand started alongside Schroder.

BULLS 111
KNICKS 80.

CHICAGO — Nikola Mirotic scored 24 points, Pau Gasol added 19 points and 12 rebounds, and the Chicago Bulls handed the Knicks their franchise-record 60th loss, beating New York 111-80 Saturday night.

A night after tying the team's previous single-season loss mark, the Knicks dropped their seventh straight and 14th in 16 games.

Jimmy Butler scored 18 for Chicago.

The rookie Mirotic had another strong game, finishing five points shy of his career high. Gasol recorded his league-leading 48th double-double as Chicago won for the fifth time in six games.

The Bulls, who led by 20 at halftime, fell four points short of their most lopsided victory of the season. They pulled within two games of Central Division leader Cleveland and moved 1 1/2 games ahead of fourth-place Toronto in the Eastern Conference.

Andrea Bargnani led New York with 14 points and seven rebounds.

WARRIORS 108
BUCKS 95

MILWAUKEE — Stephen Curry scored 25 points, and the Golden State Warriors clinched the top seed in the Western Conference by pulling away in the second half of a 108-95 victory on Saturday night over the Milwaukee Bucks.

Klay Thompson added 21 for Golden State, which also set a franchise record with its 60th victory of the season. The Warriors hold a 10-game lead over second-place Memphis in the West with nine games left in the regular season.

Khris Middleton had 14 points for Milwaukee, which fell back under .500 at 36-37 after winning two straight.

The smooth-shooting Thompson scored 17 in the third quarter to help the Warriors pull away after the Bucks got within 57-50 on Middleton's jumper with 8:25 left in the period.

NBA STANDINGS AND BOXES

STANDINGS
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
y-Toronto	43	30	.589	—
Boston	32	40	.444	10 1/2
Brooklyn	31	40	.437	11
Philadelphia	18	55	.247	25
New York	14	60	.189	29 1/2
Southeast Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
z-Atlanta	55	18	.753	—
Washington	41	32	.562	14
Miami	33	39	.458	21 1/2
Charlotte	31	41	.431	23 1/2
Orlando	22	52	.297	33 1/2
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
x-Cleveland	47	27	.635	—
x-Chicago	45	29	.608	2
Milwaukee	36	37	.493	10 1/2
Indiana	31	41	.431	15
Detroit	28	44	.389	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Memphis	50	23	.685	—
x-Houston	49	23	.681	1/2
San Antonio	46	26	.639	3 1/2
Dallas	45	28	.616	5
New Orleans	38	34	.528	11 1/2
Northwest Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Portland	46	25	.648	—
Oklahoma City	41	31	.569	5 1/2
Utah	31	41	.431	15 1/2
Denver	28	45	.384	19
Minnesota	16	56	.222	30 1/2
Pacific Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
z-Golden State	60	13	.822	—
x-L.A. Clippers	48	25	.658	12
Phoenix	38	35	.521	22
Sacramento	26	46	.361	33 1/2
L.A. Lakers	19	52	.268	40

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinched division
z-clinched conference

Saturday's Scores
Charlotte 115, Atlanta 100
Chicago 111, New York 80
Golden State 108, Milwaukee 95
Oklahoma City at Utah, late
Denver at Portland, late

Today's Games
Houston at Washington, 11:30 a.m.
L.A. Lakers at Brooklyn, 2:30 p.m.
Minnesota at New Orleans, 3 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 3:30 p.m.
Detroit at Miami, 5 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Boston, 5 p.m.
Memphis at San Antonio, 6 p.m.
Dallas at Indiana, 6 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Phoenix, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY'S BOXES
HORNETS 115, HAWKS 100

ATLANTA (100): Bazemore 7-14 3-4 20, Muscala 7-13 2-2 18, Brand 4-8 1-2 9, Schroder 5-12 4-4 17, Jenkins 6-12 1-2 16, Mack 2-10 0-0 5, Antic 1-3 0-0 3, Sefolosha 1-7 0-0 3, Daye 4-7 0-0 9. Totals 37-86 11-14 100.

CHARLOTTE (115): Taylor 3-6 3-4 9, Ma Williams 6-14 2-2 17, Jefferson 1-5 0-0 2, Walker 7-19 6-7 21, Henderson 9-10 0-0 20, Biyombo 3-6 3-3 9, Hairston 4-4 2-2 12, Stephenson 2-5 1-2 5, M Williams 6-9 2-2 18, Maxiell 1-2 0-0 2, Roberts 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-80 19-22 115.

Atlanta	23	29	24	24	—	100
Charlotte	27	30	33	25	—	115

3-Point Goals—Atlanta 15-30 (Schroder 3-3, Jenkins 3-6, Bazemore 3-7, Muscala 2-2, Antic 1-2, Sefolosha 1-3, Daye 1-3, Mack 1-4), Charlotte 12-26 (M. Williams 4-5, Ma Williams 3-9, Henderson 2-2, Hairston 2-2, Walker 1-4, Stephenson 0-1, Taylor 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 48 (Muscala 10), Charlotte 45 (Biyombo 11). Assists—Atlanta 32 (Schroder 11), Charlotte 28 (Walker 6). Total Fouls—Atlanta 17, Charlotte 16. Technicals—Schroder, Ma Williams. A—19,122 (19,077).

BULLS 111, KNICKS 80

NEW YORK (80): Thomas 3-8 0-0 7, Amundson 1-3 0-0 2, Bargnani 7-15 0-0 14, Larkin 2-8 2-2 6, Galloway 5-14 1-2 12, Aldrich 2-4 4-4 8, Ledo 4-10 2-4 11, Smith 0-4 2-2 2, Early 3-6 2-2 9, Acy 3-7 3-3 9. Totals 30-79 16-19 80.

CHICAGO (111): Dunleavy 4-9 1-1 10, Gasol 8-15 3-5 19, Noah 3-7 0-0 6, Brooks 5-9 0-0 12, Butler 5-9 8-8 18, Gibson 6-8 2-2 14, Hinrich 0-2 0-0 0, Mirotic 8-15 5-6 24, Snell 3-7 0-0 6, Moore 1-2 0-0 2, Mohammed 0-1 0-0 0, Bairstow 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 43-84 19-22 111.

New York	17	17	19	27	—	80
Chicago	28	26	30	27	—	111

3-Point Goals—New York 4-17 (Thomas 1-1, Early 1-3, Galloway 1-4, Ledo 1-4, Bargnani 0-1, Larkin 0-2, Acy 0-2), Chicago 6-17 (Mirotic 3-7, Brooks 2-3, Dunleavy 1-2, Gasol 0-1, Snell 0-2, Hinrich 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New York 38 (Bargnani 7), Chicago 58 (Gasol 12). Assists—New York 22 (Larkin 8), Chicago 28 (Snell, Brooks 5). Total Fouls—New York 18, Chicago 16. Technicals—Smith. A—22,152 (20,917).

WARRIORS 108, BUCKS 95

GOLDEN STATE (108): Barnes 4-8 3-5 13, Lee 6-8 0-0 12, Bogut 2-3 0-0 4, Curry 8-13 3-3 25, Thompson 8-17 2-2 21, Rush 0-4 0-0 0, Holiday 1-3 0-0 3, McAdoo 5-8 2-2 12, Livingston 2-5 0-0 4, Speights 5-11 2-2 12, Barbosa 1-2 0-0 2, Ezeli 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 42-82 12-14 108.

MILWAUKEE (95): Antetokounmpo 4-6 4-6 12, Ilyasova 1-10 6-6 8, Pachulia 5-11 2-2 12, Carter-Williams 3-9 2-2 8, Middleton 5-14 4-4 14, Bayless 2-8 3-3 7, Henson 3-9 2-4 8, Mayo 2-6 3-3 8, Dudley 6-10 0-0 13, Plumlee 0-0 0-0 0, Ennis 2-4 1-2 5. Totals 33-87 27-32 95.

Golden State	24	24	34	26	—	108
Milwaukee	23	15	25	32	—	95

3-Point Goals—Golden State 12-25 (Curry 6-9, Thompson 3-8, Barnes 2-3, Holiday 1-3, Speights 0-1, Rush 0-1), Milwaukee 2-15 (Dudley 1-3, Mayo 1-3, Bayless 0-1, Middleton 0-3, Ilyasova 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Golden State 53 (Speights 7), Milwaukee 48 (Henson 10). Assists—Golden State 27 (Livingston 8), Milwaukee 24 (Mayo, Bayless 5). Total Fouls—Golden State 23, Milwaukee 20. Flagrant Fouls—Bogut. A—18,717 (18,717).

NCAATOURNAMENTROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Women

ALBANY REGIONAL
UCONN 105
TEXAS 54

ALBANY, N.Y. — Breanna Stewart had 31 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists to help UConn rout Texas 105-54 Saturday in the Sweet 16, earning coach Geno Auriemma his 100th NCAA Tournament win.

Auriemma became the second coach to reach the century mark, joining Pat Summitt, who finished with 112 victories in her career. They are the only two coaches in men's or women's basketball to reach that milestone.

The Huskies shot a blistering 56 percent from the field and became the eighth team to put up more than 100 points in the regionals. UConn also broke the record for biggest margin of victory in regionals, surpassing the previous mark of 44.

UConn (35-1) led 26-19 midway through the first half before blowing the game open with a 44-9 run spanning the half. The burst started with 13 straight points by the Huskies.

DAYTON 82
LOUISVILLE 66

ALBANY, N.Y. — Andrea Hoover scored 26 points and seventh-seeded Dayton continued its improbable run in the NCAA Tournament with an 82-66 win over third-seeded Louisville in the regional semifinals on Saturday.

Amber Deane added 15 points and Jodie Cornelie-Sigmundova had 12 and 11 rebounds for the Flyers, who won for the 11th time in the last 12 games.

The Flyers become just the fourth No. 7 seed to advance to a regional final since the field expanded to 64 teams in 1994 and the first since Mississippi in 2007.

Myisha Hines-Allen scored all 14 of her points in the second half to lead Louisville, which finishes its season at 27-7.

Dayton led by a point at the half, but used an 11-2 run, capped by a 3-pointer from Deane and ran away from the Cardinals after intermission.

The Flyers will face No. 1 UConn, which routed Texas 105-54, on Monday night.

SPOKANE REGIONAL
MARYLAND 65
DUKE 55

SPOKANE, Wash. — Shatori Walker-Kimbrough scored 18 of her 24 points in the second half, Laurin Mincy scored all 15 of her points in the first half, and top-seeded Maryland advanced to the Spokane Regional final with a 65-55 victory over No. 4 seed Duke on Saturday.

Walker-Kimbrough took over the scoring load carried by Mincy in the first half as the Terrapins (33-2) reached the Elite Eight for the sixth time under coach Brenda Frese, taking down their former foe from the ACC in the process. The Terrapins had lost eight of their previous 10 games against Duke. But Maryland is 2-0 against the Blue Devils in the NCAA Tournament.

TENNESSEE 73
GONZAGA 69, OT

SPOKANE, Wash. — Cierra Burdick scored 22, including four late free throws for the winning points, as Tennessee beat Gonzaga 73-69 in overtime on Saturday to advance to the Spokane Regional final of the NCAA Tournament.

Burdick added 15 rebounds and Ariel Massengale scored 16 points for Tennessee (30-5), which overcome poor shooting and a 17-point deficit for the win.

Sunny Greinacher scored 24 points and Keani Albanez, 20 for surprising Gonzaga (26-8), which upset third-seeded Oregon State last weekend to advance to the round of 16. That was its record eighth win as a double-digit seed in the NCAA Tournament.

Tennessee will play top-seeded Maryland (33-2) on Monday for a trip to the Final Four in Tampa, Florida.

Men

MIDWEST REGIONAL
KENTUCKY 68
NOTRE DAME 66

CLEVELAND — Pushed to the brink, Kentucky's still perfect and still playing.

Andrew Harrison made two free throws with six seconds remaining, and the top-seeded Wildcats kept their unbeaten season and national title hopes intact with a 68-66 win over Notre Dame on Saturday night in the Midwest Regional final.

The Wildcats (37-0) advanced to the Final Four in Indianapolis next week, where they will meet Wisconsin.

It took everything Kentucky had to hold off the Fighting Irish (32-6), who came within seconds of shocking the tournament's overwhelming favorite. Notre Dame, which has a history of stunning upsets in football and basketball, wasn't done until Jerian Grant's double-clutched 3-pointer from the left corner was long.

WEST REGIONAL
WISCONSIN 85
ARIZONA 78

LOS ANGELES — Frank Kaminsky and the Wisconsin Badgers hung on to make the Final Four again.

"Frank the Tank" scored 29 points, Sam Dekker added his second straight career high of 27 and the West Regional's top seed beat No. 2 Arizona 85-78 on Saturday to reach consecutive Final Fours for the first time in school history.

The Badgers (35-3) denied the Wildcats (34-4) a Final Four berth for the second straight year, having beaten them by one point in overtime in Anaheim a year ago when their seeds were reversed.

NCAA TOURNAMENTS

Men

NCAA Tournament
EAST REGIONAL
At The Carrier Dome
Syracuse, N.Y.
Regional Semifinals
Friday
Louisville 75, N.C. State 65
Michigan State 62, Oklahoma 58
Regional Championship
Today
Louisville (27-8) vs. Michigan State (26-11), 1:20 p.m.

SOUTH REGIONAL
At NRG Stadium
Houston
Regional Semifinals
Friday
Gonzaga 74, UCLA 62
Duke 62, Utah 57
Regional Championship
Today
Gonzaga (35-2) vs. Duke (32-4), 3:55 p.m.

MIDWEST REGIONAL
At Quicken Loans Arena
Cleveland
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 26
Notre Dame 81, Wichita State 70
Kentucky 78, West Virginia 39
Regional Championship
Saturday
Kentucky 68, Notre Dame 66

WEST REGIONAL
At The Staples Center
Los Angeles
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 26
Wisconsin 79, North Carolina 72
Arizona 68, Xavier 60
Regional Championship
Today
Wisconsin 85, Arizona 78

NCAA Div. II Tournament
At Evansville, Ind.
Semifinals
Thursday, March 26
Indiana (Pa.) 72, Tarleton State 68
Florida Southern 79, Bellarmine 72
Championship
Saturday
Florida Southern 77, Indiana (Pa.) 62

Women

NCAA Division I Tournament
ALBANY REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Albany, N.Y.
Saturday
UConn 105, Texas 54
Dayton 82, Louisville 66
Regional Championship
Monday
UConn (35-1) vs. Dayton (28-6), 6 p.m.

SPOKANE REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Spokane, Wash.
Saturday
Maryland 65, Duke 55
Tennessee 73, Gonzaga 69, OT
Regional Championship
Monday
Maryland (33-2) vs. Tennessee (30-5), 8 p.m.

OKLAHOMA CITY REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Oklahoma City
Friday
Baylor 81, Iowa 66
Notre Dame (33-2) vs. Stanford (26-9), late
Regional Championship
Today
Baylor (33-3) vs. Notre Dame-Stanford winner, 7:30 p.m.

GREENSBORO REGIONAL
Regional Semifinals
At Greensboro, N.C.
Friday
South Carolina 67, North Carolina 65
Arizona State (29-5) vs. Florida State (31-4), late
Regional Championship
Sunday
South Carolina (33-2) vs. Arizona St.-Florida St. winner, 11 a.m.

OTHER TOURNAMENTS

Men

National Invitation Tournament
Semifinals
At Madison Square Garden
New York
Tuesday
Miami (24-12) vs. Temple (26-10), 6 p.m.
Stanford (22-13) vs. Old Dominion (27-7), 8:30 p.m.
Championship
Thursday, April 2
Semifinal winners, 8 p.m.

College Basketball Invitational
Championship Series
(Best-of-3)
Monday: Loyola of Chicago (22-13) vs. Louisiana-Monroe (24-12), 7 p.m.
Wednesday: Loyola of Chicago vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 7 p.m.
Friday, April 3: Loyola of Chicago vs. Louisiana-Monroe, 7 p.m., if necessary

CollegeInsider.com Tournament
Quarterfinals
Wednesday, March 25
UT-Martin 70, Eastern Kentucky 69
Thursday
Evansville 89, Louisiana-Lafayette 82
Friday
Northern Arizona 74, Kent State 73, OT
Saturday
NJIT 78, Canisius 73

Women

National Invitation Tournament Glance
Quarterfinals
Today
Villanova (22-13) at West Virginia (21-14), 1 p.m.
Michigan (19-14) at Southern Mississippi (25-10), 2 p.m.
Temple (19-16) at Middle Tennessee (24-9), 4 p.m.
Saint Mary's (Cal) (23-10) at UCLA w(16-18), 4 p.m.
Semifinals
April 1-2
Southern Mississippi-Michigan winner vs. Saint Mary's (Cal)-Sacramento State winner—Northern Colorado-UCLA winner, TBA
Middle Tennessee-Temple winner vs. West Virginia-Villanova winner, TBA
Saturday, April 4
Semifinal winners, 2 p.m.

NHLROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PREDATORS 4
CAPITALS 3

WASHINGTON — Filip Forsberg scored during a three-goal first period and had two assists as the Nashville Predators became the first Western Conference team to clinch a playoff berth with a 4-3 win over the Washington Capitals on Saturday.

Mattias Ekholm, Mike Fisher and Forsberg, a first-round pick by Washington in 2012, scored during a 5-minute span midway through the first period for a 3-0 lead. Mike Ribeiro added a goal with an assist by Forsberg after Washington's Troy Brouwer scored twice earlier in the second period.

The Predators have won four straight after losing nine of 11.

Washington holds the East's top wild-card spot, five points ahead of Ottawa and Boston, who were tied for the second and final spot.

Mike Green tallied the Capitals' third goal 20 seconds into the third period.

DUCKS 3
ISLANDERS 2

UNIONDALE, N.Y. — Frederik Andersen made 29 saves, and Anaheim used a two-goal second period to beat the struggling Islanders and clinch a Western Conference playoff berth.

Rickard Rakell gave the Ducks a 1-0 lead in the first, and Kyle Palmieri and Andrew Cogliano stretched the advantage in the second for Anaheim, which leads the NHL with 103 points. Anaheim secured its postseason spot minutes after Nashville became the first team in the West to secure a berth.

It was the second straight win for the Ducks, who conclude a five-game trip Sunday at New Jersey.

The Islanders dropped to 0-6-1 in their last seven games at Nassau Coliseum and 2-6-2 in their last 10 overall.

BRUINS 4
RANGERS 2

BOSTON — Milan Lucic scored twice in the first 10 minutes, Carl Soderberg also scored in the first period, and Boston spoiled Rangers goalie Henrik Lundqvist's return after a long layoff.

Reilly Smith added a goal for the Bruins, who snapped a six-game winless stretch (0-3-3) and entered the day tied with Ottawa for Eastern Conference's eighth and final playoff spot.

PENGUINS 3
COYOTES 2

PITTSBURGH — Daniel Winnik, Steve Downie and Sidney Crosby scored in a 4-minute, 8-second stretch of the third period to rally Pittsburgh.

Crosby's 25th goal stood as the game-winner and he also had two assists to increase his league-leading scoring total to 78 points. Thomas Greiss stopped 22 shots against his former team to help the Penguins end a two-game skid overall, and a three-game winless stretch at home.

SHARKS 3
FLYERS 2, SO

PHILADELPHIA — Matt Irwin and Joe Pavelski scored in regulation, and Brent Burns got the winning goal in the shootout to lead San Jose.

Michael Raffl and Claude Giroux scored and Jakub Voracek had a pair of assists for the Flyers, who fell to 3-10 in shootouts this season. Voracek upped his total to 76 points — falling two points behind league-leading Sidney Crosby, who had three points in Pittsburgh's win.

RED WINGS 4
LIGHTNING 0

DETROIT — Petr Mrazek made 23 saves for his fourth career shutout and Detroit won in regulation for the first time in six games.

Mrazek replaced Jimmy Howard in the middle of Thursday's 6-4 loss to San Jose, and coach Mike Babcock gave him the start against Tampa Bay. Mrazek kept the league's highest-scoring team at bay, and the Lightning were blanked for the first time all season.

HURRICANES 3
DEVILS 1

RALEIGH, N.C. — Eric Staal and Justin Faulk scored in the third period to lead Carolina past New Jersey.

Patrik Elias gave New Jersey a 1-0 lead midway through the first period, but the Hurricanes tied it late in the second. Chris Terry scored on a rising shot from inside the right circle that caught the upper far corner. It came with 1:27 left in the period and was Terry's ninth goal of the season.

MAPLE LEAFS 4
SENATORS 3, OT

TORONTO — Eric Brewer scored 3:17 into overtime to lift Toronto.

Tyler Bozak had a hat trick — all in the third period — and added an assist on Brewer's winning goal as the Maple Leafs rallied from two down twice in the final period to snap a seven-game skid. James Reimer stopped 22 shots to improve to 11-3-1 in his career against Ottawa.

CANADIENS 3
PANTHERS 2, OT

MONTREAL — Max Pacioretty scored in overtime as Montreal clinched a playoff berth for the third straight year.

Lars Eller and Alex Galchenyuk scored in regulation for the Canadiens, and Carey Price stopped 21 shots for his 41st win of the season.

BLUE JACKETS 4
BLUES 2

ST. LOUIS — Boone Jenner scored the tiebreaking goal late in the second period, and Cam Atkinson had an empty-ntter late in the third to lead Columbus to its eighth straight road win.

William Karlsson and Jack Johnson also scored and Sergei Bobrovsky had 29 saves to help Columbus win its sixth straight overall. The Blue Jackets have won nine of their last 10, including three wins in shootouts and one in overtime.

WILD 4
KINGS 1

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Nino Niederreiter and Mikko Koivu each scored two goals, and Devan Dubnyk had 31 saves in his 35th straight start with Minnesota to lead the Wild past Los Angeles.

Niederreiter had a power-play goal with 3:03 left to play and Koivu added an empty netter with 1:22 remaining to seal Minnesota's fifth straight win.

NHL STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Montreal	76	47	21	8	102	200	169
Tampa Bay	76	46	23	7	99	244	198
Detroit	74	40	22	12	92	216	201
Boston	75	37	25	13	87	199	195
Ottawa	74	37	25	12	86	216	199
Florida	75	34	26	15	83	188	205
Toronto	76	28	42	6	62	198	244
Buffalo	74	20	46	8	48	141	249
Metropolitan Division	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**Pts**	**GF**	**GA**
x-N.Y. Rangers	74	47	20	7	101	226	172
Pittsburgh	75	41	23	11	93	207	188
N.Y. Islanders	76	44	27	5	93	230	211
Washington	75	40	25	10	90	218	186
Philadelphia	76	30	29	17	77	198	219
Columbus	75	38	35	4	78	207	232
New Jersey	75	31	32	12	74	167	192
Carolina	74	28	36	10	66	173	202

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
x-Nashville	76	47	21	8	102	218	183
St. Louis	75	46	22	7	99	228	186
Minnesota	76	44	25	7	95	219	186
Chicago	74	44	24	6	94	209	172
Winnipeg	75	39	24	12	90	212	197
Dallas	75	36	29	10	82	232	240
Colorado	74	34	28	12	80	200	206
Pacific Division	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OT**	**Pts**	**GF**	**GA**
x-Anaheim	77	48	22	7	103	225	215
Vancouver	74	43	27	4	90	212	199
Los Angeles	75	37	24	14	88	200	188
Calgary	75	40	28	7	87	219	199
San Jose	75	37	30	8	82	210	212
Edmonton	75	22	40	13	57	181	254
Arizona	76	23	45	8	54	160	252

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.
x-clinched playoff spot

Saturday's Scores
San Jose 3, Philadelphia 2, SO
Nashville 4, Washington 3
Boston 4, N.Y. Rangers 2
Anaheim 3, N.Y. Islanders 2
Pittsburgh 3, Arizona 2
Detroit 4, Tampa Bay 0
Toronto 4, Ottawa 3, OT
Montreal 3, Florida 2, OT
Carolina 3, New Jersey 1
Columbus 4, St. Louis 2
Minnesota 4, Los Angeles 1
Buffalo at Colorado, late
Dallas at Vancouver, late

Today's Games
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 2 p.m.
Florida at Ottawa, 4 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Islanders, 4 p.m.
Boston at Carolina, 4 p.m.
Calgary at Nashville, 4 p.m.
Anaheim at New Jersey, 6 p.m.
San Jose at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Winnipeg, 6:30 p.m.

GOLF SCORES

PGA-Valero Texas Open Scores
Saturday
At TPC San Antonio, Oaks Course
San Antonio
Purse: $6.2 million
Yardage: 7,435; Par: 72
Third Round

Jimmy Walker	71-67-69—207
Jordan Spieth	71-69-71—211
Billy Horschel	72-70-71—213
Scott Pinckney	73-72-69—214
Chesson Hadley	71-72-71—214
Jason Kokrak	72-71-71—214
Zach Johnson	71-71-72—214
Brendan Steele	74-68-72—214
Chris Kirk	71-71-73—215
Kevin Na	72-68-75—215
Aaron Baddeley	68-71-76—215
Carlos Ortiz	79-67-70—216
Matt Jones	77-71-68—216
John Merrick	72-72-72—216
Daniel Summerhays	71-73-72—216
Phil Mickelson	70-72-74—216
Fabian Gomez	72-74-71—217
Bryce Molder	73-74-71—218
Scott Piercy	72-76-70—218
K.J. Choi	75-70-73—218
Ryan Palmer	70-75-73—218
Pat Perez	78-71-69—218
Brendon Todd	73-70-75—218
Gary Woodland	75-75-68—218
Dustin Johnson	78-72-68—218
Charley Hoffman	67-72-79—218
Kevin Chappell	73-73-73—219
Michael Thompson	73-73-73—219
Luke Guthrie	76-73-70—219
John Huh	73-72-74—219
George McNeill	74-70-75—219
Jeff Overton	75-70-74—219
Scott Brown	75-72-73—220
Cameron Percy	72-74-74—220
John Peterson	74-72-74—220
Martin Laird	76-71-73—220
Matt Kuchar	72-74-74—220
Harris English	75-72-73—220
Kyle Reifers	77-68-75—220
Matt Every	78-71-71—220
Hudson Swafford	79-71-70—220
Branden Grace	75-71-75—221
Brian Davis	73-73-75—221
Billy Hurley III	74-74-73—221
David Lingmerth	74-71-76—221
Shawn Stefani	79-70-72—221
Davis Love III	76-74-71—221
Jon Curran	77-73-71—221
Kevin Kisner	76-70-76—222
Brice Garnett	76-72-74—222
Andres Romero	75-71-76—222
Seung-Yul Noh	74-72-76—222
Cameron Beckman	71-72-79—222
Michael Putnam	76-71-76—223
Shane Lowry	74-74-75—223
S.J. Park	72-74-77—223
Marc Warren	74-74-75—223
Cameron Tringale	75-74-74—223
William McGirt	72-77-74—223
Retief Goosen	74-75-74—223
Jhonattan Vegas	76-71-77—224
Tony Finau	79-69-76—224
Blake Adams	76-73-75—224
Freddie Jacobson	77-73-74—224
Thomas Birdsey	73-74-78—225
Andrew Putnam	76-71-78—225
Derek Fathauer	78-71-76—225
Troy Merritt	74-76-75—225
Scott Langley	78-70-78—226
Robert Garrigus	75-70-81—226
Jim Furyk	76-74-76—226
Chad Campbell	78-72-76—226
Brian Stuard	74-75-78—227
Max Homa	69-81-77—227
Will MacKenzie	77-72-80—229

Trophee Hassan II Leading Scores
At Golf du Palais Royal
Agadir, Morocco
Purse: $1.63 million
Yardage: 7,041; Par: 72
Saturday
Third Round

Richie Ramsay, Scotland	72-66-71—209
Romain Wattel, France	68-74-67—209
Andrew McArthur, Scotland	71-71-67—209
Richard Bland, England	69-70-71—210
Soren Kjeldsen, Denmark	68-73-69—210
Emiliano Grillo, Argentina	74-69-67—210
Kevin Phelan, Ireland	70-70-70—210
David Horsey, England	70-71-69—210
Jaco Van Zyl, South Africa	69-71-70—210
George Coetzee, South Africa	67-72-71—210
Mikael Lundberg, Sweden	70-75-66—211
Wade Ormsby, Australia	71-72-68—211
Anthony Wall, England	68-72-72—212
Shiv Kapur, India	72-73-67—212
Max Orrin, England	70-70-72—212
Rafa Cabrera Bello, Spain	69-69-74—212
Bernd Ritthammer, Germany	71-70-71—212
Oliver Farr, England	70-68-74—212
Pablo Larrazabal, Spain	70-69-73—212

Mississippi Gulf Resort Classic Scores
Saturday
At Fallen Oak
Biloxi, Miss.
Purse: $1.6 million
Yardage: 7,088; Par: 72
Second Round

Kevin Sutherland	68-67—135
Tom Lehman	71-66—137
Tom Pernice Jr.	69-69—138
David Frost	68-70—138
Scott Dunlap	74-65—139
Olin Browne	71-68—139
Woody Austin	68-71—139
Joe Durant	67-72—139
Colin Montgomerie	67-72—139
Michael Allen	70-70—140
Billy Andrade	69-71—140
Gene Sauers	68-72—140
Fred Couples	71-70—141
Brad Faxon	68-73—141
Scott Hoch	73-69—142
Loren Roberts	69-73—142
Mark O'Meara	74-69—143
Jeff Maggert	73-70—143
Jose Coceres	73-70—143
John Huston	72-71—143
Marco Dawson	73-71—144
Brad Bryant	72-72—144
Peter Senior	71-73—144
Stephen Ames	71-73—144
Kenny Perry	73-72—145
Larry Nelson	73-72—145
Morris Hatalsky	73-72—145
Lee Janzen	71-74—145
Kirk Triplett	70-75—145
Mike Goodes	71-74—145
Rod Spittle	74-72—146
Jeff Coston	73-73—146
Jeff Hart	73-73—146
Tom Byrum	73-73—146
Miguel Angel Jimenez	76-70—146
Mark Calcavecchia	70-76—146

Jimmy Walker leads hometown Texas Open

By Tim Price
Associated Press

SAN ANTONIO — Jimmy Walker opened a four-stroke lead over fellow Texan Jordan Spieth, shooting a 3-under 69 on Saturday in his hometown Texas Open.

Walker, who lives 35 minutes away from TPC San Antonio, is looking for his fifth title in two tour seasons. He had a 9-under 207 total after opening with rounds of 71 and 67.

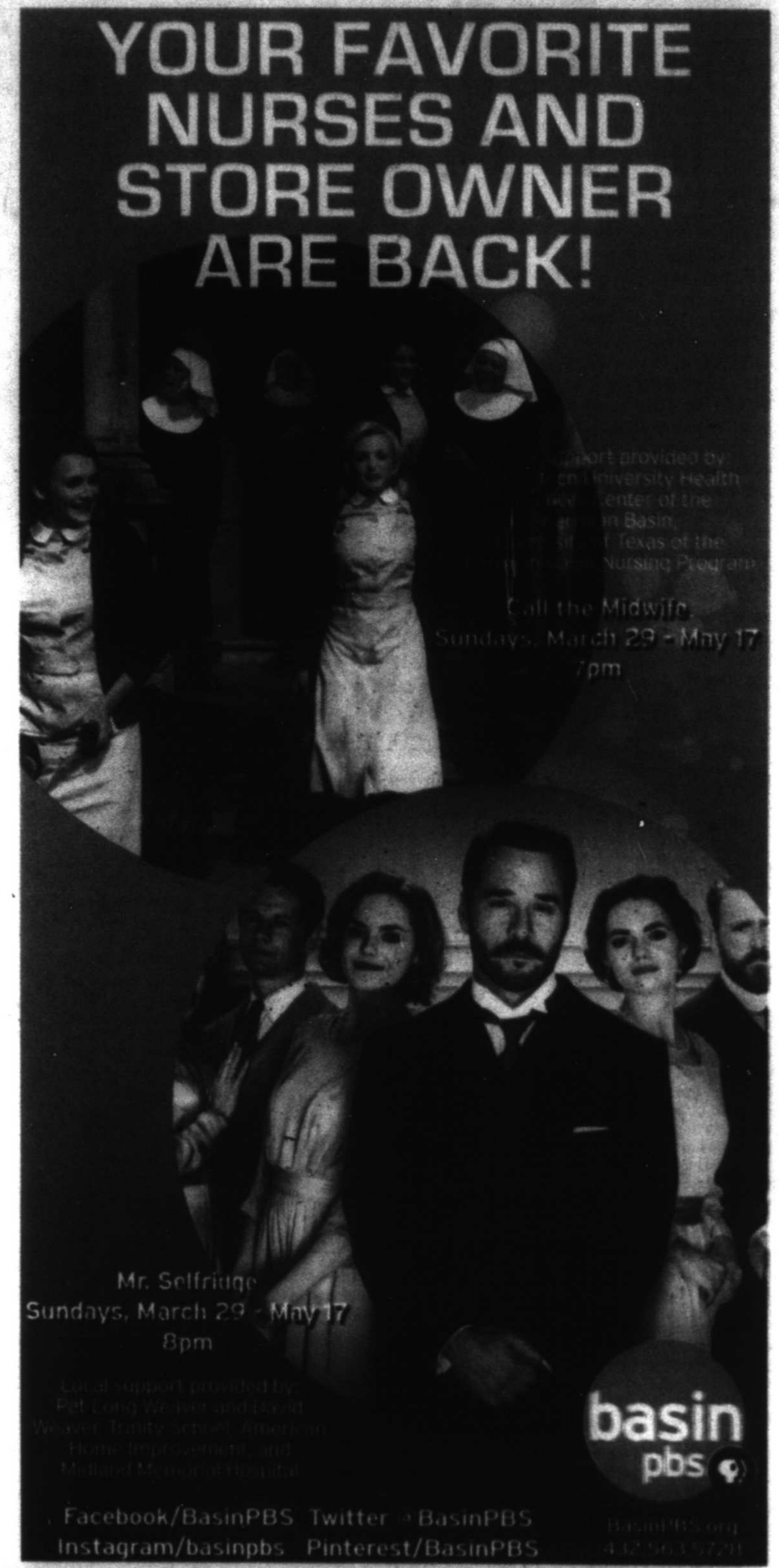
Spieth shot a 71. The 21-year-old Dallas player, coming off a playoff victory two weeks ago at Innisbrook, had a double bogey, two bogeys and two birdies on the final six holes.

FedEx Cup champion Billy Horschel birdied the final three holes for a 69 to get to 3 under.

Five players were seven back of Walker at 2 under. Zach Johnson birdied the last two holes for a 72, Chesson Hadley had a 71, tour rookie Scott Pinckney shot 69, 2011 champion Brendan Steele had a 72, and Jason Kokrak finished with a 71.

Phil Mickelson was even par after a 74. He had a near double-eagle on the 14th hole.

Tied making the turn, Walker broke away from Spieth with a two-shot swing on the par-5 14th and extended when Spieth hit his tee shot at the par-3 16th into more trouble well right of the grandstand.



Logano uses restart to win truck race

By Hank Kurz Jr.
Associated Press

MARTINSVILLE, Va. — Joey Logano passed Matt Crafton entering the first turn at the start of a two-lap sprint to the finish and won an exciting NASCAR Truck race at Martinsville Speedway on Saturday.

The Daytona 500 champion won for the first time in the series to become the 26th driver to win in all three of NASCAR's top series. The pole-sitter also kept a dominating weekend going. He will start on the pole in Sunday's Sprint Cup race, too.

Crafton, who led 100 laps while Logano led 150, figured he might be in trouble with the two-lap finish.

"I was honestly a little bit worried because it would take my truck four or five laps to get going, but all in all, not a bad day," Crafton, the two-time defending series champion, said. "His shot was going to be getting down there in turn one and he lagged back just enough and got a good run on us. I felt that I had a decent restart there but man, I have no idea. He came like a shot out of a cannon right there and went by us."

AUTO RACING RESULTS

NASCAR Camping World Truck-Kroger 250
Saturday
At Martinsville Speedway
Ridgeway, Va.
Lap length: .526 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (1) Joey Logano, Ford, 258 laps, 144.6 rating, 0 points, $51,336.
2. (13) Matt Crafton, Toyota, 258, 130.2, 43, $31,542.
3. (4) Erik Jones, Toyota, 258, 119.6, 42, $25,488.
4. (9) Johnny Sauter, Toyota, 258, 107.6, 40, $19,518.
5. (7) Tyler Reddick, Ford, 258, 91.2, 39, $18,458.
6. (11) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 258, 97.7, 0, $16,574.
7. (15) James Buescher, Chevrolet, 258, 75.7, 37, $14,158.
8. (5) John Wes Townley, Chevrolet, 258, 83.4, 36, $16,352.
9. (19) Matt Tifft, Toyota, 258, 84.1, 35, $16,297.
10. (21) Justin Boston, Toyota, 258, 72.4, 34, $17,191.
11. (3) Cameron Hayley, Toyota, 258, 101.2, 33, $16,186.
12. (14) Daniel Hemric, Chevrolet, 258, 64.9, 32, $16,046.
13. (26) Ray Black Jr., Chevrolet, 258, 58.2, 31, $15,990.
14. (18) Spencer Gallagher, Chevrolet, 258, 65.6, 30, $15,935.
15. (6) Brandon Jones, Chevrolet, 258, 91.6, 29, $16,252.
16. (2) Cole Custer, Chevrolet, 258, 90.1, 29, $15,769.
17. (12) Gray Gaulding, Toyota, 257, 59.7, 27, $13,663.
18. (17) Timothy Peters, Toyota, 257, 67.7, 26, $15,658.
19. (22) Ben Kennedy, Toyota, 257, 52.5, 25, $15,602.
20. (10) Tyler Young, Chevrolet, 257, 63.1, 24, $16,019.
21. (23) Caleb Holman, Chevrolet, 257, 47.1, 23, $13,241.
22. (20) Mason Mingus, Chevrolet, 256, 49.7, 23, $13,213.
23. (27) Korbin Forrister, Chevrolet, 255, 36.5, 21, $15,436.
24. (31) Jennifer Jo Cobb, Chevrolet, 250, 29.8, 20, $14,130.
25. (30) Tommy Regan, Chevrolet, 248, 29.1, 19, $14,197.
26. (24) Jake Griffin, Chevrolet, handling, 218, 41.4, 18, $12,992.
27. (28) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, vibration, 216, 36.6, 17, $12,964.
28. (29) Norm Benning, Chevrolet, rear gear, 174, 29.3, 16, $12,716.
29. (16) John Hunter Nemechek, Chevrolet, transmission, 173, 72.1, 15, $12,660.
30. (8) David Gilliland, Ford, brakes, 132, 60.7, 0, $12,160.
31. (25) Bryan Silas, Chevrolet, overheating, 120, 34.6, 13, $10,660.
32. (32) Travis Kvapil, Chevrolet, rear gear, 83, 31.3, 12, $9,660.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 68.214 mph.

Time of Race: 1 hour, 59 minutes, 22 seconds.

Margin of Victory: 0.431 seconds.

Caution Flags: 9 for 61 laps.

Lead Changes: 14 among 5 drivers.

Lap Leaders: J.Logano 1-36; M.Mingus 37-40; J.Logano 41-110; M.Crafton 111-161; J.Logano 162; M.Crafton 163-178; J.Logano 179-180; M.Crafton 181-193; E.Jones 194-195; M.Crafton 196-205; J.Logano 206-244; M.Crafton 245; C.Custer 246-247; M.Crafton 248-256; J.Logano 257-258.

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.Logano, 6 times for 150 laps; M.Crafton, 6 times for 100 laps; M.Mingus, 1 time for 4 laps; E.Jones, 1 time for 2 laps; C.Custer, 1 time for 2 laps.

Top 10 in Points: 1. M.Crafton, 128; 2. T.Reddick, 126; 3. E.Jones, 122; 4. J.Sauter, 112; 5. J.Buescher, 100; 6. J.Townley, 90; 7. R.Black Jr., 89; 8. C.Hayley, 84; 9. S.Gallagher, 84; 10. B.Kennedy, 83.

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.

NASCAR-Sprint Cup-STP 500 Lineup
After Friday qualifying; race today
At Martinsville Speedway
Ridgeway, Va.
Lap length: .526 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 98.461 mph.
2. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 98.328.
3. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 98.048.
4. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 97.613.
5. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 97.583.
6. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 97.468.
7. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 97.463.
8. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 97.392.
9. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 97.282.
10. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 97.262.
11. (19) Carl Edwards, Toyota, 97.177.
12. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 97.038.
13. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 97.367.
14. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 97.302.
15. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 97.267.
16. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 97.267.
17. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 97.257.
18. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 97.237.
19. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 97.222.
20. (18) David Ragan, Toyota, 96.8.
21. (51) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 96.79.
22. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 96.76.
23. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 96.559.
24. (13) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 97.312.
25. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 96.983.
26. (41) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 96.944.
27. (25) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 96.919.
28. (46) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 96.899.
29. (38) David Gilliland, Ford, 96.868.
30. (15) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 96.617.
31. (98) Josh Wise, Ford, 96.607.
32. (26) Jeb Burton, Toyota, 96.494.
33. (55) Brett Moffitt, Toyota, 96.357.
34. (40) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 96.298.
35. (34) Chris Buescher, Ford, 96.259.
36. (6) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 96.254.
37. (35) Cole Whitt, Ford, Owner Points.
38. (9) Sam Hornish Jr., Ford, Owner Points.
39. (7) Alex Bowman, Chevrolet, Owner Points.
40. (32) Mike Bliss, Ford, Owner Points.
41. (33) Alex Kennedy, Chevrolet, Owner Points.
42. (23) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, Owner Points.
43. (83) Matt DiBenedetto, Toyota, Owner Points.

Failed to Qualify

44. (62) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 95.632.
45. (30) Ron Hornaday Jr., Chevrolet, 95.395.

Formula 1-Malaysia Grand Prix Lineup
After Saturday qualifying; race today
At Sepang International Circuit
Sepang, Malaysia
Lap length: 3.444 miles
Third Session

1. Lewis Hamilton, England, Mercedes, 1 minute, 49.834 seconds.
2. Sebastian Vettel, Germany, Ferrari, 1:49.908.
3. Nico Rosberg, Germany, Mercedes, 1:50.299.
4. Daniel Ricciardo, Australia, Red Bull, 1:51.541.
5. Daniil Kvyat, Russia, Red Bull, 1:51.951.
6. Max Verstappen, Netherlands, Toro Rosso, 1:51.981.
7. Felipe Massa, Brazil, Williams, 1:52.473.
8. Valtteri Bottas, Finland, Williams, 1:53.179.
9. Marcus Ericsson, Sweden, Sauber, 1:53.261.
10. Romain Grosjean, France, Lotus, 1:52.981.

Eliminated after second session

11. Kimi Raikkonen, Finland, Ferrari, 1:42.173.
12. Pastor Maldonado, Venezuela, Lotus, 1:42.198.
13. Nico Hulkenberg, Germany, Force India, 1:43.023.
14. Sergio Perez, Mexico, Force India, 1:43.469.
15. Carlos Sainz Jr., Spain, Toro Rosso, 1:43.701.

Eliminated after first session

16. Felipe Nasr, Brazil, Sauber, 1:41.308.
17. Jenson Button, England, McLaren, 1:41.636.
18. Fernando Alonso, Spain, McLaren, 1:41.746.
19. Roberto Merhi, Spain, Marussia, 1:46.677.
20. Will Stevens, England, Marussia, No Time.

Firestone Grand Prix of St. Petersburg Lineup
After Saturday qualifying; race today
At St. Petersburg Street Circuit
St. Petersburg, Fla.
Lap length: 1.8 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (1) Will Power, Dallara-Chevrolet, 106.767 mph.
2. (22) Simon Pagenaud, Dallara-Chevrolet, 106.71.
3. (3) Helio Castroneves, Dallara-Chevrolet, 106.517.
4. (2) Juan Pablo Montoya, Dallara-Chevrolet, 106.486.
5. (14) Takuma Sato, Dallara-Honda, 105.97.
6. (11) Sebastien Bourdais, Dallara-Chevrolet, 105.961.
7. (10) Tony Kanaan, Dallara-Chevrolet, 106.024.
8. (28) Ryan Hunter-Reay, Dallara-Honda, 105.939.
9. (9) Scott Dixon, Dallara-Chevrolet, 105.833.
10. (67) Josef Newgarden, Dallara-Chevrolet, 105.8.
11. (25) Simona de Silvestro, Dallara-Honda, 105.596.
12. (27) Marco Andretti, Dallara-Honda, 105.406.
13. (83) Charlie Kimball, Dallara-Chevrolet, 105.241.
14. (26) Carlos Munoz, Dallara-Honda, 105.385.
15. (15) Graham Rahal, Dallara-Honda, 105.239.
16. (5) James Hinchcliffe, Dallara-Honda, 105.232.
17. (4) Stefano Coletti, Dallara-Chevrolet, 105.071.
18. (8) Sage Karam, Dallara-Chevrolet, 104.853.
19. (20) Luca Filippi, Dallara-Chevrolet, 105.069.
20. (7) James Jakes, Dallara-Honda, 104.8.
21. (41) Jack Hawksworth, Dallara-Honda, 104.5.
22. (98) Gabby Chaves, Dallara-Honda, 104.566.
23. (19) Francesco Dracone, Dallara-Honda, 100.832.
24. (18) Carlos Huertas, Dallara-Honda, 104.564.

MHS freshman Smith sets meet record in San Angelo

From staff reports

SAN ANGELO — Midland High freshman Sametria Smith made an impression during her first-ever San Angelo Relays on Saturday.

Smith set a meet record with a time of 14.89 in the 100-meter hurdles.

In addition to her track heroics, Smith finished first in the long jump, setting a personal record with 17 feet, 9 inches.

It was the second consecutive week that Smith claimed first in both the 100 hurdles and long jump after completing the trick at the War Hawk Classic in Abilene the week prior.

The Lady Bulldogs 400 relay team of Tammie Hickey, Shea'teria Robinson, Ashlynn Dominguez and Jimmiriyia Goodley turned in a first-place showing with a time of 50.31.

The MHS girls team finished fourth with 82 points, 26 points behind meet champion Wolfforth Frenship (108).

In the boys competition, MHS junior Bryce Hoppel continued his mastery of long-distance events with first-place finishes in both the 800 meters (1:59.37) and the 1,600 meters (4:36.29).

Hoppel swept the 800 and 1,600-meter events at both the War Hawk Classic and West Texas Relays on March 7 as well.

MHS junior Ruben Guerra raced ahead of the pack to capture first in the 1,600 meters (10:07.86).

Courtney McMaryion helped his MHS team with a pair of runner-up marks in the long jump (21-2 1/2) and high jump (6-2).

The Bulldogs boys were second (118.5) in the Division I standings, trailing only Wolfforth Frenship (134).

San Angelo Relays
Saturday's final results
BOYS
Division I

Team results: 1. Wolfforth Frenship 134; 2. Midland High 118.5; 3. Abilene High 106; 4. San Angelo Central 91; 5. San Angelo Lake View 76; 6. Odessa Permian 45.5.

Field events

Pole vault: 3. Slade Harrell, Midland, 12-0
Long jump: 2. Courtney McMaryion, Midland, 21-2 1/2
High jump: 2. Courtney McMaryion, Midland, 6-2

Running events

400: 3. Nick Garcia, Midland, 51.56
800: 1. Bryce Hoppel, Midland, 1:59.37
1,600: 1. Bryce Hoppel, Midland, 4:36.29
3,200: 1. Ruben Guerra, Midland, 10:07.86
110 hurdles: 3. Jack Youngblood, Midland, 15.39
300 hurdles: 3. Blake Humble, Midland, 45.28

GIRLS
Division II

Team results: 1. Wolfforth Frenship 108; 2. Lubbock Coronado 105.5; 3. Odessa Permian 94; 4. Midland High 82; 5. San Angelo Central 76; 6. Abilene High 62; 7. Abilene Cooper 62; 8. San Angelo Lake View 29; 9. Lubbock Monterey 5.

Field events

Long jump: 1. Sametria Smith, Midland, 17-9
High jump: 3. Krista Epley, Midland, 5-0
Triple jump: 3. Sametria Smith, Midland, 34-10 3/4

Running events

200: 3. Jimmiriyia Goodley, Midland, 26.70
100 hurdles: 1. Sametria Smith, Midland, 14.89
400 relay: 1. Midland (Tammie Hickey, Shea'teria Robinson, Ashlynn Dominguez, Jimmiriyia Goodley) 50.31
800 relay: 3. Midland 1:46.59

Odessa High edges MHS in error-laden opener

From staff reports

Bronchos	5
Bulldogs	4

ODESSA — The No. 19 Midland High baseball team scored early, but had trouble producing runs in the later innings as it fell, 5-4, to Odessa High in a sloppy District 3-6A opener on Saturday at Pressly Field.

The two teams combined to commit nine errors.

Blake Canis got the start for the Bulldogs (14-3, 0-1 in District 3-6A) and he was staked to a 1-0 lead in the top of the first. But the Bronchos (11-8, 1-0 in District 3-6A) responded with two runs in their half of the inning.

MHS restored the one-run lead for Canis after it scored two more runs in the top of the second. But the Bulldogs went silent over the next three innings, and couldn't overcome a two-run deficit in the top of the seventh.

Jacob Mata relieved Canis in the fifth inning and ended up taking the loss. A.J. Navarette, who was brought into the game in the third inning and pitched three frames, earned the win for OHS.

ODESSA HIGH 5, MIDLAND HIGH 4

MHS	120 000	1—4	7	4
OHS	200 012	X—5	5	5

Blake Canis, Jacob Mata (5) and Braden Scrivner. Zachary Salcido, A.J. Navarette (3), Robert Morales (7) and Shaun Gutierrez. W — Navarette. L — Mata. 2B — MHS: Braden Scrivner, Kohl Fritschen. 3B — MHS: Jacob Mata.

Next game: San Angelo Central at MHS, 4:30 p.m. Thursday; Lee at OHS, 4:30 p.m. Thursday.

Rebels

From 1C

hit batter. Mata fought back and got out of the jam having given up just a single run on a Micah Seiler RBI groundout.

"He (Lee's coach Roper) always wants me to go out there and do what I know how to do, shut it down," Mata said. "I just went out there, threw strikes and let my defense work. I could have done better, but we got the W and that's what matters."

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LEE 9, ODESSA PERMIAN 5

Permian	102 101	0—5	11	2
Lee	260 010	X—9	15	1

Andrew Hernandez, Marc Prieto (2), Seth Higdon (6) and Braxton Pena. Chapman Payton, Evan Mata (6) and Hunter Coleman. W — Payton (3-1). L — Hernandez. 2B — Permian: Micah Seiler, Braxton Pena, Jordan Pinson. Lee: Hunter Coleman, Tialan Boza. 3B — Lee: John Wuthrich

Records: Permian 3-13, 0-1; Lee 9-5-1, 1-0

Next game: Lee at Odessa High, 4:30 p.m. Thursday; Permian at Abilene High, 4:30 p.m. Thursday

District 3-6A Baseball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L	Overall T
Lee	1	0	9	5	1
Odessa High	1	0	11	8	0
San Angelo Central	1	0	10	6	2
Midland High	0	1	14	3	0
Abilene High	0	1	8	5	0
Odessa Permian	0	1	3	13	0

Saturday's Scores
Odessa High 5, Midland High 4
Lee 9, Odessa Permian 5
San Angelo Central 1, Abilene High 0

Thursday's Games
San Angelo Central at Midland High
Lee at Odessa High
Odessa Permian at Abilene High
All games at 4:30 p.m.

Lady Rebels

From 1C

The Lady Rebels carried the momentum into the bottom of the fourth stanza as Emily Nunez singled to right field and Lindsey Greenlee reached base via a bunt single.

Martin, Lee's cleanup batter, drilled a hard liner to center field for a two-run single, scoring Nunez and Greenlee.

Two batters later, Martin scored the go-ahead run when Lindenmuth hit a ground ball that was misplayed by a MHS fielder.

Lee, who had only four hits total, did not get another hit the rest of the way, but it was enough to do the job and tally the victory.

"The whole team just hung together," Lady Rebels head coach Wes Overton said. "That's been one of our growing processes throughout the year is we fall behind early and we just kind of fall apart. We have been working on the mental part of the game and I think today just started to pay off for us. I think today we could have easily fell apart. I don't think anything else worse could have happen in that first inning and they only scored two runs and one ball left the infield. We did what we needed to do to stay in the game."

In six innings, Evans allowed only two earned runs, four hits and a walk. Evans was efficient, needing only seven pitches to get through the first inning and six pitches to pitch through the fifth.

"My curve was working really well and my rise," Evans said. "I was jamming some of their good, big hitters. I was jamming a lot of them."

O'Grady surrendered only one earned run on six hits and three walks, while striking out four. The junior hurler induced a foul fly out to end the game, while Allen stood on third base with the potential tie run.

MHS center fielder Brittany Baggett led off the game with a Texas Leaguer double that Greenlee just missed catching on the fly. Baggett scored when a Lee fielder committed a throwing error on Aryn Flores' sacrifice bunt.

One batter later, Lady Bulldogs Sydney Betcher drove home Flores with a RBI ground out, giving MHS a 2-0 lead.

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District 3-6A Softball

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
Odessa Permian	4	0	13	3
Odessa High	3	1	12	4
Lee	2	2	5	7
Midland High	2	2	15	5
San Angelo Central	1	3	7	12
Abilene High	0	4	7	7

Saturday's Scores
Lee 3, Midland High 2
Odessa High 13, Abilene 1 (6 innings)
Odessa Permian 6, San Angelo Central 3

Thursday's games
Lee at San Angelo Central, 4:30 p.m.
Abilene High at Midland High, 4:30 p.m.
Odessa Permian at Odessa High, 7 p.m.

LEE 3, MIDLAND HIGH 2

Midland	200 000	0—2	6	1
Lee	000 300	x—3	4	3

Kendra Evans and Aubree Rowley. Darby O'Grady and Kirklynd Newsom. W — O'Grady. L — Evans. 2B — Midland: Brittany Baggett, Alyssa Flores. RBI — Midland: Sydney Betcher. Lee: Cidney Martin 2

Records: Midland High 15-5, 2-2 District 3-6A. Lee 5-7, 2-2 District 3-6A

Next games: Abilene High at Midland High 4:30 p.m. Thursday. Lee at San Angelo Central 4:30 p.m. Thursday

HS BASEBALL/SOFTBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Softball

MCS' BATS SIZZLE VS. PANTEGO

ARLINGTON — The Midland Christian softball team remained unbeaten in TAPPS 1-4A play following a doubleheader sweep of Arlington Pantego on Saturday.

Courtney Monk homered and doubled twice to propel the Lady Mustangs (9-14, 4-0 TAPPS 1-4A) to a 14-3 win over the Lady Panthers in game one. Abby Escajeda also went deep for MCS.

Monk homered again in the second game as the Lady Mustangs rolled to a 20-10 victory over Pantego in six innings.

GAME 1
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 14, ARLINGTON PANTEGO 3

MCS	301 008	2—14	11	1
Pantego	002 001	0—3	7	6

Lauren Grizzard and Chelsea Cross. Brianna Burger and Alli Stinchcomb. W — Grizzard. L — Burger. 2B — MCS: Courtney Monk 2, Courtney Schiel. Pantego: Burger, Meredith Locke. HR — MCS: Abby Escajeda, Courtney Monk.

GAME 2
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 20, ARLINGTON PANTEGO 10

MCS	723 215	—20	12	5
Pantego	210 403	—10	6	9

Danika Gordon, Lauren Grizzard (2) and Chelsea Cross. Brianna Burger, Alli Stinchcomb (4) and Stinchcomb, Paige Eads (4). W — Grizzard. L — Burger. 2B — MCS: Abby Escajeda. HR — MCS: Courtney Monk.

Record: Midland Christian 9-14, 4-0

Next game: Midland Christian vs. Presidio

Baseball

KNIGHTS CRUSH SAN JACINTO IN TAPPS 1-3A OPENER

The Midland Classical Academy baseball team got off on the right foot in TAPPS 1-3A play with a 13-3 drubbing of Amarillo San Jacinto on Saturday at Security Bank Ballpark.

The game ended on run rule in the bottom of the fifth inning.

The Knights (3-6, 1-0 in TAPPS 1-3A) got a 3-for-3 day from Josh Raies, as well as a four-RBI game from Miciah Avampato, who also started for MCA and surrendered just three runs in five innings.

MCA 13, AMARILLO SAN JACINTO 3

ASJ	001	20—3	5	2
MCA	024	52—13	13	2

Tipps, Burlseon (3), Hess (5), Thomas (5) and Mosser. Miciah Avampato and Josh Raies. W — Avampato. L — Tipps. 2B — ASJ: Mosser, Cano. 3B — MCA: Max Sivalls.

Records: MCA 3-6, 1-0

Next game: MCA at Midland Trinity, 6 p.m. Tuesday at Christensen Stadium

TIDWELL SILENCES LIONS

Behind a two-hit shutout from starting pitcher Brayden Tidwell, Midland Christian dominated Flower Mound Coram Deo, 13-0, on Saturday at Christensen Stadium.

Tidwell struck out 13 Coram Deo batters and issued just one walk in game called early by the run rule.

Offensively, the Mustangs (12-9, 5-2 in TAPPS 1-4A) pounded out 13 hits, with six going for extra bases, including a home run from catcher Ray Calhoun. Overall, seven of MCS' nine starting players had at least one hit.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 13, FLOWER MOUND CORAM DEO 0

FMCD	000	00—0	2	6
MCS	561	1X—13	13	0

Blake Hathaway, Gray Prewitt (2), Michael Arthur (4). Brayden Tidwell and Ray Calhoun. W — Tidwell. L — Hathaway. 2B — FCD: Justin Pelletier. MCS: Nolan Hester (2), Davis Fender, Grant Little, Anderson Needham. HR — MCS: Ray Calhoun

Records: MCS 12-9, 5-2 in TAPPS 1-4A. FCD 4-6, 0-5 in TAPPS 1-4A

Next game: MCS at Lubbock Trinity, 6 p.m. Tuesday

FRIDAY'S LATE LINESCORE
MIDLAND CHRISTIAN 10, FLOWER MOUND CORAM DEO 0

FMCD	000	00—0	1	0
MCS	321	4X—10	12	1

Justin Pelletier, Kirby Rector (3), Grant Little. Ray Calhoun (5) and Ray Calhoun and Zach Tilton (5). W — Little. L — Pelletier. 2B — MCS: Ray Calhoun (2), Grant Little, Davis Fender. 3B — MCS: Nolan Hester, Ray Calhoun.

Baylor's Bromell dominates Texas Relays 100 meters

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Trayvon Bromell had just dominated yet another 100 meters when Justin Gatlin strolled over to give the Baylor sophomore a pat on the back and a quick hug for a job well done.

It was a sign that a star of American sprinters sees big things to come from an emerging one.

Bromell's wind-aided 9.90 seconds in the university men's 100 crushed the field Saturday at the Texas Relays, sending yet another warning that this slightly built kid from St. Petersburg, Florida, intends to challenge the biggest names in the sport. And that could be as early at the World Championships in Beijing later this summer.

"That's my goal," Bromell said. "The day of the race, whatever happens, happens."

Bromell was a heavy favorite to defend his Texas Relays title after running 10.02 in Friday's preliminaries, the fastest wind-legal time in the world this year. In the final, he grabbed the lead early and was never challenged by the field. Texas A&M's Shavez Hart was a distant second at 10.10.

Only a wind-speed of 3.3 mph — over the allowable 2.0 — took the edge off a blistering finish. He clapped his hands at the finish line but later shrugged off the win as business as usual.

"I'm just trying to get the word out to the world and do my thing," Bromell said.

Bromell's 5-foot-9, 155-pound frame belies the body type of the muscular sprinters around him.

