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Prices create hurdles for homebuyers

Median price of a Midland home surpasses maximum loan backed by FHA

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Midlander Chelsea Dey spends much of her free time unpacking boxes, decorating and gardening with her roommate. The two friends last month closed on a three-bedroom house, allowing them to finally achieve the American dream of owning a home.

But that same dream for many other millennials is increasingly inching out of reach as home values around the Tall City continue to climb.

Dey, 26, works for a local nonprofit organization. Troubled by how expensive homes have become in recent years, she said she never would have been able to afford a house if her parents hadn't loaned her the money for a down payment.

"Working in a nonprofit, I would say it's pretty close to impossible to save up a down payment," Dey said. "For the average person, it's tough."

The median price of a Midland home grew more than 23 percent year-over-year in June, pushing the value up to $283,100, according to the most recent data from the Real Estate Center at Texas A&M University.

As a home's price tag increases every month, the down payment homebuyers must front to lenders will follow suit.

However, a national real estate data firm on Tuesday released statistics indicating that Midlanders who've already purchased a house are