SPRING TRAINING

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Oakland	17	9	654
Kansas City	16	9	640
Toronto	15	11	577
Los Angeles	13	10	565
Houston	10	8	556
Boston	12	10	545
New York	14	12	538
Tampa Bay	11	10	524
Cleveland	11	14	440
Minnesota	10	13	435
Seattle	10	14	417
Texas	9	13	409
Baltimore	10	15	400
Detroit	10	16	385
Chicago	8	14	364

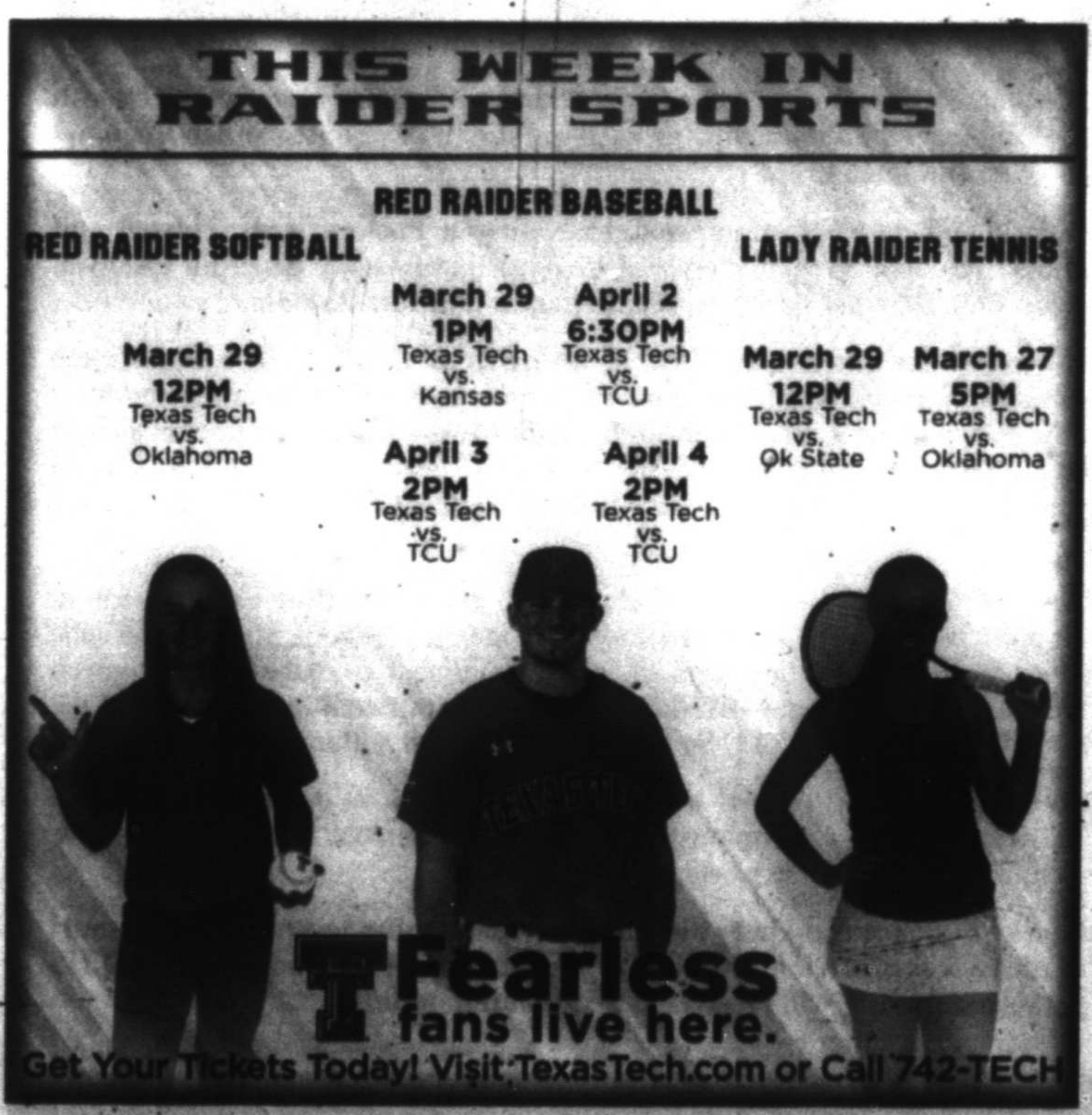
NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Los Angeles	14	7	667
New York	15	11	577
Arizona	14	11	560
St. Louis	11	9	550
Cincinnati	12	10	545
Miami	12	10	545
Pittsburgh	12	10	545
San Diego	13	11	542
Colorado	13	12	520
Atlanta	12	13	480
Milwaukee	11	12	478
Philadelphia	11	14	440
Washington	9	12	429
Chicago	11	15	423
San Francisco	8	19	296

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

Saturday's Scores
Miami 1, Houston 1, tie
Minnesota 7, Philadelphia 1
Baltimore 10, N.Y. Yankees 2
Detroit 4, St. Louis 3
Pittsburgh 8, Toronto (ss) 3
Boston 9, Tampa Bay 6
Atlanta 5, Toronto (ss) 3
N.Y. Mets 10, Washington 2
San Francisco 9, Seattle 8
Oakland 10, Chicago White Sox 4
Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 2
Cincinnati 9, Chicago Cubs (ss) 5
San Diego 3, Texas 2
Chicago Cubs (ss) 18, Colorado 4
L.A. Dodgers 5, L.A. Angels 4
Kansas City 10, Arizona 5

Today's Games
N.Y. Mets vs. St. Louis at Jupiter, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Minnesota vs. Baltimore (ss) at Sarasota, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Miami vs. Washington at Viera, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh vs. Atlanta at Kissimmee, Fla. 12:05 p.m.
Detroit vs. Philadelphia at Clearwater, Fla. 12:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay vs. Boston at Fort Myers, Fla. 12:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees vs. Houston at Kissimmee, Fla. 12:05 p.m.
Baltimore (ss) vs. Toronto at Dunedin, Fla. 12:07 p.m.
Cincinnati vs. L.A. Angels at Tempe, Ariz. 2:10 p.m.
Seattle vs. San Diego at Peoria, Ariz. 3:05 p.m.
Milwaukee vs. Oakland at Mesa, Ariz. 3:05 p.m.
Texas vs. L.A. Dodgers (ss) at Glendale, Ariz. 3:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs vs. Kansas City at Surprise, Ariz. 3:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (ss) vs. San Francisco at Scottsdale, Ariz. 3:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox vs. Cleveland at Goodyear, Ariz. 3:05 p.m.
Colorado vs. Arizona at Hermosillo, 3:10 p.m.
Arizona vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz. 3:10 p.m.



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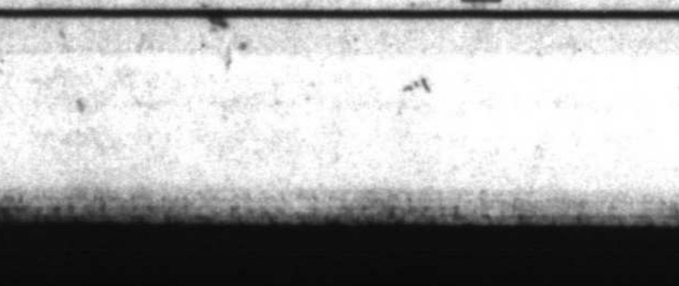

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TEXAS TECH SPRING GAME NOTEBOOK

BY OSCAR LEROY

FIRST LOOK AT FEHOKO

Fans got their first look at highly-touted defensive lineman Breiden Fehoko in action on Saturday and he was credited with a sack.

The former four-star recruit and 6-foot-3, 287-pounder from Honolulu, Hawaii, was the prize catch in the last recruiting class and he fills a position that needs as much depth as possible. He was also able to enroll early and go through spring practices with the Red Raiders.

"I have to see the film but I saw him make some big plays and he's getting better and better in practice," Tech head coach Kliff Kingsbury said. "I'm really excited that we got him here this spring. I think going into fall camp, it will allow him to continue to excel and have a prominent role."

Defensive coordinator David Gibbs said Fehoko is doing well, especially for someone who would probably be attending his high school prom today.

"The first six practices before spring break, he was finding and feeling his way," Gibbs said. "This week, all of a sudden, he's feeling his oats and he's kind of growing up before us. We're going to play eight to 10 defensive linemen anyway, so he's going to be in rotation regardless. Obviously the better he plays the more he'll get to play. He's going to be something special at some point."

STOCKTON SHOWS GROWTH

Even though the running backs were only credited with 69 yards on 16 carries on Saturday, one back that stood out is sophomore Justin Stockton.

Stockton was credited with three carries for 20 yards in the official statistics kept from the first half of the scrimmage.

Stockton played as a true freshman last year and showed flashes of his potential with some long runs mixed with some inconsistent play at times. He finished with 396 yards rushing and four touchdowns on 48 carries.

"Justin has really developed both on and off the field," Kingsbury said. "He's really matured a lot since he's been here. A lot of that has to do with (running backs coach Mike) Jinks and their relationship. I think he's put on 10 pounds of muscle, and you can see, he's finishing runs. Last year he would try to get to the sidelines and stand by me as soon as he touched the ball. This year he's splitting defenders and running tough. That will just add to his game, and he's got a very bright future."

KICKING A WORK IN PROGRESS

Saturday left a lot to be desired as far as the field goal kicking is concerned.

Freshman Michael Barden made both of his field goal attempts but both were from relatively short distances — 25 and 35 yards. Meanwhile, fellow freshman Clayton Hatfield was 1 of 2 on his attempts and he made a 41-yarder but missed short and wide right on a 48—yard attempt.

Senior Tyler Symmank is expected to add place kicking duties to his resume in addition to being the team's punter. However, he was held out on Saturday as Kingsbury said he's dealing with a hip flexor.

BARNES ONLY SIGNIFICANT INJURY

Sophomore safety Jalen Barnes looked to be the only significant injury on the afternoon as he had to be helped off the field after suffering what appeared to be a left leg injury.

Kingsbury said the injury doesn't seem to be as bad as first thought but added that until he's evaluated further, they won't know for sure how serious the injury is.

DEFENSE

From 1C

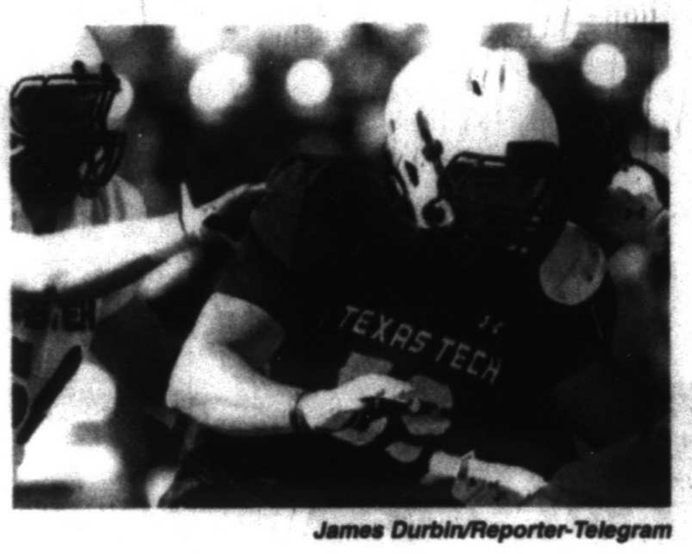
of the scrimmage.

Gibbs has been emphasizing creating turnovers and that's what many have come to expect, considering that the Cougars were fifth nationally last year with 30 takeaways, including 19 interceptions.

While Gibbs said those turnovers will come, he added the Tech offense has been making it hard this spring.

"Our offense has done a good job of protecting the ball all this spring, they really have," Gibbs said. "We work as hard as anybody on taking the ball away. Coach Kingsbury and Coach Morris have done a good job with their running backs, receivers and quarterbacks, they have just not turned the ball over. Even though we're not getting them, I think it's making our offense better, and I think at the end of the day we'll create our turnovers."

While Gibbs is just like any typical coach who thinks his players can do better, Awe is one who thinks that the defense is slowly but surely come along. He said he saw glimpses of that improvement against Baylor to end the 2014 season. Even though the Red Raiders lost 48-46 in a game that went down to the wire, the way the defense performed at



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Texas Tech defensive lineman and Lee High graduate Talor Nunez (59) runs during the Texas Tech Red and Black Spring Game on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

times against one of the best offenses in the country gave the senior linebacker hope.

"I think we're 10 steps ahead of where we were when we played Baylor last year," said Awe, a senior from Arlington. "We're still getting better. We're still not perfect. I'm not perfect. We messed up on a lot of plays out there but we're going to move and keep doing what we're doing. I always thought that many of our losses didn't come from Xs and Os but from something up here (pointing to his head) or something down here (point to his chest). In the Baylor game, there wasn't much hooting and hollering before the game. We just went out there and played like we were supposed to."

The head coach of the Red Raiders is also seeing some improvement out of his much-maligned defense.

"They're playing really hard," he said. "It looks like they know where to go and what to do and that is always exciting, because they haven't been doing this defense for long. Coach Gibbs has done a tremendous job working with them and I'm sure they're going to continue to progress."

The Red Raiders need the defense to progress if they want to improve from their 4-8 showing in 2014.

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TECH

From 1C

for the program. He knew that. He knew the situation, so we made it work."

Senior center Jared Kaster knows what kind of competitor Webb is and knows how bad the rising junior wanted to play in the scrimmage.

"I know it's tough for him because he's always talking to me about how he wants to go out there," Kaster said. "But shoulder injuries like that, you always have to take precaution. That's the way I was when I had mine. But he's fired up and he's eager to get back out there and actually play in a scrimmage."

Mahomes, who showed to develop nicely last year in his true freshman season, showed the approximate 8,000 to 10,000 fans in attendance on a warm Saturday afternoon why many are high on Mahomes' potential.

Unlike Webb or any other Red Raider quarterback for that matter, Mahomes has the ability to scramble and find ways to make plays.

However, it wasn't until the first team's second series that saw Mahomes start to click with the offense. He threw a 50-yard pass to Quinton White, and then capped off the 75-yard drive with a 9-yard TD pass to Dylan Cantrell.

The most impressive drive of the day was when the Red Raiders marched 96 yards and Mahomes completed all five of his pass attempts, with the final one being to Jakeem Grant, who took a short pass and then did the rest on a 38-yard scoring play.

Grant, a senior, said regardless of who's playing quarterback he has confidence that either Webb or Mahomes can get the job done.

"Pat and Davis can throw very well," Grant said. "Both of those guys have their strengths and both of those guys have their weaknesses. Whoever's in, we're all going to go out there and just play like he's been the quarterback all along. Davis is coming along great. He's going out there, he's getting a lot better, his arm is a lot stronger, his balls have been great and he's back into it, I think he'll be a better quarterback coming up this season."

Neither Mahomes nor Webb were made available to the media on Saturday.

Under official stats taken in Saturday's game, Mahomes was 12-of-16 passing for 169 yards, two touchdowns and one interception, although Mahomes added a 8-yard TD pass to Devin Lauderdale late in the scrimmage.

"He was doing his thing," said Kingsbury of Mahomes. "He was moving around and making plays. There were a couple of throws, decisions he would like to have back, but I've been very impressed with the way he's handled things. He'll go to baseball one day, then will come to football, and that's hard on an 18-year old kid, especially one with a 4.0 (grade point average). He's really done well and he'll continue to get better."

It was initially thought on Saturday that Mahomes would get his reps early and then head back to Lubbock in time for the Red Raiders' baseball game against Kansas. But after a conversation Kingsbury had with baseball coach Tim Tadlock, they thought that Mahomes would benefit from sticking with the football team on Saturday.

"With this being our only live real scrimmage in front of people, we needed to keep him here," Kingsbury said. "We'll get him back to baseball (today)."

Sophomore Nic Shimonek, an Iowa transfer, got most of the second-team reps as he was 3 of 9 for 11 yards with no TDs and no picks.

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THE LEE HIGH ROBOT team will be heading to the FTC World Championship

The Lee Robotics Team traveled to San Antonio over Spring Break and won the **FTC South Super-Regional Alliance Championship, as well as the FTC South Super-Regional Division Alliance Championship.**

Lee Robotics Team members are **Jordan Snodgrass, Juwon Packer, Isaac Tidwell and McKaylee Maddox.** The support team members are Christian Lozano, Augustin Esquivel, Connor Reed, Ngun Ceu, Britton Corbett, Rebecca Aranda, and Tate Blondin.

The competition in San Antonio consisted of 72 teams from 12 states. The teams were divided into two different divisions of 36 teams. Each team in the division competed for a seeding placement of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and etc. The top 4 teams from the seeding rounds in each division selected 2 alliance partners. The two divisions of 12 teams each competed for the division championship and the winners of each division competed for the overall Alliance Championship.

Lee Robotic Team #4886 Robo Junkies was selected by the #8609 Blue Crew Too from McComb, Mississippi, in the Ochoa Division along with one other school, #6433 Neutrinos, from Lakeland, Florida, to form the three team alliance. Our alliance from the Ochoa Division won the **FTC South Super-Regional Division Alliance Championship** and defeated the Bluford Division alliance to win the **FTC South Super-Regional Alliance Championship.**

Now the Lee Robotics Team will travel to St. Louis, Missouri on **April 21-25** for the **First Tech Challenge World Championship** which will compete against 125 teams, 100 US and 25 teams from around the world.

If anyone would like to donate and help the Robotics Team going to St. Louis, Missouri on April 22-25, please contact Alan Pitkin at Lee High School or send checks to LHS Robotics. All persons donating will received a tax donation letter.

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Swab Rig Operator with established company. Must have at least two years experience as a swab rig operator and CDL license. Benefits Package. Salary DOE. Submit resume to: Swabbing Services, Inc., P. O. Box 9423, Midland, TX 79708.

PRESSMAN/ PRESSMAN TRAINEE

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN/ PRESSMAN TRAINEE for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.

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Part Time Registered Nurse
Nurses Unlimited Private Duty Department, located in Midland Texas, is currently seeking a part-time/PRN RN with a minimum of 3-5 years' experience, with at least one year of full time supervisory or administrative experience in the last 3 years, and current CPR. Duties will include supervision and coordination of care and services for private pay clients, provide case orientation, supervision, and evaluation of Certified Nurses Aides, Sitters and Homemakers, and perform other duties as assigned. Apply in person at 1020 E Andrews Highway or fax resume to 432-522-5094 or email to mccorde@nursesunlimited.com

OTHER JOBS

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

Starting pay $10.00 per hour/after 60 days pay will be $11.00 per hour

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

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Midland Reporter-Telegram HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

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Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

Starting pay $10.00 per hour/after 60 days pay will be $11.00 per hour

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

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ENERGY & UTILITIES

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AKA ENERGY GROUP, LLC, a natural gas midstream company wholly owned by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, has the following job opportunities in Maljamar, New Mexico:

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Oil & Gas Operational Accounting Manager

Atlantic Resources Company, LLC, a Midland based independent oil and gas operator, has an immediate opening for a detail-oriented person to manage its monthly oil and gas accounting functions.

Requirements:

- Accounting Degree
- JIB, Revenue Distribution, and basic oil and gas accounting experience
- Working knowledge of Excel and Word
- Wolfepak software is not required but a plus

Qualified individuals must submit a resume, references, and salary history to:
Atlantic Resources Company, LLC
Attn: Accounting P.O. Box 3759
Midland TX. 79702
or email careers@arcoperating.com.

HEALTHCARE

Physician

Physician needed for Addiction Medicine Clinic. Odessa or Midland positions available. 2-3 days per week 6:30am-8:30am. Paid by hourly contract rate. Physical exams, medication adjustments, assist counseling staff with treatment planning. Any medical specialty acceptable, will train. No hospital association, No insurance billing. Texas licensure must be in good standing. Fax cover letter and CV to Dr. Garcia, 214-732-1622

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Permian Basin Community Centers

Permian Basin Community Centers is seeking

Clinician (LPC, LCSW, or LMFT)

PBCC has an opening for a Clinician in our Odessa mental health clinic. This position is responsible for service coordination duties and counseling eligible individuals using the State of Texas approved curriculum for Cognitive Behavior Therapy. Applicants should possess a Master's degree from an accredited university with a major in social services or another behavioral/human service field. In addition, the applicant must be a LPC, LCSW, LMSW-ACP, or LMFT. Interns will be considered depending on their level of experience and proximity to obtaining full licensure. This is an exempt position with a competitive salary and a standard 8 to 5 workday. PBCC offers a full benefit package consisting of health coverage, retirement, life insurance, scheduled pay increases, optional cafeteria coverage and paid vacation.

All applicants must have a valid Texas Driver's License, proof of auto liability insurance coverage, and will be subject to a criminal history background check. For additional information and qualifications for all positions, see our electronic application and current job listing available at www.pbmhmr.com. For questions, contact the Human Resources Department at 432-570-3322

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PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Social Worker

Presbyterian Children's Homes and Services is seeking a Child/Family Specialist (Social Worker) in Midland. Bachelor's degree with some experience. Apply online at: http://texas.pchas.org/employment/ or call 210-558-4770.

Tubular Coordinator/Assistant

Master Tubulars, Inc. is now accepting resumes for a Tubular Coordinator. The ideal candidate for this position should have tubular experience and be a motivated self-starter.

Summary of Duties:
• Provide excellent customer service by taking inside sales orders.
• Create material releases and update shipment information by organizing files, both manually and electronically.
• Initiate and maintain contact with vendors and customers to ensure timely delivery of goods and services.
• Assist customers with inquiries.
• Interact with third party logistics service providers by tracking and expediting the purchase and delivery process.
• Ensure accuracy of all inventories.
• Coordinate logistics and maintain documentation; both manually and electronically, for well returns.
• Audit freight cost and documentation.
• Reconcile and document tallies.
• Other duties as assigned by management.

Summary of Desired Qualifications:
• College degree preferred but not required.
• 2 years OCTG experience.
• Computer skills, including Excel, Word, Outlook.

Interested candidates should email their resume to humanresources@mastertubulars.com. Please include your salary expectations.

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Candidate would be responsible for coding and modifying websites according to a client's specifications, and creating visually appealing sites that feature user-friendly design and function and clear navigation. Must be able to effectively wire frame sites and implement graphic designer's layouts/designs. Web design skills a plus.

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Pre-employment physical and drug screen required.

If interested please send a resume to: Meg Johnson, Human Resources, 392 County Road 50, Avon, MN, 56310; complete an application on-line at www.blattnerenergy.com; or call 1-888-356-2307 to request an application.

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Summary of Duties:
• Provide excellent customer service by taking inside sales orders.
• Create material releases and update shipment information by organizing files, both manually and electronically.
• Initiate and maintain contact with vendors and customers to ensure timely delivery of goods and services.
• Assist customers with inquiries.
• Interact with third party logistics service providers by tracking and expediting the purchase and delivery process.
• Ensure accuracy of all inventories.
• Coordinate logistics and maintain documentation; both manually and electronically, for well returns.
• Audit freight cost and documentation.
• Reconcile and document tallies.
• Other duties as assigned by management.

Summary of Desired Qualifications:
• College degree preferred but not required.
• 2 years OCTG experience.
• Computer skills, including Excel, Word, Outlook.

Interested candidates should email their resume to humanresources@mastertubulars.com. Please include your salary expectations.

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Second Rou
March 19-2

1 Kentucky 7
16 Hampton 5
8 Cincinnati
9 Purdue 65
5 W. Virginia
12 Buffalo 62
4 Maryland 6
13 Valparaiso
6 Butler 56
11 Texas 48
3 Notre Dame
14 Northeaster
7 Wichita St.
10 Indiana 76
2 Kansas 75
15 New Mexico
1 Wisconsin 8
16 Coastal Car
8 Oregon 79
9 Oklahoma S
5 Arkansas 56
12 Wofford 53
4 North Caroli
13 Harvard 65
6 Xavier 76
11 Ole Miss 57
3 Baylor 56
14 Georgia St.
7 VCU 72
10 Ohio St. 75
2 Arizona 93
15 Texas So. 7

16 Manhattan 64
16 Hampton 74

11 Ole Miss 94
11 BYU 90

First Round
March 17-18

16 N. Florida 77
16 Robert Morris 81

11 Boise State 55
11 Dayton 56

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MIDWEST

Second Round March 19-20
1 Kentucky 79
16 Hampton 56
8 Cincinnati 66
9 Purdue 65
5 W. Virginia 68
12 Buffalo 62
4 Maryland 65
13 Valparaiso 62
6 Butler 56
11 Texas 48
3 Notre Dame 69
14 Northeastern 65
7 Wichita St. 81
10 Indiana 76
2 Kansas 75
15 New Mexico St. 56

Third Round March 21-22
1 Kentucky 64
8 Cincinnati 51
5 W. Va. 69
4 Maryland 59
6 Butler 64
3 N. Dame 67
7 Wichita St. 78
2 Kansas 65

Sweet 16 March 26-27
1 Kentucky 78
5 W. Va. 39
4 Maryland 59
6 Butler 64
3 N. Dame 81
7 Wich. 70

Elite Eight March 28-29
1 Kentucky
3 N. Dame

Cleveland
Sat. 8:49 p.m.

EAST

Second Round March 19-20
1 Villanova 93
16 Lafayette 52
8 NC State 66
9 LSU 65
5 Northern Iowa 71
12 Wyoming 54
4 Louisville 57
13 UC Irvine 55
6 Providence 53
11 Dayton 66
3 Oklahoma 69
14 Albany 60
7 Michigan St. 70
10 Georgia 63
2 Virginia 79
15 Belmont 67

Third Round March 21-22
1 Villanova 68
8 NC State 71
5 N. Iowa 53
4 Louisville 66
11 Dayton 66
3 Oklahoma 72
7 Mich. St. 60
2 Virginia 54

Sweet 16 March 26-27
8 NC St. 65
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3 Okla. 58
7 MSU 62

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4 Louisville
7 Mich. St.

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Second Round March 19-20
1 Wisconsin 86
16 Coastal Car. 72
8 Oregon 79
9 Oklahoma St. 73
5 Arkansas 56
12 Wofford 53
4 North Carolina 67
13 Harvard 65
6 Xavier 76
11 Ole Miss 57
3 Baylor 56
14 Georgia St. 57
7 VCU 72
10 Ohio St. 75
2 Arizona 93
15 Texas So. 72

Third Round March 21-22
1 Wisconsin 72
16 Coastal Car. 72
1 Wisconsin 79
8 Oregon 65
5 Arkansas 78
12 Wofford 53
4 UNC 72
4 UNC 87
6 Xavier 75
11 Ole Miss 57
6 Xavier 60
14 Ga. St. 67
10 Ohio St. 58
2 Ariz. 68
2 Arizona 73

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1 Wisconsin 79
4 UNC 72
6 Xavier 60
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10 Ohio St. 58
2 Ariz. 68

Elite Eight March 28-29
1 Wisconsin
2 Arizona

Los Angeles
Sat. 6:09 p.m.

SOUTH

Second Round March 19-20
1 Duke 85
16 Robert Morris 56
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9 St. John's 64
5 Utah 57
12 S. F. Austin 50
4 Georgetown 84
13 E. Washington 74
6 SMU 59
11 UCLA 60
3 Iowa St. 59
14 UAB 60
7 Iowa 83
10 Davidson 52
2 Gonzaga 86
15 N. Dakota St. 76

Third Round March 21-22
1 Duke 68
8 San D. St. 49
5 Utah 75
12 S. F. Austin 50
4 GTWN 64
13 E. Washington 74
11 UCLA 92
14 UAB 75
7 Iowa 68
2 Gonzaga 87

Sweet 16 March 26-27
1 Duke 63
5 Utah 57
11 UCLA 62
2 Gonz. 74

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Nancy Jane Williamson, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the Estate of **David Earl Williamson**, deceased, late of Midland, Midland County, Texas, by the Judge of the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Cause No. P18227 on March 24, 2015, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to said Independent Executor within the time prescribed by law, at the following address:

Nancy Jane Williamson
Independent Executor of the Estate
of **David Earl Williamson**, deceased
c/o Mary Lou Cassidy
550 W. Texas, Suite 800
Midland, Texas 79701

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To those indebted to or holding claims against the Estate of **Edward Franklin Neagle**, deceased:

Joana C. Anderson and **Tanya S. Johnson**, having been duly appointed Co-Independent Executors of the Estate of **Edward Franklin Neagle**, deceased, late of Midland, Midland County, Texas, by the Judge of the County Court of Midland County, Texas, in Cause No. P18216 on March 24, 2015, hereby notify all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to said Co-Independent Executors within the time prescribed by law, at the following address:

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This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 5, 2015. You have until October 2, 2015 to redeem any tickets for this game: #1638 Holiday Magic ($10) overall odds are 1 in 3.17. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on April 24, 2015. You have until October 21, 2015 to redeem any tickets for this game: #1656 Holiday Gold ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.83. These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on May 27, 2015. You have until November 23, 2015 to redeem any tickets for these games: #1608 Tic Tac Toad ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.61, #1627 Weekly Half Grand ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.58, #1600 Veterans Cash ($2) overall odds are 1 in 4.14, #1652 Candy Cane Ca$h ($2) overall odds are 1 in 4.14, #1653 $100,000 Merry Money ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.33, #1637 Holiday Game Book ($20) overall odds are 1 in 3.06. The odds listed here are the overall odds of winning any prize in a game, including break-even prizes. Lottery retailers are authorized to redeem prizes of up to and including $599. Prizes of $600 or more must be claimed in person at a Lottery Claim Center or by mail with a completed Texas Lottery claim form, however annuity prizes or prizes over $2,500,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at 1-800-37LOTTO or visit the Lottery website at txlottery.org for more information and location of nearest Claim Center. The Texas Lottery is not responsible for lost or stolen tickets, or for tickets lost in the mail. Tickets, transactions, players, and winners are subject to, and players and winners agree to abide by, all applicable laws, Commission rules, regulations, policies, directives, instructions, conditions, procedures, and final decisions of the Executive Director. A Scratch-Off game may continue to be sold even when all the top prizes have been claimed. Must be 18 years of age or older to purchase a Texas Lottery ticket. PLAY RESPONSIBLY. The Texas Lottery supports Texas education. © 2015 Texas Lottery Commission. All rights reserved.

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NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS

To Kassie Nicole Glenn, Respondent

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 A.M. on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgment may be taken against you. The petition of Mark Anthony Glenn and Kelly Rees Glenn, Petitioners, was filed in the 318th Judicial District Court of Midland County, Texas, on March 3, 2015, against Kassie Glenn, Respondent, numbered AD33049, and entitled "In the Interest of S.M.G., a minor child." The suit requests the termination of the parental rights and granting of the adoption of a child. The date and place of birth of the child who are the subject of the suit:

S.M.G. January 26, 2006 Midland, Midland County, Texas

The Court has authority in this suit to render an order in the child's interest that will be binding on you, including the termination of the parent-child relationship, the determination of paternity, and/or the appointment of a conservator with authority to consent to the child's adoption, as well as the adoption of the child.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of the Court at Midland, Midland County, Texas, on March 16, 2015.

Ross Bush
District Clerk of Midland County, Texas

By: Alexandria Guevara, Deputy

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids will be received and date/time stamped by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission - Conference, Room, 4405 North Lamar Blvd., Mail Code 2020, Building 1, Austin, Texas 78756 until 2:00 p.m. Central Time **Thursday, April 30, 2015** for **Project No. 14-003-BSH: Suicide Prevention Renovations, Big Spring State Hospital, Big Spring, Texas and Solicitation Number 53700-5-0000145169. A PRE-BID CONFERENCE will be held at 1:30 p.m. Central Time on Monday, April 13, 2015 at Building 504, second floor, conference room # 208, Big Spring State Hospital, 1901 North Highway 87, Big Spring, Texas 79720 / (432) 816-9331.** Prospective Bidders must check-in downstairs at Building 504 Admissions to register **prior to** proceeding upstairs to the Pre-Bid Conference at Building 504. Attendance at the Pre-Bid Conference is STRONGLY ENCOURAGED. Plans and specifications will be available **Monday, March 30, 2015**. Requests for Plans and Specifications shall be made through the Point of Contact below (Carol Marshall / carol.marshall@hhsc.state.tx.us / (512) 206-4745). A $100.00 refundable deposit is required. No cost electronic files are also available. Work consists of but is not necessarily limited to **replacement of up to over 400 various plumbing fixtures and/or plumbing fixture appurtenances with new ligature mitigated plumbing fixtures and/or appurtenances for suicide prevention in up to four (4) different buildings. Installation will be Texas Accessibility Standard compliant.**

Bids will be received in accordance with State Procedures.

QUESTIONS/POINT OF CONTACT:
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Tel: (512) 206-4745 Carol.marshall2@hhsc.state.tx.us

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SEALED BIDS addressed to Marcelino Fuentes, Midland ISO, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701, for Annual Moving Services, located in Midland, TX; bids will be received at the above address no later than 3:00 PM, on Tuesday, March 31, 2015. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-240-1600.

Public Notice
Request for Proposals
#2015-010

Midland College is accepting competitive sealed proposals for HVAC modifications to Craddick Hall, located at 3600 North Garfield, Midland, Texas 79705. A Walk-Through Conference will be held at 2:00 p.m., Thursday, April 2, 2015, in the lobby of Craddick Hall. **Proposals will be accepted until 2:00 p.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2015,** at which time they will be opened and read aloud in the Purchasing Office. For proposal packet information, contact Dwayne Agnew, at (512)828-0753 or dagnew@agnewassociates.com. A final determination may be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

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NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE OF EMMA MARIE HANNA, DECEASED

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary upon the Estate of Emma Marie Hanna, deceased, were issued to Michael Steven Hanna, Independent Executor, on March 19, 2015, in the proceeding styled "Estate of Emma Marie Hanna, Deceased," Cause No. P18211 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, which is still pending and that said person now holds such Letters. All persons having claims against said Estate, which is being administered in Midland County, Texas, are hereby required to present the same to Michael Steven Hanna at 2304 Brunson, Midland, Texas 79701, before suit upon same is barred by the general statutes of limitation, before such Estate is closed, and within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Michael Steven Hanna, as Independent Executor of the Estate of Emma Marie Hanna, Deceased, Cause No. P18211 in the County Court of Midland County, Texas

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR FLUID INJECTION WELL PERMIT

KINDER MORGAN PRODUCTION CO LLC, 500 W. Illinois, Suite 500, Midland, TX 79701, is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced salt water or other oil and gas waste by well injection into a porous formation non- productive of oil or gas. We propose to dispose of salt water into the Ellenburger formation, Goldsmith Landreth/San Andres/UT (17491) Lease, Well No. 087SW. The proposed disposal well is located approximately 3.52 miles NW of Goldsmith, Texas in the Goldsmith Field, in Ector County. The waste water will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth intervals from 7700' to 10500'. LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas. Requests for public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792).

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SEALED BIDS addressed to Jill Hallmark, Midland ISO, 801 South Moran, Midland, TX 79701 for Sand and Refinish Gym Floor at Abell Jr. High School, located in Midland, TX. Bids will be received at the above address no later than 2:00 PM, on Tuesday, March 31, 2015. The bid forms and specifications may be obtained at 801 South Moran, Building #1 Midland, TX or by calling 432-240-1600.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Midland Independent School District will receive sealed proposals for Cable Plant (CP) Infrastructure for 9 schools.

Cable Plant - RFP No. 2015-006T CP opening Monday, March 30, 2015

See **www.midlandisd.net/techrfp** for further information.

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COMPETITIVE SEALED BIDS

Region 18 Education Service Center (Region 18 ESC) is soliciting competitive sealed Bids. The Bid R18CB2015-2016 is for the 2015-2016 Region 18 ESC Purchasing Cooperative Catalog Bid for the period of June 23, 2015 to June 22, 2016. Proposal forms and specifications may be obtained beginning March 26, 2015 at Region 18 ESC, by download from the "Public Information- Request for Proposals" page of the Region 18 ESC website at www.esc18.net or by contacting John Burdsal, Purchasing Specialist, at 432-561-4335 or jburdsal@esc18.net. Please address any questions regarding the specifics of this bid to John Burdsal. Address sealed Bid R18CB2015-2016 to John Burdsal, Region 18 Education Service Center, P.O. Box 60580, Midland, Texas 79711. Proposals will be received at the above address until 3:00 p.m., May 20, 2015. Region 18 ESC reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

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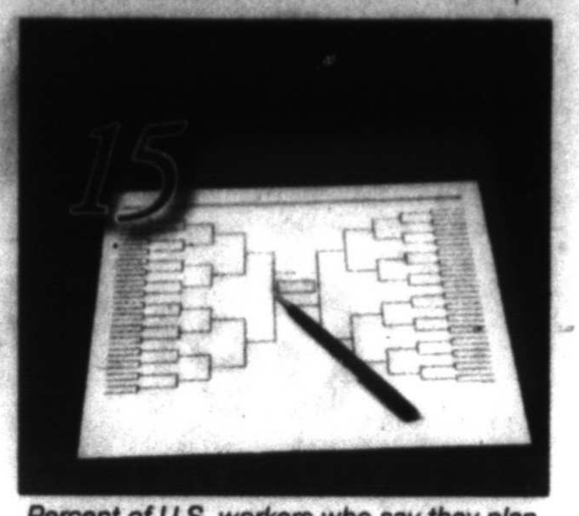

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DIGITAL WORK BONDS

By PATRICIA RIVERA
CTW Features

The workplace can feel like bedlam for digitally savvy youngsters, who often find themselves at odds as they try to adapt to a traditional nine-to-five work life with change-resistant colleagues that are harThat's why Joris Merks-Benjaminsen, head of digital transformation for Google, identified 10 personalities that might be difficult for workers of any age to decipher, but particularly for younger ones. He says that understanding each other, while mobilizing the knowledge of the youngest employees, is crucial for success in the digital age.

"If you are a person that drives digital transformation, you may bump into some personalities that can be hard to get to join the process," Merks-Benjaminsen explains. His new book, "Think and Grow Digital: What the Net Generation Needs to Know to Survive and Thrive in Any Organization" (McGraw-Hill 2014), helps both senior and junior professionals be drivers within their companies for keeping momentum in digital transformation.

Merks-Benjaminsen uses caricatures to describe the 10 following common change-resistant personalities:

• Opportunistic Olivia prefers to cut corners at the cost of fundamental long-term improvements.

• Collateral Damage Danny thinks that casualties are part of the game when it comes to achieving business goals.

• Judgmental Jenny loves gossip, particularly about new or lower-ranked colleagues.

• Laid-Back Luke avoids using too much effort and always leaves the office first, unless drinks are involved.

• Fake It Until You Make It Freddy talks a lot but says little of importance. You can replace a random sample of his words with "blah, blah, blah" without losing much information.

• Napoleon is a charismatic yet frightening leader. He can be dominant and unpredictable.

• Mastermind Mario is known for being wise and intelligent but also manipulative, can take control while nobody notices.

• Parasite Patricia claims others' success at their expense. She rebrands as her (or his) own the ideas of others.

• Weakling Willy changes direction with every hint of wind. Nice guy, just don't count on him too much if the going gets tough.

• Trapped Theo can basically be anyone, because anyone can do strange things under pressure from getting highly overworked to disconnect from others.

While it's good to understand change-resistant characteristics, he says linking annoying traits to strengths and talents makes a huge difference.

For instance, Opportunistic Olivia may cut corners too much here and there, but is likely to be very skilled at finding pragmatic solutions for complex problems.

Fake It Freddy is likely to be great at selling a new innovative idea even if it isn't yet a proven success, Merks-Benjaminsen explains. Parasite Patricia most likely is good at finding valuable people that can contribute to a common cause. And Laid-Back Luke, with his entertaining personality, can keep the positive vibe when times are rough.

"Rather than getting annoyed by things that you don't like about people, it's better to just observe them and overcome issues by reaching out to the full person," Merks-Benjaminsen says.

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THE LOUDER WORKSPACE

HOW MODERN OPEN-PLAN OFFICES AFFECT AMERICA

By CHRIS GELBACH
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If you think your office is getting noisier, you're probably right. Acoustic experts agree that today's open-plan environments are becoming more crowded and placing less emphasis on good acoustic design. The results are often less privacy for workers – and more distracting noise.

"One of the most important variables in acoustics is the distance between people. And the distance between people has become about four times as dense over the history of the open office," says Steve Orfield, the president of Orfield Laboratories, a Minneapolis-based laboratory that has been studying acoustics and other elements of office design for more than four decades.

In the 1970s, the typical open plan workstation was 12' x 12' and featured acoustical panels anywhere from 60" to 80" high. Today, Orfield says they're more often 6' x 6' or smaller and feature lower partitions made of metal covered in fabric that offer no acoustical value.

"In the initial open-plan offices, if you did everything right acoustically, you could get speech privacy at about 12 feet, or one cubicle away," Orfield says. "The privacy right now in offices starts at maybe 50 to 60 feet away from the individual. Because there's nothing stopping the noise."

George C. Maling, Jr., who authored a 2010 report for the National Academy of Engineering called "Technology for a Quieter America," notes that noise is the number one issue in office spaces. It's an even bigger problem in green buildings, which often feature partial-height partitions, openable windows, hard interior surfaces and a lack of acoustical materials. "Acoustical materials are not really very friendly [to the environment]," Maling says. "They pretty much have to be porous materials and porous materials can be a problem for people."

As companies extol the values of collaboration and save on real estate by inching back toward the bullpen offices of the 1950s, workers given a choice would still really rather have an office. One study from The Center for the Built Environment at U.C. Berkeley asked workers about satisfaction with speech privacy and noise. The results? "In private offices, people were the happiest," says CBE researcher David Lehrer. "In shared offices, people were also pretty happy. The satisfaction really dropped in any of the other conditions after that."

Instead of giving workers the offices and space they crave, employers are instead tackling privacy and noise issues through more choice in spaces. These can include traditional conference rooms, sofa areas, phone booths for calls and quiet spaces that employees can use for focus work. "Our research is showing that quiet spaces are being provided in these new work spaces at a ratio of one for every 10 to 15 work seats," says Lori Gee, vice president of Applied Placemaking for office furniture manufacturer Herman Miller.

Companies are also becoming more open to flex-work arrangements and attempting to mitigate office distractions using sound-masking technology that creates pink noise. "The problem with sound masking is that it's a marginal solution," Orfield says. "It gives you confidentiality if you just about have it before you put in the masking."

According to Orfield, speech privacy requires getting rid of the perception of about 95 percent of words and sentences. Until the speech understanding drops to 5 percent, there's no privacy, and until it drops to about 20 percent, there's not much impact on distraction. "So when people look at masking, what manufacturers tell them is that it will reduce the amount of speech you hear. Which is true," Orfield says. "What they don't tell them is that it won't make any difference most of the time."

Headphones are also becoming increasingly accepted at work, but these options can provide noise concerns of their own. Many can be cranked up to a skull-crushing 110 decibels or more, and the World Health Organization notes that 100 decibels of noise can cause hearing damage in as little as 15 minutes.

In office environments, Orfield believes that bad acoustic choices are often made by managers because they're making decisions based on incomplete information. Design teams and architects often have limited expertise in the area, making an acoustic consultant an important addition to any office construction project.

When managers look at real estate costs, cramped and noisy environments seem like a good deal on paper. But Orfield estimates that 85 to 90 percent of the cost of open-plan offices come from the people in them. And he finds that when he personally exposes decision makers to different levels of privacy and noise in his lab, they often opt for quieter environments for their people.

"It turns out that if you teach people about acoustics experientially, they tend to choose better values," Orfield says. "If you talk to them managerially or culturally, they tend to choose poorer values."

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JOB HUNTING

SOLAR POWER YOUR JOB SEARCH

Jobseekers: Is it difficult to keep plugging away?

Recent research suggests you might be energized if you leave tasks requiring inspiration and optimism – like brainstorming places to contact or crafting a compelling introductory email – to sunny days.

Likewise, using darker days to tackle more mundane tasks might make you more productive.

Jooa Julia Lee, a Harvard University postdoctoral researcher, published research last year in The Journal of Applied Psychology, which found that when weather is "bad" – like rainy, cloudy or snowy – individual productivity increases.

"We found that the workers tend to be less distracted by non-work related thoughts, such as thinking about potential outdoor activities they could be engaging in if not working, when the weather is dreary," explains Lee.

The tasks that were hampered by sunshine were repetitive, like data entry, Lee explains.

Pulling two other lines of research, "one that shows how sunny weather induces positive mood, and another that shows how positive mood increases creativity," Lee theorizes that jobseekers might benefit from the sun for positive motivation.

"It is very common for jobseekers to be disheartened," observes Linday Witcher, a manager at RiseSmart, a workforce transition firm.

Witcher advises making a plan for how much time to devote to certain tasks each week. Then, undertake tasks requiring more dogged determination than creativity in bad weather, perhaps taking an online professional development course or looking for open positions.

And, adds Witcher, "Networking is a great activity to do when the weather is nice, since having a positive and creative approach will undoubtedly help the jobseeker be more successful."

Networking includes any communication with possible employers, as well as tweaking a resume or LinkedIn profile to garner more attention, Witcher explains.

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HOMEWISE

Real Estate Tips and Advice

Get your credit in order

By ALEX MASON | Green Shoot Media

Before you go house hunting, it's a good idea to investigate your credit and make the necessary adjustments.

Your credit score will determine your accessibility to lower interest rates and ultimately how much you will shell out for a piece of property over the life of the loan.

The long-term financial plan is just as important as the short-term gain when acquiring the property. So get busy to find out what your credit score is and how you may improve your score to secure the best lending options.

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Checking your credit is a key first step in the home-buying process.

CREDIT REPORTING

The three main credit reporting bureaus are Equifax, TransUnion and Experian. We are all their clients whether we like it or not, for better or for worse.

The good news is that the big three credit bureaus will issue you one free credit report once a year. Simply put your request into writing and obtain your credit score from all three agencies. These are the same companies that your home loan lender will be contacting, so give yourself a head start to correct what you can.

In general, the higher your credit score, the more attractive your loan options will be. Your good credit score translates into a lower interest rate, and in some cases, a lower down payment.

If you find your credit score to be less that what you need to secure a top-quality loan, it makes good sense to raise your credit score before you purchase the property.

RAISE YOUR SCORE

The credit score is a numbers game. When you make on-time payments, you are rewarded, and late payments will earn you a credit score ding. The object of the credit game is to get more good points by overtaking the bad ones.

One way to raise a credit score is to get a credit card, or a series of them, with low interest rates and start charging your purchases. However, self control is key to obtaining a rapid rise in your score.

Only purchase items that you have the money to pay off on time, and buy just your monthly essentials on credit. After less than a year of smart credit planning, your score will have increased, and you should be on your way to a better mortgage loan. If you rack up debt by carrying a balance on your cards every month, it could end up hurting your credit score.

Your local loan officer might have the names and contact information for liberal credit card lenders to get started improving your credit score. However, be sure when you sign up with a card that the agency reports to Experian, Equifax and TransUnion, or the entire credit charging project is moot.

Major department store cards are usually qualified, but small store in-house credit may not help your situation. Some secured credit cards report to the major bureaus and are an excellent choice to rebuild your credit. You can never spend more that what you have deposited in their account, so there are no worries about getting into a choke hold of debt.

GET PRE-QUALIFIED

Time is money, and neither you nor your agent wants to waste time looking at properties you cannot afford.

Your loan officer will take away the house hunting woes by issuing you a pre-qualifying letter for lending. This document indicates the limit of your loan, the interest rate and payment structure you may expect.

Buying with confidence begins with understanding how much of a loan you qualify for and that there is a lender ready to back you.

In addition, many real estate agents and brokers want to see the pre-qualifying letter to ensure that you are a serious buyer and that they may better understand how to serve your buying needs.

The pre-qualifying letter is a win-win situation for your real estate agent, and most importantly, for the buyer to shop for a home with peace of mind that deal is going to go through.

So, be honest when you sit down with your loan officer and provide him or her with everything they ask you for to get your funding in order as soon as possible.

REAL ESTATE 101

Increasing Your Score

Here are a few tips to help raise your credit score:

- Get a low-interest credit card and start charging monthly essentials, being sure to pay them off on time.
- Be sure your credit accounts report to the three major credit bureaus.
- If you have a low credit score, ask your loan officer about credit card lenders that lend to people in your situation.

HOMEWISE GLOSSARY

FICO score: FICO is an abbreviation for Fair Isaac Corporation and refers to a person's credit score based on credit history. Lenders and credit card companies use the number to decide if the person is likely to pay his or her bills. A credit score is evaluated using information from the three major credit bureaus and is usually between 300 and 850.

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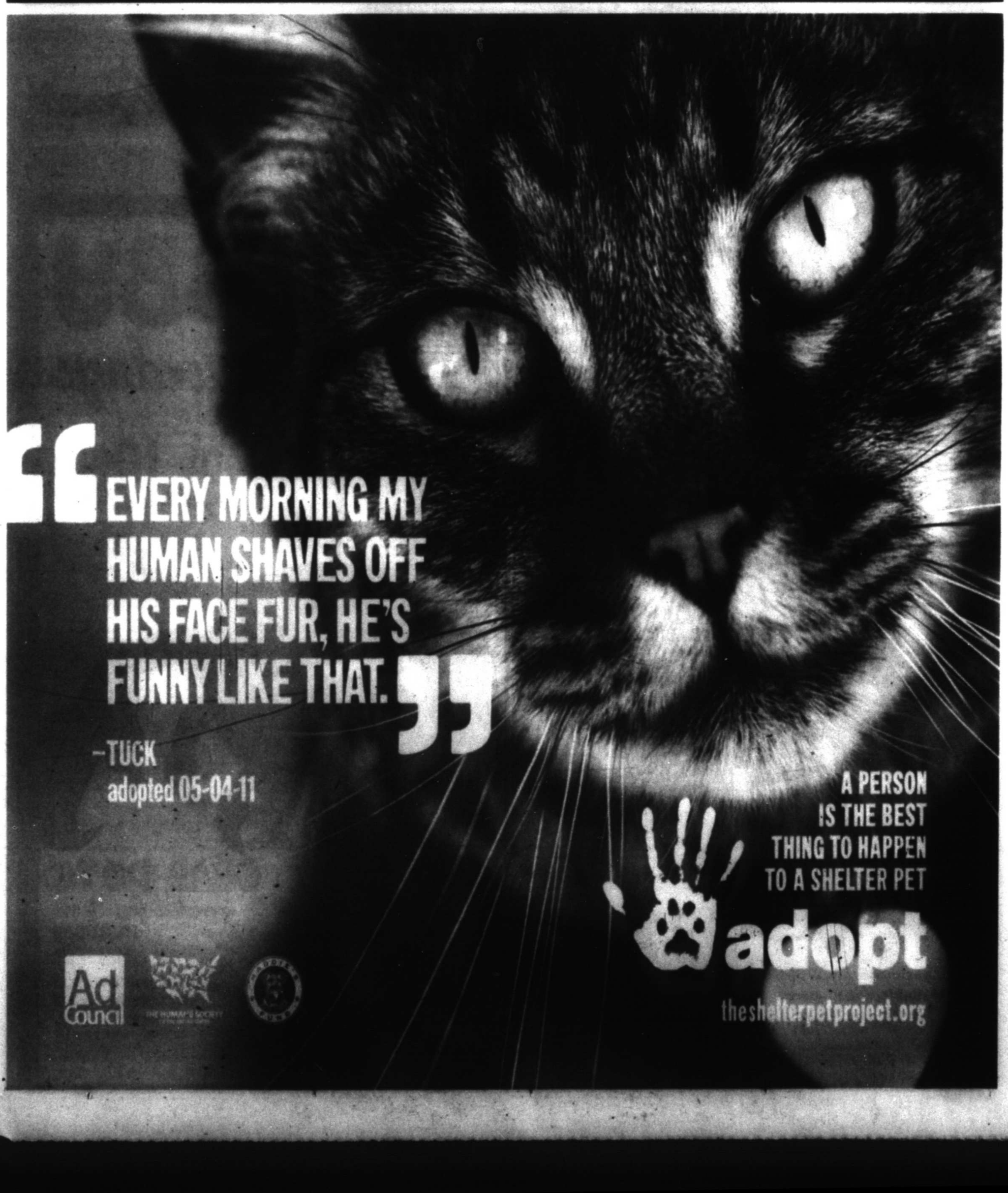

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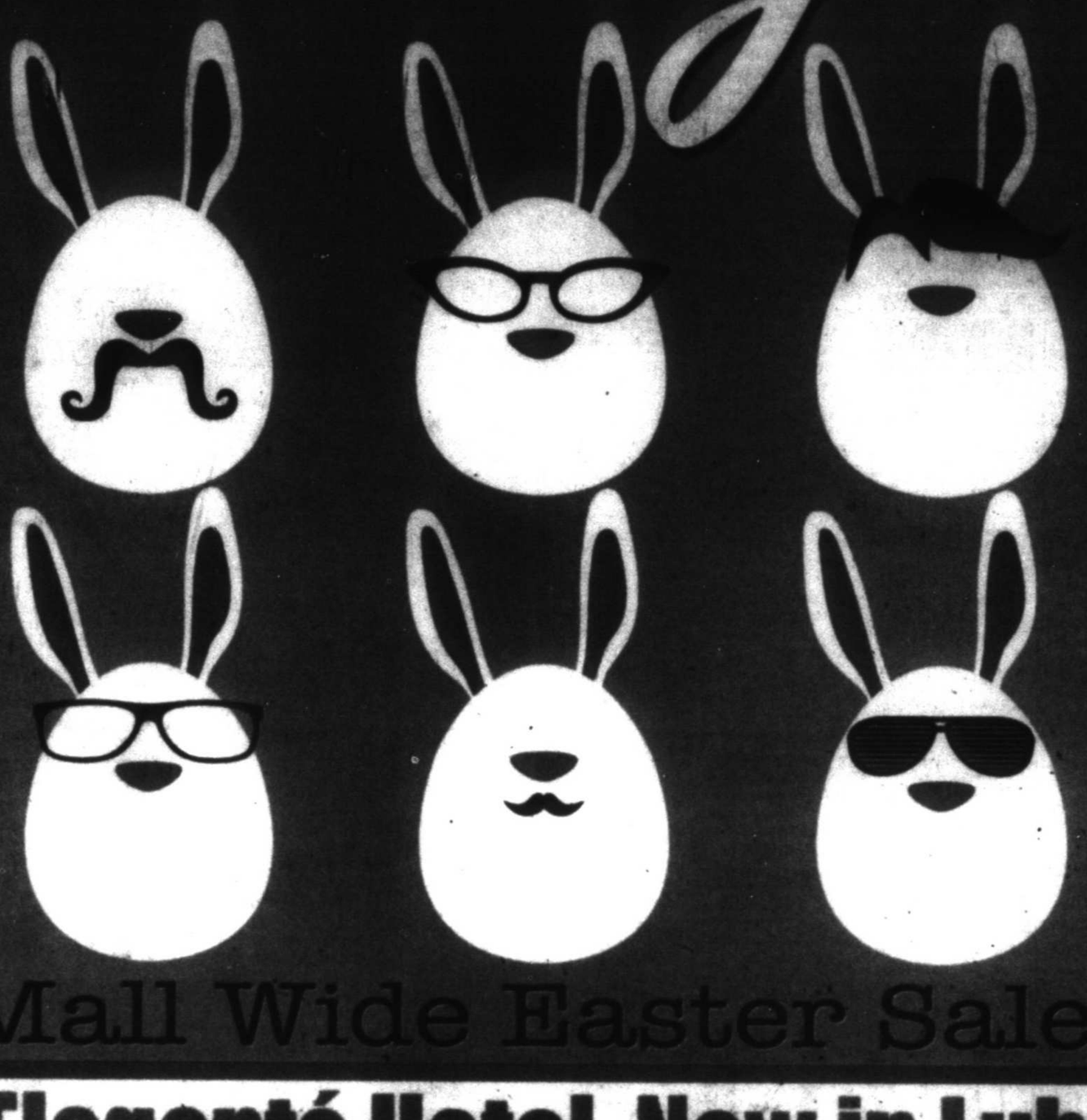

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RESIDENTIAL

1220 S. Fairgrounds Rd	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home	$79,900
501 Schuerbaer Dr	Townhome/1 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Carport	$84,500
601 S. Big Spring	2 Bdrm/1Ba	$89,000
103 S. Madison	2 Bdrm/1 Ba	$89,000
4705 Pinecrest Dr	3 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Car Garage	U/C
3504 Gulfdale Dr	3 Bdrm/1 Ba/2 Car Garage	$175,000
709 Angel Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$184,000
4900 Aspen	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$189,000
16405 Hollybrook Ave	Condo/2 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
3100 Rankin Drive	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
4309 Ryburn Rd	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
4304 Saltillo Ct	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$339,000
2606 Garfield Street	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$250,000
3509 Princeton	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$259,000
3500 Hill Circle	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$269,000
3309 Chelsea Place	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
3704 County Court	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$289,900
3900 Ridge Rock Blvd	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Oversized/2 Car Garage	U/C
6321 Los Patios	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$343,500
6311 Los Patios	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$363,000
37 Lafayette Place	4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$383,000
4410 Llano Ct	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$394,900
5900 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd	4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage/Shop/Studio	$460,000
6401 Los Conchos Lane	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/1 Half Bth/4 Car Garage	U/C

NEW CONSTRUCTION

2600 S. Co. Rd. 1080	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
1100 E. Pine	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	$178,000
4302 San Pedro Court	Texas Classic Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/Study/2 Car Garage	U/C
4417 Briarwood	Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$271,500
6440 S. Co. Rd. 1080	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$275,000
3605 Camino Real	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$278,000
3607 Camino Real	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$278,000
3609 Camino Real	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$278,000
4304 Saltillo Ct	Challmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$389,900
4304 Coronado Ct	Saenz Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$399,900
4309 Casa Verde Ct	Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$399,900
7302 E. Co. Rd. 91	High Haven/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$416,900
7400 E. Co. Rd. 91	J. Hight Const./4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$434,900
4309 San Pedro	Texas Classic Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$449,900
6319 Half Moon Circle	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$495,000
5307 George Yard Ct	A&E Home Const./5 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$527,900
5304 George Yard Ct	A&E Home Const./5 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$527,900
5307 Sorrowen Ct	Viewpoint Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$529,000
2512 Legacy Oaks	Ashington Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$775,000
6301 S. Co. Rd. 1244	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/5.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$1,195,000

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

7306 Co.Rd. 93	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/ Mobile Home/1.1 acres	$110,000
3400 S. Co. Rd. 1071	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home/1.1 acres	$139,500
2170 Denham St	Stanton/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home	$144,000
6518 Stockbridge Ln	1.697 Acres	$145,000
4309 W. Co. Rd. 116	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Mobile Home	$145,000
1918 S. Co. Rd. 1050	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage/Greenwood	U/C
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3609 S. Co. Rd. 1187	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$304,900
6408 S. Co. Rd. 1120	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage/1.2 Acres	$369,000
14149 Lariats Trail	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
10510 FM 307	Greenwood/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/16.18	$850,000
Highway 87	Big Spring RV Park	$1,000,000
6401 Los Conchos lane	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/1 Half Bth/4 Car Garage	U/C
7000 E. Co. Rd. 110	5 Bdrm/4 Ba/3 Car Garage/9.18 Acres	$1,475,000

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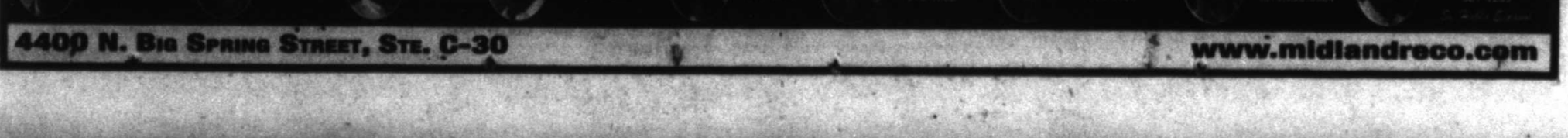

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* Check moving van for leaks before they load.

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4 Tips for Choosing the Right Fence

Many of us are looking to squeeze in one last home improvement project of the season; for those looking to fence in their yard, below are four top tips for choosing the fence that is right for you.

Decide your goal. Why are you installing a fence in the first place? Whether you want to keep kids or pets in, deter pests, for privacy or just for aesthetics, the reason behind your fence will help you decide the proper material, height, and dimensions. It would be a nightmare to install a new fence just to have your puppy jump over it or wriggle right under. Do your research before you commit.

Consider maintenance. How much time are you willing to spend on fence upkeep? Understanding this will help you decide what material to go with. Wood, while often considered the loveliest, is the most high-maintenance, as it needs to be re-stained and re-painted every handful of years. Aluminum or vinyl is relatively low-maintenance, and easy to replace—if your manufacturer continues to make the same model.

Price it right. Fences can range from $2,500 to $8,000, depending on many variables such as materials chosen and size of your yard. Be sure to shop around for prices before making a decision.

Shop for a contractor. As with any home improvement project, shop around for the best contractor. Be sure to ask the right questions. How much experience do they have installing fences? Do they have experience with the particular fence of your choosing? Also, make sure to get several quotes, as well as references.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Revealing your home's past to buyers protects you

You want your house to look its best when you put it on the market. You freshen the paint, clean the windows, plant flowers in the beds, and rent a storage unit for the mountain of junk that's accumulated in the garage. Those are great ways to minimize buyers' distractions and to maximize your home's charm. But there's a difference between enhancing your home's appeal and misrepresenting its condition. That's why you're required by law, as a seller, to disclose many aspects of your home's current and past condition.

Do I really have to reveal my home's ugly past?

Most post-sale disputes and lawsuits center around defects and disclosure, and many of these disputes can be avoided if proper disclosures are made. That's why most states, including Texas, require some type of formal seller's disclosure. You don't have to spend hours writing a history of your property, however. There are fill-in-the-blank notices available to assist you in fulfilling your legal requirements. You have to provide such disclosures to potential buyers on or before the effective date of a sales contract.

What do I have to put on this disclosure?

The notice covers in reasonable detail your awareness of any defects in the property before the sale. For example, if you've had a termite problem in the past, that's something that prospective buyers should know. Or, if the roof has a leak, buyers need to know that, too. There are also federal laws about disclosure. For example, someone selling a home built before 1978 must disclose any known lead-based paint problems.

But I fixed the leak and haven't seen a termite since yesterday

Even if you've resolved a problem, there are times when you should disclose their existence on your notice. Intentionally withholding information about a property when you sell can have serious legal ramifications. Talk to your REALTOR® and make sure you understand your responsibilities. You don't want to inadvertently leave something out and have to deal with expenses, hassles, and possible legal consequences later. Also, if you've had previous inspections done in the last few years, make that information available to the buyer.

For everyone's protection

Don't be afraid to disclose information about your property. Disclosure laws were created to protect buyers, but they also protect sellers. If all the information about a property is revealed up front, you're less likely to be involved in disputes after the sale. No home is perfect, and most buyers expect a property to have flaws. It might even be a selling point to show potential buyers how quickly and thoroughly you, as a seller, handled repairs to problems over your years of ownership. Disclosure is a necessary facet of the real estate transaction, helping to protect both buyers and sellers and ensuring lots of smiles on closing day – and beyond. If you have questions about disclosure, ask your REALTOR® for advice.

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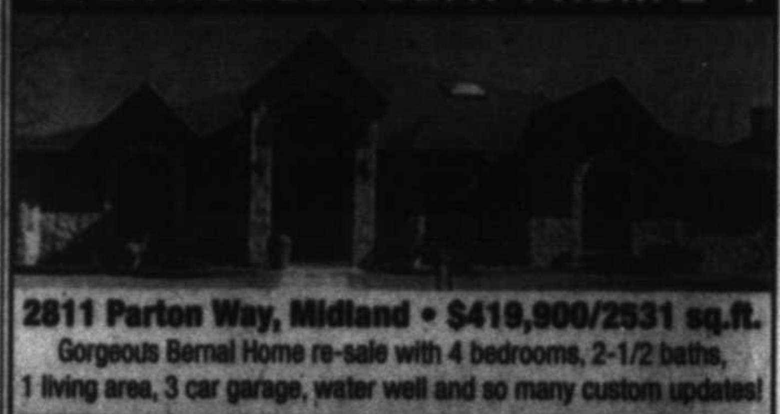

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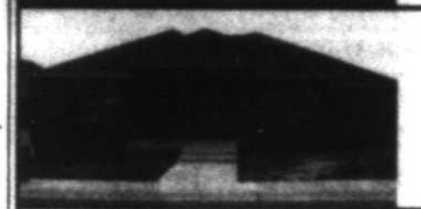
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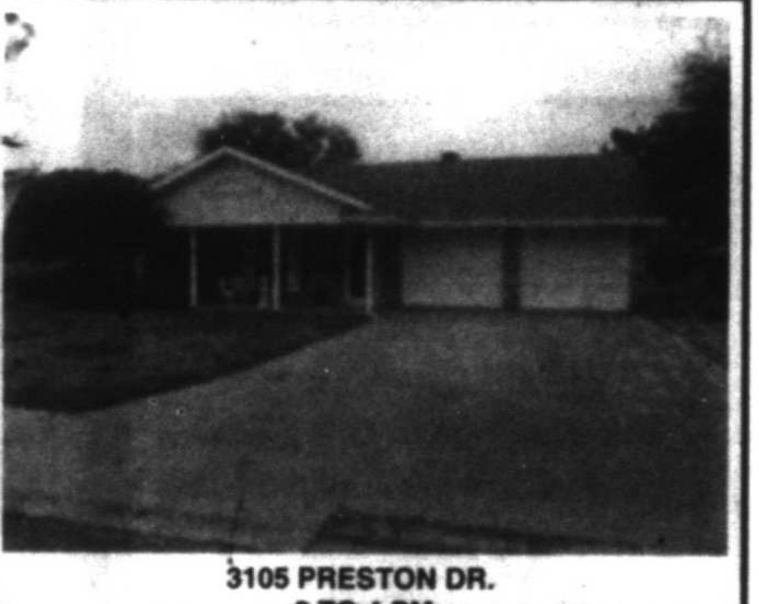

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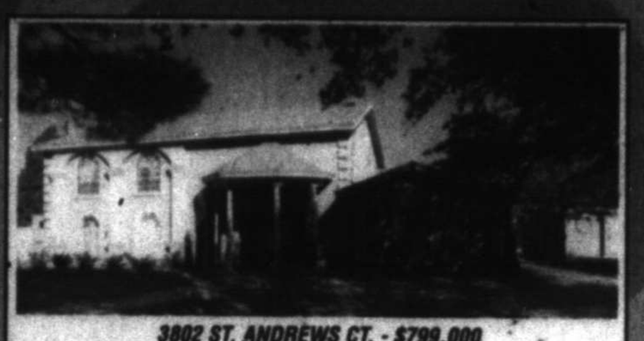

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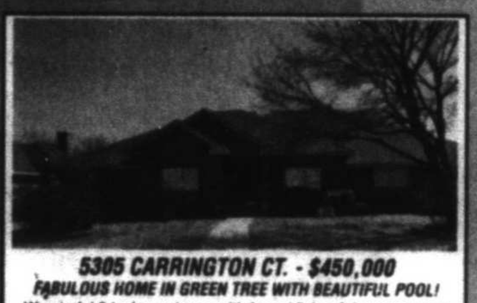
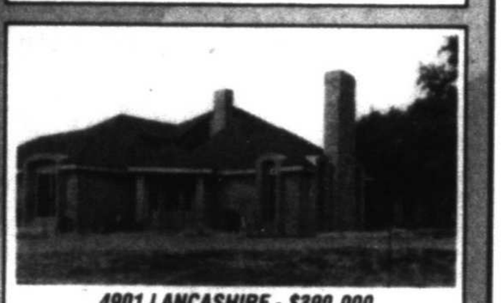
2104 N. I ST. - $495,000
UNBELIEVABLE SPACE IN THIS CLASSIC HOME! POOL!
Formal dining! Formal living w/views of pool! Cozy den w/fireplace is open to the kitchen/breakfast bar! Glass sunroom! 2 Roomy bedrooms w/hall bath downstairs! Master bedroom w/private bath & great closet on mid-level! 2 Great bedrooms & hall bath on upper level! Soooooooo much storage in this one! Pool w/diving board & slide! Hot tub room outside! Fabulous location!!!



5305 CARRINGTON CT. - $450,000
FABULOUS HOME IN GREEN TREE WITH BEAUTIFUL POOL!
Wonderful 5 bedroom home with formal living & formal dining! Wood flooring! Gourmet kitchen boasts gorgeous cabinets, island & breakfast bar opens to the spacious den & breakfast nook! Master bedroom is roomy & has great master bath! Sequested in-law suite! 3rd bedroom is extended with private bath! 5th Bdrm could be a great office! Big utility room! Nice covered patio! Beautiful inground pool with rock fountain & large patio/sun deck! Pretty backyard! 3 car garage!

5707 CROWLEY - $450,000
WONDERFUL 5 BEDROOM IN GRASSLAND!
Formal living w/large w/indows to back patio! Formal dining! Great den w/fireplace & built-ins! Kitchen w/granite countertops, island, desk & pantry is loaded w/cabinetry & counterspace! Breakfast bar & nook! 5Th bedroom is perfect office w/door entrance to side yard! Seq master suite w/large bath! Roomy bedrooms! 3 Cg w/workshop area! Tons of parking! Great yards!

5609 ECR 120 - $425,000
GREAT HOME IN GREENWOOD ON 4+ACRES W/POOL!
3 large bedrooms with their own bathrooms!!! ½ bath for guests!!! open floor plan !!! huge living area with fireplace !!! fabulous kitchen great for entertaining! outside offers nearly 5 acres , inviting pool , fire pit area and covered patio!! Circle drive 2 car garage!!!



4901 LANCASHIRE - $390,000
FABULOUSLY UPDATED!
Wood floors! Granite!High ceilings! Freshly painted! Large office w/wet bar! Living room w/beamed ceiling & fireplace! Formal dining w/built-ins!Kitchen w/updated appliances,island,pantry! Breakfast nook! New carpet! Roomy bedrooms! In-law suite!1&½ bath between 2 additional bdrms! Master suite w/sitting area & gorgeous bath!Tub sep shower dual vanities! Pool plus big backyard! Atrium w/fireplace!

6011 OAK CREEK - $379,500
AMAZING 4 BEDROOM MARK PAYNE CONSTRUCTION!
Fabulous open floorplan w/room for everyone! Kitchen w/breakfast bar opens to breakfast nook & living room! Fireplace! Stained concrete flooring! Spacious master w/beautiful bath offers dual vanities, separate shower, soaking tub & large walk in closet! Roomy bedrooms! 2 Additional bathrooms! Huge gameroom w/access to backyard! Wonderful utility room w/sink & fridge space! 3 Car garage!

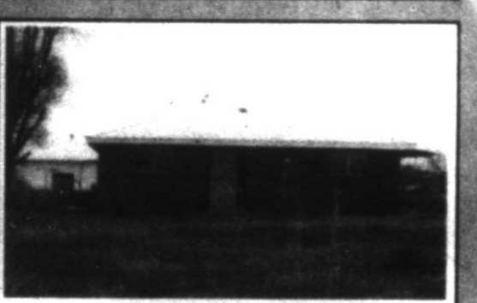
2213 HUMBLE - $375,000
BEAUTIFULLY UPDATED W/DETACHED GUEST HOUSE/OFFICE!
Hardwood floors! Formal living! Formal dining! Cozy den w/fireplace & built-ins!Large windows! Updated french country kitchen offers granite,pretty cabinets, built-in hutch & nook! Master suite w/nice bath & big closet! Spacious bedrooms! Great utility rm!Nice covered patio! Guest house w/full bath, kitchenette & built-ins! Side courtyard! 2 Cg+parking area!

5108 GREATHOUSE - $360,000
FABULOUS 4 BEDROOM HOME CLOSE TO GREATHOUSE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!!
Updated & gorgeous! Living room w/fireplace is open to the kitchen & breakfast nook! Formal dining! Beautiful kitchen w/dark grey cabinetry & island plus pantry, granite & breakfast bar! Seq in-law plan! Spacious master w/fantastic bathroom & large closet! Roomy bedrooms! Soaring ceilings! Great colors! Covered patio! Tons of tile! Wow!

5701 LLANO CT. - $335,000
FABULOUS MARK PAYNE RESALE!
Formal dining study! Gorgeous kitchen w/granite, stainless appliances, breakfast bar, ceiling opens to dining room & family kitchen & breakfast nook! Stained concrete flooring! Fireplace! Built-ins! Large master bedroom! Plantation shutters! Master bath boasts dual vanities, separate shower & large walk in closet! Covered patio! Nice yards! Much more!

2807 MARMON - $325,000
GORGEOUS & SPACIOUS HOME W/UPDATES GALORE!
Fantastic 3 bedroom, 2.5 Bath home w/2 living areas! Formal dining plus breakfast nook! Gourmet kitchen is updated & offers double ovens plus custom cabinetry & lighting! All bedrooms are very spacious! Open floorplan! Jacuzzi tubs on both baths!Lush, mature lanscaping! Covered patio! Move-in ready! 2 Car oversized garage!

812 BOYD AVE. - $320,000
EXQUISITELY UPDATED FROM TOP TO BOTTOM IN TUSCAN STYLE!
Hand-textured walls! Wood flooring!Granite! Rock accents! Beautiful lighting! Just gorgeous! Formal living! Formal/dining! Pretty kitchen w/custom+cabinets !Family room w/fireplace & built-ins!Office/playroom!! has tons of built-ins! Seq master suite w/updated bath & walk-in closet! Large covered patio! Nice fountain in backyard!Mancave w/heat/air !Dog run! 2 Car garage!



1400 MCR 1110 - $315,000
CUSTOM ONE OWNER HOUSE W/TONS & TONS OF STORAGE!
Living room is open to dining room & kitchen! Loaded with cabinetry & countespace, this kitchen wraps around to the laundry rm w/sink & 3 closets! Bonus rm/sunroom has recent tile & lots of windows! Plus a storm cellar! Seq master suite offers updated bath & nice closet! Roomy bedrooms! Updated hall closet! 4 Acres w/2 cg+attached storage! Carport!

4700 ECR 140 – $300,000
ONE OWNER CUSTOM HOME OF 4 ACRES OF QUIET COUNTRY LIVING!
Living room w/fireplace & beamed ceiling! Kitchen w/breakfast nook! Sequestered master suite w/private bath offers 2 closets, dual sinks & sep shower & tub! 4Th bedroom is converted garage & could be office,playroom,home gym! Bedrooms are spacious w/great closets! Fenced backyard! 1 Cg workshop has huge storage closet! Horse barn!

2604 ADONIA ST. - $285,000
EXQUISITE NEW CONSTRUCTION BY MASTER BUILDERS!
Open concept w/great living room & fireplace! Gorgeous kitchen w/island, granite countertops, pantry & tons of cabinetry! Formal dining space too! Sequestered master suite offers large bedrooms w/pan ceilings, wonderful bathroom w/his & her vanities, jetted tub, separate sttower & two huge closets! Covered patio! Spacious bedrooms w/nice closets! 2 Cg!

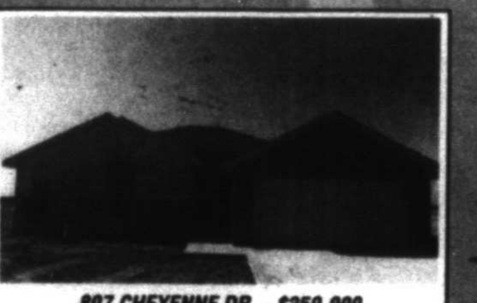
901 CHEYENNE ST. - $285,000
WONDERFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION IN A BRAND NEW SUBDIVISION!
Gorgeous home loaded with upgrades! Formal dining area! Large living room w/high ceilings! Fireplace! Gourmet kitchen with tons of cabinetry & granite countertop, pantry & bar island/breakfast bar! Spacious sequestered master suite w/beautiful bath offers jetted tub, 2 vanities & 2 closets! Covered patio! 2 Car garage!

5707 CHAMPIONS DR. - $275,000
WANT BEAUTIFUL & OPEN?
This floorplan fits that criteria!Large living room w/fireplace & large windows is open to kitchen w/breakfast bar/island & nook! Granite countertops,large pantry & loaded w/cabinets, this kitchen is awesome! Sequestered master suite offers spacious bath w/sep shower & big soaking tub plus great closet! Generous additional bedrooms w/nice closets! Covered patio! Ample yards! 2 Cg!

2906 ARROWHEAD - $265,000
WONDERFUL HOME ON QUIET CUL-DE-SAC!
Nice living room w/vaulted, beamed ceiling! Kitchen w/tons of cabinetry, island & dining area that opens to living room! Enclosed patio! Seq master suite w/private bath! Recent carpet! Wonderful indoor playroom w/exercise pool,one w/current to swim against for low impact exercise! Space around the pool area too! Backyard too! 2 Car garage!

4103 DYER CIRCLE - $265,000
COOL ARCHITECTURE & HIGH CEILINGS W/HUGE WOOD BEAMS GIVE THIS LOVELY HOME SUCH CHARACTER!
Fireplace in living area! Kitchen w/granite offers abundant cabinetry!Formal dining plus breakfast nook! Spacious master bedroom offers private bath w/tub, separate shower & nice closet space! Roomy bedrooms! Great hall bathroom! Spiral stairs to the loft that is great for office or playroom! Nice yards!

4605 BISHOPS CASTLE - $265,000
WELL MAINTAINED & MOVE IN READY!
Wonderful home in polo park! Formal dining! Large living area w/fireplace & tall ceilings! Kitchen w/solid wood cabinets has breakfast nook & island! Nice laundry rm! Seq master is spacious & offers private master bath w/great closet space! Other bedrooms are nice size too!Hardwood floors! Updated fixtures! Covered patio & open patio w/fountain! 2 Car rear entry garage! Nice! Wonderful hobby/craft room in garage that could also be a workshop! Extra parking too!



807 CHEYENNE DR. - $259,900
WONDERFUL NEW CONSTRUCTION BY TROY HUNT!
Upgrades thru-out! Granite countertops! Beautiful cabinetry! Carpet & tile flooring! Fireplace in living w/high ceilings! Open kitchen w/breakfast bar & dining area! Sequestered master suite w/tray ceiling & beautiful bathroom offers dual vanities, large shower, jetted tub & great closet! Spacious bedrooms w/walk in closets! Covered patio! 2 Car garage!

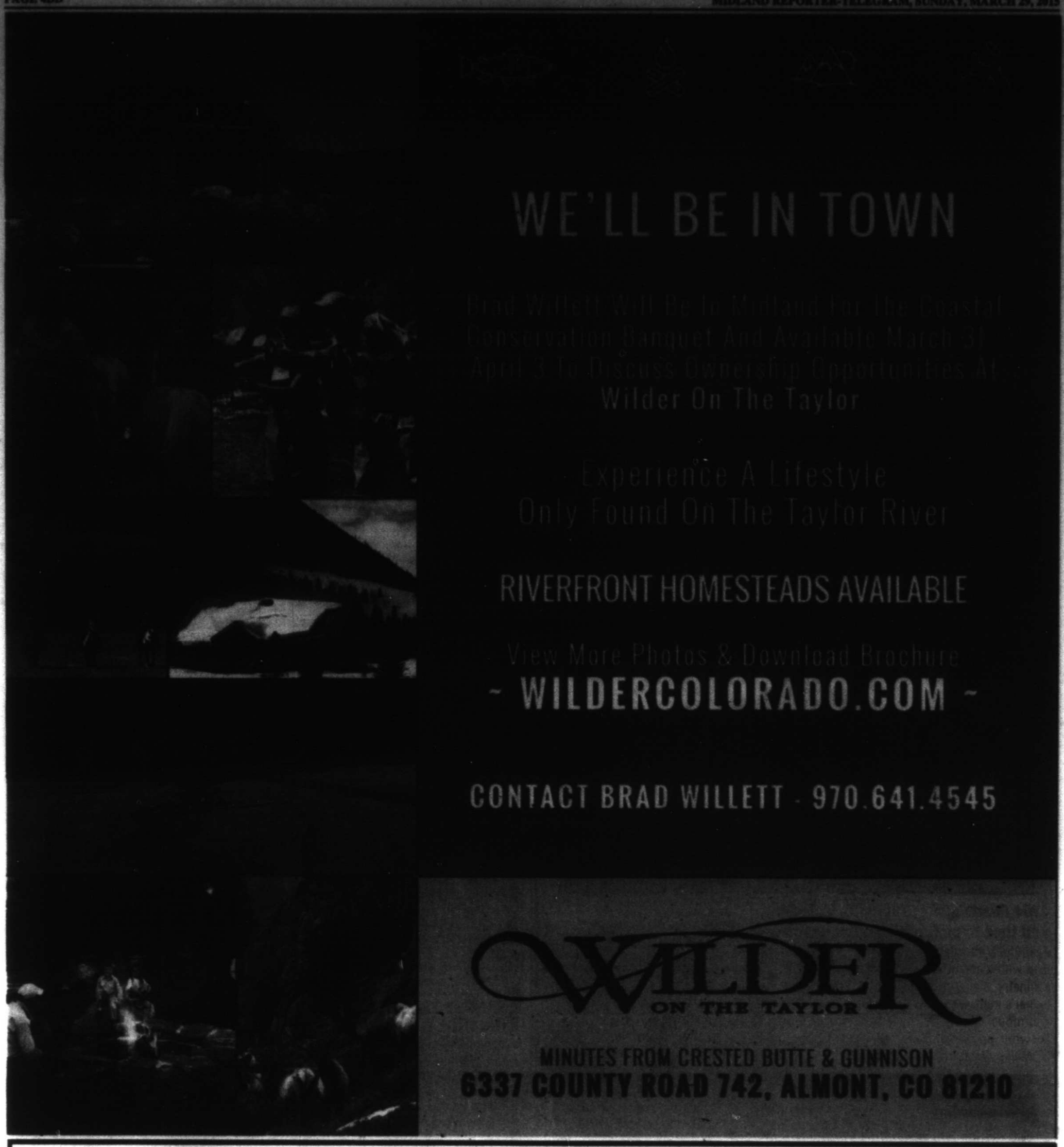
4511 BELTON - $225,000
CHARMING 3 BEDROOM 2 BATH HOME ON QUIET CUL-DE-SAC!!
Updated flooring!! Recent paint!! Master bedroom has sitting area and separate closets! Nice size backyard surrounded by trees! Storage building! Great location close to shopping and schools!! 2 Car garage!! Must see!!!

3709 NEELY AVE. - $225,000
WONDERFUL & SPACIOUS!
Updated kitchen is gorgeous! Dark cabinetry, granite countertops, stainless appliances & gas range! Breakfast nook! Den w/fireplace is open to breakfast & large second living space that could be formal dining or office! Updated bathrooms w/slate tiles! Roomy bedrooms! Master is spacious w/great walk-in closet! Utility room w/updated cabinets & hanging rack! Covered patio! Fenced backyard w/room behind for storage building or camper! 2 Car garage!

2302 SINCLAIR - $225,000
WONDERFUL CLASSIC HOME ON TREE LINED STREET CLOSE TO PARK!
Formal living & dining w/large windows! Cozy den w/fireplace! Kitchen w/breakfast nook! Large utility room! Spacious master bedroom w/private bath! Roomy bedrooms w/nice closets! Wonderful backyard w/fenced patio that extends larger w/cinder block fence! 2 Cg! With some updates this one could be fabulous!

3802 BEDFORD - $198,000
ADORABLE HOME ON OVERSIZED LOT!
Fireplace! Breakfast nook is open to the kitchen! Tons of cabinets & pantry! Huge master bedroom w/sitting area! Private master bath has 2 closets, dbl Sinks & vanity area! Driveway w/extra parking! Front yard+backyard+room behind fence is perfect for parking boats/campers or putting up a storage bldg/workshop! Very well maintained! 2 Car garage!

QUAIL RIDGE SUBDIVISION
ATTENTION BUILDERS!!!
WONDERFUL NEW AREA BEING DEVELOPED NOW! BRICKED ENTRY TO SUBDIVISION! PAVED ROADS! CITY UTILITIES! 79 TOTAL LOTS IN PHASE 1! COMMON AREAS IN PLAN! NICE FAMILY COMMUNITY! LOTS STARTING AT $43,500! RESTRICTED AREA WITH CRITERIA REQUIREMENTS - CALL DELAURA FOR MORE DETAILS! OFF NORTH SERVICE ROAD OF BUSINESS 20 BETWEEN FAIRGROUNDS & TODD RD.



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908 Shirley Ct.
$319,900
3 Bedrooms/2.5 Baths
Lovely townhome in great condition. Totally updated kitchen!
Shown by Roberta Aldridge

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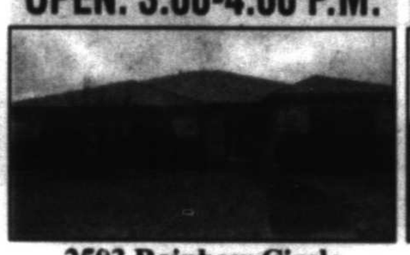
327 Rocky Lane
$199,900
3 Bedrooms/2 Baths
Immaculate home with so much updating! Plus Bonus Room!
Shown by Cindy Kellough



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2503 Rainbow Circle
$242,500
4 Bedrooms/2 Baths
Large open living/dining area. On cul-de-sac in Arbor Park!
Shown by Roberta Aldridge

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3 Bedrooms/3 Baths
Low maintenance patio home with top of the line custom finishes!
Shown by Cindy Kellough

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5315 Quicksand Dr.
$469,900
3 Bedrooms/3 Baths
Perfect low maintenance patio home. Elegant Grandridge Park style!
Shown by Christina McMillan

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New and Reduced Listings

2003 Winfield -Heart of Warwick' Gorgeous landscaping, great amenities $840,000
2003 Sinclair Ave-Fabulous 5 bedroom in Warwick. R.A. pool, spa, game room. beautifully updated $840,000
3900 Fairwood Ct.-Updated in Mockingbird Heights. 2 story, granite, and full guest house $625,000
1709 W. Cuthbert-Updated in the heart of Old Midland. wonderful pool! $780,000
18 Saddle Club-4Br/3.5Ba, detached game room and workshop $785,000
5101 Castleford Rd.-Wonderful 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home w/many updates, great kitchen, and great outdoor area for entertaining $530,000
5311 Quicksand Cove-Low maintenance 3br/3bth patio home *filled w/top of the line custom finishes. $497,500
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0607 E. Co. Rd. 110-Beautiful 4 bd/3bth Ashington home offers quiet spacious country living w/all the bells & whistles! $449,000
5000 Cristy Ln.-Beautiful custom built in 2007. 4/3 with granite on every surface $449,000
3207 Rex Dr.-Charming family home, cook's kitchen $398,000
6010 W. Co. Rd. 41-Charming country living on 3.5 acres $394,000
7101 Sealand-Beautifully renovated 4bdrm/2bth home in Mokiller Terrace $375,000
2701 S. Co. Rd. 1089-Better than new! 4 bdrm/2 bth with lots of amenities, great plan, great fenced yard on 1 2 acres! $370,000
5511 San Saba-3br/2.5ba. Payne resale. 2 living areas! $325,000
906 Shirley Ct.-Immaculate townhome with wonderful updates. Beautiful floors, gorgeous patio, move right in! $319,900
2304 Stanolind Ave-3 bedroom/2 bath home. Great block in Old Midland $315,000
2602 Dellcrest-4br/3bth on cul-de-sac $310,000
4302 Goodnight-3BR/2BA/2 car. patio home $299,900
4304 Goodnight-3BR/2BA/2 car patio home $299,900
4306 Goodnight-3BR/2BA/2 car patio home $299,900
3602 Wedgewood-4 bedroom/3 bath close to Trinity $290,000
1700 Castleford Rd.-Gorgeous 1 bedroom, 1 bath, 2 living areas, formal dining, hardwoods, shutters, low maintenance yard $240,000
327 Rocky Lane Rd.-Absolutely precious 3 bedroom/2 bath home with so much updating $199,900

Two Bedrooms

2 Bdr Lawn Park-2 bdrms/2 bths Low Maintenance townhouse in Oaklawn Park! ..... UC- $299,000
6000 FM 307-Custom built in Greenwood in 1977. 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 living areas, formal dining, fireplace, 2 car carport, on 2.340 acres ..... UC- $195,000
4700 Boulder Dr.-Low maintenance 2 bedroom/2 bath condo $80,000

Three Bedrooms

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5311 Quicksand Cove-Low maintenance 3br/3bth patio home filled w/top of the line custom finishes. $497,500
4402 Green Tree-Contemporary 3bdrm/2.5 bath home in Green Tree $449,900
4 Saddle Club Dr.-Beautiful maintained 3 bdrm/4.5 bth home with fabulous storage. Large rooms, lush yard and coveted community $449,900
1500 Douglas Ave.-Beautiful home w/pool $395,000
5315 Quicksand Cove-Elegant, 3 bdrm/3 bth Grandridge Park style patio home on cul-de-sac built by Glenn Miller Homes $469,900
1000 N. I-20.-Wonderful 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home in Provie location! Great outdoor entertaining space and inground pool $399,000
4709 Green Tree-Wonderful, custom, one-owner home on the course. See the 18th fairway from your back patio. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. 3699 sqft for $369,900
2220 Parkin-Lovely 3br/2bth with many extras. Open floor plan, lovely kitchen w/granite & spacious rooms $357,000
5311 Pyle-Beautifully remodeled 3br/2.5bth home w/oversized back patio & workshop/office $350,000
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1402 Pine Wynganda-3 bdrm/2 bth well maintained Highland Park Townhouse $99,900
91 Ward Rd.-Fabulous Lake Henry get-away! This 3 bdrm/2bth home is located within HOA gated community in Oak Canyon Estates. Public dock for residents only $240,000

Three Bedrooms

3103 Elma Dr.-Spacious 3 bdrm/2 bth home in lovely quiet neighborhood with mature trees and easy access to shopping and restaurants $235,000
5014 Pleasant Dr.-Beautiful newer home with 3bdrms/2bth in newer area of Pleasant with all the bells and whistles. $210,000
2308 Rocky Ave.-Workshop over 800 sq ft! Charming 3/2.5 with circle drive. Master has jacuzzi tub ..... UC- $210,000
4412 Commanche Dr.-Beautiful recently built 3Bdrm/2bth home with all the bells and whistles! ..... UC- $210,000
3216 Briercroft-Wonderful 3/2 in move in condition! Huge master suite, high ceilings, open plan, lovely decor, extra/covered front yard ..... UC- $214,000
4509 Cloudcroft Ct.-Updated 3 bedrooms/2 bath home located on a quiet pretty cul-de-sac with mature trees! ..... UC- $205,000
327 Rocky Lane Rd.-Absolutely precious 3 bedroom/2 bath home with so much updating. $199,900
4000 FM 307-Custom built in Greenwood in 1977. 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living areas, formal dining, fireplace, 2 car carport, on 2.34 acres, Seller Allowance - cash! ..... UC- $195,000
2606 Bedford Dr.-Well maintained 3 bedroom/ 2 bath home in great location ..... UC- $190,000
1501 W. Redbird-Great 3 bdrm/2 bath home on a corner lot with a large backyard with many updates over the years. $139,000
4500 Versailles Dr.-"Great deal!" ..... UC- $99,000
910 N. Shellenberger-Great space. Great price. ..... UC- $80,000

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1917 Glenwood-Magnificent 4 bdr/3 bth home w/12' ceilings and unmatched storage! Gourmet kitchen and butlers' pantry, stained pool w/spacious spa! ..... UC- $750,000
410 Allmand Ave.-Stunning 4 bedroom, 3 baths, 2 half baths, den, gameroom, study, 3 car garage on .994 acres. ..... UC- $700,000
5101 Castleford Rd.-Wonderful 4bdr/2 bath home w/great kitchen, large living area, great outdoor area for entertaining and great updates ..... UC- $530,000
4101 E. Co. Rd. 89-Practically perfect in every way. ..... UC- $480,000
3907 Trailwood Trace-Beautifully updated 4 bdrm/2.5 bth home in Green Tree ..... UC- $449,000
2503 S. County Rd. 1080-4 bedroom/2.5 bath home, perfect for entertaining! Barn/shop is amazing $449,000
5807 Tanglewood-Fabulous 4/2 with remodeled master bath! Granite counters in island kitchen, hardwood and tile floors, home office, large, gated, fenced ..... UC- $445,000
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602 Pearl Ave.-Large, wonderful 4 bedroom, 4 full bath home, under 30ds on oversized lot, great for large family $350,000
2301 Dolores Dr.-Wonderful 4 bdrm/3 bathy home located on cul-de-sac. Warm, inviting and spacious! ..... UC- $350,000
3602 Wedgewood-4 bedroom/3 bath close to Trinity $290,000
2003 Sinclair-Quiet cul-de-sac, beautiful with a sunroom ..... UC- $289,000
16 Bristol Ct.-Great plan, cul-de-sac neighborhood, 4/2/2LA, nice! $275,000
2501 Rainbow Ct.-Very nice 4 bedrooms on quiet cul-de-sac in Arbor Park $275,000
2309 Whitney Dr.-Spacious 4 bdrm/2.5 bth with large kitchen, utility room, bonus room and 2 living and dining area. $270,000
2309 Waverly Ave.-Open living and dining, great location $265,000
420 Cir. Dr. Rd. 1107-4 bedroom/3 bath home on 3.76 acres. A perfect little oasis in the country $260,000
4301 Locust-Tons of updates in this 4bdrm/2bth home located in a quiet family friendly neighborhood in Odessa $260,000
6000 E. Co. Rd. 1139-Large, spacious 4 bdrm/2 bth manufactured home on 1 acre $140,000

Five or More Bedrooms

2003 Sinclair Ave-Fabulous 5 bedroom in Warwick. R.A. pool, spa, game room, beautifully updated $840,000
926 Country Club-Beautiful in Old Midland. Contemporary style, gorgeous outdoor area and pool! ..... UC- $675,000
3900 Lakeland Ave.-Well maintained 5 bdrm/3.5 bths, great block in Old Midland with spacious rooms, lovely yard and great plan $395,000
6010 W. Co. Rd. 41-Charming country living on 3.5 acres $394,000

New Construction

Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build your dream home. Greenwood subdivision w/acreage 638-3880

Town Houses and Patio Homes

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For Lease

1400 Connell St.-5,000 sq. ft. industrial/whse w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111

Lots, Land and Acreage

Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build your dream home. 638-3880
E. Co. Rd. 1130-Build to suit, perfect for cattle and livestock, truck yard, pipe yard, etc. on 160 acres in Greenwood $2,000,000
Lot, West Wendy-3 Level Lot in West Wendy 1115.26 acres, terrific frontage. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111 ..... $1,500,000
E. Co. Rd. 1040-Perfect spot for subdivision development - 320.5 acres in Greenwood $1,282,000
7100 E. Co. Rd. 109-55.75 acres with a 4,500 sf planned metal building home can stay for $50,000. Perfect for oil field business or storage yard. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111 ..... $893,125
2003 Avenue Q-(6) townhome lots sold as a whole ONLY - No individual lots sales $600,000
2707 E. Co. Rd. 90-10 sq. ft. w/lo-lee plan $350,000
5702 Sweet Water-10 acres - Perfect for one home w/lots of land or nice location to develop a small community $350,000
W. County Rd. 125-Ready to develop! $250,000
44 Lowell Park-Los Angeles lot & total house, Lake Nasworthy $249,000
4402 Green Tree West-Lot in Green Tree North 0.18 acres $125,000
1101 W County Rd. 88 1/2-6.4 acres in a great residential neighborhood $117,000
2401 Yarbrough Ave-0.4-0.254 acre lot in Breckenridge $17,000
E. Co. Rd. 120-Four 1 acre lots in new subdivision in Greenwood - The Meadows ..... UC- $80,000
5421 Shawnee-2/3 ac residential lot - country in the city - horses & workshops welcome $30,000

Commercial Investment Property

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901 W. Texas-Approximately 2976 sq ft of Medical office space, conveniently located between the Hospital and Downtown. For lease ..... Call Bill Scott 682-1111
3401 W. Loop 250 North-Former auto dealership in fabulous location. Approximately 6,546 sq. ft. of showroom, office and service space on 1.56 acres. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111 ..... possible lease or $1,900,000
E. Co. Rd. 1130-1276-2,288 acres with 1 to 2 MILES of industrial water/electric/distribution center. Fenced, gated and secured facility to accommodate your industrial/commercial needs. Great level access and door high loading ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Noll 682-1111
901 E. Business 20-Approximately 2,000 sq. ft. of retail/office space making commercial building $900,000
2401 Ranch St-Approximately 2,000 sq. ft. of retail/office space making commercial building $900,000
1400 Penn-Approximately 2,478 sq. ft. of custom office space in the Cotten Plaza Complex. Convenient access to Wadley & Loop 250 ..... $1,500,000
1210 N. Big Spring-Great office $1,500,000
E Cotton Plaz Dr-Paved industrial Park $1,500,000
2309 West I-20 Svc Lane, Approx. 4,000 sq. ft., light or medium duty manufacturing or as warehouse space. Call Bill or Brandee @ 682-1111 ..... $6.5/SF/Month

Out of Town Properties

926 Country Club, See Angela-Fabulous! Lake front home, Southwestern Style $995,000
91 Ward Rd.-Fabulous Lake Henry get-away! This 3 bdrm/2bth home is located within HOA gated community in Oak Canyon Estates. Public dock for residents only $240,000
4036 Locust-Tons of updates in this 4bdrm/2bth home located in a quiet family friendly neighborhood in Odessa $260,000

Homes for Sale

Cynthia Kellough, Broker, 432-556-4044 — Real Estate One Midland — Christina McMillan, Realtor, 432-556-4155

OPEN TODAY - 1:30-3:00

327 Rocky Lane

A wonderful 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with easy access to the loop! This home offers 1,683 sq. ft. with a spacious master that is sequestered with walk-in closet and nicely updated bath. An additional bonus space could serve as either an office, second living room or playroom. The large living area with wood burning fireplace opens in to the wonderful custom dining & kitchen addition – perfect for entertaining! Also, the home offers a 2 car garage, new storage building and two patios in the back!

A must see for $199,900.

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4304 Guadalupe • $289,900

Still time to pick your paint colors, tile and carpet!

Beautiful & affordable custom Allen Tampke low maintenance patio home! Open flowing plan with loads of windows, large great room, high ceilings, crown moldings, custom cabinetry, stainless appliances, granite countertops, neutral tile & paint! Sequestered owner's suite with bath that includes separate soaking tub, shower, dual vanities and enormous closet. Covered patio provides perfect outdoor space for entertaining. For your private showing call Cindy Kellough, Broker @ 432-556-4044 or Christina McMillan, Realtor @ 432-556-4155.

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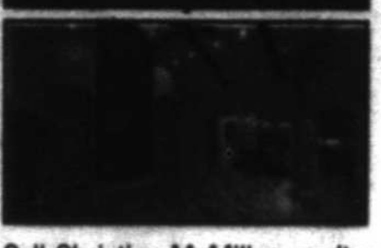
OPEN TODAY - 3:30-5:30

A hidden cul-de-sac of patio homes within Greathouse developed and built by Glenn Miller. Beautiful custom homes with unique architecture and elevations designed by an award winning Dallas architect especially for this builder! This neighborhood will be completely developed by this builder insuring the consistency and quality of the remaining homes to be constructed. Although each of these homes are spacious, in excess of 2,600 sq. ft., and finished with the highest degree of custom finishes, they are priced below surrounding neighborhood comps!

5315 Quicksand Cove • $469,900

With 2,821 sq. ft. this home boasts 3 spacious bedroom suites, 2 dining areas, butler's pantry, a show-stopping custom kitchen filled with all the top quality amenities and a 3 car garage! From the moment you enter, you are greeted by a barrel ceiling in the entry, lovely bull nose archways throughout. The butler's pantry, situated between the formal dining and gourmet kitchen is the perfect entertainment buffet! Custom cabinetry, oversized 36" gas cook top, pull out spice racks, lazy susans & 3 cm granite on oversized bar/work peninsula make this a cook's dream kitchen. Extremely spacious sequestered owner's suite features shower for two, dual vanities, soaking tub and a closet truly built for 2 with custom built in cabinetry and abundant shelving. 3rd car garage is separate which allows for the perfect storage or workshop!



5311 Quicksand Cove • $497,500

Show stopping from the entry with a view of the stacked stone fireplace and beamed vaulted ceiling in the living room. A wall of windows in your living area allows for your entertainment area to flow right into your oversized covered patio! With 3,071 sq. ft. this home offers so much including two dining areas, large chef's kitchen and 3 beautiful suites. The master suite is sequestered with a very spacious bedroom, large walk-in closet, soaking tub and shower with dual heads. The kitchen includes a walk-in pantry, butler's pantry, large island, pull-out spice racks, gas cook top and double ovens.

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1710 Community Lane	3325 Camarie	5010 Castleford	5309 Bella Place	5308 Bella Place	5327 Bella Place	6008 Medina
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OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2:30 TO 3:30	4814 Rustic Trail
OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2:30 TO 3:30	2507 Keswick
OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 4:00 TO 5:00	4809 Hilltop
OPEN HOUSE SUNDAY 2:30 TO 3:30	5006 Anetta

4+ BEDROOMS

- 6507 W County Rd. 44 - One of a kind 4 bed/3 bath/2 half bath contemporary showstopper with over 3.5 acres and 5537 sq. ft. in Sunridge Ranch Estates! Perfect game/media room! 2 patios! Room for barns, horses and pool! Fantastic covered patio! Perfect for entertaining! $1,199,000
- 2 Live Oak - Absolutely stunning austin stone estate - .587 Acre lushly landscaped lot w/dazzling pool! Gorgeous stone flooring $990,000
- 3600 Trinity Dr. - Fabulous 2-story/4 bed/3 full bath/2 half bath home in Trinity Estates! Flooded with natural and museum lighting! Soaring wood ceilings, a gorgeous chandelier, 2 fireplaces & 2 large living areas! 600 feet of covered patio overlook huge, landscaped yard with brick fence & workshop! $825,000
- 3602 Trinity - Will be ready to be shown 2/10/15 - after estate sale! Over 1/2 acre lot (.581) W/pool, sport court, gazebo, mature trees & yard areas! Extra long drive-way w/lots of parking + circle drive & port-cochere in front! Fabulous rock exterior! 5 bed/3 full+2 half baths/4+living areas/3 car garage $785,000
- 4000 ECR 61 - Spectacular 5 bed/4.5 bath/3 living (media, study, great room) 3 car garage 2 story home sits on 2.7 acres with a dazzling swimming pool, slide, and fantastic hot tub! All concrete and tile flooring downstairs! Sequestered master suite! 2 water wells! $699,900
- 3531 County Rd. 564 - Lake Brownwood - Spectacular 2011 Brownwood lake custom 4 bed/3.5 bath home on .97 acres! $575,000
- 4814 Rustic Trail - Live on Green Tree North course at hole #9 in this 4bed/3bath/2liv/3dine/3car/in-law plan/studio/game room! $549,000
- 4433 Verde Glen Court - [illegible] $539,000
- 5711 Heartland - [illegible] $534,900
- 6200 Driftwood - Charming 2 Story Home W/Tons Of Character! Very Recent Interior Paint (2014), Exterior Paint (2015), Austin Stone Trim, Top-Of-The-Line Metal Roof $449,000
- 6829 Ashwood Ct. - One-owner 4 bed/2.5 bath Grassland home sits on a quiet cul-de-sac on a huge almost half acre lot! Downstairs master bedroom has dual sinks, 2 closets, separate shower and tub! Giant light everywhere! Large kitchen with 2 gas cooktops and huge pantry! $449,000
- 5300 Wimberley Springs - [illegible] $433,900
- 5309 Ridgefield - Fabulous 4 bedroom/3bath/3 car garage! Wonderful mature trees out front! Dazzling pool in backyard! $425,000
- 5000 Oak Creek Drive - [illegible] $379,900
- 5509 Cypress Court - [illegible] $[illegible]
- 5507 San Clemente - [illegible] $[illegible]
- 4809 Hilltop - Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/3 bath/2 living (or 2 din)+study & 3 car gar w/soaring ceilings, crown molding, walls of windows, plantation shutters, tile & hardwood flooring thru-out (carpet in beds)! Floor to ceiling stone fireplace in greatroom! Seq master suite w/whirlpool tub, 2 sinks! $389,900
- 107 Mockingbird Unit #204 Will Lease For $4000/MO - enter common area to find soaring ceilings, 2 grand staircases & elevator! 6 Units on floor! All units are fabulous, spacious & elegant w/plantation shutters, high ceilings, balconies, granite countertops, wood-like flooring, gourmet kitchen $375,000
- 5432 Rosewood Circle - Spacious 4 bed/3 bath home! Large corner lot in Green Tree! Wood shutters! Abundant cabinetry! Golf cart garage and water well $344,900
- 4811 S. Co. Rd. 1172 - Awesome home minutes away from downtown! Gorgeous 4 bed/2.5 Bath/4 car garage brick home on 2 acres! Large tile throughout living areas! Lovely austin stone fireplace in huge living! Soaring ceilings and skylights! $339,900
- 5006 Anetta - Must see this lovely 4 bedroom/2 bath/2 car extended garage/1 living/absolutely huge kitchen big enough for island or 2nd dining! Huge walk-in pantry & separate eating area! Nice sequestered master has jetted tub/shower/huge walk-in closet most only dream of! Soaring ceilings & fireplace! $244,900
- 4209 Downing - Come see this nicely updated 3 bed/2bath/3living areas in northwest area close to the loop, eating, & shopping! Enter into a living w/ high ceilings! $219,900
- 2404 W. Shandon Ave - Fantastic location in fannin area at spectacular price! 4 Bedrooms/2 baths/2 living areas/2 car garage $209,900
- 804 W. Louisiana - Wonderful character & charm! 4 Bedroom/2 bath/1 living/1 dining/3 detached gar+carport, all on huge 1.5 Lot! $129,900

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

- 3201 Fairfield - [illegible] $430,000
- 5209 Green Tree Blvd. - Spectacular 3 bed/3 bath townhome w/ 3-car garage and sweeping views of golf course! Each room opens to a balcony! Kitchen w/ island open to dining and den areas! Lots of recent updates & beautiful back yard with extended covered patio and turf grass $399,000
- 5700 Wyoming - Beautiful & spacious home w/4 car garage. New gorgeous wood-like tile (carpet in bedrooms), recent hvac, ro unit & water softener $375,000
- 906 Princeton - Fabulous 3 bed/3 bath ranch style home with dazzling pool! Great patio for entertaining with metal roof extending off back patio with beautifully well kept large yard! $349,000
- 400 E. County Rd. 130 - Spectacular home on 1.25 Acres! Wonderful open kitchen/dining! Kitchen has granite counter tops! Pantry w/ adjustable shelving! Huge laundry! Stone fireplace and crown molding! Sequestered master suite w/sitting area & spacious closet! $345,000
- 107 Mockingbird #202 - Spectacular 3 bed/2 bath townhome has 2 dining areas and a 2 car garage! Kitchen boasts granite countertops, stainless appliances, abundant cabinetry, and breakfast bar! Wood like flooring, huge closets, and small yard! $325,000
- 107 Mockingbird #104 - Spectacular 3 bed/2 bath townhome has 2 dining areas and a 2 car garage! Kitchen boasts granite countertops, stainless appliances, abundant cabinetry, and breakfast bar! Wood like flooring, huge closets, and small yard! $325,000
- 2507 Keswick - Amazing floor plan & space in this versatile contemporary entertaining home! $299,900
- 6508 Evergreen - Fabulous 3 bed/2 bath new construction in lovely area on an ½ acre lot! Miles of tile, 2 inch blinds, walls of windows, soaring ceilings and granite package throughout! Kitchen boasts stainless appliances, dark cabinetry and breakfast bar! Sequestered master suite! $285,000
- 2810 E FM 1212 Stanton - Fabulous county property on 12.000 acres w/2 water wells, 60X25 workshop, 3 storage buildings! $275,000
- 5100 Rio Grande - [illegible] $250,000
- 4200 St. Andrews - Dont miss this wonderful 3bed/2bath/2 living/2 car garage/sequestered master near parker elementary! Courtyard entry! Large tile in most of home! 2 Large living areas! Updated kitchen and baths! Rock fireplace! Large master has gorgeous master bath with glass sinks and has been updated $244,900
- 1009 Boyd - Spacious home w/great curb appeal on curved lot! Many updates! Lg. Liv. w/formal dining area, open to den w/gas log fireplace! Kitchen w/island $229,900
- 3300 Card Dr. - Lovely 3 bed/2 bath patio home with 3 private patios in the heart of Midland! Updated kitchen with granite countertops! $229,900
- 2500 County Club - Spectacular Updates! 3 bed/ 2 bath/ 2 car garage! Enormous living room with formal dining! Kitchen has granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances - lots storage!!! Hardwood floors thorough out! Fantastic master suite! Great backyard for entertaining! Mature trees! Water well! $219,900
- 59 Lafayette - [illegible] $[illegible]
- 1407 Pacific - Absolutely lovely 3 bed/2 bath/2 car garage home! High ceiling in living room w/ wood burning fireplace! $[illegible]
- 1804 McDonald - [illegible] $[illegible]
- 701 S. Lincoln - Absolutely spectacular new construction from g. O. Homes! Fabulous kitchen with granite, tons of cabinets! $175,000
- 707 Alamo - Cute 3 bed/2 bath/ 2 living with tons of charm! Beautiful hardwood floors! Updates thru-out! Darling living area! Dining opens to the kitchen! Bonus room & spacious utility room! Tons of built ins in just the right spots! Roof in 2009! $150,000
- 4811-A SCR 1172 - [illegible] $[illegible]
- 4702 Thomason Drive - 3 bed/2 bath/den+large breakfast room/1 car gar home in great shape! Tile flows thru-out! $147,500
- 7813 CR 52 - [illegible] $144,900
- 1204 Sparks - Spacious 3 Bed/ 2 Bath, large lot! Miles of tile and ceiling fans throughout! Abundant cabinetry! Oversized bedrooms! $[illegible]

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

- 4107 N County Rd. 1247 - RV Park with clubhouse and 2 cabins! 26 RV spots rent for $575 a month! 2 cabins rent for a $1000 a month! Clubhouse has kitchen, laundry facilities, and entertainment area! Entire park has RO system! Great investment! $[illegible]
- 1513 Mockingbird Ln. - 2 tracts of land at NE corner of Polo Field-next to [illegible] Club Estates! Total land 3.224 acres! Cinder block barn with 12 inside stalls! 35 ton grain! Hay barn, round pin, and apartment for workers! [illegible] Sunday Fields! All offers welcome! $[illegible]
- 10307 W County Road, Midland Texas 79707 - Great Industrial Location! 5 acre tract of land on corner. Conveniently located off 1788. $[illegible]
- 1836 W. County Rd. 140 - [illegible] ac for residential purposes only! Mobile home's allowed with underpinning! Water well 15 GPM, no pump! $132,000
- 2221 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivisions, Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! $75,000
- 1975 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivisions, Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! $72,000
- 1900 Timber Wolf Lane - Build in Midland's newest subdivisions, Timber Wolf Estates! Roads will be paved by developer! 25 LOTS! $64,500
- Cutter Estates - Build in Gardendale's newest subdivision, Cutter Estates! Approximately .75 acre lots! $35,000 per lot! 16 LOTS! $35,000

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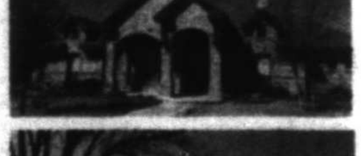
30 Ac. Mockingbird Lane-11 platted lots, 2+ acres each **$1,900,000**
523 Carol Lane-6 bd, 4 bath, pool, barn on approx. 3 ac off Solomon Ln **$799,000**
6304 Haywood-4bd, 4.5ba, 2LA, 4 car garage **$580,000**
4433 Verde Glen Ct.-Green Tree North, 4bd, 3ba, 3LA, 3 garage **$579,900**
1908 Jadewood-4b 3.5 bath with pool. Grassland West **$550,000**
6516 Gladiola-3 bed, 3.5 bath on 1.7AC w/wonderful workshop! RV parking **$499,900**
1103 NCR 1110-Greenwood 4/3 on 40 acres, 65x20 RV/shop, 20x40 open shed, 30x30 metal bldg. **$497,000**
South CR 1140 - 24 Acres more or less **$496,000**
6704 Mosswood-4br, 3 ba, new construction **$481,000**
10505 ECR 105-4/4/2, built 2011, 1/2 AC, Greenwood. Builder's home, loaded with extras ..... ***REDUCED* $475,000**
6702 Mosswood-New construction 4br, 3ba, 4 car garage, Robert Graham **$474,252**
I-20, 2.68 acres, commercial **$450,000**
3102 Stanolind-MaMar Terrace 4 bd, 3 1/2 ba, 2 liv, 2 din, huge addition sunroom w/ walls of windows **$449,000**
5706 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd.-4br, 3ba, beautiful ..... ***REDUCED* $445,000**
4008 Edgebrook - Mockingbird Heights. 3bd. 2 1/2ba, great floor plan w/ huge courtyard, recent paint ..... ***HUGE REDUCTION* $399,000**
3400 Northfield - 4bd. 3ba. park like yard **$399,900**
FM 715 - 28 AC MORE OR LESS LAND! ..... ***REDUCED* $395,000**
2804 Caldera Blvd - 4bd. 3ba, in law plan **$369,900**
707 Shell Ave.-5 bed. 3 bath. 3 garage. pool on huge lot! **$349,900**
2912 Shanks-3bd. 2 1/2 ba on 1.3 acres. 2 water wells. Nicely updated **$335,000**
#10 Cambridge Ct - Large home/in-law cottage. 4bd. 2.5ba **$320,000**
2806 Stutz - 4bd. 3ba. 2living, great plan. updated **$315,000**
3801 S. County Rd 1185 - 3bd. 2ba. 2car. 1.6 acres. workshop ..... ***REDUCED* $300,000**
4509 Teakwood - 3bd. 2 1/2ba. Greentree. updated ..... ***HUGE REDUCTION* $299,000**
5005 Melville-4 bed. 2 bath. great location ..... ***REDUCED* $290,500**
3207 Marmon Dr-4bd. 2.5ba. 2 liv. 2 din ..... ***HUGE REDUCTION* $265,000**
3101 S. County Rd 1218 - 5bd. 5ba. 1.77 acres **$265,000**
1802 E. Pecan St - New construction. 3 or 4bd. 2ba. 2car. 2storey **$259,000**
13400 E. County Rd 110-Greenwood 3/2/2. 10AC, shop, lots of new! **$249,900**
1011 Stanolind Ave . - 3bd. 2 ba. 2 liv. 24 x28 workshop **$247,500**
2301 Regal Place-Wydewood Estates. 3 bd. 2 ba. 2 car gar. cul-de-sac **$237,000**
709 Mogford-Adorable 3bd. 2ba. 2 living, 2 garage w/water well **$219,900**
1912 SCR 1083 - Greenwood 3bd. 2ba. 2.5 acres. 30x50 shop. 30x50 horse barn. AFFORDABLE **$217,900**
2605 Bedford - Large 3 bd. 2 bath. 2 liv and 2 din. large backyard w/cinder block fence ..... ***REDUCED* $214,000**
3206 W. Wadley - Low maint. 3bd. 2 5ba. HUGE rooms. new carpet & paint ..... ***HUGE REDUCTION* $209,000**
Commerical Lots - 10 Lots on Front St **$199,000**
12700 ECR 81 - 8.5 acres w/ 2013 mobile home. storage buildings. 2 water wells. orchard (fruit trees) on drip system. Greenwood (GISD) ..... ***REDUCED* $198,000**
Cottonflat & Harris - 2 Acres with access to water, gas & electric. near Mid. Co Horseshoe Arena **$197,500**
660 Duke Ave.. Odessa, Tx-3 bedroom. 2 bath. 2 car garage **$197,500**
3528 Shell-Comfy Town Home in great location **$182,500**
3111 Golf Course-town home with 2 master suites **$175,000**
5100 ECR 136-3bd. 2 1/2ba. 1 acre -double wide ..... ***REDUCED* $173,000**
4881 ECR 130 - 10 AC LAND! **$160,000**
218 N. Eisenhower Dr.-3 bed. 2 ba. 2 LA. 3 car garage & water well. Beautiful hardwood floors. double windows ..... ***REDUCED* $157,800**
3916 Monty Dr.-Nice 2 story home. 4 bedroom. 2 bath **$154,900**
4411 Storey - 3 bd. 2 ba ..... ***REDUCED* $150,000**
720 W Pine - 3bd. 2 ba **$149,900**
4304 Tanner Dr.-3 bed, 2 ba, 1 car garage. new carpet. recent paint in & out **$144,900**
503 Brooks Dr.-3 bed. 1 ba. 2 LA. recent windows **$139,000**
1301 W. Michigan-2bd. 1ba. huge corner lot. Central Midland **$135,000**
425 Andrews Hwy - Commercial Retail **$107,000**
4209 ECR 61 - 2.34 AC. Bonito Estates **$104,130**
4001 ECR 61 - 2.34 AC. Bonito Estates **$104,130**
1410 Lamesa - 2bd. 1ba. .641 acres. commercial **$99,000**
417 E. Magnolia-3 bed. 2 bath. 2 living. sunny & bright **$97,500**
5100 ECR 59-4 bd. 2 bath mobile home & 2 car carport. .44 acres **$92,500**
4201 ECR 61 - 2 AC. Bonito Estates **$89,000**
2605 W. Washington - 2bd. 1ba. 1car. Excellent rental income or starter home **$79,900**
3805 ECR 157 - 3bd. 2ba. 2 acres. storage shed/workshop **$75,000**
County Road 108-1 AC, new home lot. Pecan Ridge. Greenwood, horses allowed **$69,000**
Bonito Estates - MISD New Home Lots $89,000-$104,000
Champion's Run - GISD - New home lots, gated community **$80,750**
Pecan Ridge-GISD 1 lot left **$69,900**

SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES

1908 JADEWOOD
$550,000
4 bed, 3.5 bath w/pool.



6304 HAYWOOD
$580,000
4 bed, 3 1/2 ba, 2 LA, 4 car garage.

3207 MARMON
$265,000
4 bed, 2.5 ba, 2LA, Huge reduction!

5706 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD.
REDUCED $445,000
4 bed, 3 ba.

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5212 Sherwood-Fabulous
$325,000
4/2 bath home w/designer finishes.

NEW LISTING
5109 King Richards Row
$230,000
Cute & Clean! Model like home in Green Hill Terrace

5213 Oak Valley
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Percentage that the typical rent rose over the past five years, while the typical income of renters only grew by 11 percent.

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IS A TAKE-BACK A SAFE OPTION?

QUESTION:

With investments earning such low returns, it seems like a seller take-back would offer a good, safe return for the bulk of my money. If there's a sizable down payment, somebody that couldn't qualify for a bank loan (due to their income not being documented according to IRS rules) could still be financially able to make payments. The fact that they have a sizable down payment invested would guarantee that they would continue making payments. If the contract was written by a real estate lawyer, I would be able to take the property back if the buyer went into default, wouldn't I?

ANSWER:

The use of seller take-backs is as old as real estate. In such situations the seller provides some or all of the required financing for a buyer who cannot get a mortgage. From the seller's perspective the idea is to get a higher sale price and ongoing income from the note.

A big down payment, paperwork written by an attorney and properly recorded documents take a lot of risk out of the transaction. That said, take-backs are not risk-free transactions.

First, if you as an owner finance the sale, then how much capital do you have to buy a replacement property? Second, a big down payment and proper paperwork provide defenses in the event of default, but they do not end the possibility of loss, nor do they guarantee a quick resolution.

Let's imagine that Buyer Smith purchases your home with 30 percent down. The house costs $300,000 so the down payment is $90,000 and you take-back a $210,000 mortgage. What could possibly go wrong?

Imagine that in six months Smith doesn't pay. The stream of income from the transaction is now gone. If you need that money, Smith's problems are now your problems.

You foreclose. Last summer RealtyTrac reported that in the second quarter of 2014 the average time to complete a foreclosure was 577 days. Your ability to foreclose is not instant or immediate. It will take more than 18 months in most jurisdictions to reclaim your home. Meanwhile, the property will yield no income, even as legal bills pile up.

Once the property is foreclosed you may still not get it back because of squatters. It may be necessary to have a sheriff remove the current occupants, and that can take a considerable amount of time.

Lastly, when you do get the property back will it be in pristine condition? It could cost large sums of money to make the property salable or rentable again.

It's argued that a seller take-back might be useful for a buyer who has not declared all of their income to the IRS, but if someone is willing to cheat the IRS why would they not be willing to cheat you?

In today's marketplace mortgages are remarkably cheap. If a buyer wants your property that's great: let them get financing from a lender, give you a check at closing, and let the lender worry about whether the buyer pays or doesn't pay.

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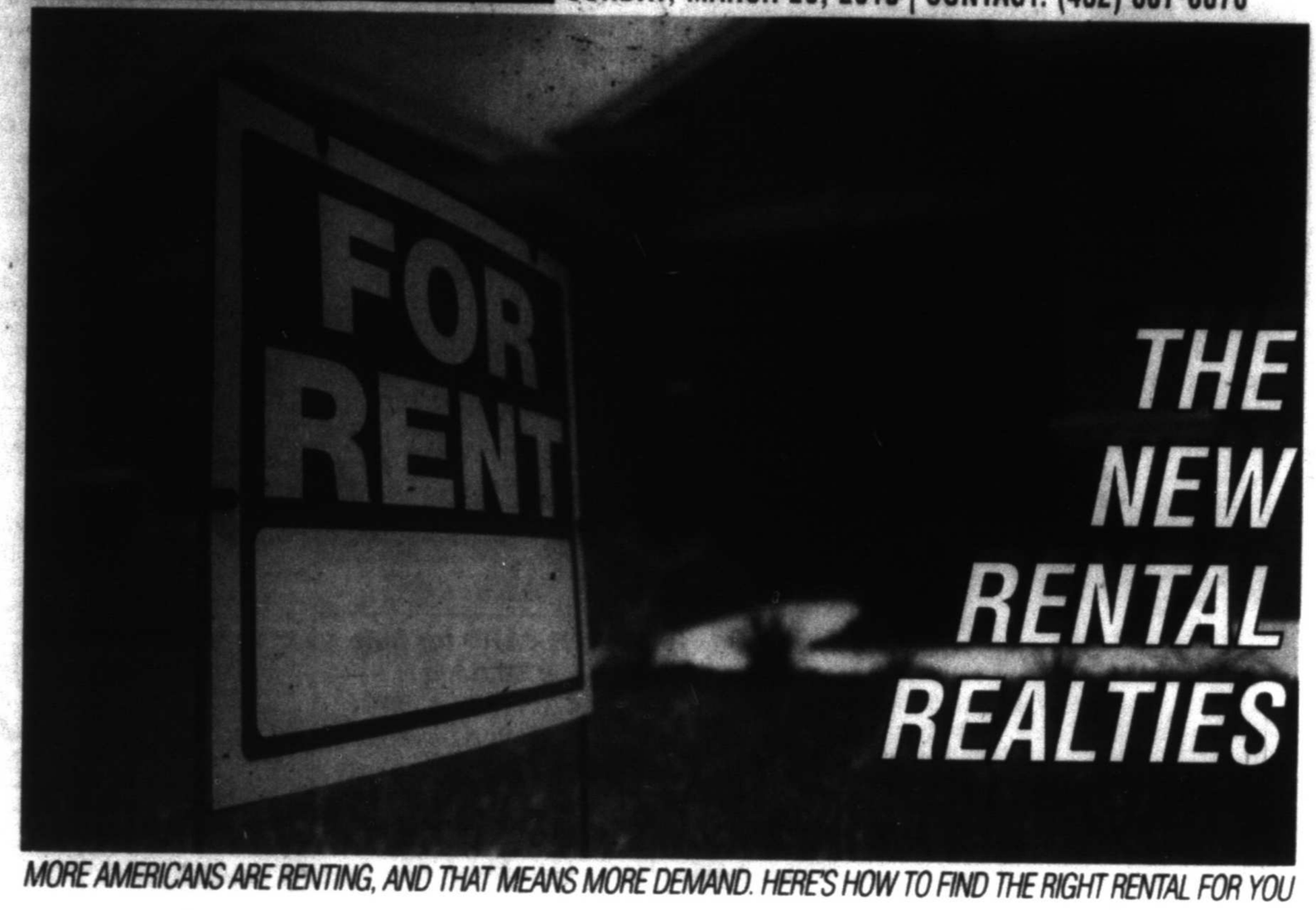

MORE AMERICANS ARE RENTING, AND THAT MEANS MORE DEMAND. HERE'S HOW TO FIND THE RIGHT RENTAL FOR YOU

By MARILYN KENNEDY MELIA
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"I'm just renting."

How often have you heard this statement in the past few years?

Probably lots, as the percentage of Americans who are homeowners has dropped by 5 percent since it's peak about a decade ago, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

But pairing the modifier "just" with "renting" implies finding an affordable, desirable rental is easy.

Hardly. For one thing, with thousands more Americans renting, that means more demand, which usually translates into higher prices. In fact, more than half of housing experts recently surveyed by Zillow believe that rising rental rates will be problematic for the next two years.

And, rent costs rose 3 percent overall in the 54 biggest metropolitan areas in 2014, an increase of roughly $42, about twice the historical average, reports CoStar, an analytics firm.

But while rates have risen, so have the housing options. For one thing, the foreclosure crisis increased the supply of single-family houses for rent.

And, there's been an "abundant new supply [of apartment complexes] that began coming to market in late 2013," according to Hans Nordby, an analyst with CoStar. In fact, rising rent isn't from too much demand chasing too little supply, believes Nordby. "Instead, 2014's strong rent growth resulted from the types of new buildings and their locations – most were high-quality," he says.

SET A WIDE SEARCH

Plug in "apartments for rent" or "houses for rent" and the name of the town or city into a search engine, and a myriad of sites should pop up.

Some sites are large-scale aggregators, listing many apartments, houses, or both, and are good for surveying the overall market. "Gather as much real-time availability information so that you can learn what the real market rates are across the board," advises Michael Taus of ABODO, an online real estate directory.

To capture a complete view of what's offered by independent rental owners, "drive through the neighborhood" suggests Doug Culkin, president of the National Apartment Association, and search "for rent" signs. And don't forget to check heck out the newspaper and other local website and publications that have housing news and listings.

By scanning the landscape, you may discover ways to save: by sacrificing some amenities you can live without, or being open to other options. "The more open you are on terms, the more likely you are to find a great deal," notes Diana Pittro of RMK Management in Chicago. "If you ideally want a one-bedroom, but there are lots of two-bedrooms on the market, you may find a better price [with more space]," she illustrates.

Moreover, adds Culkin: "More apartment management companies are using the same systems airlines use to set airfare prices."

With these systems, rents can rise or drop somewhat, even in the space of a couple of days. "If a company just rented three apartments yesterday, they might not [drop a rent charge] on an available unit," Culkin says.

Any landlord might offer a financial incentive if a renter takes a lease that's longer – or shorter – than the traditional 12 months, allowing the landlord to synch lease-endings vacancies with peak demand cycles, says Joe Greenblatt, of Sunrise Management, San Diego. A lease start date in mid-month may also provide a discount, adds Culkin.

STAY REALISTIC

"Apartment shopping can be an arduous process," warns Greenblatt. "You have to be disciplined."

When relocating, study the market online for at least a couple of weeks, before you visit, he suggests. When you've found possibilities, visit them and stick to your budget plan. "You might think, 'Well that is pretty, I'm going to get it.' Greenblatt says. "[It's] not in your interest – or the landlord's – if you don't make the rent."

Conversely, if you encounter a discounted space that requires a compromise you know may prove difficult – whether it's a steep walk-up or a cramped space – it'd be wise to keep looking, concludes Greenblatt.

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FINDING ROOM FOR SAVINGS

A roommate is great for costs savings, but first you have to make sure you're a good fit

Two can't live as cheaply as one, but splitting the rent can significantly cut costs.

For example, rental site HotPads looked at the costs of renting within particular neighborhoods in 13 major U.S. cities. The analysis found that "cohabitating in a one bedroom apartment versus living alone in a studio or cohabitating in a two bedroom apartment versus living alone in a one bedroom apartment" could reduce rental costs 28 to 48 percent, explains John Doherty, marketing manager for the site.

But often, roommates are more of an economic choice, especially when someone relocates to a new, pricey metro area, they'll likely to need to find someone to live with, notes Doherty.

Taking up residence with another person is a big step, one fraught with extra pitfalls when a roommate is a stranger, stress experts.

New arrivals to an area often look for a short-term lease, perhaps stepping in to take the place of a previous roommate who's had to move, notes Doherty.

A "sublet," whereby a leaseholder is arranging for someone to take his place for a period of time "may not be legal," warns Joseph Greenblatt of Sunrise Management in San Diego, and the renter coming in might not be able to bring any problems to management's attention. Look for a separate lease agreement, or make sure the sublet is allowed.

Leases can be examined, but how to read a potential roommate to see if you'll be compatible or combative? Don't just rely on one interview, suggests relationship expert Toni Coleman of Consummate.com. Arrange a second meeting, ideally with both parties

bringing a friend or significant other, for more impressions on how you'll interact. A great, simple question to ask a potential roommate is, 'What do you do in a typical week?,' suggests Lesli Doares, A marriage consultant. "This question will get at work hours, hobbies, sleep schedule, relationship status and habits," she says.

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Designers Rachel Ashwell and Brooke and Steve Giannetti reveal why vintage is still all the rage

By Cathy Cassata | CTW Features

Home decorators crave the unique, which makes it no surprise to any observer of style that vintage is very in. A return to well-worn, well-loved furnishings is evidenced by two books, "The World of Shabby Chic" (Rizzoli, 2015) by Rachel Ashwell and "Patina Style" (Gibbs Smith, 2011, $35) by Brooke and Steve Giannetti. All three authors have found ways to bring their signature styles through different businesses and media, from bed linens to blogs.

Appreciating the history of objects is a natural instict for Ashwell, the face of the "shabby chic" movement that first became popular in the 90s. "My parents were in the flea market business, so they instilled in me an appreciation of collection and quality of details," she says. "They also taught me how to navigate through a flea market at a very young age."

This passion for beautiful things led Ashwell to styling for photography shoots and commercials. "I learned the process of making beautiful moments in time and was able to then translate that to my stores," she says.

For Brooke Giannetti, designing by instinct is her forte while her husband Steve Giannetti is a registered architect. Brooke runs the popular design blog "Velvet and Linen," and the duo owns a full-service architecture, interior and landscape design firm as well as a home furnishings store.

"We appreciate objects for the memories they hold as well as the purposes they serve in our lives," Steve Giannetti says.

Why vintage? Simply put, vintage refers to things made in the past. But just being old doesn't cut it, Ashwell says. "Whether it is the finish of wood or wearing of something - how it gets distressed over time or how linen becomes fluffy or how fabric becomes faded in the sun - the process of how things age over time is my true inspiration," she says. That's what drives everything that makes its way into her couture collection.

"Everything that I create has heirloom qualities that enable you to pass on history through things, which is kind of an authentic green way to live, because you're recycling beautiful products from one generation to the next," Ashwell says.

Lack of perfection is perfect for the Giannettis. "Vintage style allows us to live beautifully without making our family crazy by embracing the imperfections in our home," says Brooke Giannetti. "We tend to look for items with classical proportions and slim features that always mix well with each other and can move from room to room." Steve adds that simple shapes and natural materials keep a space from feeling overly decorated.

When it comes to hard furnishings, Brooke Giannetti suggests sticking to natural materials, such as white oak and pine woods; brass, iron, zinc and bronze metals; and limestone and marble. "They age beautifully. Our interaction with these materials only softens them and makes them look better as they reflect the history of our family life," she says.

For soft furnishings, Ashwell says velvets and linens are authentically vintage, but people should stay open to anything that catches their eye. "Don't shy away from fabrics that have holes in them, whether it's a rug that has a stain on it or a curtain that is faded from the sun," she says. "You can always dye fabric or add patches."

"If I find a piece inspiring and it just needs a little repairing or I can find a unique use for a broken item, then I'll still buy it," Brooke Giannetti says. "We have a large clock face in our stairway that was once the town clock for the city of Nancy in France and it's made the perfect addition to our home."

Ashwell agrees. When it comes to wood furnishings such as tables, chairs and cabinets, she says, think outside the box. For instance, if the legs of a table become rotten, Ashwell might take the top of the table off the legs and put it onto a different set of vintage legs or cut the legs down and create a coffee table.

"I really look at the process of what can be saved in the same way I look at my friendships," she says. "Say a friendship no longer has all of its original elements, think about what's still of value and what can be saved and enjoy that piece of it. Don't discard things just because they've lost their original use."

If you want your space to scream vintage, but you're not sure where to start, consider these tips:

1. LESS IS MORE

Get rid of things that you think you need, but don't. "That doesn't mean if you have a box of your mom's old love letters, those have to go. I'm talking about stuff that's for the sake of stuff, like 10 lamps in a room, Ashwell says. "Let one or two stand beautifully. When you have beautiful things, you don't need a load of them."

2. PAINT WALLS WHITE

While bright colors do indeed wow, Ashwell says mellow colors have much more longevity. "A clean palette is a good place to start, but that doesn't mean that over time one wall can't take on wallpaper or a different color, like a pastel or muted smoky palette."

3. ADD DRAMA

Signature pieces, such as a chandelier, instantly create a feeling of grandeur even in a small space, says Ashwell. Finding that dramatic piece can get the ideas rolling for the rest of the space.

4. Bring the outdoors in

Keep in mind garden elements such as cement pots, urns and fountains. "They always have a great patina that they acquire naturally through their time outside," Brooke Giannetti says. "A pair of aged cement urns in a dining room brings a bit of the garden inside."

5. Architecture, architecture

Old architectural elements, such as French shutters and vintage columns, add an interesting large-scale element to any room, Steve Giannetti says. © CTW Features

3 Options for Retro Style

By Alyssa Karas | CTW Features

Acclaimed TV series "Mad Men" is about to air it's final episodes, which likely will re-energize the consumer thirst for retro style just as it did when it debuted in 2007. Retro decor's wide range of form and function gives you plenty of reasons to mix it into your own interior for the long run.

"People are reacting against the minimal style that held sway for so long in the 20th century," says Katherine Sorrell, author of "Retro Home" (Merrell Publishers, 2012). "And also against the overly 'interior-designed,' everything-matching, everything-beige interiors that were very fashionable until quite recently."

Using retro design elements is not only a way to deviate from contemporary design, it can also be cost-effective, believe it or not, and environmentally friendly.

"Everyone is reevaluating what they have and working around their family heirlooms, instead of taking them to the dump," says Andrew Weaving, author of "Living Retro" (Ryland Peters & Small, 2013).

"Retro" means many things to different people, but there are a few distinct styles within the category. Mid-century modern, Danish modern and pop or "groovy," as Sorrell classifies it, are all subsets with their own aesthetics.

"For one person, [retro] might mean a set of flying ducks on a wall; for another, it's a sleek, expensive Eames chair; for another, it's a colorful '60s poster; for another, it's a knitted throw and a pressed-glass cake stand," Sorrell says. "The great thing is that you can't get it wrong. When using retro, it's all about creating an appealing, very personal style."

To help develop your personal sense of retro, though, understanding the individual styles is key.

1. MID-CENTURY MODERN

Images of mid-century modern are what most people think of when they hear "retro."

"Key pieces would be tables with spindly, splayed and tapered legs; fabrics with patterns based on scientific forms or scribbly, artistic outlines; and lights that resemble hats or flying saucers," Sorrell says.

The color palette includes high-contrast combinations like black and white, lemon yellow, teal and tangerine, plus crimson, turquoise and acid green.

Prominent American designers Charles and Ray Eames are heavily associated with mid-century modern, and their furniture still inspires many today. "Eames is very much the fiberglass rocking chair look," Weaving says.

2. DANISH MODERN

Michelle Faires, co-owner of the Swanky Retro shop in Charleston, Ill., specializes in selling mid-century modern and Danish modern furniture and accessories. Danish modern is characterized by clean lines, natural wood and boxy couches and chairs.

Though boxy, these pieces ensure there's space between furniture and other design elements. "You don't see a dresser sitting directly on the floor here," Faires says. "There's always legs. I call them toothpick legs: tall skinny legs, tapered, a very distinct style, which is modern."

3. POP/GROOVY

Pop or groovy retro pieces sum up the '60s and early '70s, and are heavily inspired by popular culture through television, comics, music and film. Sorrell identifies a few defining features, such as space-age silver, bean bags and lava lamps.

"Pop is more fun: lots of bright color, round shapes, pods to sit in, optical effects in fabrics and carpets, et cetera," Weaving says.

Getting started is fairly simple.

Adding retro flair into home decor can be easy. Faires recommends starting small, perhaps with a vase or a set of barware, and building from there. "I would say upholstered furniture is hardest to find," she says. "If you find that piece first, and build around that, it's easier."

Sorrell recommends choosing a few key pieces that will anchor the decor, keeping in mind colors, patterns, textures, size and shape.

And while vintage or retro doesn't have to mean expensive, don't buy broken pieces unless they can be refurbished.

"Whether you choose to add a little or a lot of retro to an interior, you are introducing character and style," Sorrell says. "It might be a beautiful piece of designer furniture or a whimsical accessory."

Not only does it add a "patina of age and a story from the past" to your home design, Sorrell says, it's "quite often at a bargain price - and green to boot, since you are recycling rather than buying something new." © CTW Features

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Setting the budget

An ideal first step when you've decided to buy a home is to visit a mortgage broker or banker. This is the person who can help you get financing. They will determine how much you can afford and work with lenders to find the best mortgage to meet your needs.

For what it's worth

An appraiser typically works on behalf of the lender. They will check out the property and determine its value based on factors including the location and amenities. The lender wants to make sure the home is worth what you're paying.

On closer inspection

A professional inspector works on behalf of you, the buyer. They will evaluate the home from roof to foundation and provide you with a report on the home's condition. The goal of an inspection is to find any current or potential problems so you are aware of them before you become the owner.

Don't cross the line

Some lenders require a current survey before closing on a property, and the cost is often paid for by the buyer. A professional surveyor will visit the property and determine its legal boundaries using property records and measurements.

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5 Things to Do Now if You Plan to Sell This Spring

While spring is still at an arm's length, for those who plan to sell their home this spring season, it's never too early to start preparing. Below are five tips you can tackle now for a smoother sale later on.

Start packing. While it may seem crazy to begin packing your home before you've sold it, take advantage of colder, damper climates outside by staying inside and organizing. While you may not want to begin boxing items you plan on moving, you can definitely begin tossing old items. Go through your closets, medicine cabinets, storage spaces, basement and attic to make piles to donate and toss, so that by the time your selling season arrives, you will have purged all non-essentials.

Start staging. A staged home is neat, clutter-free and void of personal mementos. While there's no need to take down the family photos just yet, clearing out clutter can often be an overwhelming process, so allotting yourself a long amount of time is ideal.

Make a maintenance list. Walk through and around your house and try to view it with fresh eyes. Are your front steps rotting? Missing shingles in your roof? An old water stain on the ceiling? Make a list of these pre-sale to-do's and start to tackle them one by one.

Check your systems. Is your heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) up to snuff? Take time to change necessary filters and ensure all is in good standing order. While you're at it, check your plumbing, smoke alarm and carbon monoxide detector to make sure everything is good to go when it comes time to sell.

Make a plan for curb appeal. Spring is a fantastic time for curb appeal. Take a tour of your front yard and devise a plan of attack. Neatened garden beds, a fresh coat of paint on the front door, and even a small outdoor seating area can all make a huge difference to your would-be buyers.

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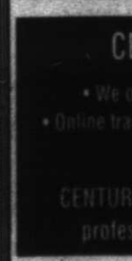

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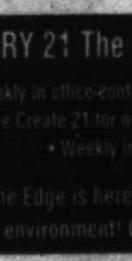

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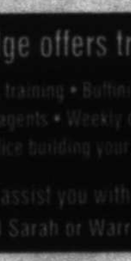

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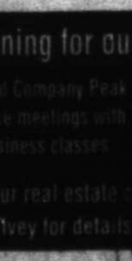

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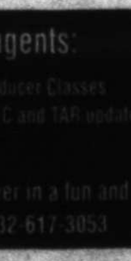

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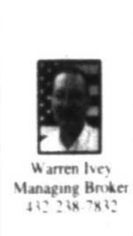

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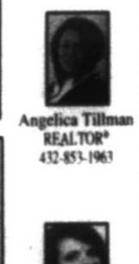

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6303 DRIFTWOOD...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #102900 ... SALE PENDING
5211 OAK VALLEY...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #102699 ... $429,000
4901 LANCASHIRE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102776 ... $390,000
2014 COLEMAN CT...Larry Hatfield 432-349-4788 ... MLS #100548 ... $389,900
3104 PATRICK...Martha Manulik, 557-8744 ... $384,500
2205 STRATFORD CT...Denise Brasher 889-5022 ... MLS #101178 ... SALE PENDING
3101 FAIRFIELD...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #101944 ... $365,900
5106 GREATHOUSE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102711 ... $360,000
5733 GRASSLAND BLVD...Peggy Spence ... MLS #103294 ... $349,900
12207 E. CO. RD. 111...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ... MLS #103215 ... $345,000
5605 CROWLEY...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102022 ... SALE PENDING
4608 ROSEWOOD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102965 ... SALE PENDING
5801 PEDERNALES...Angie L. McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #103218 ... $324,900
4003 CRESTWOOD AVE...Stephanie Rogers 978-9795 ... MLS #100518 ... $320,000
3311 MARBLE LANE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #100613 ... $319,900
4700 E. CO. RD. 140...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... SALE PENDING
5120 KING RICHARDS ROW...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #103317 ... SALE PENDING
2212 SINCLAIR AVE...Reannah Wyatt 210-275-9015 ... MLS #101519 ... $299,000
1412 TEJAS...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #102052 ... $299,000
4007 LEHIGH...Denise Brasher 889-5022 ... MLS #102498 ... $289,900
#15 WINCHESTER...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #102049 ... $298,500
2802 CALDERA...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757 ... MLS #101959 ... SALE PENDING
3302 CRESTGATE...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #101163 ... $289,990
3504 DOUGLAS...Paul Culver 934-1021 ... MLS #100911 ... $279,500
1700 KANSAS...Martha Manulik, 557-8744 ... $278,000
2810 FANNIN...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757 ... MLS #102877 ... $274,900
4605 BISHOPS CASTLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103091 ... $266,000
2906 ARROWHEAD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102319 ... $265,000
2917 GODDARD PL...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ... MLS #103424 ... $265,000
2408 AUBURN PL...Betty Hicks 553-8194 ... MLS #101172 ... $250,975
2101 HUGHES...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #103348 ... $249,900
3604 PINEMONT DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #102937 ... SALE PENDING
1615 NEELY...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #100298 ... $244,500
3810 STANOLIND...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #102518 ... SALE PENDING
2609 DENGAR...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #102217 ... SALE PENDING
3900 DOUGLAS...Madison Shaw 528-4640 ... MLS #102580 ... $233,000
700 AUSTIN...Denise Brasher 889-5022 ... MLS #103099 ... $229,900
1416 SPARKS...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ... MLS #103539 ... $224,900
1504 NEELY...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #101046 ... SALE PENDING
2308 APPERSON DR...Sue Lytle 661-5338 ... MLS #101619 ... SALE PENDING
2408 NEELY AVE...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #102414 ... $180,000
4413 PARKDALE DR...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #103551 ... $165,000

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

4474 E. GOLDENROD DR...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... SALE PENDING
2000 STANOLIND...3BR With Pool In Warwick Addition ... MLS # 103494 ... $750,000
121 WINDRIDGE CIRCLE...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #101569 ... $625,000
3302 BLUEBIRD LANE...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #94206 ... 5.13 Acres/$550,000
4201 FAIRWOOD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS # 102864 ... SALE PENDING
3301 EBBETS...Lisa Jansa 618-3389 ... MLS #102187 ... SALE PENDING
15192 N. PECAN AVE...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #100289 ... 10 Acres/$425,000
1102 CASTLEFORD RD...Lisa Jansa 618-3389 ... MLS #103413 ... $415,000
5478 CYPRESS CT...Lisa Jansa 618-3389 ... MLS #102646 ... $399,000
5004 NORTHCREST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103284 ... SALE PENDING
2213 HUMBLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103595 ... $375,000
4012 TRINITY CT...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ... MLS #102802 ... $375,000
3402 FELDSPAR LANE...Janice Murrell 349-7242 ... MLS #101330 ... $349,900
5709 CARMEL COURT...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #102677 ... $345,000
5705 CARMEL COURT...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #102874 ... $343,500
5604 LOS PATIOS DR...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #103376 ... $335,000
5701 LLANO...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102846 ... $335,000
5812 LLANO...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS #103252 ... $329,500
2807 MARMON...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103644 ... $325,000
3403 LIMESTONE...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #101537 ... $325,000
812 BOYD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102736 ... $320,000
5709 LLANO CT...Amanda Gunter 413-7330 ... MLS #102949 ... $320,000
5408 RIO GRANDE...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #103508 ... $315,000
4005 CRESTWOOD...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #103325 ... $315,000
1606 W. MICHIGAN...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #103612 ... $279,000
1000 BOYD...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ... $229,900
4007 ANGELINA DR...Reece Bivens 230-8647 ... MLS #102100 ... SALE PENDING
#4 AMHURST...Donna Omar 349-1458 ... MLS #102036 ... $287,500
1800 MISSOURI...Danny Norwood 413-2764 ... MLS #103530 ... $279,900
3610 HYDE PARK...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ... $279,900
5001 MELVILLE DR...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ... MLS #102035 ... SALE PENDING
2810 DURANT...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #99124 ... $277,500
5707 CHAMPIONS DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103614 ... $275,000
4723 SPRINGMEADOW LANE #2...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #101636 ... $275,000
1610 W. INDIANA...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #102450 ... $272,500
4723 SPRING MEADOW LANE, #2...Kay Bivens 934-5995 ... MLS #101636 ... $270,000
3201 BLUEBIRD...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #102624 ... $269,900
4109 GODFREY...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #102329 ... $269,000
4103 DYER...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102538 ... $265,000
938 EDWARDS...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #103556 ... $260,000
3025 FREDNA...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ... MLS #102618 ... $260,000
807 CHEYENNE ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... $259,900
2807 W. DENGAR AVE...Jo Keller 269-8319 ... MLS #103625 ... $254,900
2410 NORTHTOWN CT...Madison Shaw 528-4640 ... MLS #102782 ... $254,000
3503 DENTCREST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS # 103205 ... $245,000
4209 MERRILL DR...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# 102961 ... $244,900
2809 MOSS AVE...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS#101016 ... SALE PENDING
4000 WESTMINISTER DR...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053 ... MLS #103260 ... $229,900
4511 BELTON...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103640 ... $225,000
3709 NEELY AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103402 ... $225,000
5207 ANETTA DR...Denise Brasher 889-5022 ... MLS #102945 ... SALE PENDING
900 NOLAN RYAN...Lisa Jansa 661-3389 ... MLS #102248 ... SALE PENDING
2512 NOEL...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... MLS # 101976 ... SALE PENDING
2302 SINCLAIR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #101836 ... $225,000
1007 MCDONALD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102179 ... $225,000
1000 BOYD...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... $224,900
806 NOLAN RYAN DRIVE...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ... MLS #103588 ... $220,000
1004 MCDONALD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102179 ... $220,000
202 MITCHELL...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #103049 ... $220,000
4603 ST. ANDREWS...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061 ... MLS #102706 ... $210,000
3005 FREDNA...Lisa Jansa 618-3389 ... MLS #102783 ... $210,000
1008 CLEMENTE COURT...Martha Manulik 557-8744 ... SALE PENDING
2105 MARCIE CT...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102852 ... $209,900
3615 STANOLIND...Josie Alvarez 296-1395 ... MLS #101565 ... SALE PENDING
3210 FRONTIER...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #103193 ... $209,900
5105 LAVACA AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ... MLS #103282 ... $205,500
3606 SINCLAIR AVE...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #101800 ... $205,000
5000 SUNSHINE PARKWAY...Angie L McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #102417 ... $205,000
5105 LAVACA AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5964 ... MLS #103282 ... $202,000
2609 COUNTRY CLUB...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102727 ... $201,000
3528 STANOLIND AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103102 ... SALE PENDING
3105 WHITTLE WAY...Jane Wolf 432-352-4808 ... MLS #101285 ... $200,000
3100 ELMA...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS# 102943 ... $199,900
808 SHEA LANE...Peggy Spence 664-3011 ... MLS #102644 ... $198,000
3318 W. MICHIGAN...Angie L. McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #101885 ... SALE PENDING
3611 W. LOUISIANA...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102229 ... SALE PENDING
3209 MARK LN...Lisa Jansa ... MLS #102952 ... $195,000
3300 DENTCREST...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #103541 ... SALE PENDING
5220 BRAZOS...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #102703 ... $187,000
2411 STOREY...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #101966 ... $187,000
1610 N L ST...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061 ... MLS #102849 ... $185,000
4620 BROOKDALE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... SALE PENDING
2210 WARD ST...Elisia Flatt 557-7159 ... MLS #103126 ... $179,000
705 ALPINE ST...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... MLS #101390 ... $179,900
4705 PRINCETON...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #103110 ... $179,900
1800 N. MAIN...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #102566 ... $179,900
1007 DELMAR...Karen Foster 559-4086 ... MLS #103011 ... SALE PENDING
4728 PRINCETON...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #103210 ... SALE PENDING
3302 PERRY...Angie L. McKay 599-0272 ... MLS #101950 ... SALE PENDING
4507 CIMMARON AVE...Denise Brasher 889-5022 ... MLS #103468 ... SALE PENDING
4614 FLOYD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102524 ... SALE PENDING
4474 E. GOLDENROD DR...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... SALE PENDING
4601 CROCKETT AVE...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS #103123 ... SALE PENDING
3214 W. OHIO...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #402617 ... SALE PENDING
4613 WILSHIRE...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #103053 ... $155,000
423 ELM AVE...Reannah Wyatt 210-275-9015 ... MLS #103613 ... $149,000
4405 ERIE...Pam Messer 349-8573 ... MLS #100066 ... SALE PENDING
414 SHANDON AVE...Reannah Wyatt 275-9015 ... MLS #101920 ... $139,900
2804 DELANO AVE...Lydia Scudder 853-2200 ... MLS #102542 ... $129,000
1604 W. WASHINGTON...Darla Davis 432-260-8077 ... MLS #100398 ... $100,000
1506 COLORADO...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #101935 ... $92,000

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

1407 W TEXAS AVE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #101991 ... $239,900
3502 BEDFORD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS # 102862 ... $189,900
3100 TEALWOOD PLACE...Cherith Hamilton 556-0306 ... MLS #102555 ... SALE PENDING
4021 LIVINGSTON ST...Darla Davis 260-8077 ... MLS #103302 ... $175,000
5005 BELLE GROVE...Lisa Jansa 618-3389 ... MLS #103435 ... $168,000
1102 LANHAM ST...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102359 ... $163,000
2602A PECOS...Lavonne Johnson 770-3883 ... MLS #103404 ... SALE PENDING
330 E. CLOUD...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #102286 ... $120,000
2806 ROOSEVELT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... SALE PENDING
4007 AVONDALE...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #102619 ... SALE PENDING

TOWNHOMES-PATIO HOMES

3529 BOYD AVE...Lydia Scudder ... MLS #103042 ... $249,000
2506 WADLEY...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS #103146 ... $235,000
2104 FREEPORT...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #102683 ... $175,000

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

1300 S. CO. RD. 1130...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# 102406 ... 72 Acres/$2,700,000
9706 E. CO. RD. 127...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #01942 ... 25 Acres/$775,000
5104 N. CO. RD. 1150...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102429 ... $559,900
2500 N. CO. RD. 1275...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #102680 ... $550,000
12104 E. CO. RD. 102...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #102559 ... 2.93 Acres/$475,000
5104 S. CO. RD. 1150...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102429 ... $499,900
5609 CO. RD. 120...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #102222 ... $425,000
12111 E. CO. RD. 101...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... $424,900
1811 CO. RD. 1085...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782 ... MLS# 101416 ... $329,000
4201 S. CO. RD. 1185...Reannah Wyatt 210-275-9015 ... MLS #100444 ... $325,000
1400 N. CO. RD. 1110...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #103113 ... $319,600
4700 E. CO. RD. 140...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #101833 ... $300,000
6300 S. CO. RD. 1200...Ashley St. John 352-6254 ... $299,900
5007 E. CO. RD. 130...Reannah Wyatt 275-9015 ... MLS #103511 ... $245,000
1005 S. CO. RD. 1129...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #101892 ... SALE PENDING
809 CHUKAR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #100020 ... SALE PENDING
7209 E. CO. RD. 90...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS# 102274 ... SALE PENDING
3605 S. CO. RD. 1184...Susan Palmer 978-7816 ... MLS #101830 ... SALE PENDING
3401 S. CO. RD. 1070...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS #101987 ... 1 Acre/$209,900
7007 E. CO. RD. 90...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS#102051 ... SALE PENDING
104 E. CO. RD. 120...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS#102185A ... SALE PENDING
1210 N. CO. RD. 1081...Michelle Lesikar 230-3633 ... MLS# 101074 ... 2BD/$174,900
3001 S. CO. RD. 1068...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #103274 ... $114,900
2811 W. CO. RD. 116...Mark Philliber ... MLS #93898 ... SALE PENDING

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

1600 NE 1001, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker ... MLS# 100455 ... $525,000
15192 N. PECAN AVE., GARDENDALE...Caleb Matott 432-349-3330 ... MLS #100289 ... 10+ Acres/$425,000
7601 KEYHAVEN, ODESSA...Larry Hatfield 349-4788 ... MLS #95295 ... $399,900
11402 W. CO. RD. 40, GARDENDALE...Ashley Brasher St. John 352-6254 ... 3 Acres/$349,900
3878 KENWOOD DR...Janice Murrell 349-7242 ... MLS #95570 ... $201,900
1402 W. 22ND ST., ODESSA...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #102499 ... $194,000
4010 CANDY LANE, ODESSA...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #102799 ... $189,999
5327 LONGSHORE RD., BIG SPRING...Mark Philliber 222-5071 ... MLS #101735 ... 3BD/$169,000
4474 E. GOLDENROD DR...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... SALE PENDING
408 1ST, STANTON...Michelle Kidd ... MLS #101475 ... $160,000
1003 3RD, ANDREWS...Cynthia Blocker ... MLS #101790 ... $146,500
309 ST. CHARLES, STANTON...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #101494 ... SALE PENDING
1024 E. WACO, KERMIT...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... SALE PENDING
1013 STADIUM, BIG SPRING...Danny Norwood 618-5012 ... MLS #101629 ... $50,000

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

10204 FM 307...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #103036 ... 10.11 Ac/$2,100,000
3114 SUNBURST...Wendy Waddell 638-9955 ... MLS #102751 ... $1,900,000
5308 WALL ST...Gina Reyes 553-6381 ... MLS #99121 ... $799,000
331 TAMMY DR...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #102144 ... $621,000
1002 MARIENFELD...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #101869 ... $580,000
810 W. KENTUCKY...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #102788 ... $450,000
3207 W. FRONT ST...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #102671 ... $385,000
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 4, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102474 ... 7.817 Ac/$337,560
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 3, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102474 ... 11.252 Ac/$337,560
CO. RD. 140-LOT 2...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102240 ... 9.7 Acres/$291,000
1811 ORCHARD DR...Maria Mallory 352-4021 ... MLS #102503 ... $289,900
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 1, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102472 ... 9.479 Ac/$284,370
4403 WEST IH 20...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# L102078 ... $280,000
1407 W TEXAS AVE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... MLS# 101992 ... $249,900
S. HWY. 137-TRACT 2, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102473 ... 9.296 Ac/$209,160
CO. RD. 140-LOT 6...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102244 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 7...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102245 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 8...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102246 ... 5.7 Acres/$171,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 4...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102243 ... 5.6 Acres/$168,000
705 S. BIG SPRING...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #101687 ... $162,500
CO. RD. 140-LOT 13...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102251 ... $159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 12...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102250 ... 5.3 Acres/$159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 10...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102249 ... 5.3 Acres/$159,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 15...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102253 ... 5.1 Acres/$153,000
3501 CO. RD. 1140...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #102674 ... $150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 9...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102257 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 18...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102256 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 17...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102255 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 16...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102254 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
CO. RD. 140-LOT 14...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102252 ... 5 Acres/$150,000
701 & 703 S. BIG SPRING...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100230 ... 2 Lots/$120,000

LAND AND LOTS

CO. RD. 55...Jennifer Martin 349-2632 ... MLS #102675 ... 5 Acres/
W. CO. RD. 116...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
LAKE ALAN HENRY...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... North Ridge Dev., RV Park, Storage Complex ... $20,000,000
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97407 ... SUPERB Land; Will Split, 640 Acres/$2,560,000
CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97403 ... CLEAN Land; Will Split, 585+ Acres/$2,340,000
CO. RD. 160...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97408 ... IDEAL Land, 502.20 Acres/$2,008,800
3202 S. CO. RD. 1050...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #101019 ... 99.81 Acres/$1,543,955
000 FM 1213...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #101070 ... $1,362,075
CO. RD. 1110...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #96969 ... SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #97406 ... SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 96.85 Acres/$968,500
CO. RD. 3100, STANTON...Michelle Kidd 894-1253 ... MLS #94070 ... 185 Acres/$925,000
FM 1212, MARTIN CO...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #102647 ... 338.08 Acres/$545,000
2415 IDLEWILDE DR...Leah Watkins 599-2187 ... MLS #102445 ... $535,788
1290 STOKES...Jane Wolf 352-4808 ... MLS #100781 ... 10+ Acres/$475,000
FM 715...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819 ... MLS #96888 ... 22 Acres/$444,000
N. CO. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #95384 ... 20 Acres/$299,900
4403 WEST IH 20...Tracy Farrow 413-4412 ... 7 Acres Raw Land ... MLS# L102078 ... $280,000
CO. RD. 1130...Clemmie Sorge 618-5019 ... MLS #89518 ... 29.1 Acres/$276,450
HWY. 80...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #101936 ... $190,000
4921 N. CR 1147...Caleb Matott 432-349-3330 ... MLS #99648 ... 8+ Acres/$175,000
6100 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... MLS #101143 ... $175,000
6805 DESERT WIND...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #102951 ... SALE PENDING
3501 N. CO. RD. 1140...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #102674 ... 2.38 acres/$150,000
CR 110 GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... New Subdivision/ 1available ... 5 Acres/$150,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES...Sandy Hanson 638-3819 ... 3+ Acre Lots/$135,000
7208 E. CO. RD. 111...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #103299 ... $122,000
CO. RD. 54...Pam Messer 349-3075 ... MLS #100052 ... $115,000
CO. RD. 110, GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... 1 available ... 3+ Acres/$110,000
7406 E. CO. RD. 96...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100047 ... 4.58 Acres/$96,180
CR 110 GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... New Subdivision/3 available ... 3 Acres/$85,000
7411 E. CO. RD. 96...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100044 ... 1.458 Acres/$84,564
7209 E. CO. RD. 112...Josie Rendon 889-8394 ... MLS #103298 ... $82,500
1202 S. CO. RD. 117...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100043 ... 1.408 Acres/$81,664
CR 110 GREENWOOD...Caleb Matott 432-349-3330 ... New Subdivision/ 3 available ... 3+ Acres/$80,000
7316 E. CO. RD. 96...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #100046 ... 1.017 Acres/$58,986
W. CO. RD. 171-LOT 18...Caleb Matott 349-3330 ... MLS #103522 ... 1.3 Acres/$45,500
1103 CARPENTER, STANTON...Clemmie Sorge 553-9136 ... MLS #103605 ... $45,000
QUAIL RIDGE SUBDIVISION...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880 ... 64 Lots Available/Starting At $43,500
0000 CO. RD. 1298...Kim Merrill 664-4702 ... MLS #102642 ... 0.962 Acres/$42,000
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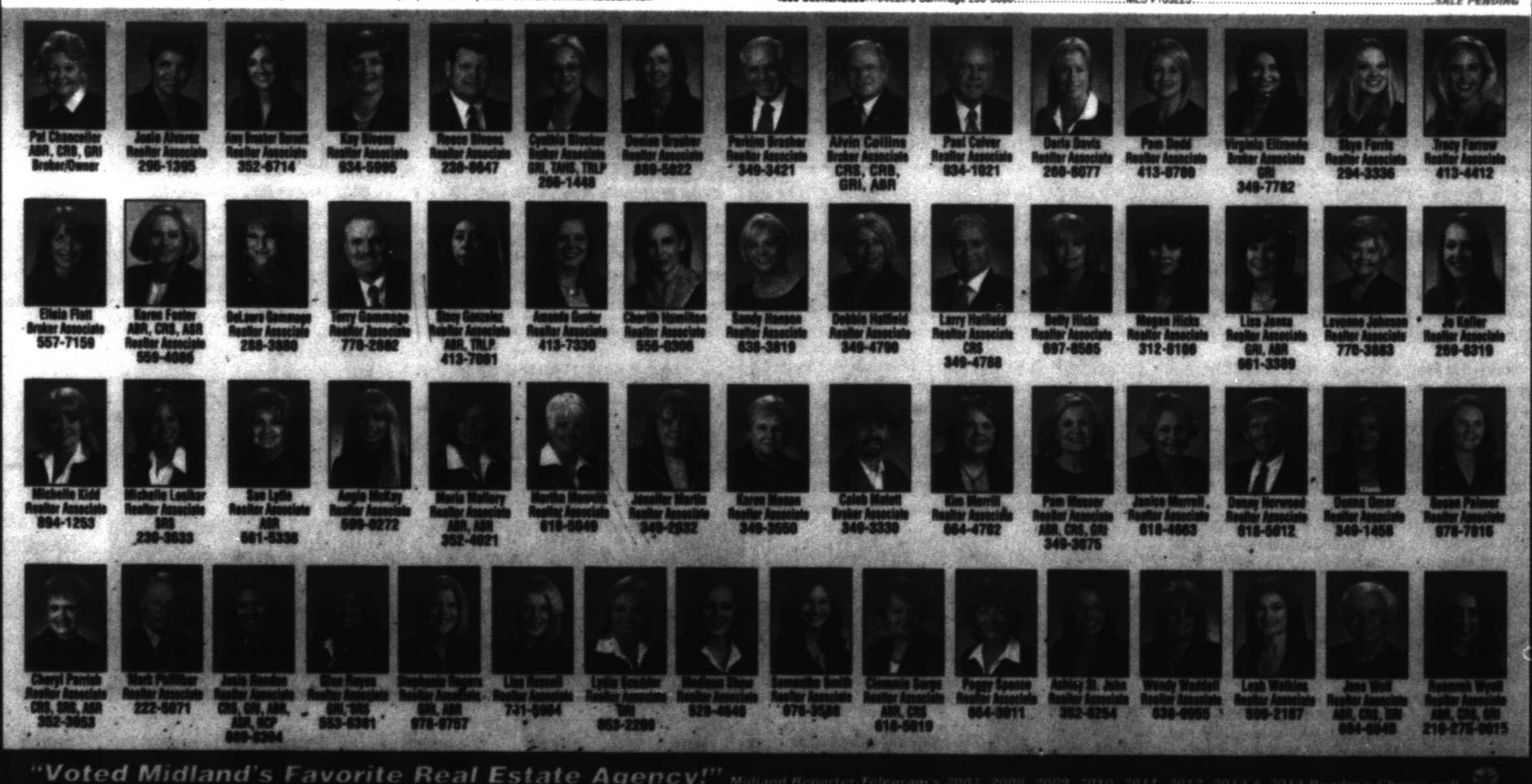

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ABOVE, BELOW: Participants take part Thursday in the reception to showcase local art from associations such as ArtiZen, Art Quest, Midland Arts Association and Midland Palette Club on display throughout the Midland Shared Spaces building.

Shared Spaces Gallery latest public space to display local art

By Rich Lopez
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Editor's note: This is the first story in a two-part series examining art in unexpected places and the impact it has on the community.

The Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces debuted this month, boasting a strong collection of works by local artists. Among the hallways of the MSS, visitors can partake in an unexpected art experience. More importantly, it serves as a new outlet for artistic voices — and also an example of collaborative efforts among Midland's nonprofit organizations.

"The whole idea of Midland Shared Spaces is to come together and share resources and cut overhead for nonprofits, but, also, we're learning how to best utilize community resources," said Vicki Jay, MSS executive director.

In this case, those community resources are area artists. The art on display is a collaborative effort among MSS, ArtQuest, ArtiZen Outlet, Midland Arts Association and the Palette Club.

With 16 nonprofits currently housed in Shared Spaces, the potential for foot traffic is high. Visitors to, say, Midland Opera Theater or Mission Center Adult Day Service will see the artists' work while heading to respective offices.

Jay described it as a win-win for everyone.

"The intent of it is just that," she said. "People who come to visit will see the art, and we encourage people to come in to see the art, but may also learn about the nonprofits here. It's just a gift for both sides."

The collaborative effort with artists can be seen elsewhere throughout Midland. Businesses such as The Harvest Caffe and Tea2Go display local works on their walls. The Midland Arts Association displays members' works in the Community National Bank building lobby downtown. And Midland Community Theatre adorns its walls with sometimes the works of just one artist.

MCT Managing Director Ryan Loyd said these spaces feel like welcome intrusions to the everyday.

"These types of locations are great ways to interrupt the minutiae of (the) daily and invite the public to more formal galleries," he said.

The theater's connection to local artists dates back to the 1950s under the then-leadership of Art Cole.

"He wanted to feature the work of talented local artists in an attempt to encourage and celebrate all things art related," Loyd explained. "This desire served as the catalyst for the art gallery program that continues nearly 60 years later."

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>
> Vicki Jay, MSS executive director

For ArtQuest's Judy Griffin, art serves as a sort of therapy, so its presence in the every day is of added value to Midlanders. She also recognized that anytime an artist can get art before the public is a great opportunity, but, for her, it goes beyond the commerce of it.

"Art freshens our lives and gives us the chance to take a breath," she said. "We spend the majority of our time in left-brain mode that, when we look at art, it switches that brain activity over to the right. And we can relax by allowing art to let us go into our imagination."

ArtQuest, which features art instruction, has 16 works on display at MSS, as well as works in the school itself, and, for Griffin, it's all about putting talent in front of the community.

"There's always an advantage to having work on display in a public manner. I think it helps make people more aware that original art is being done and on display," she said. "Public spaces like MSS can make a big difference in that they can assimilate that art into our township."

And so the collaboration almost extends beyond the artist and the space. It also includes Midland as a whole.

"Everything that we do is based on the concept of what we can do together rather than what we can do alone," Jay added. "And we have such talented people here who can be a part of this wonderful building, and we are honored they are sharing it with us so that we can share it with Midland."

But it doesn't stop there.

Local art isn't just an exhibit; it also identifies Midland. The creative voices are loud here, and whether in a gallery such as the Museum of the Southwest or Kamposi or in a public space, those voices only want to be heard and embraced.

Imagine what Midland — or anywhere — would be without it.

Or as Loyd pondered, "I've always liked the saying, 'without ART the earth is just EH.'"

Art in public

You don't always have to head to a gallery or museum to see art. And local art abounds throughout town in public spaces. Find them here:

- Midland County Public Library Centennial branch, 2503 W. Loop 250 N. www.co.midland.tx.us/departments/lib
- Community National Bank Building (in the lobby), 401 W. Texas Ave.
- Midland County Public Library Downtown location, 301 W. Missouri Ave.
- Harvest Caffe, 2101 W. Wadley Ave.
- Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. mctmidland.org.
- Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. A St. midlandsharedspaces.org.
- Tea2Go, 900 W Loop 250 N. tea2go.us.

Did we miss one?

Let us know where you've seen art on the walls in unexpected places. jrlopez@mrt.com.

Coming soon

We look at outdoor public art in Midland.

5 QUESTIONS

With Karmen Bryant | civic volunteer

Native Midlander Karmen Bryant is a force to be reckoned with in the world of fundraising and philanthropy — she recently honored by the Girl Scouts of the Desert Southwest as one of the 2015 Women of Distinction. When she isn't working on one of several projects, Bryant enjoys writing, reading, traveling and spending time with friends and husband Billy and their sons. Brits.

We caught up with Bryant and she took some time out of her busy schedule to let us get to know her a little better.

MRT: What is your greatest professional achievement?

Bryant: My greatest professional achievement is made of small moments being able to look back and see that things I thought I hoped for happened. I hope I keep those moments everyday — most and I will.

MRT: What is your best quality?

Bryant: Compassion.

MRT: Describe your ideal meal.

Bryant: Probably not so much the food but the company. I'm on a real Lena Dunham kick lately. I'm fascinated by the way her mind works and how she sees the world.

MRT: Your not-irrelevant indulgence?

Bryant: Sleep, contrary to popular belief I sleep whenever and wherever I can.

MRT: What is on your music player right now?

Bryant: My music player being a radio changer from 2003 is never the same soundtrack. Bob Marley, Wes Sexton, Johnny Cash and Drake.

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Sculpture on museum grounds spreads message of love, peace

WENDY EARLE

Curator of collections and exhibitions at the Museum of the Southwest

One of the most iconic sights in Midland may be Allan Houser's "Offering of the Sacred Pipe" standing tall in front of the Turner Mansion at the Museum of the Southwest. This dramatic sculpture shows a lone figure clad in a long robe rippling with texture, holding a long pipe in his outstretched hands.

I recently delved into some research about this sculpture and uncovered a wonderful history. Allan Houser was one of the most important Native American artists of the 20th century, born in 1914 to a Warm Springs Chiricahua Apache family in Apache, Oklahoma. His birth name was Haozous, meaning "pulling roots up out of the ground" which he changed to Houser to make it easier to pronounce. His father was an interpreter and warrior who served Geronimo. Houser was serious about his art from an early age, and studied art at the Painting Studio of the Santa Fe Indian School with Dorothy Dunn. He first worked as a painter, then moved into sculpture, exploring and experimenting with wood, stone and metal in life-size forms of Native American figures and abstract movement.

After a career of teaching, including as head of the sculpture department at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, Houser retired in 1975 and devoted himself full time to his sculpting. He found great fame and prestige in his own lifetime. Houser died in 1994, having received numerous awards and honors for his teaching career and illustrious art career, including being the first Native American artist to receive the National Medal of Arts.

The monumental bronze sculpture "Offering of the Sacred Pipe" was created in 1979 with three editions cast. "Editions" refers to identical versions of the same sculpture created at the same time. There is an artist's proof of the sculpture residing in Scottsdale; edition one is at the Museum of the Southwest (a gift from Mary and W.D. Kennedy), edition two is on a private ranch in Santa Fe, and the final edition is located at the United States Mission to the United Nations in New York City. Commemorated at the United Nations in 1985, this work stands as a symbol of peace. "Offering of the Sacred Pipe" stands on a terracotta red base that has been repurposed from its old life as an architectural column at the First National Bank of Midland, which closed in the 1980s. It's incredible to think about this sculpture standing at the United Nations and on the lawn of the Museum of the Southwest, open to the public rain or shine. This work connects people of different races with a universal message of peace, a message that will endure for many years.

Wendy Earle is curator of collections and exhibitions at Museum of the Southwest

Record-breaking show 'The Fantasticks' to close in May

By Mark Kennedy
Associated Press

AP file photo

This file image released by DDPR Public Relations shows Dan Sharkey as Hucklebee, left, and Kevin R. Free as Bellomy in "The Fantasticks." The off-Broadway phenomenon "The Fantasticks" will end its fantastic run this summer. Producers of the stalwart, low-tech show said Wednesday the musical will close May 3, the 55th anniversary of the show's opening in 1960. It will have run 20,672 performances in two city venues.

NEW YORK — The off-Broadway phenomenon "The Fantasticks" will pack away its confetti and cardboard moon this summer, ending a record-breaking, fantastic run that started when Dwight D. Eisenhower was president.

Producers of the stalwart, low-tech show said Wednesday that the musical will close on May 3, the 55th anniversary of the show's opening in 1960. It will have run 20,672 performances in two city venues, with a gap of four years when it went silent.

The tale, a mock version of "Romeo and Juliet," concerns a young girl and boy, secretly brought together by their fathers and an assortment of odd characters, including a rakish narrator, an old actor, an Indian named Mortimer and a mute. It's as much about a love affair as it is a nod to the magic of theater itself.

Scores of actors have appeared in the show, from the opening cast that included Jerry Orbach and Rita Gardner, to stars such as Ricardo Montalban and Kristin Chenoweth to Oscar-winner F. Murray Abraham.

For nearly 42 years the show chugged along at the 153-seat Sullivan Street Playhouse in Greenwich Village, finally closing in 2002 after 17,162 performances — a victim both of a destroyed downtown after 9/11 and a new post-terrorism, edgy mood.

In 2006, "The Fantasticks" found a new home in The Snapple Theater Center, an off-Broadway complex in the heart of Times Square. The show is cheap to run — with a cast of eight, two musicians, and guy who sprinkles confetti — but it has always struggled to stay filled in the shadow of Broadway houses.

Composer Harvey Schmidt's melodies are hypnotic, from "Try to Remember" to "Soon It's Gonna Rain" to the haunting "They Were You." Tom Jones' lyrics are equally accomplished: "Without a hurt, the heart is hollow" sums up the show's theme. The book, lyrics and direction were by also by Jones, who even acted in the original cast.

It long ago won the title of world's longest-running musical. "The Phantom of the Opera," by comparison, is Broadway's longest-running show with some 11,000 shows. The only rival to "The Fantasticks" is the play "The Mousetrap" in London, which is the longest-running show in the world, having passed 25,000 performances.

ENTERTAINMENTBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON

'Stand by Me' among 25 records being preserved at US library

One of the most broadcast songs of the 20th century, Ben E. King's "Stand by Me," has been selected for preservation at the Library of Congress, along with recordings from Joan Baez, The Righteous Brothers, Steve Martin and the darker sounds of the band Radiohead.

Twenty-five sound recordings spanning from 1890 to 1999 were added Wednesday to the library's National Recording Registry. Each year the library chooses recordings that are "culturally, historically or aesthetically significant."

Some of the unforgettable tunes being archived include "Ac-Cent-Tchu-Ate the Positive" from Johnny Mercer in 1944, Baez's first solo album, The Righteous Brothers' "You've Lost That Lovin' Feelin'" and Steve Martin's "A Wild and Crazy Guy" comedy album, which broke new ground in the 1970s as Martin broke out of formulaic jokes and punchlines for less predictable humor.

Upon hearing of his archive-worthy achievement, Martin deadpanned: "I could not be more proud of this honor. This means the record was probably funny."

The Library of Congress has been seeking to preserve important sound recordings for 15 years under terms of a preservation act passed by Congress.

In the 1960s, King originally intended his song "Stand by Me" for his former group, the Drifters, but he ended up recording it himself. The song is anchored by one of the best-known bass lines in history, curators said. A few years later, The Righteous Brothers were recording "Lovin' Feelin.'" They thought the song was wrong for them at first but ended up with a hit.

The oldest recordings being saved are in the form of 600 wax cylinder recordings at the University of California, Santa Barbara, that were recorded by consumers in the 1890s, 1900s and 1910s as snapshots of everyday life.

NEW YORK

Picasso valued at $140M heading to NYC auction

A radiant masterpiece by Pablo Picasso from the 1950s will lead an auction in May where it could top $140 million.

"Women of Algiers (Version O)" will be offered at Christie's on May 11.

The vibrantly colorful 1955 painting features a scantily attired female in the foreground amid a jumble of smaller female nudes. The central figure is Picasso's muse Jacqueline Roque, who became his second wife in 1961.

The oil on canvas was part of a 15-work series Picasso created between 1954 and 1955 that was inspired by "Women of Algiers in their Apartment" by Eugene Delacroix, an 1834 work Picasso greatly admired that hangs in the Louvre in Paris.

The hefty pre-sale estimate hovers near the current record for any artwork sold at auction, held by Francis Bacon's triptych "Three Studies of Lucian Freud." It sold at Christie's for $142.4 million in 2013.

Christie's did not reveal the seller, but said the collector acquired the painting in 1997 for $31.9 million when Christie's sold the collection of noted New York collectors Victor and Sally Ganz, who at one time owned all 15 works in the series.

"One can arguably say that this is the single most important painting by Picasso to remain in private hands," said Olivier Camu, Christie's deputy chairman of impressionist and modern art.

The work has been in several major museum retrospectives in the 1950s and 1960s. More recently it appeared in exhibitions at the National Gallery in London, the Louvre in Paris and the Tate Britain.

"Women of Algiers (Version O)" will be offered with a group of two dozen other blue chip works created between 1902 and the end of the 20th century in a stand-alone sale called "Looking Forward to the Past."

MIDLANDREADS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Top circulated titles at Midland County Public Library for February:

Children's fiction

1. "The Night Gardener: A Scary Story" by Jonathan Auxier
2. "The Hero's Guide to Saving Your Kingdom" by Christopher Healy
3. "Zane and the Hurricane: A Story of Katrina" by W.R. Philbrick
4. "The Misadventures of Salem Hyde" by Frank Cammuso
5. "Mountain Dog" by Margarita Engle
6. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" by Jeff Kinney
7. "The Vanishing Coin" by Kate Egan
8. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" by Jeff Kinney
9. "Sky Jumpers" by Peggy Eddleman
10. "Saving Lucas Biggs" by Marisa De los Santos
11. "Quinny & Hopper" by Adriana Brad Schanen
12. "One Dead Spy: The Life, Times, and Last Words of Nathan Hale, America's Most Famous Spy" by Nathan Hale
13. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" by Jeff Kinney
14. "Always, Abigail" by Nancy J. Cavanaugh
15. "The Ghosts of Tupelo Landing" by Sheila Turnage
16. "Tales from a Not-So-Graceful Ice Princess" by Rachel Renee Russell
17. "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" *

*includes three different subtitles not provided by this report

DVDs

1. "The Equalizer"
2. "Fury"
3. "Tammy"
4. "Noah"
5. "Draft Day"
6. "Frozen"
7. "The Expendables 3"
8. "A Million Ways to Die in the West"
9. "The Single Moms Club"
10. "Gone Girl"
11. "If I Stay"
12. "Jack Ryan Shadow Recruit"
13. "Jersey Boys"
14. "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles"
15. "A Most Wanted Man"
16. "Dawn of the Planet of the Apes"

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BESTSELLERS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Hardcover fiction

1. "The Girl on the Train" by Paula Hawkins (Riverhead)
2. "All the Light We Cannot See" by Anthony Doerr (Scribner)
3. "Last One Home" by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine)
4. "Prodigal Son" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
5. "The Assassin" by Cussler/Scott (Putnam)
6. "Endangered" by C.J.Box (Putnam)
7. "A Spool of Blue Thread" by Anne Tyler (Knopf)
8. "The Buried Giant" by Kazuo Ishiguro (Knopf)
9. "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah (St. Martin's Press)
10. "Cold Betrayal" by J.A. Jance (S&S/Touchstone)
11. "Private Vegas" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro (Little, Brown)
12. "World Gone By" by Dennis Lehane (Morrow)
13. "Mightier than the Sword" by Jeffrey Archer (St. Martin's Press)
14. "Leaving Berlin" by Joseph Kanon (Atria)
15. "The Fifth Gospel" by Ian Caldwell (Simon & Schuster)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "Dead Wake" by Erik Larson (Crown)
2. "The Life-Changing Magic of Tidying up" by Marie Kondo (Ten Speed)
3. "Get What's Yours" by Laurence Kotlikoff, Philip Moeller and Paul Solman (Simon & Schuster)
4. "Being Mortal" by Atul Gawande (Metropolitan)
5. "Every Day I Fight" by Stuart Scott (Penguin/Blue Rider)
6. "Killing Patton" by Bill O'Reilly and Martin Dugard (Henry Holt and Co.)
7. "Savor" by Shauna Niequist (Zondervan)
8. "10-Day Detox Diet Cookbook" by Mark Hyman (Little, Brown)
9. "Thug Kitchen" by Thug Kitchen (Rodale)
10. "The 20/20 Diet" by Phil McGraw (Bird Street Books)
11. "Goddesses Never Age" by Christiane Northrup (Hay House)
12. "Money: Master the Game" by Tony Robbins (Simon & Schuster)
13. "17 Carnations" by Andrew Morton (Grand Central)
14. "Yes Please" by Amy Poehler (Dey Street Books)
15. "Our Kids" by Robert D. Putnam (Simon & Schuster)

Mass market paperbacks

1. "The Target" by David Baldacci (Vision)
2. "Festive in Death" by J.D. Robb (Berkley)
3. "The Longest Ride" (movie tie-in) by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
4. "The Bootlegger" by Clive Cussler and Justin Scott (Berkley)
5. "One Wish" by Robyn Carr (Harlequin MIRA)
6. "Close to Home" by Lisa Jackson (Kensington/Zebra)
7. "American Sniper" (movie tie-in) by Chris Kyle (Harper)
8. "A Real Prince" by Debbie macomber (Mira)
9. "Missing You" by Harlan Coben (Dell)
10. "The City" by Dean Koontz (Bantam)
11. "The Heist" by Daniel Silva (Harper)
12. "Power Play" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
13. "The Apple Orchard" by Susan Wiggs (Mira)
14. "Gone Girl" (movie tie-in) by Gillian Flynn (Broadway)
15. "The Immortal Who Loved Me" by Lynsay Sands (Avon)

Trade paperbacks

1. "American Sniper" (movie tie-in) by Chris Kyle (William Morrow)
2. "The Collector" by Nora Roberts (Berkley)
3. "The Husband's Secret" by Liane Moriarty (Berkley)
4. "Invisible" by James Patterson and David Ellis (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "I Hate Myselfie" by Shane Dawson (Atria/Keywords)
6. "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown (Penguin Press)
7. "Sight Unseen" by Johansen/Johansen (St. Martin's)
8. "Still Alice: A Novel" (movie tie-in) by Lisa Genova (Pocket)
9. "Unbroken" (movie tie-in) by Laura Hillenbrand (Random House)
10. "Mean Streak" by Sandra Brown (Grand Central Publishing)
11. "The 5 Love Languages" by Gary Chapman (Moody/Northfield)
12. "Unbroken" by Laura Hillenbrand (Random House)
13. "Wild" (movie tie-in) by Cheryl Strayed (Vintage)
14. "Fifty Shades of Grey" (movie tie-in) by E.L. James (Vintage)
15. "10-Day Green Smoothie Cleanse" by J.J. Smith (Atria)

Library's spring calendar full of family fun

JOHN TRISCHITTI

Director of the Midland County Public Libraries

Spring is in the air and the weather is quickly improving. No more being cooped up in the house. While yard work and outdoor activities are calling, we hope your plans for getting out and about will include a stop by one of the Midland County Public Libraries to see what we have to offer for your recreational, cultural or education needs.

The Redfern Genealogical Research Center at the Centennial branch continues to be a jewel of a resource to the citizens in this community and one of the best genealogical departments in the state. You're invited to Family Tree Day 2015 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. April 11. Did your grandmother rob a bank? Do you really have Native American heritage? These were some of the discoveries made at last year's Family Tree Day. Whether you are a beginner just starting to fill out your family tree or someone looking to find that final long-lost someone, volunteers from the Midland Family History Center will be back with free one-on-one help with your family tree.

If you have not had the opportunity to see the Centennial branch's current exhibit "Mix It up" featuring 18 pieces of playful abstract art by New York Times bestselling Parisian author Hervé Tullet, now is the time. The exhibit closes April 17. This exhibit has been wildly popular so far in Midland, with more than 3,000 area students coming to see this engaging exhibit before it heads back to Paris, France.

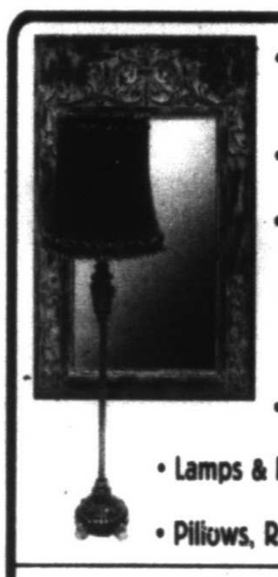
The youth services department has several big events to mark on your calendar in the coming weeks. Midland County Pubic Library will be setting up a booth at the annual Easter Eggstravaganza at Hill Park 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. April 4. Come to this wonderful community event and stop by the library booth. Curious George will be visiting the downtown location at 10:30 a.m. April 9 during story time. Children will get a chance to take a picture with Curious George, have snacks, make a craft and listen to some stories in both English and Spanish. Midland County Public Library, Basin PBS and Midland College are partnering on this great event and are also showcasing Curious George at the Si MC event at Midland College, where the library will also be setting up reading times and a booth. Midland Festival Ballet will be conducting a tea party and dance 10:30 a.m. April 16 at the Downtown library.

Our first Anime Club meeting for ages 13-19 will be 3:30-5 p.m. April 25 in the Teen Room. Each month members will discuss and participate in activities that include anime, manga, cosplay and Japanese culture. This group will also be a part of the second Basin Anime Convention slated for the weekend of June 26-28. There will be panels, anime showings, cosplay and an art contest. If you have children or grandchildren, we hope some of these events will be a part of your spring activities.

International Tabletop Day was founded three years ago as a way for the world to celebrate tabletop gaming together. Every spring, fans post thousands of events all over the world to the site, and every year the event has grown. Tabletop Day 2014 was celebrated in 80 countries, over all seven continents, and had more than 3,000 events in total. This year is going to be even bigger.

Come celebrate International Tabletop Day at the Centennial branch from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. April 11. A variety of RPG and table top games, including some featured on the Geek & Sundry web series, will be available to play in the library's meeting room. Bring a group or come alone; play an old favorite or try something new. This event is free and open to the public. No ticket or registration is required.

Keep up with library happenings online at www.co.midland.tx.us/lib. And follow us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MidlandCountyPLTX.



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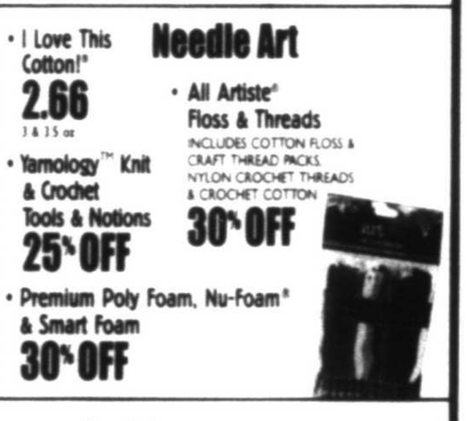

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WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

Sewell - Brim

Graceanne Sewell of Albuquerque, New Mexico and Justin Brim of Midland, Texas were united in marriage on October 4, 2014, in an outdoor ceremony at the Welfare Cafe in Welfare, Texas. Mr. Chris Nickel of The Park Church in San Antonio, close friend of the couple, performed the wedding ceremony. Following the ceremony, the couple and guests celebrated with a dinner and dancing at the Welfare Café's Goat Barn.

The bride is the daughter of Kelly Sewell of Flower Mound, Texas, and Tracie Calhoun Trotter of Albuquerque, New Mexico. She is the granddaughter of Ken and Wanda Sewell of Southlake, Texas, formerly of Midland, and Bob and Martha Calhoun of Van, Texas.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Brim of Midland. He is the grandson of the late Virgil Henshaw, the late Charles and Iva Henshaw Kreisher of Sweetwater, Texas, and the late Allen and Alene Brim of Sweetwater, Texas.

Thea Evans served as maid of honor. Serving as bridesmaids were Mamie Trotter and Rubie Trotter, sisters of the bride, Sara Spence, cousin of the bride, Sabina Downing, and Claire Watkins, friends of the bride.

Dustin Rucker served as best man. Serving as groomsmen were Landon Brim, brother of the groom, Ben Sewell, brother of the bride, Christian Gross, Tyler Kennedy, and Clint Malloy friends of the groom.

Graceanne is a graduate of New Mexico Military Institute. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and her Master of Arts in Early Childhood Education from Trinity University. She is currently employed as a second grade teacher at Woodridge Elementary in Alamo Heights ISD.

Justin is a graduate of Midland High School. He received his Bachelor of Science in Sports Management from Texas A&M University. The groom is currently employed by EOG Resources as a Right of Way Agent and Document Specialist in the Eagle Ford Shale.

Following a honeymoon to the Secrets Maroma Beach Resort in the Mayan Rivera, the couple will reside in San Antonio, Texas.

Barrera - Carrillo

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Barrera of Midland, Texas, are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Marissa Mylene Barrera, to Daniel Carrillo, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Carrillo of Midland, Texas.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Ramona Barrandey and the late Estanislado Barrandey of McCamey, Texas, and the late Antonia Barrera and Jose Barrera of Eldorado, Texas. Marissa is a 2008 graduate of Robert E. Lee High School. In 2012, she earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Sul Ross State University and is currently a LASIK Technician in Midland.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Carmen Aguirre and the late Ladislao Aguirre, and Emma and Chris Carrillo, all of Roswell, New Mexico. Daniel graduated from Robert E. Lee High School in 2008. In 2013, he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Kinesiology from the University of Texas of the Permian Basin. He is employed by the Midland Independent School District at Robert E. Lee High School and is the Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach.

The couple will wed on June 20, 2015 at St. Ann's Catholic Church in Midland.

Associated Press

This March 2 photo shows celery root and chipotle remoulade slaw in Concord, N.H. Celery root is a good source of filling fiber and vitamins C and K.

Celery root: It's not pretty, but it's pretty tasty in slaw

Associated Press

It wasn't until I lived in France that I fully appreciated how underused celeriac — also called celery root — is here in the US.

In France, this knobby root cousin of the celery we are more familiar with is used in soups, as a puree, raw in salads, as well as in a typical French slaw-like dish called "celeri remoulade."

Celery root imparts a celery-like flavor that softens when cooked. In purees, try pairing it with other tubers, such as a potato or yam, to balance out the celery flavor. Raw, celeriac works best when thinly sliced, julienned or grated.

In the produce aisle, look for a bumpy small globe about the size of a large softball. Sometimes the flavorful (but fibrous) stalks are attached, which can be cut off and used as an aromatic, primarily for building flavor in broths or braising liquids.

Celery root is a good source of filling fiber and vitamin C, but the big nutritional selling point is the amount of vitamin K packed into this ugly little veggie, with just one serving giving us about half our daily requirement. Vitamin K gets woefully little air time, but it plays an important role in blood and bone health.

AP file photo

Chef and author Julia Child holds tomatoes Aug. 13, 1992, in the kitchen at her home in Cambridge, Mass. More than a decade after her death, the foundation she created finally is launching a culinary award named in her honor. The Julia Child Award, which will be named annually, will be presented to someone who has improved how Americans think about food and cooking. The first winner will be announced in August 2015 and the award will be presented in October.

Organic food companies recall products over listeria fears

By Kristin J. Bender
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Three organic food companies that use spinach in their food have recalled hundreds of thousands of items over listeria concerns.

Organic food company Amy's Kitchen has voluntarily recalled about 74,000 cases of frozen and prepackaged products containing spinach.

It comes after one of Amy's suppliers issued a recall notice saying the Petaluma-based company may have received organic spinach possibly tainted with the bacteria that causes listeria.

U.S. Food and Drug Administration officials are aware of the recall.

The disease can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems.

Although healthy individuals may suffer only short-term symptoms such as high fever, severe headache, stiffness, nausea, abdominal pain and diarrhea, listeria infection can cause miscarriages and stillbirths among pregnant women

The company reports it has not had any complaints of illnesses from the products being recalled in the United States and Canada.

The recalled items include vegetable lasagna, tofu vegetable lasagna, garden vegetable lasagna, tofu scramble, enchilada verde meal, spinach pizza, brown rice and vegetables bowl, stuffed pasta shells bowl, gluten-free tofu scramble and the breakfast wrap.

Rochester-based Wegmans Food Markets is recalling roughly 12,540 packages of Wegmans organic spinach due to possible contamination with listeria. The 12-ounce product was sold in the frozen food department of the company's 85 stores in New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Virginia, Maryland, and Massachusetts between Jan. 27, and March 21.

Wegmans' recall started with Coastal Green Vegetable Company in Oxnard, California, which initiated a recall of bulk spinach last Friday due to possible contamination with listeria.

On Monday, Carmel Food Group today issued a voluntary recall of certain Rising Moon Organics frozen ravioli items over the same concern.

The Hayward, Calif.-based company did not say how many packages or cases of the ravioli were produced with the ingredient in question or how widespread their recall is.

Also Tuesday, federal authorities said Blue Bell is expanding the recall of some ice cream products to include 3-ounce cups of chocolate, strawberry and vanilla ice cream that have tab lids because of possible exposure to the listeria bacteria.

List of recalled Amy's Kitchen products

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Julia Child Foundation launches award

By J.M. Hirsch
Associated Press

More than a decade after Julia Child's death, the foundation she created finally is launching a culinary award named in her honor.

The annual award pays tribute to one of the United States' most influential cooks. With a writing and television career that spanned decades, Child is credited with revolutionizing Americans' notion of fine food, starting with her now iconic 1961 cookbook, "Mastering the Art of French Cooking." She taught generations of Americans to enjoy food and embrace their mistakes in the kitchen.

But the group was in no rush to create an award, said Todd Shulkin, executive director of The Julia Child Foundation for Gastronomy and the Culinary Arts. They wanted to take the time needed to create something unique from other culinary awards. Food writers, chefs and television personalities, for example, already are honored by annual awards given in tribute to Child's friend, James Beard.

The Julia Child Award, which will be named annually, will be presented to someone who has improved how Americans think about food and cooking. The nominees and winner will be selected by a jury appointed by the foundation, with the winner receiving a $50,000 grant to give to a food-related nonprofit.

"There's a list of about half a dozen characteristics they are looking for. It's looking at what Julia represented and why she was so successful, that combination of education and entertainment, passion and commitment to the subject," Shulkin said. "We're looking at trying to shine a spotlight on people who are prodding change, challenging what Americans are eating and drinking and encouraging them to cook for themselves."

The first winner will be announced in August and the award will be presented in October at the National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C.

Hard-boiled eggs must be peeled before reheating

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Dear Heloise: You are never too old to learn an easy way to peel hard-boiled eggs. I boiled 10 eggs and put them in the refrigerator. A few days ago, I wanted hard-boiled eggs, but I didn't want cold eggs. I put two eggs in the microwave for 20 seconds. I cracked the shell on the large end and peeled. — W.D., via email

Your hint is a good reminder of how to reheat eggs, but here is what we learned a couple of years ago after testing it at Heloise Central: The eggs must already be out of the shell before microwaving. Additionally, you must insert a toothpick in the egg to keep it from exploding while heating. — Heloise

Peking roast

Dear Heloise: In your recipe for Mother's Peking Roast, it says to use vinegar. Is that white or apple cider vinegar? — Louise, via email

You can use either! For those readers interested in the recipe, gather the following:

- First, to marinate:
- 3-5 pounds roast beef
- Garlic and/or onion slivers
- 1/2 to 1 cup apple-cider or white vinegar

To cook:

- Cooking oil
- 2 cups brewed, strong coffee
- 2 cups water
- Salt and pepper

Using a sharp knife, cut slits all throughout the roast, and stick the slivers of garlic, onion or both into those slits. Place the roast in a bowl and pour the vinegar over it, making sure to get it into the slits. Cover with plastic wrap and let marinate in the refrigerator for 24-48 hours.

To cook, remove the roast from the bowl and dump out the vinegar. Use a heavy Dutch oven or similar pot to brown the roast on all sides in oil. Once browned, pour the coffee over the meat and add the water. Cover and cook slowly for about six hours on the stovetop. Check while cooking, as you may need to add more water as the roast cooks. About 20-30 minutes before serving, season well with salt and pepper. For more favorite recipes, order my Heloise's All-Time Favorite Recipes pamphlet online at www.Heloise.com or by sending $5 and a long, self-addressed, stamped (70 cents) envelope to: Heloise/All-Time, P.O. Box 795001, San Antonio, TX 78279-5001. Use the leftover roast to make delicious hot or cold sandwiches the next day! — Heloise

Graham cracker hint

Dear Heloise: My way of making graham cracker crumbs is to put graham crackers between two pieces of wax paper and use a rolling pin to roll over them until they are crumby. When finished, just pull up the wax paper on either side and put the crumbs into a bowl. No mess! It is cheaper than buying the already-crumbed graham crackers. I learned this from my mom, who is now 87. — Joanne Rasmussen, Huntington Beach, Calif.

Send a great hint to Heloise, P.O. Box 795000, San Antonio, TX 78279-5000; Fax: 210-HELOISE; Email: Heloise@Heloise.com.

Save Easter ham for sandwiches; do a duo of ducks instead

By Alison Ladman
Associated Press

Perhaps this will be the year you break out of your ham rut.

Not that there's anything wrong with a spiral-cut-honey-roasted-maple-slathered-pineapple-adorned ham. It's just that as main courses at an Easter feast go, they tend to be kind of... Meh. Truth is, the best part of a monster sweet-roasted ham is the leftovers. We want those sandwiches and hashes the next day. But for the big meal itself? Been there too many times.

So we offer this delicious alternative. Get yourself your usual ham, but get a smaller one. Roast it up the day before or the day after Easter. Now you've got your lunches and breakfasts covered. But for Easter dinner, how about trying something new, such as this duo of roasted ducks?

The process is the same as roasting any other bird, with one exception. Because duck is so fatty, we give it a quick boil before roasting to render off some of that fat. Once the ducks are boiled and patted dry, you pop them in a roasting pan and mostly ignore them. To dress up our ducks, we created an intensely citrusy tomato chutney. It's deliciously sweet and perfect for cutting through the richness of the duck.

Most grocers only sell frozen whole ducks, so think ahead and shop early so they have time to thaw for a day in the refrigerator.

Associated Press

This Feb. 16 photo shows double roasted ducks with citrus tomato chutney in Concord, N.H.

Roasted ducks with citrus-tomato chutney

Start to finish: 2 1/2 hours (1 hour active)
Servings: 8

- Kosher salt
- Two 5- to 6-pound whole Peking or Long Island ducks
- Ground black pepper
- 6 cloves garlic, not peeled
- 2 medium shallots, chopped
- 6 plum tomatoes, chopped
- Zest and juice of 2 oranges
- Zest and juice of 2 lemons
- Zest and juice of 2 tangerines
- 2 tablespoons grated fresh ginger
- 1/4 cup white balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon red pepper flakes
- 1 teaspoon smoked paprika

Heat the oven to 375 F. Place a large roasting rack in a roasting pan large enough to hold both ducks.

In a pot large enough to hold 1 duck submerged in water, combine 6 quarts of water and 1 tablespoon of salt. Bring to a boil.

While the water heats, use kitchen shears to trim the wing tips from the ducks, as well as any excess flaps of skin. Remove any giblets and the neck from the cavity (discard or save for another use). Poke the duck skin all over with a sharp fork, poking only through the skin and not into the meat.

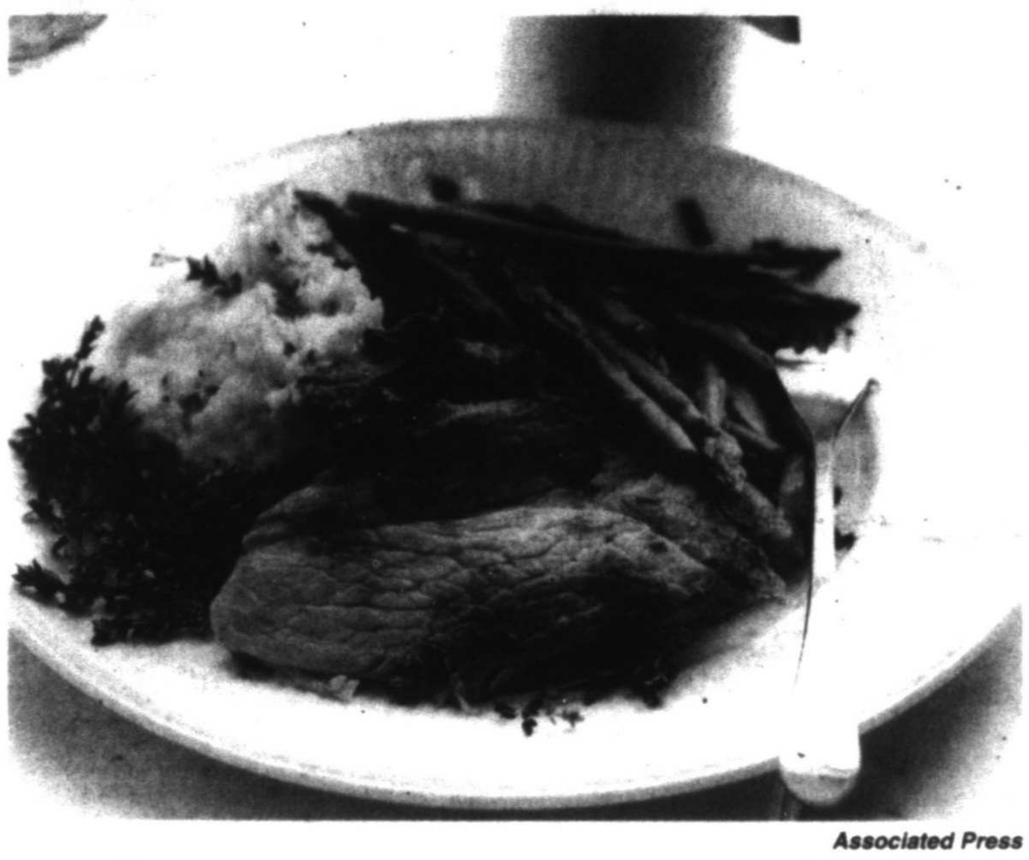
When the water is boiling, one at a time submerge each duck in the water. If the duck floats, place a plate on top to keep it submerged. Cook for 10 minutes, then carefully remove from the water and set on a platter. Repeat with the second duck, adding water if needed.

When both ducks have been boiled, pat them dry with paper towels. Season liberally with salt and pepper, then arrange on the roasting rack breast sides down. Roast for 1 hour. Flip the ducks to be breast side up by inserting 2 wooden spoons into the cavities, one in each end. Roast for another 60 to 75 minutes, or until the thigh reaches 175 F. Allow to rest for 15 minutes.

While the ducks roast, prepare the chutney. In a large, deep skillet over medium heat, add the garlic (leaving their papery skins intact). Cook, stirring often, for 10 to 15 minutes, or until the garlic is soft and fragrant. Remove the garlic from the skillet and cool until easily handled. Peel the garlic, return it to the skillet and mash with a fork.

Add 2 tablespoons of duck fat (you can collect it from the drippings in the roasting pan) and the shallots. Cook for 5 minutes, then add the tomatoes, citrus zests and juices, vinegar, brown sugar, red pepper flakes and smoked paprika. Cook over medium heat, stirring occasionally, for about 30 minutes or until everything is soft and saucy. Season with salt and pepper. Serve warm with the duck.

Nutrition information per serving: 870 calories; 590 calories from fat (68 percent of total calories); 65 g fat (22 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 190 mg cholesterol; 25 g carbohydrate; 2 g fiber; 21 g sugar; 45 g protein; 380 mg sodium.



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This Feb. 9 photo shows Grandma Odom's fresh ham with cloves and brown sugar in Concord, NH.

A fresh take on the classic Easter ham — with a fresh ham

By Elizabeth Karmel
Associated Press

When I think of spring menus, I instantly think of asparagus and the fresh ham that my grandmother made every Easter. The pork was studded with cloves and slathered with brown sugar and mustard before roasting. And it made the entire house smell amazing.

But these days, I tend to do most of my roasting on the grill. So I've adapted my grandmother's recipe, and was thrilled that it ended up being deceptively easy. All you really need is the forethought to order a fresh ham from your butcher (many grocers don't normally stock them) and the patience to let it cook slowly over indirect heat.

A fresh ham, sometimes called a "green" ham, is pork at its most basic — not cured, not smoked, not cooked. The meat is so sweet and succulent, and the texture is meaty, not compact and slick as a cured ham often is. Also, the meat of a fresh ham remains white when cooked. I promise it will taste like the best pork roast you have ever eaten.

All of which is to say, fresh hams are very different from the usual cured or smoked hams people are accustomed to. But in my family, those hams were always more for sandwiches, not holiday feasts.

The preparation is quite simple and decidedly old fashioned. Don't be tempted to switch the yellow mustard for Dijon. Though I generally prefer Dijon, in this instance yellow is better. The combination of yellow mustard and dark brown sugar forms a heady crust that is punctuated by the whole cloves that dot the natural fat cap on the ham.

Some people leave both the skin and the fat intact, but I find that removing the skin and leaving just the fat on the ham allows the mustard-brown sugar-salt slather to better infuse the meat. And the deeply caramelized crust you get from the long cooking time is something that you want on as many slices as possible.

Depending on where you live, you may need to order the ham up to a week in advance. You also can also ask the butcher to skin the ham for you, but make sure you ask that the fat be left intact.

Grandmother Odom's fresh ham with cloves and brown sugar

Prefer to roast this in the oven? Follow the recipe as directed, but set the ham on a foil-lined rimmed baking sheet. Roast at 325 F for 5 to 6 hours.

Start to finish: 6 hours (30 minutes active)
Servings: 15 to 20 (depending on size)

- 12- to 15-pound fresh (uncured, unsmoked) ham (bone-in leg of pork)?
- 2 tablespoons whole cloves
- 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1 1/2 tablespoons kosher salt
- 9-ounce jar yellow mustard

Prepare a grill for medium heat, indirect cooking. For a charcoal grill, this means banking the hot coals to one side of the grill and cooking on the other side. For a gas grill, this means turning off one or more burners to create a cooler side, then cooking on that side.

Use paper towels to pat dry the ham. Using a sharp boning or paring knife, remove the skin but leave the layer of fat just beneath the skin (alternatively, you can have the butcher do this). Score the fat by making diagonal cuts from right to left, then again across the original cuts to create a diamond pattern. Press a whole clove into the points each of these diamonds.

In a small bowl, mix together the sugar, salt and mustard. Rub the mixture all over the exterior of the ham.

Place the ham on the cooler (indirect heat) side of the grill, either directly on the grates or in a V-rack roast holder. Grill the ham for 5 to 6 hours, or until the thickest part reaches 175 F to 180 F. The outside should be darkly caramelized and the inside should be very tender.

Transfer the ham to a serving platter and let rest for 20 minutes before carving.

Nutrition information per serving: 370 calories; 150 calories from fat (41 percent of total calories); 16 g fat (5 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 140 mg cholesterol; 7 g carbohydrate; 1 g fiber; 6 g sugar; 47 g protein; 740 mg sodium.

A light, vibrant chilled soup fit for spring, Easter dinner

By Alison Ladman
Associated Press

Soup can be an unusual choice for a spring dinner. We're supposed to be celebrating light, bright flavors and a return of fresh produce. Heavy and hearty are out of place.

Except that spring soups can be bright, light and a delicious blend of fresh — rather than long-simmered — flavors. Looking for an accompaniment to the traditional flavors of Easter dinner, we created this rich, creamy chilled soup that is simple and refreshing. It blends blanched peas, cucumber and avocados with mint and basil for a rush of beautiful green flavors.

This soup and pesto are easily prepared up to a day ahead, then refrigerated. Let warm slightly to room temperature before serving.

Chilled cucumber, avocado and pea soup with mint pesto

Start to finish: 15 minutes
Servings: 6

- 1/2 cup packed fresh mint leaves
- 1/2 cup packed fresh basil leaves
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- Kosher salt and ground black pepper
- 1 teaspoon lime juice
- 1 cup fresh or frozen peas
- 2 avocados, pitted and peeled
- 1 medium cucumber, peeled, seeded and cut into chunks
- 1 1/2 cups buttermilk
- 1/4 cup sour cream or plain Greek yogurt

To make the pesto, in a food processor combine the mint, basil and olive oil. Process until smooth, then season with salt and pepper. Stir in the lime juice, then set aside.

In a small saucepan, heat 1/2 inch of water. Once the water is simmering, add the peas and cook until tender but still bright green, about 2 minutes. Drain the peas and cool completely.

Shortly before serving, in a blender combine the avocados, cucumber, peas and buttermilk. Process until very smooth. Season with salt and pepper. Pour the soup into serving bowls and drizzle with the pesto. Top each with a dollop of sour cream or yogurt.

Nutrition information per serving: 300 calories; 220 calories from fat (73 percent of total calories); 25 g fat (4 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 5 mg cholesterol; 15 g carbohydrate; 7 g fiber; 6 g sugar; 7 g protein; 250 mg sodium.

DIY ideas for the Easter brunch table

By Jennifer Forker
Associated Press

Make the most of your Easter celebration by preparing a brunch table with a few easy, handcrafted items.

"A couple of special touches will make it feel like a more special gathering," says Taryn Mohrman, senior lifestyle editor at Woman's Day magazine.

She recommends keeping things simple, adding only one or two decorative items to the table — for example, a centerpiece and place cards. And pick projects you'll enjoy.

"As long as you're having fun doing them, then they're going to be worth it," says Mohrman.

It's a great season for including children in DIY projects because so many Easter crafts "are just so cute: adorable bunnies, chicks and colorful eggs," says Mary Giles, deputy editor of FamilyFun Magazine.

Centerpieces

One suggestion in the April issue of Woman's Day is that kids place wheat grass (bought at a garden center) in a shallow dish and decorate it with spring flowers, such as tulips and grape hyacinth, along with dyed Easter eggs. The magazine used several medium-size, square vessels from The Container Store, and ensured that the cut flowers would last longer by sticking each stem in a water pick, or little tube (available at florists or crafts stores).

"The fresh-cut flowers look like they are growing out of the grass," says Mohrman. "I just love that it's a shrunken-down garden."

Make one of these centerpieces or line several down the center of the table.

Another option: The website Hometalk suggests creating pretty vases by wrapping clean glass jars with various colors and patterns of washi tape, and then filling them with flowers.

Or fill Mason jars with green craft Easter grass, and add Easter chocolates and two marshmallow chicks. Decorate the lids with washi tape and craft paper before screwing them back onto the jars. Glue a plastic or crafted egg on top, and wrap Easter- or spring-themed ribbon around the jar at its neck.

Place cards

For a simple project, Woman's Day suggests painting small rabbit figurines in gold. For each place card, cut two 1 3/4-inch circles from card stock; write a guest's name on one circle. Glue a 4-inch length of thin gold wire between the two circles. Attach the other end of the wire around the rabbit like a collar.

"It looks like a floating balloon, which is playful and cute," says Mohrman. "You can swap out names next year or reuse the same ones."

Edibles

One simple project from FamilyFun's April issue: Use an oiled chopstick to pierce lengthwise through a marshmallow bunny, and then insert a straw for serving with milk.

Woman's Day suggests turning deviled eggs into cute chicks; a plateful helps decorate the buffet table.

Cut off the top third of each hard-boiled egg, removing the yolk from the bottom two-thirds and following one's own deviled-eggs recipe. To assemble the chicks: Slice a thin piece from the bottom of each egg white to help it stand upright. Then, using a 1-inch cookie scoop, scoop the yolk mixture into each egg white and cap it with the reserved top third of the egg, like a hat. Use thinly sliced carrots as feet, wings and beak. Use capers for eyes, and herbs for beards, hair and eyebrows — gently placing each in the yolk mixture to make silly faces.

"I think (children will) have a lot of fun giving each egg their own personality," says Mohrman.

Good manners are extinct among daughters' friends

DEAR ABBY
Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have two daughters whom we have taught to use good manners. We are proud that they always remember to use their "pleases" and "thank yous" and many people have commented how polite they are.

My problem is the majority of their friends have little to no manners at all. They never thank me when we carpool places or take them out for lunch or dinner. I rarely hear "yes, please" when I offer food or beverages at my home. Even my daughters say it at home!

Should I correct their behavior by asking them "What's the magic word?" Should I tell them I want them to use their manners when they are with me? Should I speak to the parents about it? Or am I expecting too much? — MANNERS MAVEN

DEAR MANNERS MAVEN: I'm sorry you didn't mention how old your daughters' friends are, but if they are over the age of 10, I recommend against asking, "What's the magic word?" It would be more diplomatic to talk to the girls privately and convey your message.

If you prefer they use better manners in your home, it is your right to say that to them. However, if you call the parents, the parents may think you are criticizing their parenting skills (and they wouldn't be wrong).

As to whether you are expecting too much, frankly, you may be. Sadly, adults who never learned good manners themselves can't pass them on to their children.

DEAR ABBY: About a year ago, I loaned a small amount of money to a close friend I have known since childhood. She promised to pay me back, but has yet to do so. I wasn't too concerned because it was a minimal amount, but a few months ago she asked to borrow a larger amount. Again, I didn't hesitate to help her out because she has been there for me several times in the past in important ways — although they weren't financial.

Because the recent loan was a large one, I would like to be repaid. How do I tactfully ask her for the money without seeming petty or like I'm nagging? (I don't like confrontation.) And is it too late to ask that the previous smaller amount be included as well? — FRIEND, NOT AN ATM

DEAR FRIEND: You don't have to be confrontational, and I wouldn't advise it anyway. In light of the fact that your friend has made no effort to repay the first loan for an entire year, it would be neither pushy nor nagging to ASK when she intends to start. If she can't come up with the entire amount, perhaps she can repay a little each month. However, if she can't/won't start paying you back, you may have to accept that you won't be getting any of your money.

In the future, you should not lend anyone money without first getting a signed note stating that the money is owed to you and when it will be repaid. That way, if necessary, you can take the matter to court and have a leg to stand on when you get there.

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Studies show nutrition's impact on mental health

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Most of us know meditation and positive imagery are tools to reduce stress.

What about what you choose to eat? Take a moment to think about what you eat. The body of evidence linking diet and mental health is growing at a rapid pace.

While certain diets or foods may not instantly improve your mood or make your depression go away, they are important as part of an overall self-care plan.

Take carbohydrates for an example. The connection between carbs and mood is all about tryptophan, a nonessential amino acid. As more tryptophan enters the brain, the brain makes more serotonin, a mood regulator and mood tends to improve.

The catch is choosing smart carbs such as whole grains, fruits, vegetables and legumes.

On the other hand, researchers from Arizona State University found a very low-carb diet enhanced fatigue and reduced the desire to exercise, especially in overweight adults.

In recent years, omega-3 polyunsaturated fatty acid — found in fatty fish, flaxseed and walnuts — has been found to help protect against depression. Past studies suggest abnormal metabolism of omega-3s in those who experience depression. Omega-3s appear to affect neurotransmitter pathways in the brain as well.

The Mediterranean diet includes a lot of good stuff associated with helping to prevent depression such as fruits, nuts, vegetables, cereals, legumes and fish. Folate (B-9) and B-12 are found in the Mediterranean diet staples. More than one study has linked deficiencies of folate and B-12 to an increased potential for depression.

Vitamin D also increases serotonin in the brain. There are surprisingly few foods that contain vitamin D because your body is built to get vitamin through your skin from sunlight.

However, there are three vitamin D super foods: salmon, mackerel and mushrooms. Other sources include tuna canned in water, milk or yogurt, beef or calf liver, egg yolks and cheese. Dieticians recommend 15 micrograms of vitamin D a day from food if possible.

According to a small study from Texas Tech, mild and moderate depression was improved in 16 elderly participants when 200 micrograms of selenium was added to their diet over a seven week period. Foods rich in selenium include seafood, nuts and seeds (particularly Brazil nuts), lean meat, whole grains, beans and low-fat dairy products.

On a more basic level, it is important not to become dehydrated. We lose water daily through the lungs, skin and kidneys. If you don't replace this loss, dehydration can cause irritability, loss of concentration and reduced mental functioning.

So, try to go easy on the coffee, which is a diuretic. In people with sensitivity to caffeine, it may even exacerbate depression.

Alcohol is both a diuretic and a depressant. Vitamin deficiencies are common in heavy drinkers and can cause low mood, irritability and/or aggressive behavior.

The bottom line to all of this is the tried and true saying: You are what you eat (and drink). Eat well, my friend!

Janet Edington has been at Centers for Children and Families since 2002.

New trend: Parents seeking urban lifestyles for kids

By Phuong Le
Associated Press

SEATTLE — A small but growing number of parents are bucking a trend when it comes to raising their kids: Rather than move to suburbs as their parents once did, many are opting to stay in or near downtown.

Some do it to seek an urban lifestyle, shorten commutes or be within proximity to restaurants, museums and other attractions.

Along the way, they're pushing cities to be more welcoming to families. Parents in cities across the country, including Seattle, Minneapolis and Denver, are banding together to advocate for new downtown schools, more playgrounds and more affordable family-friendly housing.

"The benefit of living in the city so far outweighed what we would get by moving out to the suburbs," said Jenny Kelly, 32, a marketing consultant who helped form a parents group in 2013, now called Parents for a Better Downtown Seattle.

She and her husband Michael moved downtown in their 20s and stayed when they had 2-year-old Elea. Both walk to work from their loft apartment in Pioneer Square, where the laundry room doubles as the toddler's bedroom.

Kelly and other parents recently pushed for a public school downtown, and they lobbied to include a playground in a redesign of the city's waterfront.

Seattle offers developers near downtown the chance to build taller if they provide space for a school, though no one has taken up the offer.

Some cities are trying to respond to families, albeit slowly. Portland revised building codes to allow courtyard housing, considered an amenity for families. And Baltimore Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake has pledged to grow her city by 10,000 families.

"Families with children are indicator species about the health of an urban neighborhood," said Gary Johnson, Seattle's city center coordinator.

For decades, Seattle has had a well-earned reputation as a childless city. In the 1960s and 70s, as more families moved to the suburbs, their numbers in the city dropped.

Children still make up a much smaller percentage of Seattle's population, compared with the rest of the state or the U.S., but recent trends suggest Seattle is doing a better job of holding onto those kids, according to Sightline Institute, a Seattle-based think tank.

The city is growing its share of kids under 15 at a time when that percentage is declining elsewhere.

"We seem to be closing the child gap," said Eric De Place, the group's policy director.

Between 2007 and 2012, the number of downtown kids enrolled in kindergarten to eighth grade jumped nearly 30 percent, according to the Downtown Seattle Association, a business group that has worked to get more families downtown.

Parents used to stay until their kids reached age 5 and half would leave downtown, said Jon Scholes, the association's CEO who is raising 5-year-old twins downtown. But he's starting to see parents staying longer than before. Schools, parks and other amenities matter, he said.

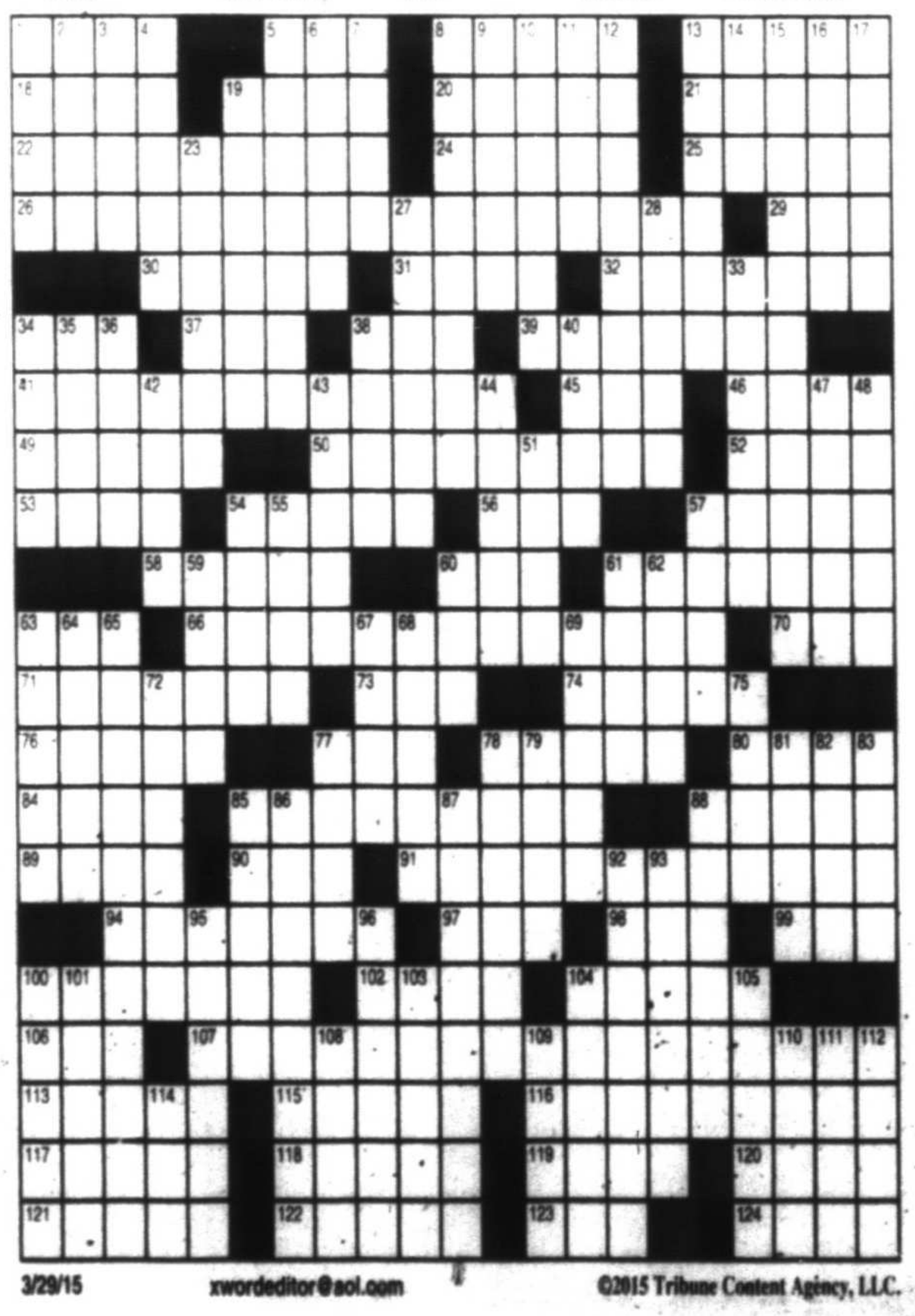
Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"[illegible]ICK FACTOR" By MELANIE MILLER

ACROSS
1 Trade
5 Bestow upon as a compliment
8 Increased excessively, with "on"
13 Back country
18 Subject of a memorable chocolate simile
19 Sport with four-person teams
20 Came to
21 Theatrical work
22 Barbecue feature
24 More cordial
25 Canning tomatoes
26 Sign outside the women's locker room?
29 Paper cut cries
30 High
31 Wooded depression
32 How the riot act is read
34 Lifeboat item
37 Beginning of Christmas?
38 Tiny
39 Gadget in the game Twister
41 Hopper using hops?
45 Gardner of "The Hucksters"
46 Cher's "Burlesque" role
49 Reason
50 Auditorium sections
52 Illegal USMC status
53 Pot filler
54 Castaway's signal
56 Where Yogi naps
57 Vice president before Gerald
58 Fragrant bloom
60 Excitement
61 Edison's 1,000-plus
63 Told too much
66 Powerful Persian bloodline?
70 It's longer than a dit
71 Finale of Copland's "Rodeo"
73 Hosp. areas
74 Wii fanatic, say
76 Shaker unit
77 __ tai
78 Equine array
80 Paintballs, e.g.
84 Fizzles out
85 Fire sign?
88 Inflict
89 Sushi options
90 Black cat terminal
91 Draft in a moldy basement?
94 "Wanna bet"
97 Academic inc
98 Full Sail or Harpoon product
99 Title stuffed bear in a 2012 comedy
100 Squat hounds
102 Red Carpet stance
104 Rotisserie league data
106 Israeli machine gun
107 Stray nut among the Doritos?
113 Total
115 Naps, maybe
116 Athenian landmark
117 Gussy up
118 Some map dots
119 Olympian chariot rider
120 Real estate division
121 Repaired, in a way
122 Bothersome
123 Was in the driver's seat
124 Dieter's data

DOWN
1 Hardly a pick-up expert?
2 Cleaning cloth
3 Rough quantity
4 __ colony
5 Tic
6 Temper
7 Creme brulee ingredient
8 Considerable outbreak
9 Cooperative words
10 Hometown folks
11 Managed with difficulty, with "out"
12 Disdainful
13 Skip
14 NYSE event
15 Another showing of an Edsel documentary?
16 Matthew McConaughey has one
17 Nervy
19 Want more
23 Seller of staples
27 Safe to have
28 Former lab burners
33 Prepare to paint again
34 Kimono holders
35 It occasionally floods Florence
36 Mtge. adjustment
38 Lift, not as common as it used to be
40 Tylenol target
42 Fit as a fiddle
43 Summers in China?
44 Tom and Jerry, e.g.
47 Partially, casually
48 Spill clumsily
51 Hard-to-miss sign
54 Zoomed
55 Estate highlight, often
57 Lid inflammation
59 "__ a mission"
60 Some magazine spreads
61 Coll. prep test
62 Some drive-thrus
63 "That's a surprise"
64 Greene of the original "Battlestar Galactica" series
65 Pulled hamstring, to a hurdler?
67 Move in on
68 "The Frog Prince" byline
69 Like gymnasts
72 Trash-talks
75 Not at all typical
77 Wise men
78 Ballpoint alternative
79 "The Blacklist" actor
81 Gather
82 Cornfield attraction
83 Accepted
85 Santa __ Derby
86 Accidentally reveals
87 Fraidy cat
88 "That saved a __ like me": "Amazing Grace"
92 Filled with tears
93 Denounces
95 Duel attendant
96 Bouts
100 Goals of some back pats
101 Poetic blue
103 Young barn dweller
104 Trap
105 Bound bunch
108 Washer part
109 Abundant gemstone Down Under
110 Old empire builder
111 Vancouver, for one
112 Sega competitor in the 16-bit market
114 Ball holder



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GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

'Granny lied'

North-South vulnerable. North deals

NORTH
♠ Q 6 3
♥ A K 10 3
♦ A K J 10 5 2
♣ Void

WEST
♠ 10 9 8
♥ 8 5
♦ 8
♣ K J 10 7 6 5 3

EAST
♠ A K J 5
♥ 9 6 2
♦ Q 7
♣ Q 9 8 4

SOUTH
♠ 7 4 2
♥ Q J 7 4
♦ 9 6 4 3
♣ A 2

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♠*	Pass	4♥	Pass
6♥	All pass		

*Splinter bid, at most one spade

Opening lead: Jack of ♣

Esther's grandson, Teddy, had been trying hard to learn the game that so captivated his grandmother. He had just sat down to watch Fred and Esther, and hopefully learn something, when today's deal came up.

Esther, sitting North, was a bit accident-prone to start with, and she was especially nervous to have Teddy watching. Fred had been teaching her Splinter Bids — a double jump in a new suit to show a good hand with a fit for the suit partner just bid — and she was sure this hand qualified. They were using "bid boxes" at the duplicate game, and Esther had had more than one problem in the past trying to use these contraptions. Trying to pull the four-club card out of the bidding box, she accidentally put the three-spade card on the table.

She was horrified when Fred alerted her bid as showing shortness in spades. Fred, who had no interest in any high-level contract, signed off in four hearts. Esther, however, was sure she had messed up their auction, so she leaped to slam as she felt her face turning red. Claiming that she had to go "powder her nose," she asked Teddy to turn the dummy for her until she got back. West, certain from the splinter bid that a spade lead was pointless, led a club instead. Fred easily took 12 tricks on the club lead.

"Uncle Fred," said Teddy, "Granny lied. She didn't have a singleton spade like she promised." Said, Fred, "I assure you, young Teddy, your Granny would never intentionally tell a lie. She just has some of the luckiest accidents I've ever seen."

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, March 29, 2015:
This year you let your fiery spirit emerge. Others might see you as someone who is unpredictable and impulsive.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Others find you to be impulsive, but you do think before you act. Enjoy the luxury of not worrying about your choices. Tonight: Fit in a brisk walk.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You see a situation differently from how those in your life see it. You might not be prepared to stand on your own. Tonight: No need to go out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Make your Sunday round of calls. As you catch up on others' news, you will receive invitations. Tonight: Remain responsive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★
You might want to slow down some. You might be in the process of weighing a major purchase or repair. Tonight: Your treat.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★
You certainly will feel the difference between yesterday and today. You could be feeling as if you have everything under control. Tonight: Think "vacation."

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★
You have gone out of your way for others a lot lately. You must slow down and take some time for you. Tonight: Stay in and curl up with a good book.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Get together with friends. You might even run into another group of people you really enjoy as well. Tonight: All smiles.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Accept an invitation for a late brunch or movie. You'll enjoy catching up on news. Tonight: Clear your desk.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You could be eyeing a substantial transformation in a key area of your life, but you might not be ready to discuss it. Tonight: Make plans to visit a pal.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ Make this a special day with a loved one. You will feel great just sharing news with each other. Tonight: Use care with a roommate.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Keeping established plans for the day could be difficult. Tonight: Let a loved one be your cheerleader.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might want to think before you plan. You need downtime. Tonight: A favorite meal.

BORN TODAY
Businessman Sam Walton (1918), politician Eugene McCarthy (1916), former U.S. President John Tyler (1790)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

SWAP PAY PILED WILDS
LIFE POLO AWOKE OPERA
OPENGRILL NICER ROMAS
BEWARENAKEDLADIES OWS
LOFTY DELL STERNLY
OAR CEE TIM SPINNER
BREWERRABBIT AVA TESS
INFER BALCONIES AWOL
SOIL FLARE DEN SPIRO
LILAC ADO PATENTS
OLD MEWINGDYNASTY DAH
HOEDOWN ERS GAMER
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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Paid	This Week		Church	NBA	Basket.
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	Hunt	Paid	M. Lyon	CBS Sunday Morning			FaceNat.	First Baptist Church		First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Abbott	Abbott	BackKotter	BackKotter	Gilligan	Gilligan	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	BradyB.	BradyB.
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Consumr	W.Minist	Insight	Consumr	Fox News Sunday		Odessa	FaithAve	Rain	Consumr	Consumr	TBA
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	(5:00) Light of south		Walking	Stringer	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Day Disc.	R/Manusc	HaYesod	Nueva Vida	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	TBA	Secrets	TBA	TBA	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		First Baptist Church		W.America	TBA
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	C.George	C.George	W.World	D.Tiger	Sesame	DinoTrain	DinoTrain	Peg + Cat	Cat/ Hat	Odd Sqd	Wild K.	Arthur
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Pagado	Pagado	Programa pagado		Programa pagado		Al punto		Durmiendo mi jefe		Es tuyo "El origen"	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Spaces	Homeown.	Green	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	Bucket	Trobador	College Basketball	
FLIX	340	65		165		Movie	★★ Hideous Kinky			(:10) ★★★ The Illusionist Edward Norton.				★★★ Dangerous Minds			Movie
HBO	300	68	14	14		Movie	(:45) The Offseason		(:45) Fast and Furious 6 ('13, Act) Vin Diesel.					Real Sports		Fight	Bill Maher
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(5:25) Leap Year		(:15) ★★ Tammy Melissa McCarthy.				Game of Thrones		Game of Thrones		Game of Thrones	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(5:30) Staying Alive		(:10) ★★ 28 Days Sandra Bullock.				★ Getaway Ethan Hawke.			★★★ Broken Flowers		
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:05) Semi-Tough		★★ Breaking and Entering				Siren Eoin Macken.		(:20) ★★ Bedazzled Brendan Fraser.			
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:55) ★★★ The Two Jakes Jack Nicholson.				(:15) ★★★ Changeling ('09, Dra) Angelina Jolie.					(:40) ★★★ Gravity		
PLEX			96			(:20) ★★★ The Rat Race Tony Curtis.				(:10) ★★★ Baby Boom Diane Keaton.				(:05) ★ Hail Caesar			Movie
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	★★ Mercury Rising ('98, Thril) Bruce Willis.				Boxing Showtime Championship							Sports
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	Movie	Return to Nim's Island			★★ What About Bob?			(:40) Alex Cross ('12, Act) Matthew Fox.				Movie
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Dog B.H. "Rusty Cuffs"		Dog Bounty Hunter		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Bates Motel	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Dead "Strangers"		The Walking Dead		Dead "Slabtown"		Dead "Self Help"		Dead "Consumed"		Dead "Crossed"	
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) Gospel "2014"		Bobby Jones Gospel		Bobby Jones Gospel		Lift Voice	It's a Mann's World		(:45) Mann's "She's the Mann"		
BRAVO	65	63		41		Blood, Sweat, Heels		Blood, Sweat, Heels		Blood, Sweat, Heels		Blood, Sweat, Heels		Millionaire		Millionaire	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	To Be Announced					Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		New Day	Politics	State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Bering Sea Gold		Bering Sea Gold		Collectors	Lost, Sold	Alaska	Alaska
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Stuffins	Sofia 1st	Stuffins	Miles	StarWars	Jessie	Austin	Liv/Mad	Girl	Liv/Mad	Austin	Austin
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		OLines	Report (N)	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		NCAA Basketball	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	FabFive	30/30 "I Hate Christian Laettner"			SportsCenter		OLines	Report	College Gameday		SportsCenter	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★ Twilight ('08, Dra) Robert Pattinson, Billy Burke, Kristen Stawart.						★★ Beauty Shop ('05, Com) Queen Latifah.					Movie
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	(5:00) FOX & Friends Sunday						Morning Futures		Media Buzz		News HQ	Housecall
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Rachel Ray's Week in		Barefoot	Table	Pioneer	Southern	RealKitc	Giada	Big Bite	Pioneer	Heart (N)	Rules (N)
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Fishing	Paid	West Coast Customs		Paid	Paid	NCAA Tennis TCU vs. Oklahoma				Game365	Polaris
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Buffy Vampire Slayer		Buffy "Prophecy Girl"		Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	The Sitter ('11, Com) Jonah Hill.			
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris.			
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Paradise	Paradise
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Secrets "Deadly Cults"		Cults: Dangerous Devotion				Gangland Under.		Gangland Under.		Gangland Under.	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	To Be Announced		★ Karla ('06, Cri) Laura Prepon.			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Lockup	Business	Up With Steve Kornacki				Melissa Harris-Perry				Weekends-Alex Witt	
NBCSN	38	39				(5:00) EPL Soccer		EPL Soccer				EPL Soccer				OceanRce	HorseRace
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Parents	Parents	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	The Thundermans		Kids' Choice Awards	
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power	Bar Res. "Bar Fight"		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(5:00) Paid Program		Twilight	Twilight	★★ Hostel: Part II ('07, Hor) Roger Bart.				★★ Saw II ('05, Hor) Donnie Wahlberg.			
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★ Daddy's Little Girls Gabrielle Union.			
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) I Take This...		★★★ Green Dolphin Street ('47, Rom) Lana Turner.					Lady From Shanghai			(:15) The End of ...	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Raggs	Noodle	De chica	LazyTown	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Angel	Enfoque	Movie
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law&Order "Gunplay"		Law & Order "Cut"		LawOrder "Gov Love"		LawOrder "Cry Wolf"		Law & Order		Law&Order "Enemy"	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G. Girls	(:25) The Golden Girls		G. Girls	(:35) G.Girls	(:10) Feud	(:50) Feud	(:25) Family Feud		Fam.Feud	SoulMan
USA	26	30	42	27	49	Paid Program		Paid Program		★★★ The Fifth Element ('97, Sci-Fi) Bruce Willis.					★★★ Predator		
WGN	19	18				Lord	Paid	Key David	Paid	In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		In Heat of Night		Hearts in Atlantis	

SUNDAY AFTERNOON — MARCH 29, 2015

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	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	(11:30) NBA Basketball Hou./Was. (L)				IndyCar Auto Racing Grand Prix of St. Petersburg (L)						News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Road Final Four		NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L)					NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L)				
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	The Love Boat		Remington Steele		St. Frisco "Solitaire"		The Mod Squad		Hawaii Five-O	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	(11:30) To Be Announced								HomeT.	Consumr	Consumr	Consumr
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical	Mani Erfan	S. Baras	Sal.	Light of the Southwest Best of Week				J.McGee	Dollars	House Call	Dr. R.B.
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	TBA	USSA Alpine Skiing Super G			PGA Golf Valero Texas Open Site: TPC San Antonio						Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Cyberch.	Maya&M.	Fitness	W.L.Yoga	Knitting	Beads	Sewing	Africa	E.Smith	TBA	News. (N)	W.Week
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Mi corazón es Tuyo				Republica deportiva		Nacional	Noticiero	Selena ('97, Dra) Jennifer Lopez.			
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Paid	Paid	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	Entertainers		Flipside	Insider	Access Hollywood	
FLIX	340	65		165		(11:45) ★★ Replicant			★★★ Derailed Clive Owen.			★★★ Manhunter William L. Petersen.				(:05) The Illusio...	
HBO	300	68	14	14		BillMaher	★★★ Dolphin Tale Morgan Freeman.				★★ The Hulk ('03, Sci-Fi) Jennifer Connelly, Eric Bana.					(:55) The Intern...	
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Game of Thrones		Game of Thrones		Game of Thrones		Game of Thrones		Game of Thrones		Thrones "Blackwater"	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(:20) ★★ Bring It On Kirsten Dunst.				LastWeek	Looking	(:05) ★★ The Other Woman				Vice (N)	LastWeek
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(:55) The Nutty Professor II: ...			(:45) ★★ The Lake House Sandra Bullock.					(:25) Promised Land		(:15) Jarhead	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:15) ★★★ Poseidon ('06, Dra) Kurt Russell.				(:55) ★★ 2 Guns				(:45) ★★★ Contact ('97, Sci-Fi) Jodie Foster.			
PLEX			96			(11:45) ★★★ Romeo and Juliet				(:05) ★★ True Heart				(:40) ★★ The Love Letter		(:10) The Rat Race	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Sports	★★ The Pledge Jack Nicholson.			Lies	Lies	Lies	Lies	Lies	Lies	Lies	Lies
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(11:30) ★★★ Happy-Go-Lucky			★★ Elizabethtown Orlando Bloom.					(:40) April Rain Ryan Guzman.		(:15) Alex Cross	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Bates "Persuasion"		Returned "Simon"		The Returned "Julie"		Intervention		Inter. "I Was There"		Intervention "Emily"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Walking Dead "Coda"		The Walking Dead		Dead "Them"		Dead "The Distance"		Dead "Remember"		Dead "Forget"	
BET	58	26		40		Who Can I Run To? ('14, Dra) Lil Mo, Marvin Sapp.					★★ Madea's Family Reunion ('06, Com) Tyler Perry.					What's Love Go...	
BRAVO	65	63		41		Millionaire		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Alaska	Buy Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Alaska	Bush "Blindsided"		Bush "Fight or Flight"		Bush "The Wild Life"	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Girl	Girl	Dog Blog	Dog Blog	Liv/Mad	Liv/Mad	Austin	Austin	Jessie	Jessie	Dog Blog	Dog Blog
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	(11:00) NCAA Basketb.		NHRA Drag Racing Four-Wide Nationals Site: Zmax Dragway						PBA Bowling Playoffs			
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(11:00) SportsCenter		Top Ten	UEFA Soccer Euro '16 Qualifier Ser./Por. (L)				(:50) MLS Soccer Philadelphia Union at Chicago Fire (L)				
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(11:30) ★★★ Coming to America				★★★ The Breakfast Club Judd Nelson.				★★ Bad Teacher Cameron Diaz.			
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal E.	Housecall	America's News HQ		Media Buzz		Fox News Sunday	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Kitchen "Happy Easter"		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		Diners, Drive-Ins		All-Star Academy	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	LHSAA Ch	LHSAAHal	NCAA Baseball Wichita State vs. TCU (L)						U.S.Open	U.S. Open	Mavricks	Mavs Pre
FX	31	31	59	64	69	★★ Horrible Bosses Jason Bateman.				★★★ Men in Black 3 ('12, Act) Tommy Lee Jones, Will Smith.						Pirates of the C...	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	I Married Who? ('12, Com) Kellie Martin.				Recipe for Love Danielle Panabaker.				I Do, I Do, I Do ('15, Rom) Shawn Roberts.			
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	H.Hunt
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Gangland Undercover		10 Things	10Things "Las Vegas"		10 Things	10 Things You Don't		10 Things "The Flag"		Pawn S.	Pawn S.
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	The Good Sister ('14, Dra) Sonya Walger.				Missing at 17 ('13, Dra) Tricia O'Kelley.				Stalked at 17 ('12, Dra) Taylor Spreitler.			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	(11:00) Alex Witt		Meet the Press		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	39				HorseRce	Ski & Snowboard		Rising	USSA 36	F1 Auto Racing Malaysian Grand Prix					F1 Extra	NHL Live!
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	(11:00) Kids' Choice		★★★ Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa				Parents	Parents	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Res. "Beach Rats"		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Cabin Fever 2: Spring Fever Rider Strong.				★★ Shutter ('08, Hor) Joshua Jackson.				★★ Resident Evil: Extinction			
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	★★ Diary of a Mad Black Woman Kimberly Elise.					★ I Can Do Bad All by Myself Tyler Perry.					Madea Goes to ...	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:15) The End o...	(:15) How to Marry a Millionaire					★★★★ Royal Wedding			(:45) ★★★ Goodbye Again		
TELE	20	8	10	20		(11:30) El hombre araña 3 Tobey Maguire.				★★★ Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story				Noticiero	Videos	Siempre Selena	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	48 Hours: Evidence		48 Hours: Evidence		48 Hours.. "Ransom"		48 Hours: Evidence		Long Island Medium		Long Island Medium	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	★★★ The Italian Job Mark Wahlberg.				(:15) ★★★ Live Free or Die Hard ('07, Act) Bruce Willis.						The Expendables	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	Roseanne	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Friends	Friends
USA	26	30	42	27	49	(10:30) Predator		Law&O: SVU "Blast"		Law&O: SVU "Harm"		Law&O: SVU "Trade"		Law&O: SVU "Retro"		SVU "Shattered"	
WGN	19	18				(11:00) Hearts in ...		★★ A.I.: Artificial Intelligence ('01, Sci-Fi) Haley Joel Osment.						★★★ Dreamcatcher Morgan Freeman.			

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — MARCH 29, 2015

For Complete Information Please Check Movie Listings

	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	America's Funniest Home Videos		Once Upon a Time "Best Laid Plans" (N)		Secrets and Lies "The Confession" (N)		Revenge "Clarity" (N)		KMID News	(:35) Monopoly Millionaires' Club		(:35) W.Collar
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Madam "The Time Is at Hand" (N)		The Good Wife (N)		Battle Creek "Old Flames" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Good Wife	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Bick Sheep Squadron "Fighting Angles"		Columbo "A Deadly State of Mind"			M*A*S*H	The Man From U.N.C.L.E.		Mission: Impossible "A Game of Chess"		Get Smart	Get Smart
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	The Simpsons	Bob's Burgers	The Simpsons	Family Guy	The Last Man on Earth (N)		Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	Modern Family	Modern Family	Jack Van Impe	Consumer Corner
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Shepherd's Heart		Walking	All About Us	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	The Voice		iHeartRadio Music Awards Recognizing the most popular artists and music from the last year. (L)						NewsWest 9 at 10	Country Reporter	TBA	Whacked Out
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Globe Trekker		Call the Midwife (N)		(:05) Masterpiece "Mr. Selfridge" After Roses' death, Harry attempts to move on in life. (N)				(:05) Austin City Limits		Backstge "Having a Ball: Best of Season 5"	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aquí y Ahora		Nuestra Belleza Latina				Sal y pimienta		Familia P. Luche	Noticiero Univision	Republica deportiva	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Ent. Tonight		Castle		Scandal		The Closer		Anger M.	M&M	Office	NameGme
FLIX	340	65		165		(5:05) The Illusionist	★★ Up Close and Personal					(:05) ★★★ Dangerous Minds				(:55) 21 Grams	
HBO	300	68	14	14		(4:55) The Intern...	Going Clear: Scientology & the Prison...					Vice	1stLook	LastWeek	A Million Ways to Die in th...		
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	(:55) Game of Thrones		★★ Tammy Melissa McCarthy.			(:45) Non-Stop ('14, Thril) Liam Neeson.				Thrones	(:05) ★★★ Blade	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		Bill Maher (N)		★ Getaway Ethan Hawke.			★★ The Place Beyond the Pines Ryan Gosling.					(:55) Wag the Dog	
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	(5:15) Jarhead		(:20) ★★ Just Friends Ryan Reynolds.				★★ The Hangover Part III			(:45) Co-Ed "On Again, Off Again"		
MAX2	382	72	18	122		(:20) ★★ Waist Deep Tyrese Gibson.				★★ Scary Movie 2			SinCity	Femme	(:40) ★★ The Marine		
PLEX			96			(5:10) The Rat Race		★★★ Romeo and Juliet Leonard Whiting.				(:20) ★★★ Les Misérables ('98, Dra) Liam Neeson.					Movie
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Lies	House Lies	Shameless		Shameless (N)		Lies (N)	Lies (N)	Shameless		Lies	Lies
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:15) Alex Cross		★★★ Django Unchained ('12, West) Christoph Waltz, Jamie Foxx.						An American Werewolf in ...			Movie
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Inter. "Kimberly"		Intervention "Katie"		Intervention (N)		Neighbors Benef. (N)		Surviving Marriage		Intervention "Katie"	
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	Dead "Spend"		Walking Dead "Try"		Walking Dead "Conquer" (SF) (N)			The Talking Dead (N)		The Walking Dead "Conquer"		
BET	58	26		40		(5:00) What's Love Got to Do With It?				Being Mary "Let's Go Crazy"			Being Mary Jane			Game	Game
BRAVO	65	63		41		Atlanta Social (N)		Housewives Atl. (N)		Blood, Sweat (N)		Millionaire (N)		Watch (N)	Queens	Housewives Atlanta	
CNBC	46	45		39	72	Rich	Money	Mob Money		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed		American Greed	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Finding Jesus "Judas"		Finding Jesus		Finding Jesus (N)		The Wonder List (N)		Finding Jesus		Finding Jesus	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Bush "Breaking Free"		Alaskan Bush People		Alaskan Bush People "Cold Front"				Alaskan Bush People		Al. Bush "Cold Front"	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Girl	Jessie	I Didn't	KC Under	Jessie	Austin	Girl	Dog Blog	Jessie	Dog Blog	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	SportsCenter			NCAA Basketball Division I Tournament (L)				SportsCenter			SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	A.F.L. Football Philadelphia Soul at Orlando Predators (L)					30 for 30 "The Bad Boys"				College Gameday (L)		30Shorts
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	★★★ Home Alone ('90, Com) Macaulay Culkin.					★★★ Home Alone 2: Lost in New York					J.Osteen	Jeremiah
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report Sunday		Fox News Reporting		Fox News Reporting		Hannity		Fox News Reporting		Fox News Reporting	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game (N)		All-Star Academy (N)		Cuthroat (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		All-Star Academy	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	NBA Basketball Dallas Mavericks at Indiana Pacers (L)					Maverick	WPT Poker		Insider	School (N)	WPT Poker	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(5:00) Pirates of the Caribbean: The Cu...				★★ Snow White and the Huntsman ('12, Act) Kristen Stewart.						M&M	M&M
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Just Desserts ('03, Rom) Lauren Holly.				A Taste of Romance ('11, Fam) Teri Polo.				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	H.Hunt	H.Hunt	Bargain	Bargain	Life (N)	Life (N)	IslndLif	IslndLif	H.Hunt	House	Life	Life
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn Star	Ax Men		Ax Men (N)		(:05) App. Outlaws		(:05) Vikings		Ax Men	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Bad Blood ('15, Thril) Jeff Kober, Taylor Cole.				Damaged ('15, Dra) Chris Klein.				Bad Blood ('15, Thril) Taylor Cole.			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	CaughtCam "Combat"		Caught on Camera		Locked Up Abroad		Locked Up Abroad		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	39				NHL Live	NHL Hockey San Jose Sharks at Pittsburgh Penguins (L)					Overtime	Sports Report		UCI Cycling		F1 Racing
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	(:45) Sponge	★★★ Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa				Fresh P.	Fresh P.	Friends	Friends	(:10) Lopez	(:50) Lopez
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Coaching Bad		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	Silent Hill: Revelation 3D Sean Bean.				★★★★ Halloween ('07, Hor) Malcolm McDowell.					★★ Resident Evil: Extinction		
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(5:00) Madea Go...		BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	Cougar T	Cougar T	Conan	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(4:45) Goodbye A...		★★★ Grand Hotel John Barrymore.				★★★ Hotel Berlin Faye Emerson.				The Penalty	
TELE	20	8	10	20		(5:00) Siempre Selena		La Voz Kids				Suelta la sopa		Titulares	Videos	El Macho	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Medium	LI Medium	Medium	Medium	Medium "Texas" (N)		Think You Are (N)		Long Island "Texas"		Think You Are	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(5:00) The Expen...		★★★ Red ('10, Act) Bruce Willis.				(:15) ★★★ The Bourne Supremacy Matt Damon.					Movie
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	Friends	(:45) Friends	(:20) Friends		Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Hotin (N)	Friends
USA	26	30	42	27	49	SVU "Manhattan Vigil"		Law&O: SVU "911"		SVU "Behave"		SVU "Payback"		★★ Safe Haven ('13, Dra) Julianne Hough.			
WGN	19	18				(4:00) Dreamcatcher		★★ Blade II ('02, Act) Wesley Snipes.				Outlaw Country		Salem "All Fall Down"		Salem	Bones

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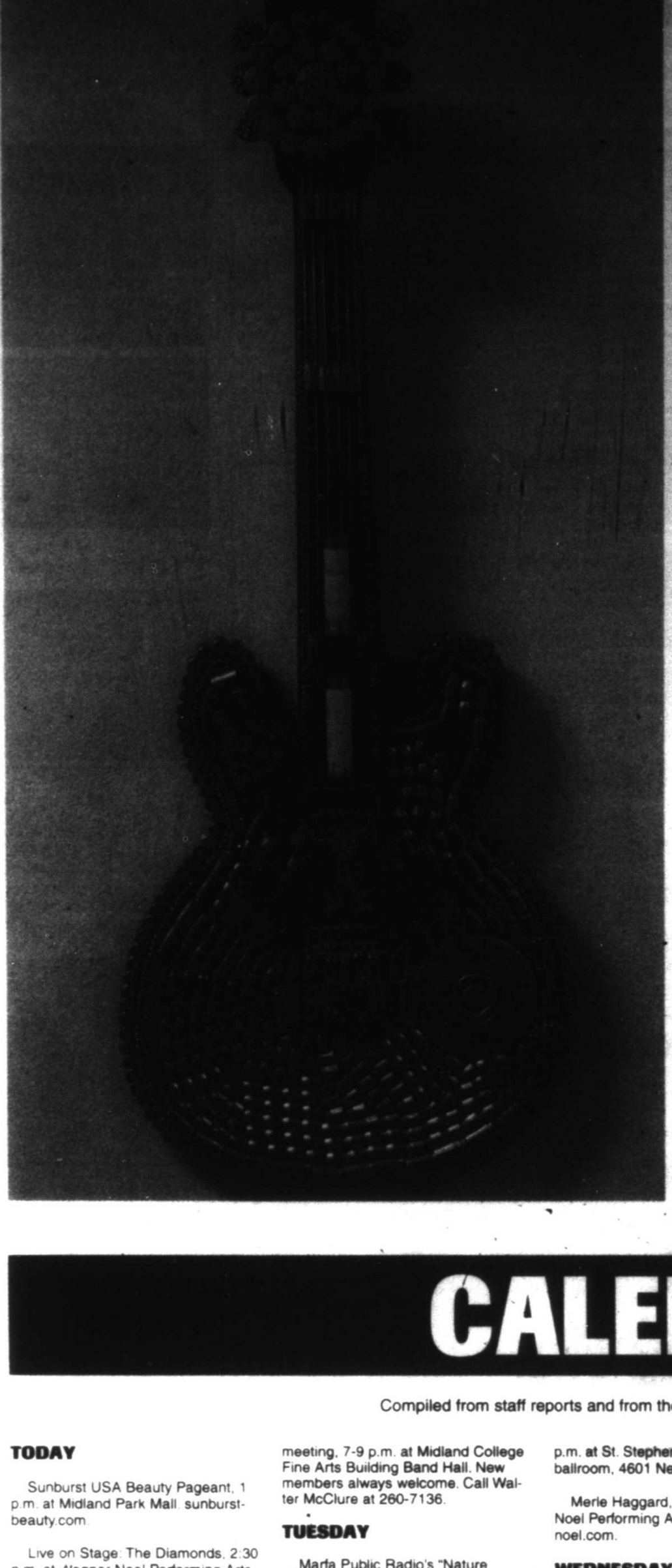

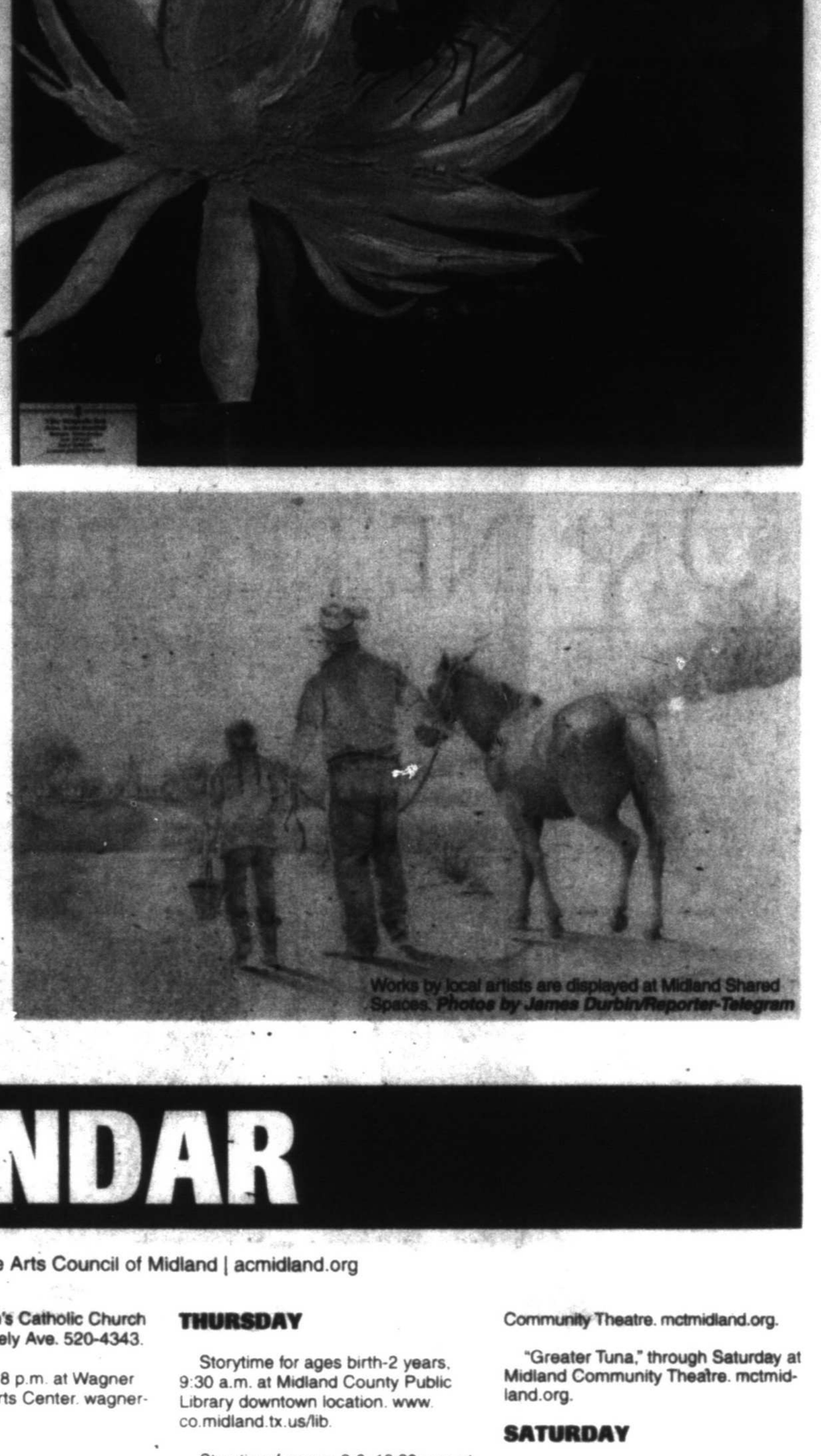

Works by local artists are displayed at Midland Shared Spaces. *Photos by James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram*

CALENDAR

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TODAY

Sunburst USA Beauty Pageant, 1 p.m. at Midland Park Mall. sunburst-beauty.com

Live on Stage: The Diamonds, 2:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com

MONDAY

Basin PBS Community Cinema "The Homestretch," 7 p.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. basinpbs.org.

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting, 7-9 p.m. at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. New members always welcome. Call Walter McClure at 260-7136.

TUESDAY

Marfa Public Radio's "Nature Notes," 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. every Tuesday-Thursday. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Storytime for ages 2-6, 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Permian Basin Dance Club with live country-western band, 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephen's Catholic Church ballroom, 4601 Neely Ave. 520-4343.

Merle Haggard, 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

WEDNESDAY

Storytime for ages birth-2 years, 9:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Storytime for ages 2-6, 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

THURSDAY

Storytime for ages birth-2 years, 9:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

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FRIDAY

Basin PBS' Kids Writers Contest deadline. basinpbs.org.

"The Little Princess" Pickwick Players production, through Saturday at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

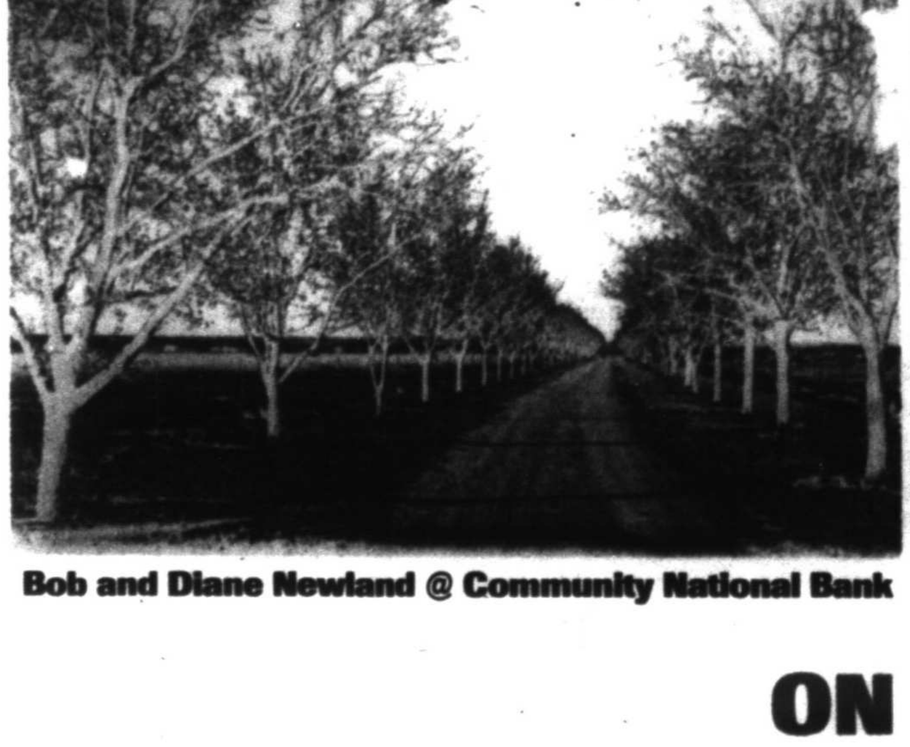
"Greater Tuna," through Saturday at Midland Community Theatre. mctmidland.org.

SATURDAY

Storytime for ages 2-6, 10:30 a.m. at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Book signing with Debbie Nordman, 1 p.m. at Barnes and Noble Booksellers. barnesandnoble.com.

Imaginocean, 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.



Bob and Diane Newland @ Community National Bank

Mary Tucci @ ArtiZen

Changing Winds @ McCormick Gallery at Midland College

ON DISPLAY

ArtiZen Outlet gallery space and co-op. 436 Andrews Highway. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. artizenoutlet.com.

ArtQuest Studios. Reserved Studio Time is $35 per month. 700 Andrews Highway. heronartconnection@sbcglobal.net. 553-0420. www.artquesttx.com.

Blakemore Planetarium's permanent exhibits are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Closed Sunday and Monday. Sky shows throughout the week.1705 W. Missouri Ave. 683-2882.

The Ellen Noël Art Museum. "Art and Fashion of the 1920s" through May 31. Odessa Art Association's 57th Annual Permian Basin Juried Art Exhibition closes today. Open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is free. www.noelartmuseum.org. 550-9696.

Fredda Turner Durham Children's Museum's exhibit "2015 Student Art Exhibition: Time Warp" through Saturday. Permanent exhibits include "My Town," "Beach Babies" and "Touch of Sound." Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m., Admission charged. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882.

George Bush Childhood Home's tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 685-1112

Haley Library and History Center's hours are 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Free. 1805 W. Indiana Ave. 682-5785

Kamiposi Gallery. Thomas Burns and Comrades during March. 510 S. Big Spring St. 230-0256. Facebook.com/kamiposi.

McCermick Gallery at Midland College. "Changing Winds" work by Ellie Honl and Taryn McMahon through April 17. 3600 N. Garfield St. midland.edu.

Midland Arts Association presents the artwork of Bob and Diane Newland in the Community National Bank lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave., during March.

Midland County Historical Museum's exhibit honoring World War II veterans 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 W. Missouri Ave. 2-5 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Free. 682-2931 or 688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 682-5447.

Midland County Public Library Centennial branch "Mix It Up" exhibit with Hervé Tullet through April 17. 688-4320 or www.co.midland.tx.us/lib.

Museum of the Southwest's exhibit "The People of Taos." "Explorer | Observer | Reflector, Three Perspectives on American Indian Life." Permanent exhibits include Taos Master: Taos Society of Artists collection. MSW Sculpture Park has 14 sculptures on display. Gallery hours are 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 2-5 p.m. Sunday. $5 adults, $3 children. 1705 W. Missouri Ave., 683-2882. museumsw.org.

Nancy Fyfe Cardozier Gallery, UTPB. Free and open to the public. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 2-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Free. 335-6640.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, Library and Hall of Fame is open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Saturday, 2-5 p.m. Sunday, 1500 Interstate 20 West, 683-4403.

RTD Skatepark hosts art exhibits from internationally known pro-skaters and is open to submissions of local artists to sell and display their work. Rock the Desert grounds. rtdskatepark.com.

Scarborough-Linebery House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7368.

Sibley Nature Center. Pre-order for spring plant sale April 10-11. autumn@sibleynature-center.org.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.

The Parks gets new ownership; upgrades planned

By Mella McEwen
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A $79 million acquisition has boought Nashville's Evergreen Senior Living Properties LLC ownership of The Parks senior living community in Odessa, along with three other Texas properties.

Evergreen has also acquired Wesley Court in Abilene, The Craig in Amarillo and Meadow Lake in Tyler.

Chris Coates, Evergreen's CEO, said the company had its eyes on properties with opportunities. The Parks and the three other Texas properties went on the auction block when the previous owner, Sears Methodist Retirement System, declared bankruptcy. Coates said the company was the high bidder for the four properties.

"We're very excited. Markets that are bigger may look like they're better opportunities; we feel the market for this community is terrific. The Parks has had a long following and is well supported by the community. Our research indicates it's well received, and we hope not to disturb that. We want to be good owners and good members of the community," he said.

In studying the market, the company found the Odessa facility didn't have as much competition and drew from the surrounding region, such as Midland and smaller towns, he said.

Its biggest competition, as with other senior living communities around the nation, is home, he said. "People want to stay in their own homes."

The new owners are planning major renovations to The Parks, expected to cost about $2 million. Among those plans are a new kitchen, work that will add private rooms in the skilled nursing facility and the acquisition of one or two new vehicles to transport residents. "We'll also refurbish and refresh the entire community," he said.

Getting underway are some projects Coates called behind-the-scenes projects, such as repairing the irrigation system, fixing drainage issues and getting quotes on repairs to the community's roads. Landscaping is planned, which will take place after the irrigation system is repaired, and road repairs will begin after the drainage issues are addressed, he said.

The work is expected to take 12 to 18 months.

Another development is an agreement Evergreen reached with the Ector County Hospital District that will enhance operations at The Parks in two ways.

First, the agreement calls for the hospital district to serve as the Medicaid license holder for The Parks' 90-bed skilled nursing center.

Coates explained that the agreement allows the company to partner with the hospital district in a federal minimum payment program whereby non-state facilities can partner with local public hospital districts to draw Medicaid reimbursement funds that normally come from the state Medicaid program.

Secondly, the goal moving forward is for Medical Center Hospital to provide The Parks staff training in new approaches to senior care, as well as training medical directors and offering continuing education unit credits for accredited personnel.

The Parks is a gated community located on 20 acres that offers seniors a full range of living accommodations and care options, including apartments, patio homes, executive homes, assisted living, skilled nursing and rehabilitation care.

One thing it doesn't yet offer is a specialized memory care center, a trend Coates see growing in the industry.

He said operators of senior living communities are developing state-of-the-art memory centers for residents with Alzheimer's disease or dementia. Those centers take techniques developed by researchers and use them to help stimulate demential patients.

Company officials will look at establishing such a center in The Parks after the initial renovation work currently under way is done, Coates said.

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Bert Martinez poses for a photo Tuesday in Gilbert, Ariz. Martinez, the owner of a public relations firm in Phoenix, consulted his lawyer when one of his employees posted critical comments about him and his company on Facebook last year, but was unable to fire the employee for the criticism.

Laws protect employees' gripes on social media

By Joyce M. Rosenberg
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bosses can get mad when staffers vent on social media about their jobs, but they might not be able to get even.

When one of Bert Martinez' employees posted gripes about her job and the boss on Facebook last year, the publicist consulted his lawyer, who said the staffer couldn't be fired.

"The first lesson I learned is, employees are allowed to vent," said Martinez, owner of Bert Martinez Communications in Phoenix. "If they're saying, 'Hey, it's hard working here, and I find this environment unpleasant,' you can't fire them for that."

The employee quit a week after Martinez learned about the post.

The government protects workers' rights to say what they want about where they work, even if it's in a vitriolic and insulting tweet or post. It's illegal for an employee to be fired for a post about working conditions, whether it's pay, hours, assignments, difficult supervisors, dress code or any other issue. So employers shouldn't try to restrict workers' freedom of speech or retaliate if there's a post they don't like.

It's an issue that companies of all sizes have to deal with, but it's often more challenging for smaller companies because they typically don't have large human resources departments or lawyers on staff to advise them.

What's protected

Workers who complain about employers on social media can't be fired if they're involved in what's called "concerted activity," or joining with fellow staffers to improve working conditions, according to the National Labor Relations Board, the government agency responsible for upholding workers' rights.

"The NLRB is effectively taking the position that commentary about working conditions on social media is completely protected," said Henry Perlowski, an employment law attorney with Arnall Golden Gregory in Atlanta.

A 2014 NLRB decision shows how broadly the agency views employees' rights to make such critical posts, Perlowski said. The NLRB said a restaurant illegally fired two workers for taking part in a Facebook discussion of problems in how income tax was withheld from paychecks. The discussion mentioned a meeting about the issue. One employee was fired for a comment that contained an expletive describing one owner, and the other was dismissed for "liking" a post.

Because the posts were related to working conditions and the employees were discussing concerted activity, or jointly seeking a resolution of their problems, the posts were protected. The NLRB reversed the firings.

Owners also can't resort to other disciplinary measures, Perlowski said. That rules out suspensions, reprimands, pay cuts and promotion denials.

What's not

The NLRB will uphold firings based on posts that damage a company, disparage its products or services or reveal trade secrets or financial information, said Paula Lopez, an employment law attorney with Allyn & Fortuna in New York. But there can be gray area, for example, when a post is critical of a company's product or services but is also related to working conditions.

Posts encouraging insubordination aren't protected, Lopez said, citing a 2014 case that upheld an employers' decision not to rehire workers who had posted plans to show up at the job and

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THE ECONOMIST

By M. Ray Perryman

Drought conditions improve, but Texas not out of the woods

Since the epic drought of 2011, Texas' water supply has improved overall, but some areas remain in critical condition. When a drought begins, the drop in soil moisture and the associated losses in crops, yards and greenery are the first impacts that can be readily seen. As overly dry conditions continue, other longer-term effects begin to take place that worsen as the drought persists. Stream flows and lake levels dwindle, and wells begin to struggle. While precipitation can work wonders to green things up and improve short-term effects, the negative longer-term problems from an extended drought can be much harder to remediate.

In particular, it can take a while for low reservoir and groundwater levels to resolve. It takes higher-than-normal precipitation levels to restore reservoir, ground, drinking and recreation water levels to their pre-drought levels. And the worse the drought has been, the longer it takes to recover. So while recent rainfall has caused some improvement, there is still a long way to go.

According to the National Drought Mitigation Center, Texas has seen rains of up to 6.51 inches in east Texas, which has improved conditions throughout this region. Additionally, recent rains in southeast Texas have brought this area out of severe drought into abnormal dryness and moderate drought. As of March 10, however, 41.62 percent of Texas (by area) is categorized as under severe drought conditions or worse. About 21 percent of the total population of Texas resides in these parched places. The situation has improved markedly since 2011, when virtually all of the land area of the state was suffering from one of the driest periods in history. Even so, many people are still affected by drought conditions, and this situation remains one of Texas' biggest challenges.

Last July, I reported that state reservoirs were alarmingly empty, with the High Plains region below 2 percent, the South Central region at 48 percent and the Southern region at 36 percent capacity. Unfortunately, the situation has only marginally improved; by some measures, it has worsened.

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Municipal bond returns expected to be more muted this year

By Stan Choe
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Conditions were nearly perfect for municipal bonds last year, leading to sizeable returns. Perfection never lasts, though, and managers of municipal-bond funds are forecasting more modest returns in upcoming years.

The backdrop for municipal bonds last year was as pleasant as the first warm, spring breeze: Interest rates were falling, the economy was strengthening, demand was high for bonds that pay tax-free income and supply was relatively low. Add it up, and the Barclays Municipal Bond index returned 9.1 percent in 2014. Just don't expect a repeat.

"Definitely manage those expectations," said Diederik Olijslager, who co-manages the $3.9 billion USAA Tax Exempt Intermediate-Term fund, among other municipal-bond offerings. "It's fixed-income investing, it shouldn't be 10 percent returns a year."

Gains are still likely in coming years, but managers say they're likely to be closer to 2 percent or 3 percent, depending on the type of bond. Another cloud in the forecast: Managers also expect volatility to pick up following a very calm 2014.

Investors have already had a sneak peek: The Barclays Municipal Bond index fell in February, its first monthly loss since 2013, snapping what had been its longest winning streak in more than two decades. Among the factors affecting the municipal-bond market:

Yields are low

Municipal bonds are producing less income than a year ago because their yields key off Treasury rates, and the yield on the 10-year Treasury note is below 2 percent. It was around 2.70 percent a year ago and close to 4 percent five years ago.

Rates are so low, the worry is that they will rise and knock down the price of existing bonds. And the improved job market means most economists expect the Federal Reserve to raise short-term rates later this year.

Conventional wisdom says that investors worried about rising rates should focus on short-term bonds. That's because long-term bonds lock in yields for longer periods of time, which makes their prices more sensitive to rate changes.

But even after the Fed hikes rates, long-term rates could continue to stay low given how weak inflation is. That's one reason Josh Gonze, a portfolio manager at Thornburg Investment Management, is staying neutral on interest rates and refraining from leaning on just short-term

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A For college planning and the college search, you might visit **collegeboard.org**, **petersons.com**, **campustours.com** and **unigo.com**.

For more financial aid guidance, start with the U.S. Department of Education at **ed.gov** and **studentaid.ed.gov**. (The latter's page at **studentaid.ed.gov/resources#college-prep-and-pay** is especially handy.) The **finaid.org** website offers scholarship and loan guidance and help filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). (Don't get intimidated by the FAFSA — filling it out is very important.) At **fastweb.com**, you can search a large scholarship database.

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Q What does a REIT's "FFO" refer to? *— R.N., Petal, Mississippi*

A First off, know that REIT stands for Real Estate Investment Trust. A REIT may look and act like an ordinary stock, but it's a different kind of company, getting certain tax benefits and required to pay out at least 90 percent of its income as dividends. REITs typically own many properties, such as offices, laboratories, nursing homes, hotels, shopping centers or apartments.

With most companies, investors will examine net income, which reflects the profits left over from sales after all expenses have been subtracted. REITs are different, though. According to accounting rules, the value of REIT properties is decreased over time, with depreciation charged against and reducing net income.

In reality, however, real estate properties are probably not falling in value and may even be appreciating. So a REIT's net income tends to understate its health. Thus, you should look at a REIT's "funds from operation," or FFO, instead. It ignores the effect of depreciation and other noncash charges and gives you a truer picture of the REIT's performance. Learn more about REITs at **reit.com**.

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Fool's School

Add Some Women to Your Portfolio

Diversity in investing has been getting more attention lately, as many investors are now seeking companies that have promoted more women to key managerial positions and placed more women on their boards of directors.

With women now making up nearly half the workforce, it would seem natural that women would start playing a bigger role at the heads of the nation's companies. And yet last year, only 17.7 percent of Fortune 1000 companies' board of directors seats were held by women, and more recently, only 4.8 percent of CEOs of companies in the S&P 500 were women.

With that in mind, some investor groups and organizations have begun to promote as choice investments companies that support the advancement for women. And this strategy isn't just a feel-good idea, either.

Data has shown that women are often superior investors compared to men, with a lower risk tolerance that can lead to better decision-making, more long-term planning, less frequent trading and higher use of outside help. In fact, from 2000 to 2009, hedge funds managed mostly by women produced an average annual return of 9.1 percent, versus 5.8 percent for a broader composite of hedge funds.

Other data has shown that companies with more women in their top managerial positions and boards are more successful, even during periods of financial strain. From 2006 to 2012, large companies with more women on their boards averaged annual revenue growth of 14 percent versus 10 percent for companies with mostly male boards.

If you're interested in a mutual fund focused on companies with progressive practices of advancing women to key roles within the organization, check out the Pax Ellevate Global Women's Index Fund (PXWEX). Some of its top holdings (among several hundred) are PepsiCo, Lockheed Martin and Procter & Gamble; the first two have female CEOs, and the third has a significant number of female executives.

While gender diversity should not be your only consideration when choosing an investment option, the long-term benefits of diversity could provide your portfolio with staying power.

My Smartest Investment

Marriage and Money

One of my dumbest investment stories is intertwined with one of my wife's smartest ones. Way back in 1973, I made the mistake of "telling" her to sign some papers so we could sell some of our stocks. Since I hadn't discussed it with her before telling her to sign, she refused. Over the next bunch of years, I invested $35,000 in a lost cause, losing 95 percent of the money. We still held those unsold stocks, though, and they did very well. I'm still thanking my wife. *— W., online*

The Fool Responds: It's always best for couples to discuss their finances together, ideally making joint decisions. It's also smart to not let one partner take care of all things financial without involving the other. The less-involved one should know where all the related papers and passwords are, in case they need to take over at some point.

Hanging on to stocks for many years is a great way to build big wealth, but you shouldn't do so blindly. Check in on your holdings every quarter or so to make sure the companies are still performing well, with strong prospects.

Do you have an embarrassing lesson learned the hard way? Boil it down to 100 words (or less) and send it to The Motley Fool c/o My Dumbest Investment. Got one that worked? Submit to My Smartest Investment. If we print yours, you'll win a Fool's cap!

The Motley Fool Take

Is It Time to Step on the Gas?

You don't witness a 55 percent drop in oil prices without there being some genuinely negative repercussions for energy stocks. The collapse, which has been driven by a glut of oil in U.S. terminals and refineries, as well as the insistence of Saudi Arabia that it has no plans to cut production, could, for example, cause ExxonMobil's profits to fall by more than half in 2015.

But this weakness in oil prices, and the resulting drop in energy-company stock prices, can be a reason to go on the offensive rather than retreat. Carbon-based fuels are expected by some to continue to meet 75 percent of the world's energy demands in 2040, and energy demand is expected to rise 35 percent by then, too. If you're skittish about investing in energy stocks now, or aren't confident you'll pick the right ones, consider investing in the Energy Select Sector SPDR ETF (NYSE: XLE).

Exchange-traded funds, or ETFs, are a bit of a cross between mutual funds and stocks. The Energy Select one, for example, is an easy way to invest in about 43 oil-and-gas and service companies for an ultra-low annual fee — just 0.15 percent of assets. Not surprisingly, ExxonMobil and Chevron make up more than a quarter of total assets, resulting in strong cash flow and a recent dividend yield of 2.3 percent. (The Motley Fool recommends Chevron.)

Name That Company

I began in 1913 as a fancy store in Milan, offering leather bags and luxury accessories. Today I'm a top global fashion brand. In 1919, I became the official supplier to the Italian royal household and got the right to include the coat of arms of the House of Savoy in my logo. I bought the British shoe company Church's in 1999 and Italy's Car Shoe brand in 2001. I launched eyewear in 2000 and a touch-screen phone in 2007. I've sponsored literary contests and movies, but contrary to popular culture, I've not sold to the devil. Who am I?

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LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

My roots go back to the Upton Machine Co., founded in 1911 in Benton Harbor, Michigan, to make and sell electric wringer washers. By 1916, I was selling them through Sears, Roebuck. I startled society in 1917 by giving my workers paid vacations. In 1967, I launched the first toll-free customer support line, operating 24 hours a day. Today I'm the world's top major appliance maker, taking in about $20 billion annually and employing about 100,000 people around the world. My brands include KitchenAid, Consul, Maytag, Brastemp, Amana, Bauknecht, Jenn-Air, Indesit and my own flagship name. Who am I? (Answer: Whirlpool)

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According to the latest data from the Texas Water Development Board, the High Plains are now sitting at 5 percent storage on average, whereas the Low Rolling Plains, the Edwards Plateau and the Southern regions are all below 40 percent capacity. Even the South Central region, which is home to Lake Travis, is currently only 44 percent full on average. Statewide, conservation volume is about 65 percent, down from 68 percent in June.

Groundwater levels are not much improved, either. In December, monitor wells in San Antonio recorded a water level lower than the Stage III critical management level, and restrictions were declared by the Edwards Aquifer Authority (EAA). Fortunately, as of January, the aquifer level stands at 85.11 feet, which is 5.89 feet above the Stage III critical level, but it remains too close for comfort.

However, the news is not all bad. Despite the fact that January is typically the driest month of the year, Texas received more rain than average, and conservation storage rose over 695,000 acre-feet compared to December levels. Additionally, storage remains over 257,000 acre-feet higher than in January 2014. If we can keep moving in this direction, the problems will slowly resolve.

On Nov. 5, 2013, the Texas Legislature and Texas voters passed Proposition 6, authorizing a $2 billion transfer from the Rainy Day Fund for the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT) and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund for Texas (SWIRFT). SWIFT funds provide financial assistance for projects that help develop drought-proof water supplies for Texas cities, including conservation, desalting seawater and the development of pipelines and reservoirs. Similarly, SWIRFT provides the state the authority to issue revenue bonds to finance Texas' water plan. The goal of the funds is to ensure that Texans have adequate water supply during droughts. Applications for loans began in November 2014, and the board expects to have the approval of applications by the summer of 2015.

Thus, Texans should see projects and programs regarding water supply going into effect by this fall, albeit not at a pace to solve the problem on a permanent basis.

As we look around and see a little more green this spring than in the worst years of the drought, it is tempting to think that Texas is "out of the woods" as far as the water supply. Unfortunately, that is far from true. It might take years of good rains to fully recover, and it is crucial that we keep looking for ways to increase supplies and conserve what we have. It is equally critical that we continue to work toward being prepared for the inevitable future droughts. Demand for water will only increase in the future as we continue to expand our production and as hundreds of thirsty new Texans appear every day.

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BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits March 16-20

5306 Whitman Drive	Commercial Addition	$250,210
218 N. Main St.	Commercial Alteration	$60,000
3625 Hyde Park Ave	Swimming Pool	$75,950
4617 Crockett Ave.	Residential Addition	$15,000
3104 W. Michigan Ave.	Residence-Detached	$1,500
402 N. Dallas St.	New Residence	$128,610
2601 W. Cuthbert Ave	Residence-Detached	$5,000
2212 Homestead	New Residence	$530,000
2402 Lockheed Drive	Residence-Detached	$1,925
1204 Country Club Drive	Residential Alteration	$30,000
5518 Starboard Drive	Swimming Pool	$63,000
6500 Saddle Horn Lane	Swimming Pool	$60,000
2506 Humble Ave.	Swimming Pool	$75,000
420 W. Pecan Ave	Residential Alteration	$300
4412 Gleneagles Drive	Commercial Addition	$20,000
2900 W. Illinois Ave.	Sign	$1,000
2802 Boardwalk Ave	New Residence	$182,790
2804 Boardwalk Ave	New Residence	$150,300
4904 Oak Valley Drive	Residential Addition	$25,000
4411 Leddy Drive	Residential Addition	$3,000
1006 Fortitude Court	Swimming pool	$49,500
6408 Dahlia Ave.	New Residence	$180,000
4408 Guadalupe	New Residence	$188,100
4410 Guadalupe	New Residence	$188,100
12240 Highway 191	New Commercial	$4,200,000
705 Wadley Ave.	Commercial Alteration	$250,800
4007 Anetta Drive	Commercial Adidtion	$1,000
4508 Hilltop Drive	Residence-Detached	$25,000
6901 Sheppard Court	New Residence	$213,000
1306 Randolph Lane	New Residence	$233,000
6806 Cowboy Drive	New Residence	$145,000
2310 Camarie Ave.	Residential Addition	$11,000
5200 Secretariat St.	Swimming Pool	$78,332
2002 N. H St.	Residence-Detached	$350
1200 S. Weatherford St.	Residential Addition	$14,000
306 Secor St.	Sign	$1,200
8 Meta Drive Suite B	Sign	$3,500
208 N. Colorado St.	Sign	$15,500
208 N. Colorado St.	Sign	$15,500
208 N. Colorado St.	Sign	$15,500
208 N. Colorado St.	Signs	$15,500
1301 S. Colorado St.	Residential Addition	$4,000
4505 Pleasant Drive	Residence-Detached	$3,500
3301 Storey Ave.	Residence-Detached	$1,350
1702 S. Loraine St.	Residential Alteration	$2,600
10112 W. Highway 80	Commercial Alteration	$10,000
4015 Norwood St.	Residence-Detached	$1,800
2300 Texland Circle	Residential Addition	$450,000
2611 N. Midland Drive	Commercial Alteration	$20,000

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not do work.

Employees can also be fired for posting information about clients or customers. And if their posts are racist, homophobic, sexist or discriminate against a religion, companies should fire workers rather than be seen as tolerating or condoning the employees' views.

The NLRB has also said griping or insults by one employee that have no connection to working conditions are not protected. For example, one that ridicules the way the boss looks, dresses or speaks.

What to do

■ Companies should have a written social media policy spelling out what employees can post. It should be specific, with examples of what's acceptable.

■ Review the policy with a lawyer or HR specialist to be sure it wouldn't violate federal, state or local laws.

■ If a staffer has made a negative post about the company, get advice from an employment law attorney or human resources provider before taking disciplinary action.

BONDS

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bonds. Thornburg manages $10 billion in municipal bonds.

Gonze said he's not willing to bet on where long-term rates will go relative to short-term rates: "I know that I don't know, and I know that no one else knows either."

Supply is rising

States, cities and other local governments are issuing bonds at a faster pace this year, and when the supply of anything increases, that can push prices lower. Just look at what's happening to oil, where a buildup in supplies has caused its price to more than halve since last summer.

Local governments issued $62.2 billion in bonds through the end of February, a big jump from the $36 billion they issued at the same point last year. Governments are taking advantage of cheap borrowing costs to replace higher-cost debt and pay for new projects.

"They're borrowing money at basically nothing," said Gonze. "If I were a city, county or state, I would go ahead and borrow as much as I could."

Demand is strong

Supplies are rising, but so is demand, which means buyers are snapping up all those additional municipal bonds.

Individual investors make up the bulk of the market for municipal bonds, and they're pouring in billions of dollars each month. They're attracted to the prospect of tax-free income, particularly given higher federal income-tax rates. Income from municipal bonds is free from federal taxes and can also be exempt from state and local taxes in some cases.

Municipal-bond mutual funds and exchange-traded funds drew a net $32 billion in investment in 2014. In the first two months of 2015 alone, they've attracted another $8.6 billion. That demand is helping to offset the impact of higher supplies.

Economy is improving

The strengthening job market is helping the finances of state and local governments. A larger workforce means higher collections of income taxes, sales taxes and other revenue. That raises confidence in municipalities' ability to repay their debts.

Managers have concerns about finances in some high-profile areas of the market, including Illinois and Puerto Rico, as well as bonds from government that are reliant on oil-related revenue. But managers say financial strength is generally improving across the country.

Worries are rising

When times are good, it's easy for fund managers to find buyers for their municipal bonds. The concern is what will happen when times are tough.

Historically, Wall Street banks and other broker-dealers have stepped in to buy bonds during stressed markets. In financial parlance, the banks provided liquidity, helping the market to remain free-flowing. But new regulations mean banks are less willing to hold bonds on their balance sheets.

That has several fund managers bulking up their holdings of cash and the highest-quality municipal bonds to help protect them in case liquidity dries up during a sell-off.

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Paying for good grades can provide economics lesson

ASK DAVE
Dave Ramsey, financial expert

DEAR DAVE: What's your opinion on rewarding kids with money for getting good grades in school? — *Joe*

DEAR JOE: Honestly, I don't have a strong opinion about it one way or the other. We didn't pay our kids for good grades, but I can't really think of a strong argument not to pay them for success in school. You could say you shouldn't pay them because it's something they're expected to do anyway, and that's somewhat valid. But you could also make the same point where chores around the house are concerned, too.

We paid our kids to do some chores, but really the point is not about the economic value. It's the fact that you want your kids to associate work with money. I still meet people my age and older who haven't made that connection. Work creates money, and that's an important thing to teach your kids. Once they've created some money by working, then you want to use those moments to teach them to save, spend and give wisely.

You can do this around the subject of grades if you want. There's probably a valid case to be made that getting an "A" takes a lot more work than getting a "C." You're certainly not obligated to pay them for work or grades, but if you don't do some of this — and teach them the proper ways to handle the money they earn — you'll miss out on a lot a fantastic teachable moments.

DEAR DAVE: My husband and I are on Baby Step 2 of your plan. We've got our starter emergency fund of $1,000 in the bank, and we're busy paying off credit cards and unpaid taxes from previous years. He thinks it's okay to take trips and save up for other fun things while we're doing this, but I disagree. I want to cut out all extra spending and pay off our debt as fast as possible. What's your opinion? — *Laura*

DEAR LAURA: It's okay to do those things in the general philosophy of life. Unfortunately, that's not what I teach when it comes to getting out of debt and gaining control of your finances. The reason people are successful following my plan is because I teach common sense combined with an unbridled, scorched-earth kind of intensity.

Let's take a closer look at this. You have unpaid taxes, not to mention credit card debt hanging over your heads, and he's talking about going on a trip and saving up for toys? I'm sorry, but that's completely irresponsible. Remember when we were kids, and Mommy and Daddy wouldn't let us go outside and play until we had cleaned up our mess? That's the kind of thing I teach.

There's a process here. There's an idea and a concept behind what I teach, and when you plug into it, you're going to start moving in a positive direction. In short, behaviors have to change, Laura. The more dramatically they change, the better results you get and the faster you fix things. But if you don't plug into it — if he doesn't plug into it — you guys are going to keep getting the same results you've been getting, which basically stink!

Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books, including The Total Money Makeover. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8.5 million listeners each week on more than 550 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

BIZ BRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Clayton Williams Energy names new president

Clayton W. Williams Jr., chairman and major shareholder of Clayton Williams Energy, has appointed **Mel G. Riggs** as president. Williams will retain his titles as chairman and CEO.

Riggs

Riggs has been with the company since 1984, serving as chief financial officer from 1991 to 2010, when he was named chief operating officer.

"I am proud and happy to name Mel as president of the company," said Williams. "He has been my right hand and has done a great job for the company for 30 years. He has a fine family heritage. As a descendant of a legendary gunfighter, Barney Riggs, Mel has the strength of mind and character to pursue our company's vision for the future that I set in place years ago."

DALLAS

EnLink Midstream names Permian Basin senior VP

EnLink Midstream LLC and EnLink Midstream Partners LP have announced the appointment of **Andrew A. Deck** to senior vice president of Permian Basin operations.

Deck will partner with the gas and liquids business unit leadership teams to identify and execute commercial projects that support EnLink's growth strategy in West Texas.

"Andy has over 30 years of industry experience, with the last several years focused on companies in the Permian Basin; he will be instrumental in the execution of our strategic growth opportunities in West Texas," said Barry E. Davis, EnLink Midstream president and CEO.

Deck served as the CEO of Coronado Midstream LLC until its recent sale to EnLink.

What to do when appraisal is below your sales price

By Alex Veiga
Associated Press

Housing market trends bode well for sellers this spring, but some might encounter hurdles even after they land a buyer.

Rising home values and a lack of inventory in many markets could set them up to receive competing offers, but that dynamic could also increase the likelihood that the appraised value of the home could fall short of the agreed upon sale price, potentially scuttling the deal.

Banks rely on appraisals to determine whether the size of a mortgage being sought by a homebuyer is justified by the market value of the home they're looking to buy. Lenders do this to ensure that they can recover their funds in the event they have to sell the home should the borrower default on the mortgage.

When an appraisal comes in below the agreed upon price, a buyer might not be able to borrow the amount needed to buy the home. At that point, the buyer usually has to make up the difference with a larger down payment or walk away.

This scenario was widespread in 2010, as foreclosures swelled following the housing bust, resulting in a surge in homes being valued by appraisers below what some buyers were willing to pay.

The same might be happening again, but for very different reasons.

The median price of previously occupied homes has climbed 7.5 percent over the past year to $202,600, according to the National Association of Realtors. One key factor: The inventory of homes for sale was at just 4.6 months in February. That's down from a historic average of around 6 months.

"We're definitely in a market that's shifted since 2012 to one where you're more likely to see a sales price that's above the appraisal," said Daren Blomquist, a vice president at real estate data firm RealtyTrac.

Here are some tips on what home sellers can do if their appraisal disappoints:

Be proactive

To determine the market value of a home, an appraiser compares prices of comparable homes recently sold in the area. Then they take an apples-to-apples approach, excluding or making adjustments for certain features, such as a swimming pool or finished basement.

One way to make it less likely that the appraiser will miss something is for the homeowner to provide details on any improvements made to the home, said Lance Coyle, president of the Appraisal Institute, a professional association.

Homeowners can also ask to accompany the appraiser during the inspection, although they should run that by the lender first, as the appraisal is done on behalf of the bank.

Talk to the buyer

Homeowners can appeal an appraisal, but before taking steps to do that, they should find out if the buyer is willing to pay the higher price.

"There are some buyers who will not pay a penny more than the appraised value," said Paul Stone, an agent for the real estate brokerage Redfin in Denver.

Buyers who agree to pay the contract price will be willing to help make the case to their lender in favor of considering an appraisal appeal, he said.

Review the appraisal

Ask for a copy of the appraisal report. Federal law requires lenders provide the appraisal upon request within 30 days.

Look for potential factors that the appraiser may have missed when comparing the property to similarly priced homes that sold recently. Does the house require major remodeling? Is the number of bedrooms and baths comparable? Did the appraiser make adjustments for the lot sizes of the homes?

Make your case

Most lenders have appraisal appeal procedures, known as reconsiderations of value.

With the buyer's permission, contact the lender and show them any discrepancies or information that the appraiser didn't consider in the assessment.

One option is to ask the lender to order a second appraisal for comparison purposes. If the lender agrees, that can run about $200 and up, depending on the home. And there's no guarantee the new appraisal will turn out any different.

Ultimately, the original appraiser will determine whether any information submitted in the appeal merits a change to the initial appraisal.

Negotiate

If the original appraisal stands following an appeal, the process is over.

At this point, the sale will likely fall through unless the buyer can kick in a bigger down payment to cover the difference between the loan and the contract price.

"From the buyers' perspective, if the appraisal comes in low, it's either an opportunity to renegotiate the price or it means you're overpaying," said Greg McBride, chief financial analyst at Bankrate.com.

Still, in markets where the inventory of homes for sale is especially tight, there will be more pressure on the buyer to make up the difference in the appraised value versus the contract price, particularly if it's only a few thousand dollars.

High nursing home bills squeeze insurers, driving rates up

By Matthew Craft
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Thirty years ago, insurance companies had the answer to the soaring cost of caring for the elderly. Plan ahead and buy a policy that will cover your expenses.

Now, there's a new problem: Even insurers think it's unaffordable.

Life insurance firms pitched long-term care policies as the prudent way for Americans to shoulder the cost of staying in nursing homes. But those same companies have found that long-term-care policies are squeezing their profits. Earnings for life insurers slid 11 percent in the most recent quarter, according to Moody's Investors Service, and long-term care was the chief culprit.

"Insurers that sell these products lose money on them," said Vincent Lui, a life-insurance analyst at Morningstar. "So they're raising prices and also trying to get out of the business right and left."

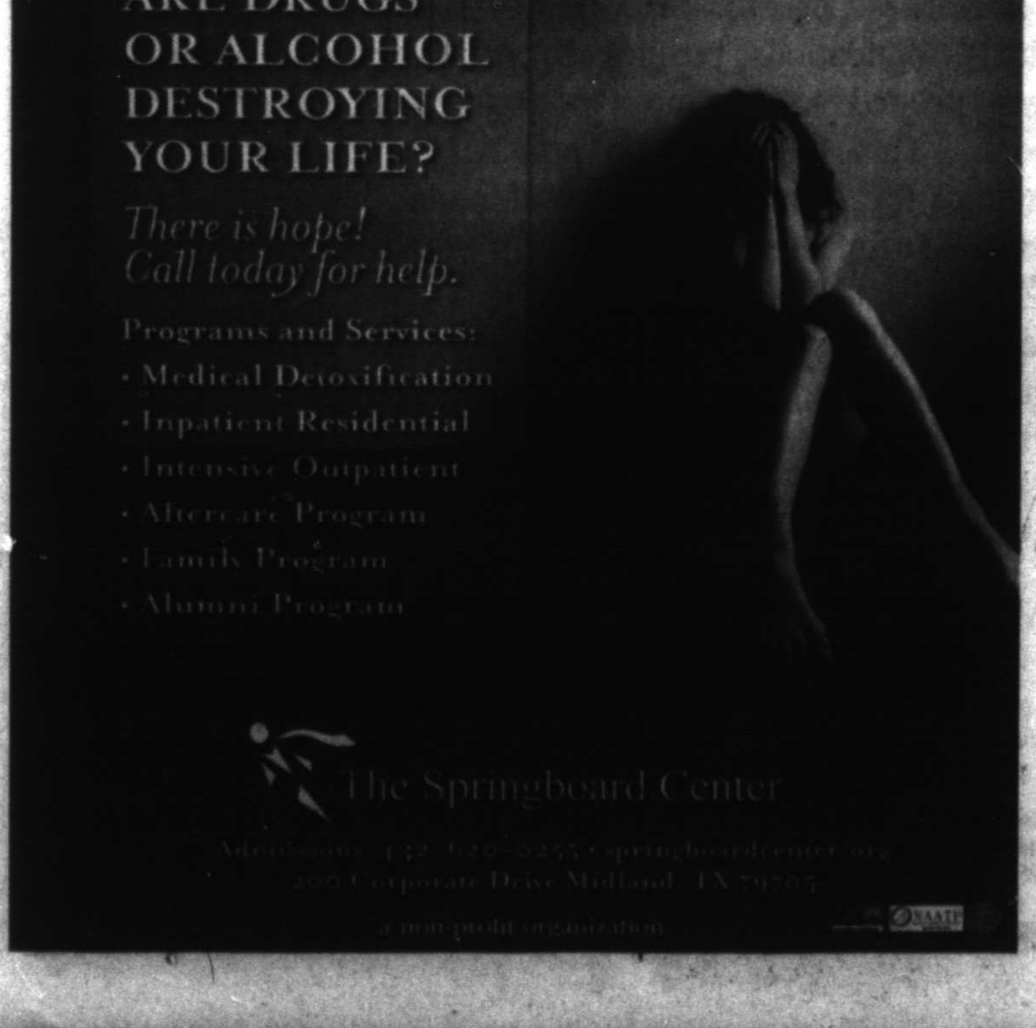
Four of the five largest providers — including Manulife and MetLife — have either scaled back their business or stopped selling new policies, according to Moody's. The largest provider, Genworth Financial, continues to offer them, yet has struggled under the weight of rising costs.

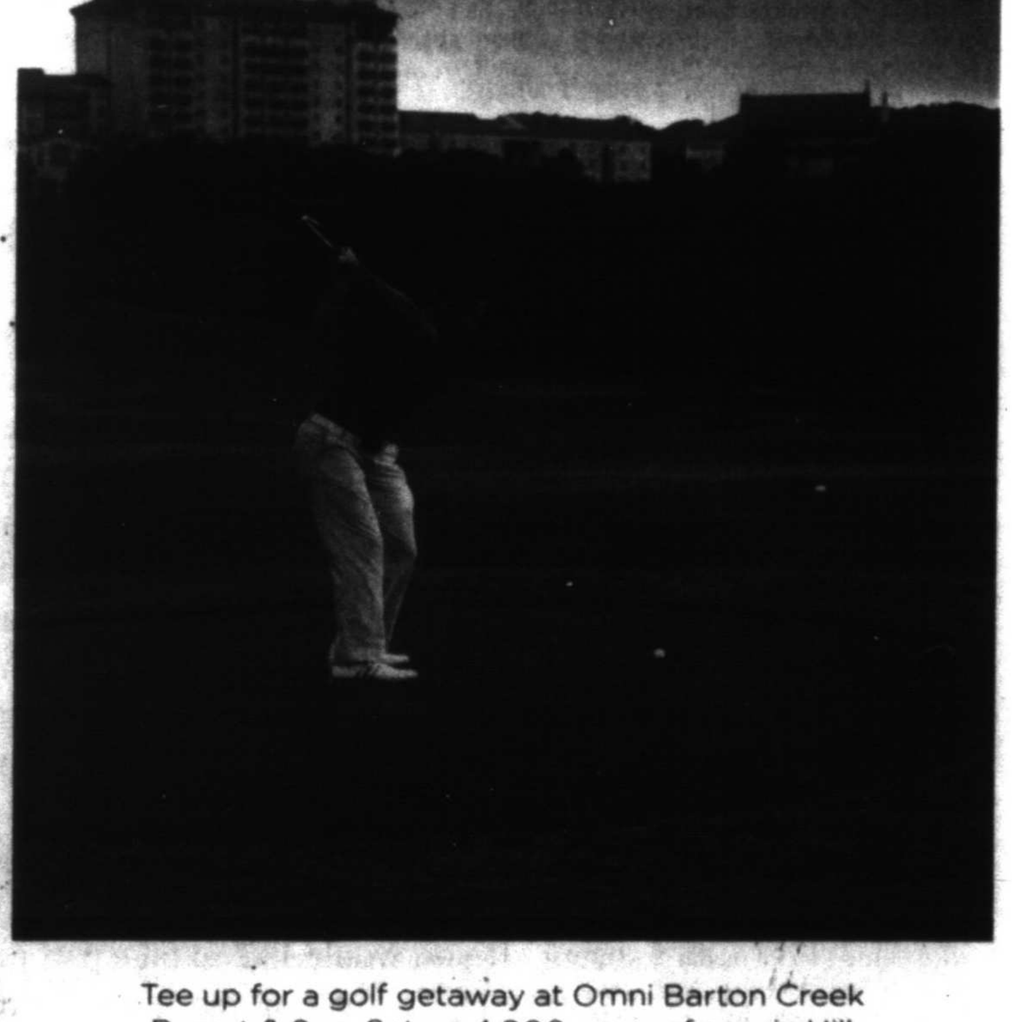
The trends behind the industry's troubles sound like good news outside the world of insurance. Older Americans are healthier and living longer. But that makes it difficult for the industry to turn a profit. Stays in nursing homes tend to last longer, so insurers have to pay out more in benefits than they had planned.

For older Americans and their families, however, there are few options besides private insurance. Medicare doesn't cover nursing home stays except in certain circumstances. The Obama Administration had planned to make a long-term insurance program part of the Affordable Care Act but eventually abandoned it.

Sean Dargan, an analyst at Macquarie Group, an Australia-based investment bank, expects to see more people turning to Medicaid, the government's health insurance for the poor, to cover the costs of care.

"It could really blow a hole through state budgets," he said. "I think states and the federal government are going to need to think creatively to find a way out of this."





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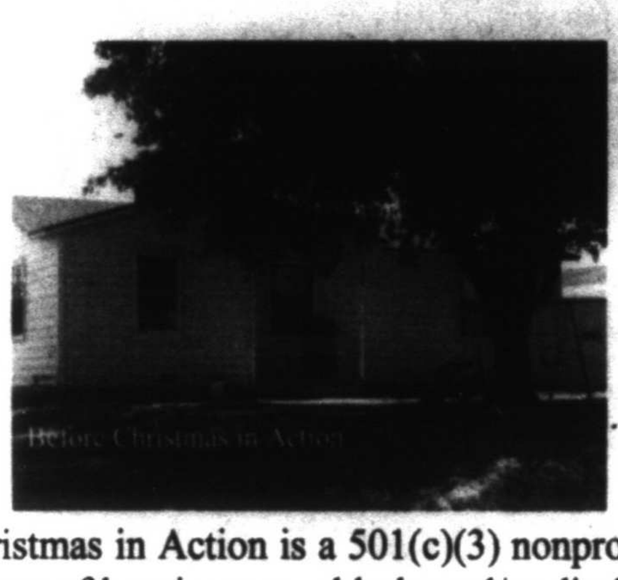
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Christmas in Action is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit agency that, in partnership with the community, repairs homes of low-income elderly and/or disabled homeowners. Since 1973, these repairs have included replacing roofs, installing windows, siding, and doors, painting, building wheelchair ramps, plumbing and electrical repairs, and much more. From May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014, Christmas in Action worked on 340 projects in the city of Midland, bringing the total of homes repaired to 10,265 since the ministry's inception.

Christmas in Action was born out of a belief in the teachings of James 2:14-17 which states, "What good is it my bothers, if a man claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save him? Suppose a brother or sister is without clothes and daily food. If one of you says to him, 'Go, I wish you well; keep warm and well fed,' but does nothing about his physical needs, what good is it? In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead." For Christmas in Action, these "brothers and sisters" have always been the elderly and disabled homeowners in the city of Midland living on fixed incomes. Christmas in Action partners with volunteers throughout the year, with an emphasis in the months of March, April, and May, to ensure that our elderly and disabled neighbors continue to live in safety, warmth, and independence.

Thousands of lives have been positively affected by the efforts of the Christmas in Action program and its volunteers. One recipient whose home was painted by a group of 8th grade boys from Midland Christian School commented, *"I just wanted to tell ya'll that was the sweetest thing them boys coming out here painting my house. It was like having 15 sons out here. It was really nice. They stood and talked to me for a while when they were done, and had me come and look at it. It was just a really sweet thing. They gave me the most beautiful little (devotional) book and they all signed it, and my heart...I just cried, not in front of them, but I cried at how sweet it was. I love you all and all the work that you do. I just want to thank you and tell you how much I appreciate you. You are all angels for me."*

Christmas in Action plays a vital role in our community by preserving and revitalizing homes of elderly and disabled homeowners in Midland, and is the only program in our community that provides these specific home repairs at no cost to the recipient. Christmas in Action relies on the gifts of individuals, foundations, businesses, and churches to provide the resources needed to continue to assist and provide for our neighbors. This ministry also provides Midlanders with the opportunities for leadership, fellowship, and learning, all in the common goal of meeting the basic needs of others.

Christmas in Action is in desperate need of willing volunteers from churches, businesses, civic groups, schools, or any organization that would be willing to take a home repair project this spring. If you would like to take part in this wonderful ministry, please contact the Midland office at 432-683-4177. Just as the need for assistance is ongoing, so is the opportunity to join in on a Christmas in Action project. You can also visit us on our website at www.christmasinaction.org or email us at ciamidland@sbcglobal.net.

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OIL REPORT

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PIPELINE PARTNERSHIP

Rangeland announces anchor-shipping deal with Delek

By Mella McEwen
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Rangeland Energy's RIO (Rangeland Integrated Oil) System, which is designed to help producers move Permian Basin production downstream, has passed a significant milestone with the announcement of an anchor shipper.

The Sugar Land-based company has signed a long-term agreement with a subsidiary of Delek US Holdings as anchor shipper. Delek Logistics Partners LP, the company's logistics arm, will own 33 percent of the RIO Pipeline and supporting terminals.

Rangeland CEO Christopher Keene called Delek Logistics' stake a minority interest in the pipelines and two supporting terminals.

What the agreement does is move the project to the next stage.

"Now that we have an anchor shipper in place, we are moving from the development phase tot he construction phase," he said in an email.

The system's rail facility is known as the RIO Hub and is located near Loving, New Mexico. It began operation in November, providing customers inbound fracturing sand services, including unloading, storage and truck loading. Keene said his company has not seen the impact of the downturn caused by falling oil prices that other regions have seen.

"The Delaware Basin is one of the most active, economic and prolific basins in the U.S.," he said. "The industry is very bullish on the Delaware Basin. It's early in the lifecycle of the play, and, because of its multiple, stacked pay zones, we believe there will be strong production in the region for decades to come."

To bring this production from the Delaware Basin to market, Rangeland will begin construction of a 107-mile pipeline from its RIO State Line Terminal, a crude oil gathering hub at the Texas-New Mexico border, to its Midland terminal. The State Line Terminal will offer storage tanks and truck-unloading facilities, while the Midland terminal will have storage tanks and connections to various terminals and interstate pipelines that lead to the Cushing, Oklahoma, and Gulf Coast markets. Construction will begin in the second quarter, with completion expected in the first half of 2016. Initial capacity will be 50,000 barrels per day, expanding to 85,000 barrels per day or more, depending on how many additional pump stations are ultimately added.

In addition to fracturing services, the RIO Hub will ultimately offer storage, loading and outbound rail service for crude oil. A 30-mile pipeline will connect it to the State Line Terminal.

"The addition of an anchor shipper is a significant milestone in the ongoing expansion of the RIO System. We are excited to begin construction of the RIO Pipeline and look forward to working with Delek US to facilitate the transportation of crude oil from the Delaware Basin to its refineries and other potential markets," Keene said.

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Price differentials affect Big Spring Refinery's mix of sour, sweet crudes

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Much like the rest of the Permian Basin, Alon USA's Big Spring Refinery has adjusted to the changes in the region's oil industry.

When the complex opened 86 years ago as the Cosden Refinery, it was geared to process primarily sour crudes coming from local fields such as the Howard-Glasscock.

"We only run West Texas crudes," said Jeff Brorman, Alon's vice president, refining, Big Spring.

Today, the refinery still processes a combination of sour and sweet crudes. Brorman estimated the refinery processes about 80 percent sour and 20 percent sweet crude. About 85 percent of those crudes are turned into gasoline, diesel and jet fuel.

That combination fluctuates, depending on the price differential between West Texas sweet and West Texas sour, he said.

"The reason we ran more sour than sweet is the discount. Sour could be $4, $5, $6 less than sweet. But in the last couple of years, WTI has at times actually gotten cheaper," he said.

"We're trying to push to run more WTI because the differential is low. If we could buy WTI for the same price, we would prefer it because it makes more gasoline than West Texas sour. There are more advantages, from a pricing and product standpoint to use intermediate than sour," he said.

The percentage could shift 1 or 2 percent but could mean as much as $2 more per barrel because the sweeter crude yields more gasoline and less asphalt. "That's where we get our value," he said.

West Texas Sour has started to increase in price because of the additional pipeline capacity that has been added in recent years, he said. Producers are shipping more sour crude to refineries that are set up to process the heavier crude.

It's that price differential and the impact on the company's margins that influence the decision on which class of crude to buy, not the price of oil, Brorman said.

"We're buying crude at whatever the price is, making product and turning and selling that product at whatever the market price is. We're always looking at the margins between the crude price and the product price."

Cheaper crude does not necessarily translate into higher margins because product prices tend to fall, as well, he said.

Like other refineries, the Big Spring plant is limited in the amount of light crude it can run, Brorman said.

"For most of my career here, going back to the 1990s, refineries have invested heavily in processing the

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Polyflow's Midland plant to supply new Eagle Ford facility

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Polyflow's new Midland facility manufacturing its Thermoflex reinforced thermoplastic pipe (RTP) has only been open since November, but company officials are already looking at expansion.

Polyflow CEO Jim Medalie said expansion will come not in terms of additional equipment, but in where the pipe manufactured in Midland is sent.

The company is opening a 2-acre operation yard and office in Dilley to serve the Eagle Ford Shale, joining other offices in Gonzalez and Pleasanton. The Midland plant will provide the pipe to the Dilley location.

Polyflow makes a line of Thermoflex pipe to transport hydrocarbons, water and other fluids.

The Dilley office is one of a series of facilities Polyflow is opening across Texas to provide "new growth and more opportunities for the Midland plant," Medalie said.

He said company officials are pleased with the quality and the performance of the Midland plant. "It showcases not only the fact that we make a quality product, it also lets us show our clients how it's made," he said.

Clients who tour the facility are often impressed with the process, he said. "In some aspects it's quite simple, but at the same time it's also high-tech," he said.

Medalie said he believes there are good opportunities to expand the use of its Midland-manfactured pipe in South Texas and the Eagle Ford, as well as the midcontinent, despite low oil prices and slowing activity in the oil and gas industry.

"The slowdown has had an effect, but we see opportunities for our customers," he said. Operators are more focused on finding cost-effective ways to produce wells, he said.

He explained that he believes Polyflow customers can receive a better return by using its products because its pipe is safe, reliable, less expensive and faster to install. That installation speed could offer faster well tie-ins that shorten the time that revenues start flowing from new wells.

Medalie also sees opportunities in what he called rehabilitation services, using RTP pipe to replace corroded lines.

Linn Energy announces $1B equity deal with Quantum

By Ryan Holeywell
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — Oil producer Linn Energy signed a deal with Quantum Energy Partners, a private investor, that will provide up $1 billion to fund the acquisition and development of oil and natural gas assets, the companies said Tuesday.

The businesses are touting the deal as a way for Linn to take advantage of the downturn in the oil industry by having the capital to acquire assets from rivals that are feeling the squeeze of oil prices that have fallen in half from their summer peaks.

By bringing in a partner, Linn — which is structured as a master limited partnership — would also be more likely to complete acquisitions that might otherwise not lend themselves to a typical MLP portfolio, the companies said.

Quantum, meanwhile, gets to take advantage of Linn's existing workforce and scale of operations across the country.

Under the terms of a non-binding letter of intent, Linn would have a direct working interest of 15 percent to 50 percent in the deals Houston-based Quantum helps fund.

The partnership will focus on both unconventional and conventional assets within the U.S.

The agreement could allow for future equity capital from Quantum as well, possibly increasing the ultimate size of the partnership.

"Linn and Quantum have a long history of adding value together and we're pleased to be working with them again," said Mark Ellis, Linn's president and CEO, in a statement.

Quantum previously participated in Linn's formation of its affiliated MLP.

Its Linn's second deal of this type in just a few months, suggesting the producer expects the downturn in the oil sector to provide a good opportunity for acquisitions.

In January, Linn inked a deal with GSO Capital Partners, a credit provider affiliated with the major private equity firm Blackstone, for up to $500 million in capital over five years to invest in oil and gas development.

Under the terms, GSO gets an 85 percent interests in new wells until a cluster of them provides at least a 15 percent return. From then on, Linn would get a 95 percent stake in new wells.

Ellis also touted the GSO deal as a way for his business to access funding needed to make opportune acquisitions during the down market.

The Quantum partnership, dubbed AcqCo, would include a five-seat board with Quantum holding three seats and Linn holding two.

Quantum Energy Partners has made more than $9.7 billion in equity commitments since its debut in 1998 and has 22 different domestic ventures focused on energy, according to financial services firm Stifel Financial Corp.

Stifel said the move should be helpful to Linn. "We believe Linn is positioning itself to continue to build its asset base through a variety of market environments," Stifel analyst Brian Brungardt said in a note to investors Tuesday morning.

In January, Linn said it would cut its 2015 investment budget in half, reducing 2015's planned capital expenditures to $730 million from $1.55 billion in 2014.

"Despite today's challenging commodity price environment, we believe we are prepared to continue growing throughout 2015 and will look to take advantage of acquisition opportunities in the current market," Ellis, Linn's CEO, said in a statement at the time.

Oil and gas exports: One policy change, many benefits

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Energy Makes America Great Inc.

'Businesses that sell to foreign markets put more people to work in high-quality jobs, offering more Americans the chance to earn a decent wage," claimed the Obama administration's Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker in a March 18 Wall Street Journal (WSJ) opinion piece.

She makes a strong case for U.S. exports: "jobs in export-intensive industries pay up to 18 percent more than jobs not related to exports." Her premise is: "The U.S. economy ended 2014 on the uptick, and exports added to the momentum." Noticeably absent is any mention of the potential for "high-quality jobs" and economic "uptick" that would come from the export of America's abundant oil-and-natural gas resources — something her office should champion.

Pritzker states: "An increasing number of businesses are realizing that their customer base is no longer around the corner, but around the world. ...to succeed in the 21st century, they must find a way to reach consumers in ever-expanding markets."

Due to the modern technologies of horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing, the U.S. is producing more oil and natural gas than in decades. But the oil-and-gas industry is prevented from exporting to "foreign markets."

In trade negotiations, the U.S., according to the New York Times (NYT), "typically argues that countries with excess supplies should export them." We have excess supplies of both crude oil and natural gas that has driven down prices. We "should export them" — but we aren't.

"Why can't we export crude oil and natural gas?" you might ask. The NYT explains: "In 2011, the country pivoted from being the world's largest importer of petroleum products to becoming one of the leading exporters" — though Pritzker never mentioned that.

The "energy world changed." But, as NYT points out, exports could soak up the excess production, "but there are still political hurdles."

For crude oil, the problem is energy policy enacted before the "energy world changed." Signed into law in 1975, after the 1973 Arab oil embargo, the goal of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, according to the International Business Times, was "to stifle the impact of future oil embargos by foreign oil producing countries." The result was a ban on most U.S. oil exports — though some exceptions can be made and the Commerce Department has recently given export licenses to two companies for particular types of oil.

Exporting natural gas is not prohibited, but it is not encouraged. In order to export natural gas, it must be converted into Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) — which is done at multibillion-dollar facilities with long lead times for permitting and construction. The Financial Times says about two dozen U.S. LNG export facilities have been proposed with four "already under construction, which have contracts to back up their financing."

Fortunately, there are fixes in the works that, as energy historian Daniel Yergin said, symbolize "a new era in U.S. energy and U.S. energy relations with the rest of the world."

In January, Sens. John Barrasso (R-WY) and Martin Heinrich (D-NM) introduced the LNG Permitting Certainty and Transparency Act to expedite Department of Energy decisions on LNG export applications. Breaking Energy states: "The bipartisan bill could garner enough votes to gain a filibuster-proof majority in the Senate."

A month later, Rep. Joe Barton, R-Texas, introduced a bill to end the crude oil export ban: HR 702. On March 25, the House Foreign Affairs Committee will meet to debate and vote on the bill.

In October, David Goldwyn, the State Department's coordinator for international energy affairs in the first Obama administration, said: "The politics are hard." He added: "When the economics become overwhelming the politics will shift." The NYT stated: The telltale sign of a glut will be a collapse in the West Texas Intermediate [WTI] price, the principal American oil benchmark, which is currently [October 2014] about $3 below the world Brent price." It continues, "If the spread cracks open, the economic arguments for free export of domestic crude will probably win the day."

That day may have come. On March 13, the WSJ editorial board announced: "WTI now trades 20 percent below the world market price." Holman Jenkins, who writes the Business World column for the WSJ, says "Oil producers are already being denied a premium of $12 a barrel by not being allowed to export this oil."

"U.S. pump prices are mainly tied to the price of Brent crude, which is freely traded on the world market and is higher than it might otherwise be because of the ban on U.S. exports," explains the WSJ. "If U.S. producers were allowed to compete globally, prices of Brent and WTI would converge over time, and U.S. gasoline prices would come down, all things being equal."

If Congress could muster up the political will to lift the arcane oil export ban, the U.S. could emerge as a major world exporter, which according to the NYT, would result in the "return to a status that helped make the country a great power in the first half of the 20th century."

Pritzker brags that the Commerce Department has "worked with the private sector to help businesses reach customers overseas ... and to overcome barriers to entry."

For U.S. oil-and-gas producers the biggest barrier to reaching customers overseas is our own energy policy. With one simple policy change, lawmakers could save and create American jobs and investment, lower gasoline prices, help balance our trade deficit, aid our allies, and increase U.S. influence in the world.

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British legislator makes excellent case for fossil fuels

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Texas Alliance of Energy Producers

The Wall Street Journal ran an exceptional column on March 14 entitled "Fossil Fuels Will Save the World" by Matt Ridley, a member of the British House of Lords and author of "The Rational Optimist: How Prosperity Evolves."

Ridley accurately states that the environmental movement has portrayed fossil fuels as the cause of everything from air pollution to bad weather and climate change while never pointing out the many benefits.

"The environmental movement has advanced three arguments in recent years for giving up fossil fuels: (1) that we will soon run out of them anyway; (2) that alternative sources of energy will price them out of the marketplace; and (3) that we cannot afford the climate consequences of burning them," Ridley states.

"These days, not one of the three arguments is looking very healthy. In fact, a more realistic assessment of our energy and environmental situation suggests that, for decades to come, we will continue to rely overwhelmingly on the fossil fuels that have contributed so dramatically to the world's prosperity and progress."

Ridley notes fossil fuels accounted for 87 percent of the energy used worldwide in 2013: oil used mainly for transport, gas used mainly for heating, and coal used mainly for electricity.

Remarkably, as the use of fossil fuels increased, carbon dioxide emission have decrease primarily because there has been a switch from burning coal to using natural gas.

Ridley points out that the first argument that we will run out of fossil fuels soon is dead, because we are currently in an oversupply situation with crude oil and natural gas.

"The shale genie is now out of the bottle," he said. "And the shale revolution has yet to go global. When it does, oil and gas in tight rock formations will give the world ample supplies of hydrocarbons for decades, if not centuries."

Ridley calls the argument that fossil fuels are finite a red herring. "The Atlantic Ocean is finite, but that does not mean that you risk bumping into France if you row out of a harbor in Maine," he said.

Ridley said that the argument that alternative energy sources will be much cheaper than fossil fuels has not materialized. As a matter of fact, alternatives — nuclear, hydro, wind and solar — are more expensive and need some sort of government subsidies to be competitive.

Also, renewables take up too much space and produce too little energy. "To run the U.S. economy entirely on wind would require a wind farm the size of Texas, California and New Mexico combined — backed up by gas on windless days," he said. "To power it on wood would require a forest covering two-thirds of the U.S., heavily and continually harvested."

The last argument warns that there are enormous climate consequences from the use of fossil fuels.

"Although the world has certainly warmed since the 19th century, the rate of warming has been slow and erratic," he said. "At the same time, scientists are agreed that the extra carbon dioxide in the air has contributed to an improvement in crop yields and a roughly 14 percent increase in the amount of all types of green vegetation on the planet since 1980."

The result of this great boost in energy is what the economic historian and philosopher Deirdre McCloskey calls the Great Enrichment, he said. In the case of the U.S., there has been a roughly 9,000 percent increase in the value of goods and services available to the average American since 1800, almost all of which are made with, made of, powered by or propelled by fossil fuels.

Still, more than a billion people on the planet have yet to get access to electricity and to experience the leap in living standards that abundant energy brings. This is not just an inconvenience for them: Indoor air pollution from wood fires kills four million people a year. The next time that somebody at a rally against fossil fuels lectures you about her concern for the fate of her grandchildren, show her a picture of an African child dying today from inhaling the dense muck of a smoky fire.

Alex Mills is president of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. The opinions expressed are solely of the author.

Successful Bone Spring completion announced

From staff reports

HOUSTON — Endurance Resources LLC and NCS Multistage LLC announced their recent completion of the Broadcaster 29 Fed 3H located in the Permian Basin, southeast New Mexico.

The well has a cemented production casing string incorporating 40 NCS casing sleeves. During the completion, the sleeves were opened for single-point injection using the patented Multistage Unlimited frac-isolation assembly deployed on coiled tubing. about 3.7 million pounds of proppant was placed in the four-day operation.

"With an initial IP of 2,826 boe (83 percent liquids) and a 30-day average IP of 1,620 boe/d, the Broadcaster 29 Fed 3H is on its way to becoming one of the top performers in the area," said Kale Jackson, Endurance's lead completion engineer. "With five months of uninterrupted production data, there is clear indication of a 35 percent uplift in overall EUR compared with the offsets."

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$3,975; Out of State, $4,000
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois

OFM-Introduction
Instructor: Celia Payne
April 14-15, Tue-Wed, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
$870; Out of State, $895
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Well Service and Workover Pressure Control
Instructor: Mike Cure
April 16, Thu, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
$375; Out of State, $400
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Principles of Hydraulic Fracturing
Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Miskimins
April 21-23, Tue-Thu, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
$1,500; Out of State, $1,525
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Managing Sucker Rod Lift Well Failures
Instructor: Kent Gantz
April 21, Tue, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
$350; Out of State, $375
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois

Basic Math for Operations Engineering and Economic Analysis
Instructor: Dr. Peter Galusky
April 22, Wed, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
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Basic Chemistry for Operations Engineering
Instructor: Dr. Peter Galusky
April 23, Thu, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
$350; Out of State, $375
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Petroleum Land Management
Instructor: Alyce Hoge
April 28-29, Tue-Wed, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
$649; Out of State, $674
Midland College PPDC Building, 105 W. Illinois

U.S. COUNT PROFILE

	March 20	March 13	Last year
USA Land	1030	1069	1730
USA Offshore	39	66	73
Canada	140	220	389
U.S. Directional	92	110	213
U.S. Horizontal	829	849	1206
U.S. Gas	242	257	326
U.S. Oil	825	865	1473

PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

Texas

DIST. #7C		DIST. #8		DIST. #8A	
Coke	1	Andrews	14	Bailey	0
Concho	0	Brewster	0	Borden	0
Crockett	2	Crane	2	Cochran	1
Irion	4	Culberson	10	Cottle	0
Kimble	0	Ector	4	Crosby	1
McCulloch	0	Glasscock	23	Dawson	0
Menard	0	Howard	18	Dickens	0
Reagan	14	Hudspeth	0	Floyd	0
Runnels	0	Jeff Davis	0	Gaines	3
Schleicher	0	Loving	20	Garza	0
Sutton	0	Martin	17	Hale	0
Terrell	1	Midland	26	Hockley	1
Tom Green	1	Mitchell	0	Kent	1
Upton	19	Pecos	6	King	0
		Presidio	0	Lamb	0
		Reeves	27	Lubbock	1
		Sterling	1	Lynn	0
		Ward	7	Motley	0
		Winkler	3	Scurry	2
				Terry	0
				Yoakum	3
				TEXAS TOTAL	233

New Mexico

Chaves	0
Eddy	27
Lea	23
Roosevelt	0
NEW MEXICO TOTAL	50

MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$43.20
Flint Hills Resources*	$45.75
Phillips 66	$45.83
Plains*	$45.75
Shell Trading	$45.80
Sun*	$45.75
Nymex futures	$46.77*

Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of March 25

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price 3/18/15	Same period one year ago
Nymex future price	$2.866	$2.723	$4.411
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$2.620	$2.565	$4.305
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$2.855	$2.400	$4.463
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$2.627	$2.455	$4.310
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$2.640	$2.450	$4.360
CompositeField Prices For Midcontinent	$2.668	$2.475	$4.516
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$2.800	$2.407	$4.384

Frac sand exec producers: You're not going to drill your way out of this

By Collin Eaton
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The message that a scientific approach should trump the all-out wildcatting of the fading shale boom is echoing through more corridors of the energy industry. But oil producers may not want to hear it.

Frac sand suppliers say U.S. oil producers should use the lull in drilling as a chance to step back and study mountains of oilfield data to see which blends of water, sand and chemicals are best for blasting open shale rock, a process called hydraulic fracturing. Rapid-fire drilling — a practice that shale producers used during the boom to keep output rising over natural well depletion — often yielded bad, unproductive wells, as does hasty hydraulic fracturing, they say.

"There's a high failure rate because we don't do our homework," said Jim Venditto, vice president of technical services at Trican Well Service, a fracturing firm that coats sand in material that makes it more buoyant and easier to pump into a well. He said producers have been talking more about finding ways to bolster well productivity, even as they send hundreds of drilling rigs to the sidelines.

"You're not going to be able to drill your way out of this," Venditto said. "Every so often, we have to reinvent the oil industry again."

The CEO of proppant provider Preferred Sands said his firm last year launched a free iPhone app called NavPort that tracks hundreds of thousands of wells in North America and provides data on aspects of fracturing jobs, including the types and amounts of proppants used.

"Our market has been prolific, but it's been a victim of its own success," said Michael O'Neill, CEO of Radnor, Pennsylvania-based Preferred Sands, in an interview with Fuelfix. He said his firm had been developing the Navport software for four years because oil companies have had to live with obsolete data. "It's going to have to become very scientific. When you have $50 oil, everything matters."

In a similar vein, oilfield service giants Baker Hughes and Halliburton have recently put their weight behind efforts to better understand shale reservoirs and ways to extract oil out of them. They've advocated diagnosing old wells and stimulating them again through "re-fracturing," a second round of hydraulic fracturing. It's about a quarter of the cost to drill a new well, and in a few cases, it has led to significant production growth from aging wells, the firms say.

The oil industry has only re-fractured about 2 percent of the 50,000 wells that went through one round of fracturing in North America over the past few years. But O'Neill said the trend has grown substantially and is bound to keep expanding.

"I don't think people will be able to afford not to do it," he said.

But at the moment, putting theory into practice appears to be difficult amid low oil prices. Demand for frac sand is set to fall 14 percent this year as drilling declines, said Samir Nangia, a principal with PacWest Consulting Partners, an IHS company.

Some firms could get hit harder than others because oil companies are snapping up more local sand, saving money on transporting higher-quality sand on rail cars, Nangia said.

There have been more converts to the philosophy — touted by Texas oil companies EOG Resources and Pioneer Natural Resources — that pumping more sand into an oil well can bring up more oil. They generally pack 20 percent more sand into a well, a boon for fracturing sand firms. But some producers have backed away from that as oil prices have fallen, largely because it's costly to add more pressure pumping, Nangia said.

"When oil was $100 a barrel, a lot more people were interested in experimenting," he said. "Now they're more focused on costs."

ENERGYBRIEFS

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DALLAS

Patriot Energy offers new Permian Basin prospect

Patriot Energy Inc., a Dallas-based oil and gas company, announces a new prospect in the Permian Basin of West Texas. The "Thoroughbred 1" extends production on 3,600 leased acres strategically located in the Permian Basin, with expected intersection of the prolific Wolfcamp and Sprayberry shale formations.

"We feel oil prices are forming a bottom and are poised to increase soon," said Michael Miller, Patriot Energy's president. "The long-term macro trend is definitely bullish for oil, and we're positioned in the premier legacy oil play in the United States. The economics of these wells make sense here, with lots of room on the upside," Miller added.

Patriot Energy often takes a majority interest in oil and gas development projects and sells part of that interest to accredited investors. The Thoroughbred 1 will be the fourth well drilled on the Permian lease, which can accommodate up to 57 total wells.

HOUSTON

L.B. Foster acquires Inspection Oilfield Services

Inspection Oilfield Services (IOS), which has a Midland location serving the Permian Basin, has announced that it has been acquired by L.B. Foster Company of Pittsburgh, a leading manufacturer, fabricator and distributor of products for the rail, construction, energy and utility markets. The acquisition closed effective March 13, and IOS will operate as a wholly owned subsidiary of L.B. Foster Company.

IOS is conducts non-destructive testing and inspection services for tubular products used in critical oil and gas applications. The company has implemented testing and inspection technologies, as well as deployed proprietary software that provides customers with detailed information on the integrity of their tubular assets.

Asset integrity services are designed to help customers achieve high levels of safety and document vital information that supports rigid industry standards. IOS also provides conversion services for tubular products that range from premium threading of casing, refacturing and hardbanding for drill pipe, as well as cleaning and other repair services for Oil Country Tubular Goods (OCTG). These services are often combined with IOS non-destructive test and inspection services and marketed through a national network of service locations.

"IOS has a team of highly skilled technicians and management that understands the requirements of oil and gas development customers," said Robert Bauer, L.B. Foster president and CEO. "The company is uniquely positioned to help these customers reduce costs in an environment where efficiency is becoming increasingly important. By combining inspection, testing, conversion and logistics services, in conjunction with specialized distribution partners across many locations, the company can leverage its assets to help lower operating costs for customers with wide ranging needs."

"Our team will benefit from L.B. Foster's experience with pipeline coatings and tubular products," said Dal Miller, Inspection Oilfield Services president. "Going forward, our combined organizations will provide a strong platform to achieve organic and inorganic growth objectives."

Miller will be a key member of the L.B. Foster management team, and the rest of the IOS management team is expected to remain intact.

IOS will continue to be headquartered in Houston.

WASHINGTON

Lawmakers unhappy with new fracturing rules

Republican and Democratic lawmakers in the House have found something in common. Many have issues with the Obama administration's new regulations requiring companies that drill for oil and natural gas to disclose chemicals used in hydraulic fracturing.

Republicans say the new regulations, announced last week, will delay new drilling projects and take marginal lands out of production. Democratic lawmakers say the regulations are so mild that they won't change current operating standards.

The lawmakers' complaints were aired Thursday during a House subcommittee hearing called to review the Bureau of Land Management's budget for the coming fiscal year.

Bureau Director Neil Kornze said fracturing is taking place in 32 states, and the new federal regulations were aimed primarily at those states with limited or no regulation of the practice. He projected that the new regulations would increase costs by about $11,000 per well.

"We think the confidence that this brings to the American public, and the protection it brings to groundwater and other resources, we believe it's worth it," Kornze said.

The new rule will take effect in June. It also updates requirements for well construction and disposal of water and other fluids used in fracturing, as the drilling method is more commonly known.

The rule has been under consideration for more than three years, drawing criticism from the oil and gas industry and environmental groups alike.

Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colo., said he wished the rule would only have been applied to states that aren't regulating fracturing. He said states such as his are already doing a good job of ensuring the environment is not harmed.

Lamborn pointed out that the oil and gas industry has projected the regulations would cost far more to comply with than what the government has projected. Those additional costs will discourage the industry from drilling on federal lands, which would eliminate jobs and drive away federal revenue.

The new rule has drawn heavy criticism from some states where fracturing is common. Wyoming filed a legal challenge Thursday and petitioned the federal district court in Wyoming to review the regulation and determine whether it should be set aside. The state claimed in its challenge that the rule exceeds the Bureau of Land Management's jurisdiction and unlawfully interferes with the state's hydraulic fracturing regulations.

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heavier crudes," he said. Expectations were the nation's refineries would have to be dependent on heavier, more sour crudes coming from overseas. Instead, technology has helped U.S. operators find new reserves of lighter, sweeter crudes.

Lately, refineries have invested money in equipment to handle the lighter sweet crudes coming from shale plays in the Permian Basin, the Eagle Ford and Bakken, he said. "They're not investing enough" to handle the rise in production, he said.

The refinery's output has rebounded from 40,000 barrels a day to about 73,000 barrels a day today as the plant has expanded in incremental steps, Brorman said. Employment is up to about 200, with only a handful of open positions.

With the downturn in the industry, the refinery is seeing more applicants and a higher quality of applicants, he said.

Current investment plans include some environmental projects in preparation for new federal regulations, as well as some equipment repair and other small projects to boost margins, Brorman reported.

Asked about the debate between producers and refiners over whether or not to lift the 40-year-old ban on exporting crude, he said that, overall, "We'd be against it, mainly because we're not producers."

Producers feel lifting the ban would let them sell their oil to overseas refiners who can process more of the lighter crude. "They think that would bring more value," Brorman said.

Oil council: Shale won't last; Arctic drilling needed now

By Jonathan Fahey
Associated Press

"If there's a worse place to look for oil, I don't know what it is. There aren't any proven effective ways of cleaning up an oil spill in the Arctic."

Niel Lawrence, Natural Resources Defense Council

WASHINGTON — The U.S. should immediately begin a push to exploit its enormous trove of oil in the Arctic waters off of Alaska, or risk a renewed reliance on imported oil in the future, an Energy Department advisory council says in a study released Friday.

The U.S. has drastically cut imports and transformed itself into the world's biggest producer of oil and natural gas by tapping huge reserves in shale rock formations. But the government predicts that the shale boom won't last much beyond the next decade.

In order for the U.S. to keep domestic production high and imports low, oil companies should start probing the Artic now because it takes 10 to 30 years of preparation and drilling to bring oil to market, according to a draft of the study's executive summary obtained by the Associated Press.

"To remain globally competitive and to be positioned to provide global leadership and influence in the Arctic, the U.S. should facilitate exploration in the offshore Alaskan Arctic now," the study's authors wrote.

The study, produced by the National Petroleum Council at the request of Energy Secretary Ernest Moniz, comes at a time when many argue the world needs less oil; not more. U.S. oil storage facilities are filling up, the price of oil has collapsed from over $100 a barrel to around $50, and prices are expected to stay relatively low for years to come. At the same time, scientists say the world needs to drastically reduce the amount of fossil fuels it is burning in order to avoid catastrophic changes to the earth's climate.

The push to make the Arctic waters off of Alaska more accessible to drillers comes just as Royal Dutch Shell is poised to restart its troubled drilling program there. The company has little to show after spending years and more than $5 billion preparing for work, waiting for regulatory approval, and early-stage drilling. After assuring regulators it was prepared for the harsh conditions, one of its drill ships ran aground in heavy seas near Kodiak Island in 2012. Its drilling contractor, Noble Drilling, was convicted of violating environmental and safety rules.

Environmental advocates say the Arctic ecosystem is too fragile to risk a spill, and cleanup would be difficult or perhaps even impossible because of weather and ice.

"If there's a worse place to look for oil, I don't know what it is," said Niel Lawrence, Alaska director for the Natural Resources Defense Council. "There aren't any proven effective ways of cleaning up an oil spill in the Arctic."

But global demand for oil, which affects prices of gasoline, diesel and other fuels everywhere, is expected to rise steadily in the coming decades — even as alternative energy use blossoms — because hundreds of millions of people are rising from poverty in developing regions and buying more cars, shipping more goods, and flying in airplanes more often.

In order to meet that demand and keep prices from soaring, new sources of oil must be developed, the council argues. The Arctic is among the biggest such sources in the world and in the U.S.

The Arctic holds about a quarter of the world's undiscovered conventional oil and gas deposits, geologists estimate. While the Russian Arctic has the biggest share of oil and gas together, the U.S. and Russia are thought to have about the same amount of crude oil — 35 billion barrels. That's about 5 years' worth of U.S. consumption and 15 years of U.S. imports.

The council's study acknowledges a host of special challenges to drilling in the Arctic, including the sensitive environment, the need to respect the customs and traditions of indigenous peoples living there, harsh weather and sea ice.

But the council, which is made up of energy company executives, government officials, analysis firms and nonprofit organizations, says the technology and techniques needed to operate in the region are available now, and the industry can safely operate there. The report contends the industry has developed improved equipment and procedures to prevent a spill and clean up quickly if one occurs.

The council makes a number of suggestions designed to make U.S. Arctic development more feasible. They include holding regular sales of drilling rights, extending the amount of time drillers are allowed to work each year, and doing more scientific studies of the wildlife in the region to ensure it is disturbed as little as possible.

"It's important to have good information to make these decisions," says Jason Bordoff, director of Columbia University's Global Energy Policy. "We need to make sure we're doing this in the right way."

around the oil patch

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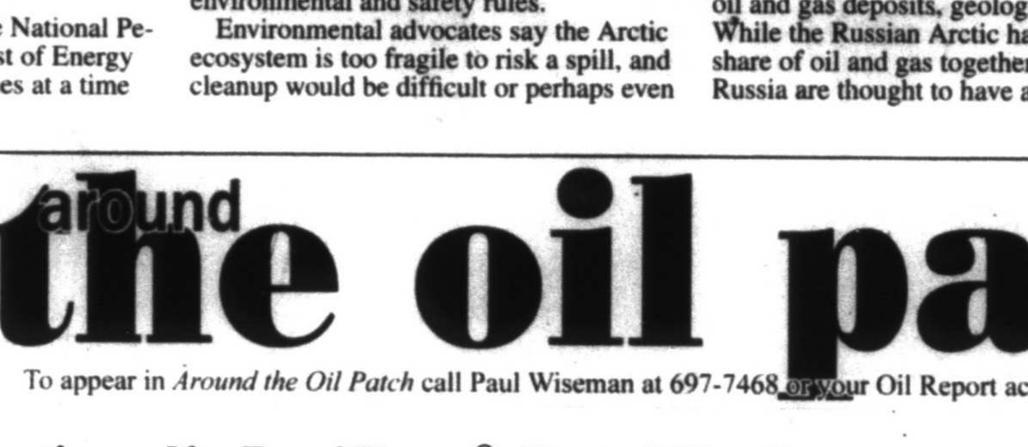
TAM International's PosiFrac® Straddle System is versatile, reliable, durable



TAM International's Posifrac Straddle System is a flexible and reliable system for isolating zones in the wellbore. Call TAM at 432-250-6024 to learn more.

When completing a new well or stimulating an old well, whether open or cased hole, it is necessary to isolate the zones in the wellbore in order to make sure fluids are concentrated where they're needed. Houston-based TAM International's PosiFrac® Straddle System makes this process fast and efficient.

PosiFrac is a multi-set inflatable straddle packer system that can accommodate a broad array of well conditions and hole sizes. It is useful in acidizing, swab testing, well testing, fracturing and stimulation of multiple intervals in a single run.

It consists of an upper packer with a multi-set setting mechanism and an externally inflated lower packer, which is connected to the system with a spacer pipe and an inflation line. The tool isolates the interval between upper and lower packers, allowing a wide range of applications. Depending on the configuration of the tool, it can be run on a variety of work strings in vertical, deviated, or horizontal wellbores, and it can be set in cased or open hole conditions.

The tool is operated by generating differential pressure in favor of the work string to inflate both upper and lower packers simultaneously. Once they are set, fluid can then flow through the ID of the tool to stimulate the isolated zone between the packers. Accessories can be run to prevent fluid loss in low fluid level wells.

PosiFrac's separate sealing elements allow for spacing of packers in order to accommodate specific well and/or treatment interval levels. Its two elements inflate simultaneously for time efficiency.

The standard configuration is rated for a maximum working pressure of 4,000 psi and a maximum working temperature of 250° F (121°C). It can be deployed on jointed or coiled tubing. PosiFrac can straddle customizable lengths in the well bore, which isolates the stimulation in the most productive zones.

All this adds up to some major benefits. The tool's multi-set capability, including the ability to be set within open perforations, saves time (and therefore money). The TAM Fluid Control Valve can be used to retain the stimulation fluid in the work string while moving between intervals in the wellbore, further saving time and fluid. It reduces the risk of fracturing adjacent zones and conserves water usage. The Insta-Set® Valve option is designed for sand frac operations without dropping balls saving time and water usage.

The setting mechanism offers multiple options to fit various downhole applications, including sand frac, acid frac, and matrix acid stimulation, along with testing programs. The Auto Piston Kit mechanism uses a piston instead of balls, making it perfect for horizontal applications.

This versatile tool is just what is needed to speed completions and reduce their costs. Talk to TAM International this week and get the whole story.

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Victaulic Style 905 HDPE Refuse-to-Fuse™ coupling joins HDPE pipe up to 10 times faster than traditional butt fusing

Joining (and disconnecting) HDPE pipe does not need to entail time-consuming and complex fusing procedures that also require expensive equipment and in-depth training of personnel. The new Victaulic Style 905 HDPE coupling allows personnel to make and disconnect pipe joints in just seconds.

The Victaulic Style 905 coupling joins 2"-6" pipe up to 10 times faster than older butt fusion methods. In fact, this Installation-ready™ style coupling installs in just seconds. It is designed for pipe with a working pressure range of SDR 7-17.

Installation can be done in the field, is weather independent and requires only simple tools—a standard socket or impact wrench. There is no need to rent (and return) complex equipment as is the case with butt fusion methods.

Pipe joined this way is ready for immediate use, with no heat-up or cool-down time required, another advantage over butt-fusing.

When the coupling housings are fastened bolt pad to bolt pad, field personnel can visually confirm that the installation was done correctly, eliminating concerns that the coupling might leak once the pipeline is pressured up.

Stainless steel retaining rings offer 360 degree engagement, resisting the normal expansion and contraction that occurs during a typical day's heating and cooling cycle as the sun rises and sets. Corrosion-resistant coatings are available for applications where the pipe joints will be buried.

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AT RIGHT: The Victaulic 905 system uses steel retaining rings to give 360 degree engagement, resisting the normal expansion and contraction that occurs during a typical day.

Integral gripping teeth provide a direct connection to the pipe.

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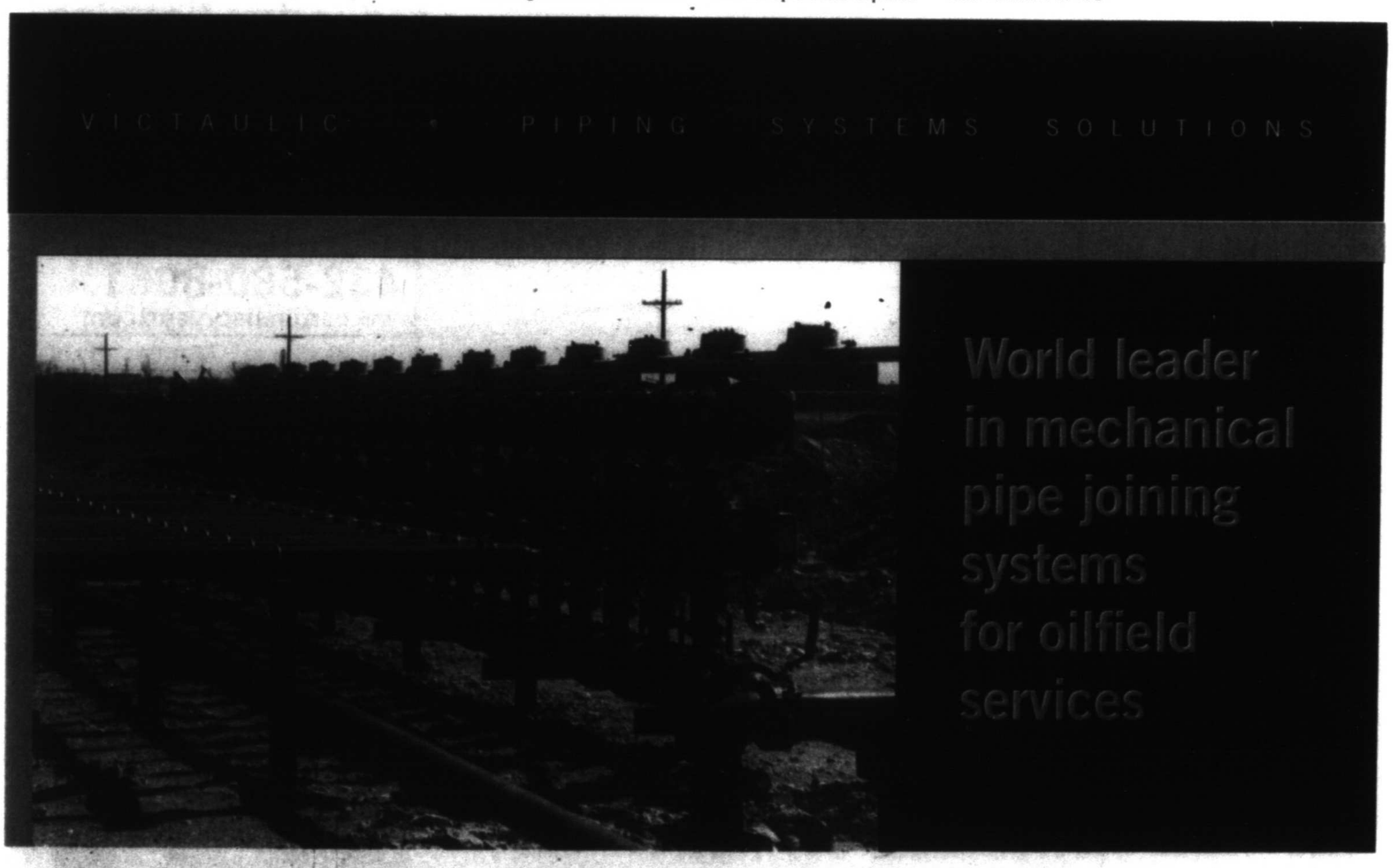

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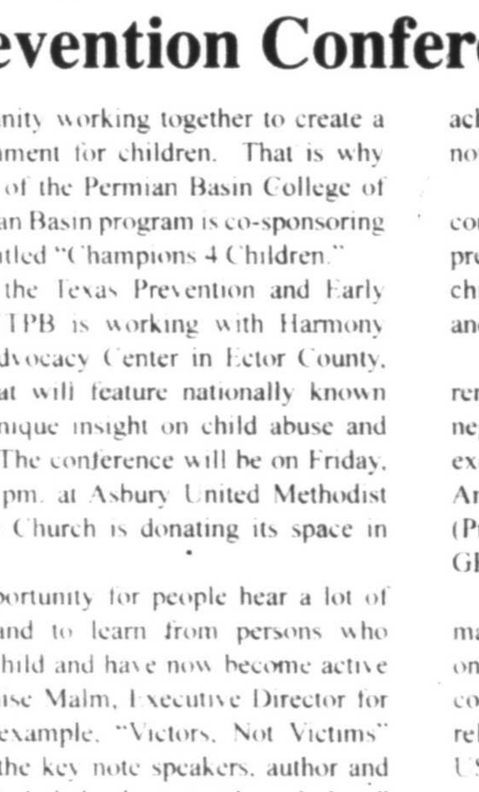
UTPB names Student Trainer of the week

Gladys Ruiz
Communication and Special Projects

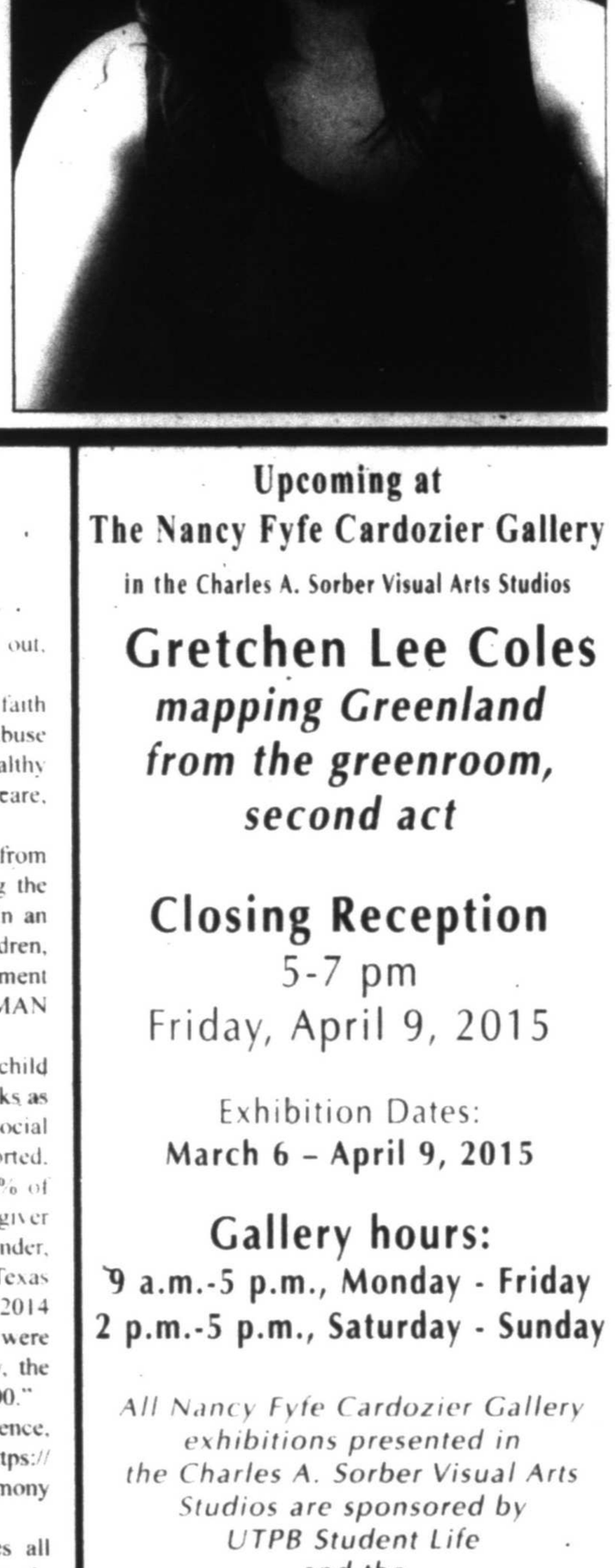
March is National Athletic Training Month, in which athletic trainers across the country are being recognized for doing their part in helping people prevent injuries, and to stay healthy and active. UTPB Athletics would like to recognize the following athletic trainer for her commitment to the program as the Student Trainer of the Week.



Susie Thiessen is a student majoring in Athletic Training with a minor in biology from Seminole, Texas, and serves as an officer for the Sports Medicine Club. Her interest in Athletic Training came from her deep love for sports, and the desire to want to do something related to physical therapy. Susie decided to attend UTPB because it was close to home, affordable, and had a great campus life with smaller classrooms that allowed one-on-one interactions with professors. After speaking with an advisor here at UTPB, and seeing his enthusiasm for the program and the impact it makes on the athletes, she decided it was the perfect choice for her.

After watching a physical therapist give up on her partially paralyzed grandpa because of the struggles he endured after a stroke, Susie became interested in what she could do for people that might be in the same situation. She spends hours in the athletic training room and shadowing physical therapists at local clinics to get more experience and work towards her ultimate goal of becoming an Athletic Trainer. As a student in the Athletic Training Education Program, Susie has gained a tremendous amount of experience from the hands-on learning the program offers to help her better understand the expectations from this career field. Some of the biggest challenges she's faced in this field are learning the correct precautions to take and procedures to perform when an injury occurs, and balancing a schedule between all the numerous amounts of practices and seasons for every sport.

Aside from being a hard-working student, Susie enjoys reading, working out, watching sporting events on TV and on campus, scrapbooking, and writing.



Show your support of any Athletic Trainer in your life on social media expressing how they help you. Be sure to include the hashtag #WeDoMore, #NATM2015, and #UTPBATEP, so we can see!

Champions 4 Children Child Abuse Prevention Conference to be held

It takes an entire community working together to create a safe and healthy environment for children. That is why The University of Texas of the Permian Basin College of Education's First 5 Permian Basin program is co-sponsoring a one-day conference entitled "Champions 4 Children."

With funding from the Texas Prevention and Early Intervention program, UTPB is working with Harmony Home, the Children's Advocacy Center in Ector County, to host a conference that will feature nationally known speakers sharing their unique insight on child abuse and child abuse prevention. The conference will be on Friday, April 10, from 8 am.-5 pm. at Asbury United Methodist Church in Odessa. The Church is donating its space in support of the event.

"This is a great opportunity for people hear a lot of important information and to learn from persons who experienced abuse as a child and have now become active in prevention," said Denise Malm, Executive Director for Harmony Home. For example, "Victors, Not Victims" is the theme for one of the key note speakers, author and activist Jenna Quinn, who's helped create "Jenna's Law" that requires people to report suspected abuse.

Staff from Harmony Home, UTPB's College of Education, and other agency volunteers, have spent the last six months educating over 1700 individuals, most of them ECISD faculty and staff, on how to recognize and respond to a child's disclosure of abuse. The curriculum, Darkness to Light: Stewards of Children, includes video interviews with child abuse survivors and professionals. One of the survivors in the video is two time Olympian and three time medalist Margaret Hoelzer. Hoelzer will open the conference with her story on how she overcame her abuse and what signs to look for. "Margaret says in the video that she dealt with her abuse by becoming an over achiever," said Malm. "I think it's important to point out, not all children show signs of abuse the same way."

There will also be presentations on how the faith community can play an important role in child abuse prevention, the importance of fathers in raising healthy children, gun safety in the home, finding safe child care, and infant safety.

At lunch, attendees of the conference will hear from renowned economist Dr. Ray Perryman, highlighting the negative impact child abuse has on the economy. In an excerpt from his report entitled, "Suffer the Little Children, An Assessment of the Economic Cost of Child Maltreatment (Provided as a Public Service by THE PERRYMAN GROUP, November 2014), Perryman notes:

"As horrific and unimaginable as it sounds, child maltreatment is pervasive in the United States and ranks as one of the nation's most pressing public health and social concerns. While many incidents no doubt go unreported, reliable survey evidence suggests that more than 13% of US children are subject to abuse or neglect by a caregiver each year. It impacts children irrespective of age, gender, ethnicity, or socioeconomic status. According to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services, in 2014 almost 9 out of every 1,000 children in our state were confirmed victims of child abuse. In Ector County, the number was even higher – almost 12 out of every 1,000."

To attend the Champions 4 Children conference, register online, no later than April 3rd, at: https://champions4children.eventbrite.com/ or by calling Harmony Home at (432) 333-5233.

There is a $25 registration fee which includes all materials and handouts, a continental breakfast, and lunch. Free on-site childcare will be provided but must be reserved in advance.

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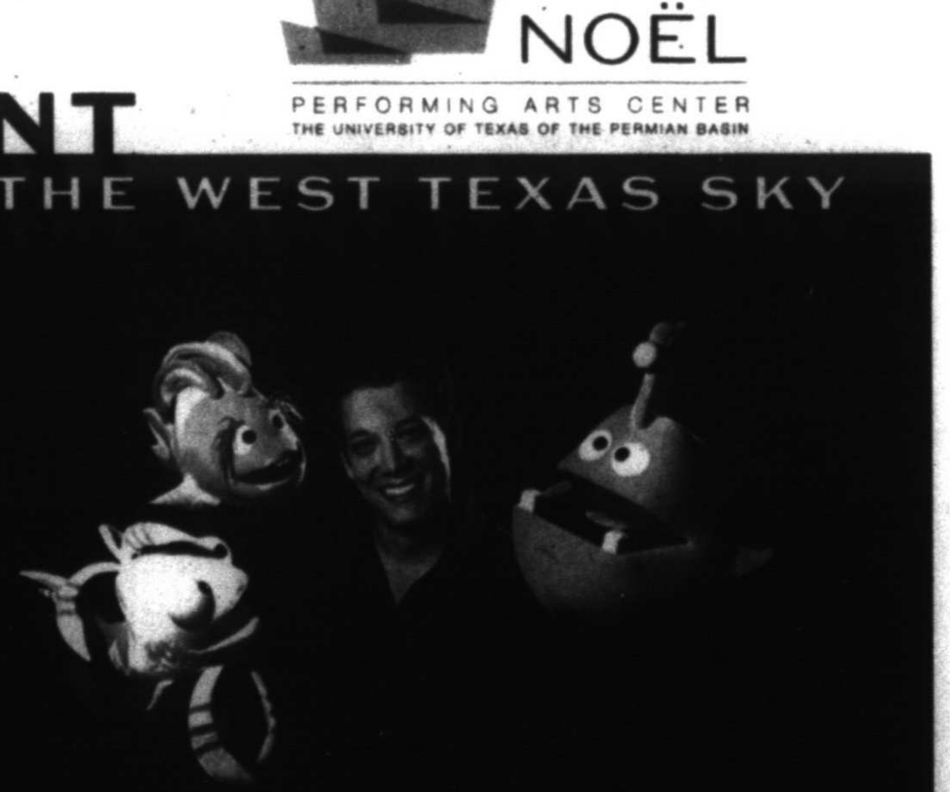

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In this photo taken March 19, a truck passes by the one remaining Barnett Shale drilling rig along Loop 820 in east in Fort Worth. In October 2008, there were about 200 drilling rigs searching primarily for natural gas in the Barnett Shale. But by two weeks ago, there was only one rig reportedly working in the Barnett.

EXPLORATION ON HIATUS

RigData reports Barnett Shale rig count down to one

By Max B. Baker
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

FORT WORTH — And then there was one.

In October 2008, there were about 200 drilling rigs searching primarily for natural gas in the Barnett Shale. Everywhere you turned, someone was poking a hole in the ground. Money, as well as gas, was flowing.

But by two weeks ago, there was only one rig reportedly working in the Barnett. The derrick in an industrial area along Loop 820 in east Fort Worth almost seemed to be hiding behind its tan sound barrier.

While three additional rigs were brought in last week, the fact you can count the number of area rigs on one hand is a sign of how things have changed in the once highflying Barnett, the 5,000-acre laboratory for shale exploration that ignited a domestic energy revolution.

Plummeting oil and gas prices, along with the seductive lure of bigger payouts in other parts of Texas and across the country, have brought exploration in North Texas nearly to a halt.

"That is just extraordinary; that is almost unbelievable! I would say that is bordering on shocking, yes," said Karr Ingham, an economist for the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers, when told that for one week there was just one rig operating in the Barnett.

Will Brackett, managing editor of the Powell Shale Digest in Fort Worth, could hardly believe his eyes when the weekly report arrived from RigData, a company that tracks activity in the Barnett. And he already knew that there had been no new drilling permits issued during the previous two weeks.

"When I got RigData's email ... (two weeks ago) and opened their PDF, I was taken aback and replied to them with the message of 'One! All I can say is Wow!' RigData replied that the number was indeed correct and that it had taken them aback a bit too," Brackett told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Dave Pursell, managing director of Tudor Pickering Holt & Co., an energy investment banking firm in Houston, is actually surprised it didn't happen sooner. He said that while the Barnett Shale used to be the place to be, that's simply not the case anymore.

Like in real estate, Pursell said "Good ZIP codes can change, and the Barnett Shale was the desirable ZIP code. Now it is not."

Regarding the Barnett's collapse, the handwriting had been on the wall for some time.

The shale field's heyday was in 2008. In June of that year, the average monthly price of gas was a whopping $12.78 per million British thermal units (Btu), which stirred so much interest that by the first week of September there were 194 rigs in the field, the highest recorded by RigData, according to a report from the Powell Shale Digest.

Oklahoma City energy giant Chesapeake Energy along with XTO Energy swooped in and scooped up leases, sometimes paying tens of thousands of dollars per acre for the right to drill, using the hydraulic fracturing technique that had been perfected in the Barnett by Mitchell Energy years before.

Quicksilver Resources, the Fort Worth wildcatter that filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy last week, also made a big bet on the Barnett. In 2008, at the height of natural gas prices, it bought 13,000 acres and assets near Alliance Airport for $1.3 billion, most of it borrowed.

Those were heady days and it is hard not to see how important the Barnett was to the local economy. Last year, Waco economist Ray Perryman reported that the Barnett created $11.8 billion in gross product a year and more than 107,000 jobs. Cities, school districts and other government bodies collected tens of millions of dollars in royalties from drilling on their lands.

Tommy Lee Jones was on TV touting the Barnett's benefits, and people went to cocktail parties and talked about their lease offers.

It wasn't long, though, before things began to slow down as natural gas prices began their fall from historic highs. In 2009, the number of rigs dropped below 100, never to see triple digits again. Three years later, the number of rigs dipped below 50 for the first time.

Hastening the decline were moves by the Barnett's biggest players to take what they learned about drilling unconventional wells in hard shale rock and head where the gas was greener. The Marcellus and Utica formations in Pennsylvania and Ohio are considered more productive.

In 2011, Range Resources, for example, sold most of its Barnett properties for $900 million and expanded its portfolio in the Marcellus, which also underlies West Virginia and New York. "A lot of people cashed out" and moved on, Ingham said.

In the early part of 2014, as the boom in oil drilling in the Permian and Eagle Ford continued at a hectic pace, the number of rigs drilling for mostly gas in the Barnett slid comfortably into the 20s even as the price of gas did a slight rebound from its 2012 average price of $2.82 to $4.28.

But by January, after the price of oil plunged by about 60 percent and the price of natural gas slipped yet again, the rig count slid into the teens and then into the single digits. During the week of Feb. 20, there were only eight rigs working in the Barnett. Then five. Then three.

Finally, by March 13, there was only one.

While the rig count went up to four last week, with natural gas selling for slightly less than $3, the immediate future doesn't look good for a return of rigs any time soon.

"We're never going to see nearly 200 rigs here again. We're not going to see that frenzied pace like we did in the early days when the Barnett was the only shale game around," Brackett said.

Devon, which bought out Mitchell Energy and is the biggest producer in the Barnett with 623,000 net acres, said in recent financial statements that it will spend $4.1 billion to $4.4 billion on drilling in 2015, 20 percent less than last year. But it doesn't plan to run any rigs in the Barnett this year.

Chesapeake, another of the top Barnett companies, will run 35 to 45 rigs — down from 64 in 2014 — under a capital expenditure plan of $4 billion to $4.5 billion, but most of that money will be spent in the Eagle Ford, Utica, and Haynesville shale in Louisiana. The Barnett is in a category known as "other" with 1 to 2 rigs.

"It is just striking to me that in the Barnett Shale, one of the nation's premier natural gas regions, one would have thought it (the price of gas) would have to get to $1.50 to get it to one rig," Ingham said. "You'd think that would be sufficient to keep natural gas drilling activity."

Any pronouncement about the death of the Barnett, however, may be greatly exaggerated.

Despite the drop in activity, production in the Barnett Shale remains high and the wells that have been drilled in recent years are more productive. Data from the Texas Railroad Commission in December shows the Barnett wells producing about 5 billion cubic feet of gas per day.

A report prepared by the Powell Shale Digest also shows that Barnett wells were producing 4.6 billion cubic feet of gas per day in 2008 and 5.2 billion cubic feet in 2013. The publication credited not only better technology, but also wells being drilled in higher-quality areas.

The cost of drilling a Barnett well, at $3 million to $4 million, is cheaper than in other parts of the country. Marcellus wells are more productive, but it costs about $10 million a rig there, Pursell said.

There is also an established pipeline structure to get the gas to market, said Ed Ireland, executive director of the Barnett Shale Energy Education Council, an industry sponsored group. On the East Coast, drillers are having to create a system to handle the high-pressure gas, he said.

"It is one of the cheapest places to drill a natural gas well," Ireland said.

But for the Barnett to turn around, several things have to happen, economists and analysts said.

First, there will actually have to be a drop in the relentless production nationally to reduce a massive oversupply that is driving down prices. The U.S. Energy Information Agency predicts by the end of March inventories will total 1.7 trillion cubic feet, which the agency has said is a factor that is "likely limiting any upward price response."

"There is too much of this stuff around, and that is why you are not seeing any drilling in the Barnett," said Bernard Weinstein, an economist at Southern Methodist University's Maguire Energy Institute. "You see it in the Barnett and you see it everywhere."

The price of oil will also have to increase. While the two are traded separately on commodity markets, when exploration companies slashed their drilling budgets because of low oil prices, they stopped looking for natural gas too, analysts and economists said.

"I think what happened more or less is the shock of the drastic decline in crude oil," Ireland said. "Most (companies) drill for both and they slashed their budgets in general. Everyone ran to the bunker to preserve their cash and try to see how it shakes out."

Pursell said the Barnett is a great asset and will continue to produce, although it will decline as the wells get older. He also said he is not "putting the RIP on the Barnett yet" and added that over time — not in the next five years, but into the next decade — there could be a resurgence.

He compares the Barnett to "a supermodel who is now 40 years old and doing deodorant commercials It's lost its luster, but it's still pretty."

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

MEXICO CITY

2 US funds to invest $900 million in Mexican gas pipeline

Mexico's state-owned petroleum company Pemex has signed an agreement giving two investment funds a 45 percent stake in a natural gas pipeline in exchange for $900 million.

The Los Ramones pipeline will transport natural gas from Texas to Mexico and is intended to facilitate imports of cheap U.S. gas and lower Mexico's high commercial electricity rates.

Mexico built the first part of the Los Ramones project, from the U.S. border to the northern Mexico village of Los Ramones in Nuevo Leon state. But Pemex has been battered by budget cuts and low oil prices and sought help to finish the line.

Pemex said Thursday that the second stage extending the pipeline to the central city of Guanajuato will be built with the investment from BlackRock and First Reserve.

OKLAHOMA

State adds more counties to earthquake list

MEDFORD — Oklahoma officials are expanding the number of counties that are included in earthquake "areas of interest," and asking nearly 100 companies to prove their oil and gas waste-water disposal wells are not too deep.

The Tulsa World reported that the Oklahoma Corporation Commission announced the requirements at a meeting in Medford Wednesday. Well operators in listed counties have been directed to reduce disposal volumes if earthquakes continue to occur in those areas.

Letters were sent last week to 92 companies holding permits for waste-water disposal wells directing them to provide evidence that their wells are not at a depth most likely to trigger earthquakes.

Medford has experienced a number of recent earthquakes that scientific studies have linked to oil and gas disposal wells.

According to Austin Holland, chief seismologist with the Oklahoma Geological Survey, the number of earthquakes that the state has experienced is unusual and "is very unlikely to be naturally occurring."

The commission said that the counties that experience "seismic swarms," or multiple earthquakes occurring close together, will now be included in its system of regulating waste-water disposal wells. This will increase the number of counties on the earthquake interest list by more than double.

About 10 new counties that are primarily in south-central Oklahoma have been added.

Last year, Oklahoma experienced 585 earthquakes of 3.0 magnitude or higher, more than in the past 35 years combined.

WILDCATS

Texas RRCD 8

Ector County

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC , WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 1801 VEST RANCH, 1980 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 18 BLK B8, PSL/EP COWDEN SUR., A-1241 8800', 24 SW ODESSA API# 42-135-43262

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 2402 VEST RANCH, 1980 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 24 BLK B8, PSL/EP COWDEN SUR., A-1243 8800', 24 SW ODESSA API# 42-135-43263

Mitchell County

ATMOS ENERGY CORP., MID-TX DIV, WILDCAT DRILL (CATH PROT) Well# 25 X, 500 FWL 450 FSL, SEC 15 BLK 12, H&TC SUR., A-174 300', 17 SE COLORADO CITY API# 42-335-35917

New Mexico

Lea County

EOG Resources Inc.
Dragon 36 State #701
Wildcat; Sec 36 T24S R33E; 578/N & 2038/E; 4 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17332 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-42316

EOG Resources Inc.
Dragon 36 State #702
Wildcat; Sec 36 T24S R33E; 578/N & 2068/E; 4 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 17338 Wolfcamp; API #30-025-42317

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #16
Wildcat; Sec 33 T25S R33E; 150/N & 1240/W; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14535 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42324

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #17
Wildcat; Sec 33 T25S R33E; 150/N & 1260/W; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14470 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42325

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #19
Wildcat; Sec 33 T25S R33E; 330/N & 1765/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14305 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42326

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #21
Wildcat; Sec 33 T25S R33E; 330/N & 850/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 13680 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42327

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #22
Wildcat; Sec 5 T26S R33E; 160/N & 1310/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14750 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42328

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #24
Wildcat; Sec 5 T26S R33E; 160/N & 1350/W; 12 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14710 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42329

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #32
Wildcat; Sec 4 T26S R33E; 330/N & 1330/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14289 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42309

Cimarex Energy Co.
Red Hills Unit #33
Wildcat; Sec 4 T26S R33E; 330/N & 440/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14565 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42310

COMPLETIONS

Texas RRCD 7C

Reagan County

American Energy-Permian Basin LLC
Ham "B" #1835H
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 379.3 fsl, 330.3 fel, Sec 18, Blk L, Abst. 983, D&P RR, 16.47 nw Big Lake; TD 8548 TVD, 18535 MD; Comp 2/25/2015; producing from 8960-18446, fracture stimulated; gas lift 870 BO, 748 MCF, 2524 BW on open choke, FTP 230 psi, 41.8 Oil Gravity; API #42-383-38918

Texas RRCD 8

Andrews County

Forge Energy LLC
Fisher "A5" #5H
Shafter Lake North (San Andres)-Horizontal; 730 fnl, 1210 fel, Sec 8, Blk A-36, Abst. 1954, PSL, 8 nw Andrews; TD 4702 TVD, 10198 MD; Comp 3/11/2015; producing from 9325-9990, fracture stimulated; pump 856 BO, 180 MCF, 306 BW, 31 Oil Gravity; API #42-003-46993

Howard County

ConocoPhillips Company
W.R. Settles #83
Howard Glasscock (Consolidated); 211 fnl, 745 fel, Sec 133, Blk 29, Abst. 475, W&NW RR, 1.9 sw Forsan; TD 2995; Comp 2/25/2015; producing from 2552-2583, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 170 BO, 1 MCF, 294 BW, 32.5 Oil Gravity; API #42-227-38124

Sterling County

Steller Energy & Investment Corp.
Reed Ranch #4
Spraberry (Trend Area); 467 fnl, 1980 fwl, Sec 4, Blk 30, Abst. 1188, W&NW RR, 15 nw Sterling City; TD 8150; Comp 3/3/2015; producing from 5880-7995, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 67 BO, 7 MCF, 244 BW, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-431-33472

Ward County

Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation
Sealy-Smith Foundation #19
WARD-ESTES, NORTH; 850 fnl, 437 fel, Sec 96, Blk A, Abst. 967, G&MMB&A, 7 nw Monahans; TD 3626; Comp 3/4/2015; producing from 3070-3309, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; flow 0.5 BO, 1 MCF, 300 BW on open choke, FTP 175 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-36391

Texas RRCD 8A

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy Inc.
Kelly Snyder S.E. "12-A" #2
Tri-Rue (Reef)-Horizontal; 306 fsl, 764 fwl, Sec 12, Blk 1, Abst. 467, J.P. Smith, 2.5 w Snyder; TD 7055 TVD, 7120 MD; Comp 3/4/2015; producing from 6966-6969, treated with acid; pump 56 BO, 76 BW, 41.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-415-35119

New Mexico

Chaves County

Energex LLC
Lucas Fee #1
West Milnesand; Sec 24 T8S R33E; 2310/S & 2310/W; EL 4333 GL, TD 9405, PBTD 9342; Spud 8-27-14, Comp 1-17-14; production is through treated perfs: 9162-9173. Treat: 2000 gals 15% NEFE. IP: 11-10-14 Pump 24 hrs 61 BO, 81 BW, 55 MCF, GOR 574.1, Gty 39. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 372 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3915 w/1330 sx, 5 1/2 @ 9395 w/845 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9221; API #30-005-29212

Eddy County

COG Operating LLC
Burch Keely Unit #604
Burch Keely; Sec 23 T17S R29E; 1355/N & 1310/E; EL 3599 GL, TD 4770, PBTD 4710; Spud 8-28-14, Comp 10-3-14; production is through treated perfs: 4107-4409. Treat: Acdz w/1,145 gals 15% acid, Frac w/215,093 gals gel, 222,230# 16/30 brady sd, 31,209# 16/30 SLC. IP: 10-21-14 Pump 24 hrs 39 BO, 202 BW, 93 MCF, GOR 2385, Gty 37.4. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 344 w/400 sx, 8 5/8 @ 977 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4758 w/900 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4551; API #30-015-40663

Burnett Oil Co. Inc.
Jackson B #72
Cedar Lake; Sec 24 T17S R30E; 330/N & 2310/W; EL 3723 GL, TD 6189, PBTD 6144; Spud 5-14-14, Comp 8-8-14; production is through treated perfs: 4524-4615, 4615-6136, 5505-5828, 5880-6080. Treat: Acdz w/4500 gals 15% NEFE & 84 BS. Frac w/1,077,216 gals slickwater w/40,303# 100 mesh staged 1# gals, 337,363# 40/70. IP: 8-12-14 Pump 24 hrs 112 BO, 899 BW, 204 MCF, Gty 38.3. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 477 w/400 sx, 7 @ 6189 w/1700 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5394; API #30-015-42045

COG Operating LLC
BRADLEY 8 Fee #3
Wildcat; Sec 8 T19S R26E; 150/S & 2260/E. BHL: 368/N & 2390/E; EL 3373 GL, TD 7668 MD, 2976 TVD, PBTD 7638; Spud 8-18-14, Comp 9-30-14; production is through perfs: 3335-7621. IP: 10-20-14 Pump 24 hrs 429 BO, 1302 BW, 240 MCF. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1210 w/500 sx, 5 ? @ 7668 w/1100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 2629; API #30-015-39812

Cimarex Energy Co.
CRESENT Hale 10 Federal #1
Benson; Sec 11 T19S R30E; 1075/N & 1890/E. BHL: 506/N & 348/W; EL 3400 GL, TD 15207 MD, 8462 TVD, PBTD 15177; Spud 6-9-14, Comp 8-28-14; productino is through treated perfs: 9330-15175. Treat: Frac w/2,281,483 gals total fluid & 3,679,048# sd. IP: 9-12-14 Pump 24 hrs 517 BO, 1056 BW, 695 MCF, GOR 1344, Gty 40.6. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 475 w/510 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3700 w/1585 sx, 7 @ 8046, 5 1/2 @ 8046-15195 w/2104 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4900.; API #30-015-39824

BOPCO LP
Big Eddy Unit #254
Wildcat; Sec 15 T21S R29E; 700/N & 969/W BHL: 1972/N & 300/E; EL 3447 GL, TD 23413 MD, 9155 TVD; Spud 12-15-13, Comp 4-24-14; productino is through perfs: 10920-23413. IP: 5-12-14 Pump 24 hrs 809 BO, 1090 BW, 1131 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 579 w/750 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3160 w/1475 sx, 7 @ 10622 w/1400 sx, 4 1/2 @ 23403; API #30-015-41798

BOPCO LP
James Ranch Unit D11 #135
SE Quahada Ridge; Sec 21 T22S R30E; 1517/N & 1292/E. BHL: 1991/N & 312/E; EL 3165 GL, TD 19043 MD, 7268 TVD; Spud 5-28-14, Comp 8-9-14; production is through perfs: 7542-19043. IP: 8-18-14 Pump 24 hrs 732 BO, 3236 BW, 680 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 503 w/950 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3563 w/2095 sx, 7 @ 7248 w/965 sx, 4 1/2 @ 7133-19033, 2 7/8 @ 6039; API #30-015-42376

Oxy USA Inc.
CEDAR Canyon 16 State #8
East Pierce Crossing; Sec 16 T24S R29E; 1040/N & 330/E. BHL: 609/N & 188/W; EL 2927 GL, TD 13960 MD, 8618 TVD, PBTD 13462 MD, 8618 TVD; Spud 6-29-14, Comp 10-8-14; production is through perfs: 9017-13407. IP: 10-22-14 Flow 24 hrs 598 BO, 639 BW, 286 MCF, 24/64" Ch, TP 1352. Csg: 11 1/2 @ 364 w/599 sx, 8 5/8 @ 3118 w/890 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13544 w/1350 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8125; API #30-015-41596

Oxy USA Inc.
Nimitz 12 Federal #5
NW Poker Lake; Sec 12 T24S R30E; 275/S & 350/W. BHL: 367/N & 910/W; EL 3497.9 GL, TD 12289 MD, 7955 TVD, PBTD 12171 MD, 7938 TVD; Spud 3-14-14, Comp 8-1-14; production is through treated perfs: 8150-12120. Treat: 16500 gals 15% HCL acid + 1117448 gals 15# BXL + 147319 gals trt wtr + 2055110# sd. IP: 10-26-14 Pump 24 hrs 43 BO, 576 BW, 31 MCF, GOR 721. Csg: 11 1/2 @ 580 w/430 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4097 w/1070 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12257 w/1650 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6999; API #30-015-41657

BOPCO LP
PLU Big Sinks 12 25 30 USA #1
Wildcat; Sec 1 T25S R30E; 165/S & 1160/W. BHL: 52/S & 668/W; EL 3367 GL, TD 14545 MD, 9344 TVD; Spud 12-25-13, Comp 2-27-14; production is through treated perfs: 9554-14505. Treat: Frac w/143,536 total bbls fluid, 4,046,520# proppant. IP: 3-20-14 Pump 24 hrs 284 BO, 2009 BW, 319 MCF, GOR 1123, Gty 43.6. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 972 w/1085 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4028 w/1900 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14540 w/2200 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8880; API #30-015-41598

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cotton Draw Unit #220
Paduca; Sec 2 T25S R31E; 200/S & 1060/E. BHL: 384/N & 697/E; EL 3452 GL, TD 14975 MD, 10333 TVD, PBTD 14924; Spud 10-23-13, Comp 1-22-14; production is through treated perfs: 10555-14912. Treat: Frac w/51,000 gasl HCL, 918,861# 100 mesh, 922,116# 40/70 white, 426,692# CRC. IP: 1-26-14 Flow 24 hrs 607 BO, 821 BW, 0 MCF, CP 1260. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 903 w/945 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4225 w/1503 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14975 w/2545 sx; API #30-015-41364

Chevron USA Inc.
Skeen 2 26 27 State #2
Delaware River; Sec 2 T26S R27E; 150/N & 1980/W. BHL: 330/S & 1980/W; EL 3204 GL, TD 12,619, PBTD 12,360; Spud 11-4-13, Comp 3-17-14; production is through treated perfs: 9439-12568. Treat: 15% HCL acid. IP: 3-27-14 Pump 24 hrs 841 BO, 733 BW, 2139 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 444 w/205 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2265 w/540 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12607 w/1220 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7213; API #30-015-41047

Lea County

Texland Petroleum-Hobbs LLC
XTO 9 State #1
Lovington; Sec 9 T17S R36E; 150/N & 2310/E; EL 3870 GL, TD 8629, PBTD 8583; Spud 8-30-13, Comp 10-22-14; production is through treated perfs: 8382-8448, 8464-8531, 8535-8537.5. Treat: Acdz w/2750 gals 15% HCL. IP: 10-28-14 Flow 24 hrs 83 BO, 799 BW, 67 MCF, 32/64" Ch, TP 100, CP 39, GOR 807, Gty 40. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1972 w/950 sx, 5 1/2 @ 8629 w/2550 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8289; API #30-025-41960

Matador Production Co.
Jim Rolfe 22 18 34 RN State #131Y
Airstrip; Sec 22 T18S R34E; 185/S & 348/W. BHL: 280/N & 511/W; EL 4019 GL, TD 14,550 MD, 10,003 TVD; Spud 8-23-14, Comp 10-23-14; production is through treated perfs: 10542-14414. Treat: 7,030,860# 100 mesh & 30/50 white sd. IP: 10-29-14 Flow 24 hrs 260 BO, 2041 BW, 102 MCF, 22/64" Ch, CP 560, GOR 392, Gty 34.5. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1850 w/1072 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4800 w/1075 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14530 w/1086 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9972; API #30-025-42057

COG Operating LLC
Lusk Deep Unit A #29
Lusk; Sec 17 T19S R32E; 355/N & 660/W. BHL: 330/S & 722/W; EL 3609 GL, TD 13698 MD, 9244 TVD, PBTD 13656 MD, 9244 TVD; Spud 1-17-14, Comp 11-12-14; productino is through treated pefs: 8559-12715, 12790-12800, 9458-13500. Treat: Acdz w/62903 gals 7.5% acid, Frac w/6045927# sd & 4,961,699 gals fluid. IP: 11-17-14 Pump 24 hrs 519 BO, 2213 BW, 352 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 940 w/775 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4457 w/2175 sx, 7 @ 8563, 4 1/2 @ 7776-12664 w/275 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7689; API #30-025-41563

Apache Corp.
West Blinebry Drinkard Unit #210
North Eunice; Sec 9 T21S R37E; 650/N & 2570/E; EL 3474 GL, TD 6945, PBTD 6892; Spud 10-3-14, Comp 11-21-14; production is through treated perfs: 5634-5852, 6152-6495, 6502-6716. Treat: 7206 gals acid, 212,436 gals gel, 396,794# sd, 15,682 gal gel. IP: 11-23-14 Pump 24 hrs 75 BO, 127 BW, 143 MCF, GOR 1907,

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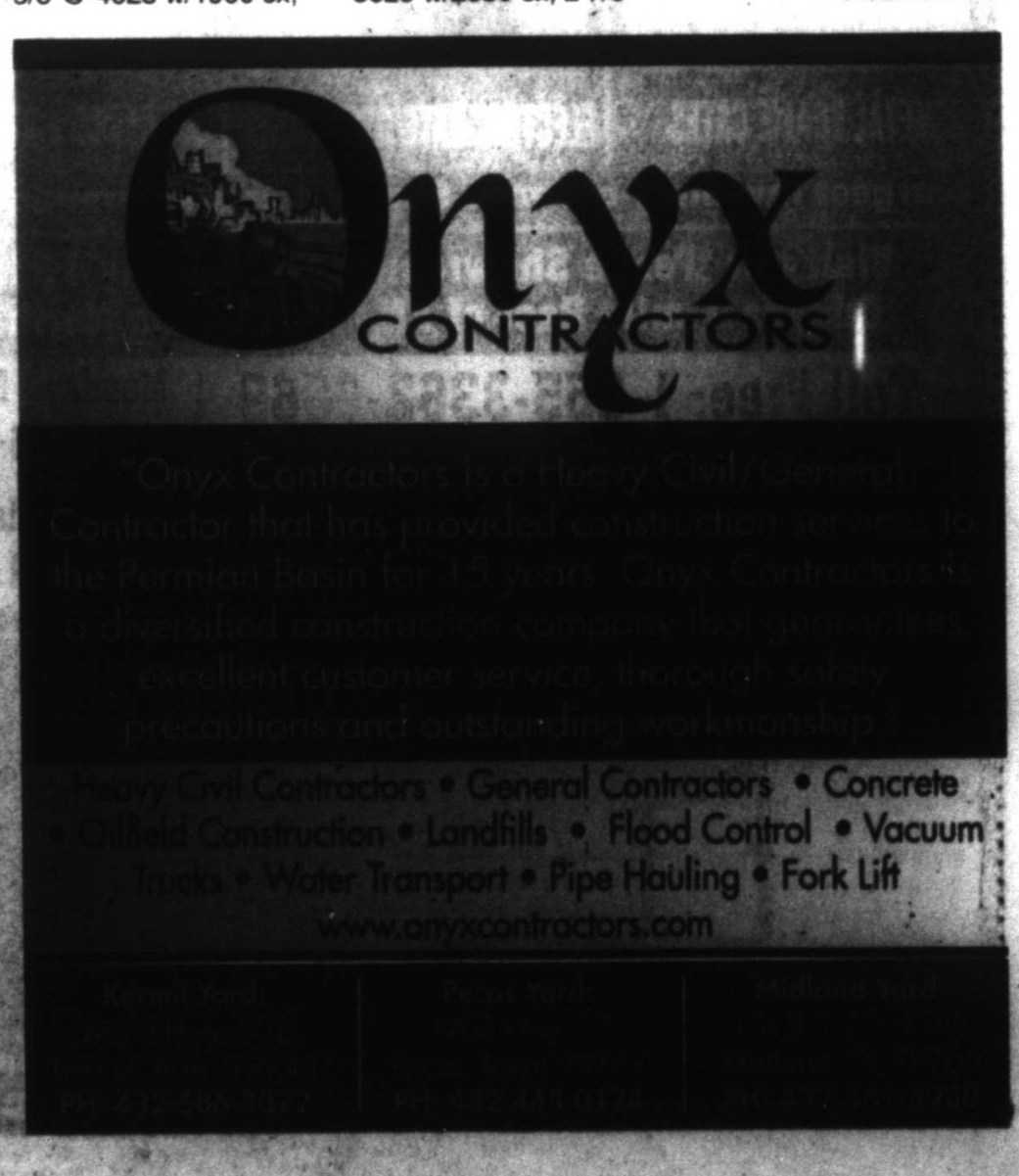

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Gty 37. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1304 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6945 w/1350 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6856; API #30-025-41874

Quantum Resources Management LLC
Encore M State 14
Blinebry/Drinkard; Sec 20 T22S R37E; 579/S & 2042/W; EL 3377 GL, TD 6954, PBTD 6700; Spud 8-13-14, Comp 9-26-14; production is through treated perfs: 5472-5953, 6231-6646. Treat: Acdz w/240 gals 15% HCL. IP: 10-5-14 Pump 24 hrs 236 BO, 446 BW, 995 MCF, GOR 4216, Gty 39.8. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1260 w/1085 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4008 w/1100 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6954 w/825 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6166; API #30-025-41942

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Thistle Unit #62
Triple X; Sec 22 T23S R33E; 450/S & 2250/E. BHL: 332/N & 1931/W; EL 3692 GL, TD 15750 MD, 11080 TVD, PBTD 15699; Spud 5-24-14, Comp 10-1-14; production is through treated perfs: 11280-15694. Treat: Frac w/57,882 gals 15% HCL acid, 2,097,260# 100 mesh, 7,493,301# 30/50 sd, 1,452,090# 20/40 sd. IP: 10-28-14 Flow 24 hrs 561 BO, 1308 BW, 519 MCF, 1500 TP, GOR 925.13. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1430 w/1140 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5196 w/3080 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15747 w/1635 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10249; API #30-025-41466

COG Producing Co.
Treasure Island Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 23 T24S R32E; 190/S & 380/E. BHL: 362/N & 422/E; EL 3583.9 GL, TD 15310 MD, 10722 TVD, PBTD 15290 MD, 10722 TVD; Spud 8-9-14, Comp 10-23-14; production is through treated perfs: 10855-15260. Treat: Acdz w/61740 gals 7.5%, Frac w/6598422# sd & 4824078 gals fluid. IP: 11-1-14 Flow 24 hrs 503 BO, 2650 BW, 645 MCF, 34/64" Ch, TP 360. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1115 w/900 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4922 w/1325 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15310 w/2100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10228; API #30-025-41776

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Crockett County

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, WORLD (O) DRILL Well# 10 POWELL TD, 1630 FEL 2083 FSL, SEC 53 BLK BB, GC&SF SUR., A-2318 2576', 29 NW OZONA API# 42-105-42163

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, WORLD (O) DRILL Well# 9 POWELL TD, 1690 FEL 1188 FSL, SEC 53 BLK BB, GC&SF SUR., A-2318 2627', 29 NW OZONA API# 42-105-42165

SAGA PETRO. LLC OF COLORADO, WORLD (O) DRILL Well# 21 JM SHANNON 3, 1991 FWL 562 FNL, SEC 42 BLK BB, TC/BR COX SUR., A-4782 2611', 29 NW OZONA API# 42-105-42166

Irion County

BROAD OAK ENERGY II, LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# N716HM FARMAR A, 1220 FEL 2142 FSL, SEC 71 BLK 1, H&TC SUR., A-266 7782', 11 N MERTZON API# 42-235-35994

BROAD OAK ENERGY II, LLC, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# N897HU FARMAR BE POOLED UNIT, 671 FEL 300 FSL, SEC 89 BLK 1, H&TC SUR., A-275 9000', 11 SW MERTZON API# 42-235-35997

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H BODEGA, 300 FSL 749 FEL, SEC 1166, GC&SF/W SMITH SUR., A-874 9000', 14 SW MERTZON API# 42-235-35996

Reagan County

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3E SAU 12-3, 1120 FNL 170 FWL, SEC 12 BLK D L&SV/MH ROLLEN SUR., A-897 8400', 31 SW GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-39131

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 SAU 24-1, 1980 FNL 685 FEL, SEC 24 BLK C, L&SV/JC STEVENSON SUR., A-798 8300', 25 SW GARDEN CITY API# 42-383-39226

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1717NU SUGG A-HALFMANN ALLOC SL, 2492 FSL 611 FEL, SEC 171 BLK 2, T&P SUR., A-591 12000', 27 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39169

LAREDO PETROLEUM, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1971NM SUGG E-SUGG A (ALLOC), 2452 FSL 711 FWL, SEC 197 BLK 2, T&P SUR., A-619 12000', 27 N BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39229

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 STOKES 14, 660 FEL 1682 FNL, SEC 14 BLK C, L&SV/BR DAVIS SUR., A-922 11600', 13 NW STILES API# 42-383-39215

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 STOKES 14, 662 FWL 1006 FNL, SEC 14 BLK C, L&SV/BR DAVIS SUR., A-922 11600', 14 NW STILES API# 42-383-39200

Runnels County

EAGLE PRODUCTION, INC., SW WINTERS (CAPPS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 HOLLE, 340 FNL 2322 FEL, SEC 166, ET/CH EARNEST SUR., A-996 5000', 6 NW BALLINGER API# 42-399-35442

Upton County

APACHE CORPORATION, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS CC, 1687 FSL 894 FWL, SEC 37 BLK 40, T&P SUR., A-470 1600', 22 NE CRANE API# 42-461-39873

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, PEGASUS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 DAVIDSON 42B, 467 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 42 BLK 39 T4S, T&P/T WINDHAM SUR., A-1513 11625', 30 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39759

CALLON PETRO. OPERATING CO., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 325H NEAL, 2320 FSL 1590 FEL, SEC 3, GC&SF SUR., A-179 9000', 6 NE RANKIN API# 42-461-39877

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1D MARY 18, 2055 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 18 BLK 39, T&P SUR., A-1405 5500', 11 SW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-39875

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2HB RATLIFF 28, 2198 FWL 175 FSL, SEC 21 BLK 39 T5S, T&P SUR., A-433 9600', 9 SW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-39790

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 843 XBC 84, 660 FWL 660 FNL, SEC 15 BLK D, EL&RR SUR., A-134 10358', 21 NE RANKIN API# 42-461-35453

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 857 XBC 85, 1978 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 15 BLK D, EL&RR SUR., A-134 10335', 21 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-35455

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 8816 LAQUITA ELIZABETH, 467 FSL 2173 FEL, SEC 88 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG/ MRS LA SELF SUR., A-598 13000', 14 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39779

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 8804 LAQUITA ELIZABETH, 2173 FEL 2173 FSL, SEC 88 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-598 13000', 14 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39773

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 705 AMANDA, 467 FEL 2173 FNL, SEC 107 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-64 10700', 15 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39751

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 8801 LAQUITA ELIZABETH, 467 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 88 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG/ MRS LA SELF SUR., A-598 13000', 14 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39778

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 8709 LINSEY ELIZABETH, 735 FNL 786 FEL, SEC 87 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-54 13000', 13 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39872

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 905 CRISTA, 487 FEL 1980 FNL, SEC 109 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-65 10300', 17 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39747

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 907 CRISTA, 1980 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 109 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-65 10400', 17 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39748

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, S KING MTN (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 715 BROOKLYN, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 107 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-64 10500', 15 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39750

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 8601

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CAROLYN, 660 FNL 2173 FEL, SEC 66 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-640 13000', 12 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39777

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, MCELROY (STRAWN) (O) DRILL (DETRITAL) Well# 8516 CAROLYN, 853 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 85 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-53 13000', 12 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39776

SUMMIT PETROLEUM LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 916 CRISTA, 467 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 109 BLK D, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-65 10300', 17 NW RANKIN API# 42-461-39749

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2505BH OLD BLUE 25, 600 FSL 2173 FEL, SEC 24 BLK 42 T4S, T&P/OP JONES SUR., A-1314 10000', 27 NW UPTON API# 42-461-39870

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4417AH LILLIE MIDKIFF 5, 330 FEL 600 FNL, SEC 8 BLK 38 T5S, T&P/JR MIDKIFF SUR., A-577 9600', 4 NW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-39789

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Andrews County

ARES ENERGY, LTD., FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H BROWN 12, 2440 FSL 2260 FEL, SEC 12 BLK A41, PSL/ WC WOOLDRIDGE SUR., A-1658 5450', 14 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46868

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 10 JM WHITE, 814 FSL 772 FWL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 7008', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38828

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 3 RK DEFORD, 828 FNL 744 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/IJ BELL SUR., A-1837 4933', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38825

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 3 DEFORD WHITE OIL UNIT 2, 1952 FNL 2005 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 4925', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38908

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 6 DEFORD-WHITE OIL UNIT, 2362 FNL 1403 FWL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 4904', 12 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-46289

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 2 DEFORD WHITE OIL UNIT, 1904 FNL 2048 FWL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 4910', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38853

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 5 JM WHITE, 1980 FSL 600 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 4900', 13 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38709

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 8 JM WHITE, 660 FSL 2130 FWL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 7000', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38827

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 15 RK DEFORD, 1270 FNL 1250 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/IJ BELL SUR., A-1837 6175', 12 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-46291

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 4 DEFORD WHITE OIL UNIT 2, 1374 FNL 2598 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/IJ BELL SUR., A-1837 6195', 12 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-46288

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 2 JM WHITE A, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 6200', 13 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38667

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 2 DEFORD WHITE OIL UNIT 2, 1924 FNL 824 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 4912', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38820

CITATION OIL & GAS CORP., BLK A-34 (SAN ANDRES) (O) (FDTFR) Well# 6 JM WHITE, 2015 FSL 1773 FEL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 4915', 15 N ANDREWS API# 42-003-38826

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., EMBAR (PERMIAN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 72 EMBAR B, 1980 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 44 T2N, T&P/F COWDEN SUR., A-1896 8100', 17 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46866

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., EMBAR (PERMIAN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 95 EMBAR B, 1884 FNL 2022 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 44 T2N, T&P SUR., 8100', 17 SW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46859

FORGE ENERGY, LLC, FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H UL 10 LIVINGSTON, 1440 FEL 341 FNL, SEC 33 BLK 10, UL SUR., A-U317 4700', 14 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46869

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC., LOWE (ATOKA) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3503 MABEE 240, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 35 BLK 40 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-84 13000', 18 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46132

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 306WB MABEE 240B, 330 FSL 990 FWL, SEC 3 BLK 40 T2N, T&P SUR., A-28 13000', 15 SE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46814

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 3024 UNIVERSITY CONSOLIDATED IV, 794 FNL 2642 FEL, SEC 30 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U422 9000', 15 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46721

ANDREWS - XTO ENERGY INC., MEANS (O) DRILL Well# 7652 MEANS /SAN ANDRES/ UNIT, 673 FWL 7 FNL, SEC 23 BLK A35, PSL/JF LEONARD SUR., A-514 5500', 6 NE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46867

XTO ENERGY INC., FULLERTON (O) DRILL Well# 7134 FULLERTON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1390 FNL 2145 FWL, SEC 4 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U396 7250', 16 NW ANDREWS API# 42-003-46858

XTO ENERGY INC., MEANS (O) DRILL Well# 1562A MEANS /SAN ANDRES/ UNIT, 1265 FWL 1221 FNL, SEC 9 BLK A35, PSL SUR., A-377 5500', 9 NE ANDREWS API# 42-003-46865

Crane County

APACHE CORPORATION, BLK 31 (PENN) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 1 UNIVERSITY 25-A, 660 FWL 1980 FNL, SEC 25 BLK 31, UL SUR., A-U73 9100', 7 NW CRANE API# 42-103-33154

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1716C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 660 FSL 2000 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36482

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1713C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FNL 2000 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36480

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1710C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 660 FNL 2000 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36478

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1714C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36481

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1705C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FNL 760 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36475

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1708C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36477

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1706C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FNL 2000 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36476

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1711C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FSL 2000 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36479

CHEVRQN U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1702C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 660 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36472

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1701C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 660 FNL 2000 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36471

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1703C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36473

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1704C FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 1985 FSL 2000 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-384 11200', 17 N CRANE API# 42-103-36474

Culberson County

ARRIS OPER. CO. LLC, W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H HM PHILLIPS STATE 1819, 100 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 110, PSL/CM CALDWELL SUR., A-6406 10000', 54 NE VAN HORN API# 42-109-32770

ARRIS OPER. CO. LLC, W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H HM PHILLIPS STATE SEC 9-4, 185 FNL 1780 FEL, SEC 16 BLK 110, PSL/CM CALDWELL SUR., A-6408 9500', 55 NE VAN HORN API# 42-109-32769

CAPITAN ENERGY, INC., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H DOROTHY STATE 12, 210 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 12 BLK 113, PSL/CA RUSSELL SUR., A-2085 10200', 47 NE KENT API# 42-109-32767

CIMAREX ENERGY CO., W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H THUNDER GULCH 15 UNIT, 360 FSL 2685 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 59/1, T&P SUR., A-2693 9857', 17 NW ORLA API# 42-109-32757

Ector County

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL Well# 1709E FOUR CORNERS TXL FEE C, 660 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-163 11200', 14 S ODESSA API# 42-135-43264

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., ANDECTOR (WICH ALB) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 2 FRANK B, 660 FNL 674 FWL, SEC 6 BLK 44 T1N, T&P/JT MEEKS SUR., A-609 8070', 8 NW GOLDSMITH API# 42-135-03102

ICA ENERGY OPERATING, LLC, MONAHANS DRW (CNYN) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1 PARKER RANCHLAND 22, 660 FNL 965 FWL, SEC 22 BLK 44 T2S, T&P/B HIGGINS SUR., A-1105 13200', 12 W ODESSA API# 42-135-41276

RELIANCE ENERGY, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2006LS RATLIFF A, 2350 FNL 10 FEL, SEC 20 BLK 41 T1S, T&P/JW DYCUS SUR., A-549 13000', 3 SE GARDENDALE API# 42-135-43267

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 11 TXL 44-43, 990 FNL 2310 FEL, SEC 43 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-291 6400', 16 W ODESSA API# 42-135-41098

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4813H PARKER MINERALS LTD ET AL, 5 FSL 2310 FEL, SEC 48 BLK 45 T1S, T&P/RD PROFFITT SUR., A-780 6900', 16 W ODESSA API# 42-135-43265

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO. LLC, GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 14 PARKER MINERALS 7, 990 FNL 990 FEL, SEC 7 BLK 44 T2S, T&P SUR., A-297 6300', 10 SW GOLDSMITH API# 42-135-39526

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 17 TXL 44-43, 1650 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 43 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-291 6400', 16 W ODESSA API# 42-135-41349

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, GOLDSMITH (O) (RECOMP) Well# 20 PARKER MINERALS 7, 1650 FEL 1650 FNL, SEC 7 BLK 44 T2S, T&P SUR., A-297 6200', 7 SE PENWELL API# 42-135-39797

XTO ENERGY INC., GOLDSMITH (O) (REENTER) Well# C001WR GOLDSMITH SAN ANDRES UNIT, 440 FNL 1320 FWL, SEC 26 BLK 44 T1S, T&P/ JW BUCHANAN SUR., A-697 4182', 2 SE GOLDSMITH API# 42-135-03479

Glasscock County

DRACO ENERGY, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 DEBUS, 1980 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 33 T5S, T&P/ WJ JOLLY SUR., A-1015 10600', 8 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36916

DRACO ENERGY, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 DEBUS, 1320 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 33 T5S, T&P/ WJ JOLLY SUR., A-1015 10600', 8 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36923

HUNT OIL COMPANY, FRYSAK FARMS (DEV) (O) DRILL Well# 6 WH LANE A, 660 FNL 1980 FWL, SEC 40 BLK 36 T4S, T&P/ EN SNODGRASS SUR., A-1118 11500', 16 SW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36935

MCDONNOLD OPERATING, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (RE-ENTER) (INJ) Well# 1 HOUSTON 47, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 47 BLK 36 T1S, T&P SUR., A-379 4738', 16 NW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-32132

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 FRYAR 26, 1980 FEL 467 FSL, SEC 26 BLK 35 T2S, T&P/WL TAYLOR SUR., A-1179 10600', 13 NW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-36955

RBJ & ASSOCIATES, LLC, W DEADWOOD (STRAWN) DRILL (INJ) Well# 2 HUGHES SWD, 325 FNWL 2122 FWL, SEC 21 BLK 33 T2S, T&P SUR., A-109 5300', 12 S BIG SPRING API# 42-173-36938

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL Well# 1533 WEYMAN A, 1980 FSL 2015 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 36 T3S, T&P SUR., A-399 11600', 5 SE SPRABERRY API# 42-173-36827

Howard County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, MOORE (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 QUINN 23, 1118 FSL 2038 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 34 T1S, T&P SUR., A-414 10150', 9 SW BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38336

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 175 WR SETTLES A, 736 FSL 2508 FEL, SEC 135 BLK 29, W&NW SUR., A-476 3200', 1 S FORSAN API# 42-227-38224

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 31 CHALK ESTATE, 1910 FNL 1065 FWL, SEC 114 BLK 29, W&NW/ TE HARRAL SUR., A-1131 4200', 7 NE FORSAN API# 42-227-38274

CONOCOPHILLIPS CO., HOWARD GLASSCOCK (O) DRILL Well# 32 GO CHALK C, 1350 FNL 1385 FEL, SEC 140 BLK 29, W&NW/ SS MILLSPAUGH SUR., A-1544 4500', 16 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38342

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2 RUSSELL LIMITED 11, 475 FEL 2165 FSL, SEC 11 BLK 34 T1N, T&P SUR., A-388 12000', 10 NW BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38236

SHENANDOAH PETROLEUM CORP., VEALMOOR CNTRL (CNYN) (O) (REENTER) (REEF) Well# 4R GOLDEN BEND 27, 560 FWL 990 FSL, SEC 27 BLK 32 T3N, T&P SUR., A-288 8000', 3 E VEALMOOR API# 42-227-02474

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1942 IDEN, 1760 FWL 680 FSL, SEC 19 BLK 33 T1S, T&P SUR., A-367 10625', 3 NW ELBOW API# 42-227-38322

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4241 ADAMS, 660 FWL 660 FSL, SEC 42 BLK 33 T3N, T&P/CT ALLEN SUR., A-1236 11150', 4 NW KNOTT API# 42-227-38335

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1823 BARNES DEEP, 2100 FNL 2450 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 33 T1S, T&P/ FL CAUBLE SUR., A-1584 10650', 4 NW ELBOW API# 42-227-38241

TIGHT ROCK RES., LLC, SALE RANCH (FSLMN) (O) DRILL Well# 1 NICOLE 14, 467 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 14 BLK 32 T1S, T&P/JS NORRIS SUR., A-1317 12000', 5 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38328

TRILOGY OPERATING INC., FRYSAK FARMS (DEV) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 DARWIN, 1390 FWL 2500 FSL, SEC 44 BLK 32 T1S, T&P/ AD LEE SUR., A-1292 12000', 8 SE BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38337

Loving County

FULCRUM DELAWARE WATER RES LLC, HUBBARD (CHRY CNYN) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 CHAPMAN SWD, 2401 FNL 615 FEL, SEC 82 BLK 1, W&NW/WM SMITH JR SUR., A-486 6000', 1/2 SW MENTONE API# 42-301-32395

MATADOR PROD. CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2010H NORTON-SCHAUB 84 TTT B33 WF, 402 FSEL 4861 FNEL, SEC 84 BLK 33, H&TC/O BROWN SUR., A-270 14000', 2 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32399

RKI E&P, LLC, MERIDIAN (DELAWARE) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 QUINN 37, 900 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 37 BLK 29, PSL/BE QUINN SUR., A-1365 7000', 21 SW KERMIT API# 42-301-32397

RKI E&P, LLC, MERIDIAN (DELAWARE) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 BOWDLE 47, 900 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 47 BLK 29, PSL/F BOWDLE SUR., A-1387 7000', 21 SW KERMIT API# 42-301-32396

Martin County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, BIZCO (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1203 HOLT RANCH, 330 FNL 1080 FWL, GARZA CSL SUR. 12180', 7 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-39921

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (FDTFR) Well# 6 HOLT 6, 467 FSL 467 FEL, SEC 319, GARZA CSL SUR., A-998 10257', 10 W TARZAN API# 42-317-34458

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 4 VALERIA 34, 1130 FWL 950 FSL, SEC 34 BLK 37 T2N, T&P/ PC TOM SUR., A-1093 12000', 4 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39829

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P., ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 3 IVERSON 17, 837 FEL 2206 FNL, SEC 17 BLK 36 T1S, T&P SUR., A-203 12000', 3 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39858

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1508H JE MABEE B NCT-2, 770 FNL 1613 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-391 11500', 24 SE STANTON API# 42-317-39955

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1509H JE MABEE B NCT-2, 770 FNL 1638 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-391 11500', 24 SE STANTON API# 42-317-39956

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1510H JE MABEE B NCT-2, 770 FNL 1663 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-391 11500', 24 SE STANTON API# 42-317-39957

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1511H JE MABEE B NCT-2, 770 FNL 1688 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-391 11500', 24 SE STANTON API# 42-317-39958

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 602 BRODY, 1980 FWL 2165 FNL, SEC 6 BLK 37 T1S, T&P/ DE GOSNEY SUR., A-752 12000', 10 W STANTON API# 42-317-39959

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 3801 YODA, 475 FEL 2165 FNL, SEC 38 BLK 38 T1N, T&P/DE GOSNEY SUR., A-754 12000', 11 W STANTON API# 42-317-39937

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1 NAIL RANCH 25, 2230 FNL 600 FWL, SEC 25 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-281 12000', 13 W STANTON API# 42-317-39927

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, ROSE PETAL (LO MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 2 NAIL RANCH 25, 475 FNL 600 FWL, SEC 25 BLK 38, T&P SUR., A-281 12000', 13 W STANTON API# 42-317-39940

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 414H JOHNSON EAST (SL), 201 FNL 1657 FEL, SEC 11 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-274 10500', 17 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39968

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(TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 206H JOHNSON EAST (SL), 200 FNL 1730 FEL, SEC 11 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-274 10000', 17 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39966

ENDEAVOR ENERGY RES. LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 MADISON 10, 660 FWL 1880 FSL, SEC 10 BLK 36 T1N, T&P/ FW HERRINGTON SUR., A-1151 12000', 3 S LENORAH API# 42-317-39945

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H SALE RANCH 20F, 1866 FWL 270 FNL, SEC 20 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/ HT WILSON SUR., A-669 10700', 12 NW STANTON API# 42-317-39854

QEP ENERGY COMPANY, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 29 MABEE C, 665 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 39 T2N, G&MMB&A SUR., A-408 12500', 12 SW TARZAN API# 42-317-39982

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1522 HALE, 2000 FWL 1960 FNL, SEC 15 BLK 36 T3N, T&P SUR., A-182 12700', 7 SW FLOWER GROVE API# 42-317-39803

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1531 THOMAS, 1980 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 36 T3N, T&P SUR., A-182 12700', 7 SW FLOWER GROVE API# 42-317-39830

Midland County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 12 TXL N 9-3, 1320 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-222 11408', 19 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39664

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP, PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 DAVIDSON 36C, 100 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 40 T4S, T&P/T WINDHAM SUR., A-1429 11515', 23 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39656

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS MIDLAND AT FEE, 660 FNL 1200 FEL, SEC 5 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-170 1400', 17 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39839

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 3WS MIDLAND AT FEE, 860 FSL 960 FEL, SEC 5 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-170 1400', 18 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39841

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 4WS MIDLAND AX FEE, 1500 FNL 960 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-218 1400', 17 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39843

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS MIDLAND AX FEE, 860 FSL 960 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 39 T4S, T&P SUR., A-218 1400', 18 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39842

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS MIDLAND AB FEE, 1232 FNL 1340 FWL, SEC 7 BLK 38 T3S, T&P SUR., A-90 1800', 10 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39847

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS MIDLAND AC FEE, 1600 FNL 2550 FEL, SEC 13 BLK 39 T3S, T&P SUR., A-201 1800', 11 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39849

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS MIDLAND AH FEE, 845 FSL 1170 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 39 T3S, T&P SUR., A-202 1800', 12 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39845

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS MIDLAND AT FEE, 860 FSL 960 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-170 1400', 18 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39840

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS MIDLAND AH FEE, 1653 FSL 1571 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 39 T3S, T&P SUR., A-202 1800', 12 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39844

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS MIDLAND AB FEE, 967 FNL 1428 FEL, SEC 7 BLK 38 T3S, T&P SUR., A-90 1800', 10 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39846

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 2WS MIDLAND AV FEE, 700 FNL 960 FWL, SEC 7 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-171 1600', 18 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39836

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS MIDLAND AC FEE, 2110 FSL 2150 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 39 T3S, T&P SUR. 1800', 11 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39848

CHEVRON U.S.A., INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (WIW) Well# 1WS MIDLAND AV FEE, 1500 FNL 1300 FEL, SEC 7 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-171 1600', 18 S MIDLAND API# 42-329-39835

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 BROOKS D, 467 FEL 960 FSL, SEC 3 BLK 38 T2S, T&P SUR., A-155 11700', 6 E MIDLAND API# 42-329-39662

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 28H TEXAS TEN AA, 2380 FSL 607 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/AJ WOLCOTT SUR., A-760 10000', 11 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39695

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 26H TEXAS TEN AA, 2380 FSL 547 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/AJ WOLCOTT SUR., A-760 10000', 11 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39693

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4502H DONALD L HUTT FEE, 1015 FWL 325 FNL, SEC 45 BLK 38, MRS SE SHACKELFORD SUR., A-1049 10600', 13 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39647

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 25H TEXAS TEN AA, 2380 FSL 517 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 39 T3S, T&P/AJ WOLCOTT SUR., A-760 10000', 11 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39690

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1D FRANK, 1800 FWL 1320 FSL, SEC 35 BLK 38 T2S, T&P SUR., A-166 5400', 9 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39837

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3316H SHACKELFORD P, 897 FEL 300 FSL, SEC 33 BLK 37 T-3-S, T&P SUR. 10500', 17 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39655

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3315H SHACKELFORD O, 927 FEL 300 FSL, SEC 33 BLK 37 T3S, T&P SUR., A-140 10500', 17 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39654

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 ERNEST A, 1870 FEL 1360 FSL, SEC 27 BLK 39 T2S, T&P SUR., A-314 11400', 5 SW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39625

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1603BH LHS RANCH, 1792 FWL 298 FSL, SEC 4 BLK 38 T5S, T&P/ RE DAMERON SUR., A-566 10000', 21 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-39764

Mitchell County

SCHLACHTER OPER. CORP., SHARON RIDGE (O) DRILL Well# 1211 CRAWFORD-STRAIN UNIT, 1550 FEL 2200 FSL, SEC 2, GJ REIGER SUR., A-715 1850', 10 N COLORADO CITY API# 42-335-35921

Pecos County

SBJ OIL & GAS, LLC, WHITE & BAKER (O) (RE-ENTER) Well# 4 WHITE & BAKER B, 1520 FSL 990 FEL, SEC 45 BLK Z, HE&WT SUR., A-4068 1692', 10 E BAKERSFIELD API# 42-371-00769

Reeves County

ELK RIVER RES., LLC, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H TORO 32, 200 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 32 BLK 50 T7S, T&P/ HC LA BEFF SUR., A-5222 11500', 16 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34595

OXY USA WTP LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H JACKAL STATE 28, 200 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 28 BLK 50 T7S, T&P/TC POPE SUR., A-2389 12000', 16 SE PECOS API# 42-389-34600

OXY USA, INC., COLLIE (DELAWARE) (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 38 COLLIE B, 3502 FSWL 628 FNWL, SEC 2 BLK 5, H&GN/ VD HAVIS SUR., A-5608 6800', 2 E PECOS API# 42-389-34594

RESOLUTE NATURAL RES. CO., LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1601BH DOGFISH, 150 FNL 2787 FEL, SEC 16 BLK C21, PSL/LA CASEY SUR., A-5471 13500', 32 NW PECOS API# 42-389-34603

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H CITY OF PECOS 24 UNIT A, 100 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 31 BLK 5, H&GN SUR., A-436 13000', 4 S PECOS API# 42-389-34597

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1HB JERSEY LILLY 17, 275 FSL 250 FEL, SEC 18 BLK 5, H&GN/GS JOHNSTON SUR., A-1332 13000', 4 SW PECOS API# 42-389-34601

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1HC JERSEY LILLY 17, 200 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 17 BLK 5, H&GN SUR., A-429 13000', 3 SW PECOS API# 42-389-34602

Ward County

JETTA OPERATING CO., INC., TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BARSTOW 33-34, 200 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 155 BLK 34, H&TC SUR., A-255 11000', 4 SE BARSTOW API# 42-475-36868

P.O.&G. OPERATING, LLC, N WARD-ESTES (O) DRILL Well# 514 STATE OF TEXAS E, 430 FSL 1018 FWL, SEC 6 BLK 16, UNIVERSITY LANDS SUR., A-6 0', 5 S WICKETT API# 42-475-36867

P.O.&G. OPERATING, LLC, N WARD-ESTES (O) DRILL Well# 314 STATE OF TEXAS E, 1129 FNL 1456 FWL, SEC 6 BLK 16, UNIVERSITY LANDS SUR., A-U6 3300', 5 S WICKETT API# 42-475-36866

P.O.&G. OPERATING, LLC, N WARD-ESTES (O) DRILL Well# 414 STATE OF TEXAS E, 1350 FSL 2363 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 16, UNIVERSITY LANDS SUR., A-U6 3300', 5 S WICKETT API# 42-475-36865

Winkler County

APACHE CORPORATION, KEYSTONE (CLR FRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 85 SETH CAMPBELL, 1880 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 23 BLK B3, PSL/S CAMPBELL SUR., A-1359 5600', 2 NE KERMIT API# 42-495-33568

GP II ENERGY, INC., S KERMIT (DEV-OIL) (INJ) (RECLASS) Well# 27W KEYSTONE SWD, 1980 FEL 660 FSL, SEC 30 BLK B-3, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR., A-1363 10320', 5 E KERMIT API# 42-495-05784

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Borden County

WILLOW BEND OIL LLC, PEG'S DRAW (SPRABERRY) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1406 CR G TRACT 3A, 666 FSL 1980 FWL, SEC 14 BLK 31 T6N, T&P/ D DORWARD SUR., A-1114 8906', 11 NW GAIL API# 42-033-32122

WILLOW BEND OIL LLC, PEG'S DRAW (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 1416 CR G TRACT 3A, 436 FWL 2018 FNL, SEC 14 BLK 31 T6N, T&P/ D DORWARD SUR., A-1114 9000', 11 NW GAIL API# 42-033-32371

Crosby County

B & S SALVAGE; HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 2 JA WHEELER, 1218 FSL 330 FWL, SEC 6 BLK 2, D&SE/ JH WHEELER SUR., A-920 4000', 3 SW CAPROCK API# 42-107-31975

CUSTER & WRIGHT OPER., INC., HOOPLE (CLEAR FORK) (O) DRILL Well# 6 WHEELER C, 1067 FWL 330 FSL, SEC 1, EB LOGAN SUR., A-1215 5000', 11 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31976

Gaines County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 5422 DENVER UNIT, 570 FNL 646 FEL, SEC 56 BLK AX, PSL/JM POWELL SUR., A-1109 5800', 2 W DENVER CITY API# 42-165-38247

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5418 DENVER UNIT, 344 FNL 485 FWL, SEC 51 BLK AX, PSL/B ANDERSON SUR., A-996 5800', 2 W DENVER CITY API# 42-165-38246

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5624 DENVER UNIT, 383 FNL 800 FEL, SEC 50 BLK AX, PSL/B ANDERSON SUR., A-995 5800', 3/4 S DENVER CITY API# 42-165-38251

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5419 DENVER UNIT, 542 FNL 1241 FWL, SEC 51 BLK AX, PSL/B ANDERSON SUR., A-996 5800', 2 SW DENVER CITY API# 42-165-38250

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, SE TEX-MEX (WICH ALB) (O) DRILL Well# 13 DUKE, 2237 FSL 363 FEL, SEC 10 BLK A12, PSL/RO COOK SUR., A-411 8200', 23 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38243

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 419 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1982 FNL 1564 FEL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL/WF GORDON SUR., A-475 7400', 10 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38261

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 420 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1915 FNL 1121 FEL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL/WF GORDON SUR., A-475 7400', 10 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38262

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) DRILL (INJ) Well# 417 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1121 FNL 1350 FEL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL/WF GORDON SUR., A-475 7400', 10 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38254

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) DRILL (INJ) Well# 416 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 989 FNL 2103 FEL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL SUR. 7400', 10 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38253

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 418 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1278 FNL 1772 FEL, SEC 20 BLK A24, PSL/WF GORDON SUR., A-475 7400', 10 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38260

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC, SE TEX-MEX (WICH ALB) (O) DRILL Well# 14 DUKE, 2215 FSL 1509 FEL, SEC 10 BLK A12, PSL/RO COOK SUR., A-411 8200', 23 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38244

XTO ENERGY INC., N ROBERTSON (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 117 ROBERTSON CLEARFORK UNIT, 2423 FEL 690 FSL, SEC 10 BLK A24, PSL/DS WATROUS SUR., A-655 7600', 8 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38245

XTO ENERGY INC., N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) (O) DRILL Well# 153W ROBERTSON CLEARFORK UNIT, 2640 FWL 1915 FSL, SEC 10 BLK A-24, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR., A-655 7600', 8 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38257

XTO ENERGY INC., N ROBERTSON (CLR FRK) (O) DRILL Well# 3655 ROBERTSON CLEARFORK UNIT, 1280 FNL 1630 FWL, SEC 1 BLK A-24, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR., A-579 7600', 7 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38259

XTO ENERGY INC., N ROBERSTON (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 7555 ROBERTSON CLEARFORK UNIT, 145 FNL 1920 FWL, SEC 10 BLK A-24, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR., A-655 7600', 8 SW SEMINOLE API# 42-165-38248

Garza County

SHENANDOAH PETROLEUM CORP., SWNSN-BARRON (ELLEN) (O) (RE-ENTER) Well# 945R BIG RED ONE, 387 FWL 500 FSL, SEC 9 BLK 7, H&GN SUR., A-175 7750', 19 NE POST API# 42-169-30393

SHENANDOAH PETROLEUM CORP., SWNSN-BARRON (ELLEN) (O) (RE-ENTER) Well# 910R BIG RED ONE, 1860 FWL 1020 FNL, SEC 10 BLK 7, H&GN/GW DALTON SUR., A-606 8050', 19 NE POST API# 42-169-30867

Scurry County

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, KELLY-SNYDER (O) DRILL Well# 11-22 SACROC UNIT, 559 FSL 1475 FEL, SEC 449 BLK 97, H&TC/T MARTIN SUR., A-2067 7250', 10 N SNYDER API# 42-415-35120

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC, KELLY-SNYDER (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 18-18 SACROC UNIT, 1093 FSL 1862 FEL, SEC 440 BLK 97, H&TC/ BL PATTERSON SUR., A-1532 7250', 9 N SNYDER API# 42-415-35121

SHARP IMAGE ENERGY, INC., TRI-RUE (REEF) (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 2 KELLY SNYDER SE 12 A, 1441 FNL 2465 FEL, SEC 12 BLK 1, JP SMITH SUR., A-467 8500', 3 W SNYDER API# 42-415-35119

Yoakum County

MANZANO, LLC, PLATANG (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H COUSIN WILLARD 450, 225 FNL 200 FWL, SEC 450 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ IL READ SUR., A-1918 9000', 8 NE PLAINS API# 42-501-36518

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OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5421 DENVER UNIT, 253 FSL 418 FWL, SEC 893 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-49 5800', 1 S DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36515

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5524 DENVER UNIT, 270 FSL 1566 FWL, SEC 893 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-49 5800', 1 S DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36516

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5424 DENVER UNIT, 646 FSL 494 FEL, SEC 895 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-48 5800', 2 W DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36511

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 5530 DENVER UNIT, 611 FSL 878 FWL, SEC 893 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-49 5800', 1 W DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36513

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 5423 DENVER UNIT, 1072 FSL 2293 FEL, SEC 894 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ AB SMART SUR., A-1792 5800', 2 W DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36509

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5529 DENVER UNIT, 489 FSL 4057 FEL, SEC 37 BLK AX, PSL/JM POWELL SUR., A-1788 5800', 3/4 SW DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36517

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 5528 DENVER UNIT, 490 FSL 4107 FEL, SEC 37 BLK AX, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR. 5800', .07 SW DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36508

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON DRILL (DIREC) (INJ) Well# 5532 DENVER UNIT, 300 FSL 5011 FEL, SEC 37 BLK AX, PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND SUR. 5800', 3/4 SW DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36510

TEXLAND PETROLEUM, LP, OWNBY (O) (RECOMP) Well# 6 HC MARTIN B, 2407 FNL 235 FWL, SEC 555 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-281 6950', E PLAINS API# 42-501-35896

XTO ENERGY INC., WASSON (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 187 HO MAHONEY, 670 FNL 1026 FWL, SEC 742 BLK D, JOHN H GIBSON SUR., A-722 5750', 8 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36466

New Mexico

Eddy County

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP
Eagle 34 M Federal #78
NE Red Lake; Sec 34 T17S R27E; 420/S & 980/W; 8 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4750 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42834

LRE Operating LLC
Kersey Williams A Fed #11
Artesia; Sec 28 T17S R28E; 1650/N & 2265/E; 11 mi SE Artesia; Rot 3650 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42836

LRE Operating LLC
Kersey Williams A Fed #12
Artesia; Sec 28 T17S R28E; 2310/N & 1525/E; 11 mi SE Artesia; Rot 3657 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42837

LRE Operating LLC
Kersey Williams A Fed #13
Artesia; Sec 28 T17S R28E; 2000/N & 965/E; 11 mi SE Artesia; Rot 3650 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42838

LRE Operating LLC
Kersey Williams A Fed #15
Artesia; Sec 28 T17S R28E; 2180/N & 330/E; 11 mi SE Artesia; Rot 3650 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42839

Lime Rock Resources II-A LP
Hawk 8 J Fed #47
Red Lake; Sec 8 T18S R27E; 2300/S & 1700/E; 7 mi SE Artesia; Rot 4600 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42835

Harvey E. Yates Co.
Taylor Deep 12 Fed #8
Tamano; Sec 13 T18S R31E; 330/N & 1675/E; 8 mi SW Maljamar; Rot 14120 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42832

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Agasti 27 Fed #3
William Sink; Sec 28 T19S R31E; 1840/N & 2217/E; 9 mi NW Halfway; Rot 15062 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42818

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Agasti 27 Fed #4
Williams Sink; Sec 28 T19S R31E; 1885/N & 2240/E; 9 mi NW Halfway; Rot 15269 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42819

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cerf 10 State #10
East Avalon; Sec 10 T21S R27E; 835/S & 100/E; 4.5 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 12297 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42822

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Grandi 22 #2
Cass Draw; Sec 22 T22S R27E; 1360/N & 255/W; 2 mi N Otis; Rot 11949 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42821

Mack Energy Corp.
Spoon SWD #1
SWD; Sec 32 T22S R27E; 1980/S & 660/E; 2 mi W Otis; Rot 4100 Bell Canyon; API #30-015-42824

Mack Energy Corp.
Cork SWD #1
SWD; Sec 34 T22S R27E; 1025/N & 2050/W; 1/2 N Otis; Rot 4250 Bell Canyon; API #30-025-42823

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Jester 19 W2AP Fed #1
Forehand Ranch; Sec 19 T23S R27E; 185/N & 710/E; 5 mi SW Otis; Rot 14089 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42830

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Jester 19 W2DM Fed #1
Forehand Ranch; Sec 23 T23S R27E; 185/N & 660/W; 5 mi E Black River; Rot 14001 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42831

Nadel & Gussman Permian LLC
Kyle 34 Fed #6
Willow Lake; Sec 34 T24S R28E; 2310/N & 150/E; 3 mi S Malaga; Rot 9468 Delaware; API #30-015-42833

COG Operating LLC
Admiral Federal Com #2
SW Willow Lake; Sec 28 T25S R29E; 190/S & 1980/E; 9 mi SE Malaga; Rot 13279 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42820

COG Operating LLC
Screech Owl Federal #1
Welch; Sec 19 T26S R27E; 50/N & 660/W; 12 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17554 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42825

COG Operating LLC
Screech Owl Federal #2
Welch; Sec 19 T26S R27E; 50/N & 1550/W; 12 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17588 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42826

COG Operating LLC
Screech Owl Federal #3
Welch; Sec 18 T26S R27E; 330/S & 1887/E; 11 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17871 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42827

COG Operating LLC
Screech Owl Federal #4
Welch; Sec 19 T26S R27E; 190/N & 330/E; 12 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17442 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42828

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Owl Draw 22 27 B2BO Fed #2
Hay Hollow; Sec 22 T26S R27E; 330/N & 1585/E; 13 mi SE Malaga; Rot 17250 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42829

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Delaware Ranch 14 B2CN Fee #2
South Red Bluff; Sec 11 T26S R28E; 345/S & 2005/W; 11 mi S Malaga; Rot 13336 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42816

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Skeen 21 D3DM St #3
Tecolote Peak; Sec 21 T26S R28E; 185/N & 660/W; 13 mi SW Malaga; Rot 10600 Delaware; API #30-015-42812

EOG Resources Inc.
Ramblin Rose 23 Fed #6
West Jennings; Sec 23 T26S R31E; 450/N & 1415/W; 23 mi SE Malaga; Rot 13800 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42840

Lea County

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Hefeweizen 26 35 State Com #3
Midway; Sec 26 T17S R36E; 2440/S & 660/W; 6.5 mi W Humble City; Rot 15881 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42319

Cimarex Energy Co.
Mallon 27 Fed Com #2
Lea; Sec 27 T19S R34E; 330/S & 1980/E; 12.5 mi NE Halfway; Rot 17943 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42315

Mack Energy Corp.
Norway State #2
Drinkard; Sec 36 T21S R36E; 1140/S & 2290/E; 2.5 mi W Eunice; Rot 7850 Drinkard; API #30-025-42313

EOG Resources Inc.
Neptune 10 St Com #501
West Triple X; Sec 10 T24S R33E; 251/S & 1090/E; 7 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 16021 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42322

EOG Resources Inc.
Neptune 19 St Com #502
West Triple X; Sec 10 T24S R33E; 251/S & 1120/E; 7 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 15988 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42323

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Red Raider BKS State #4
North Red Hills; Sec 25 T24S R33E; 200/S & 955/E; 5 mi W Ochoa; Rot 14032 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42314

Chevron USA Inc.
Antelope Ridge 11 24 34 Federal #3
North Red Hills; Sec 11 T24S R34E; 330/S & 980/W; 2 mi N Ochoa; Rot 15361 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42318

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Trionyx 6 Fed #11
North Paduca; Sec 6 T25S R32E; 215/S & 505/W; 16 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 12792 Delaware; API #30-025-42312

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Paduca 76 A2ED Fed #1
Jennings; Sec 7 T26S R32E; 2455/N & 990/W; 18 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16045 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42320

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Paduca 76 A2GB Fed #1
Jennings; Sec 7 T26S R32E; 2455/N & 1650/E; 18 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16083 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42321

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Cobber 21 Fed #1
Bradley; Sec 21 T26S R34E; 65/S & 660/E; 11 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 14775 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42311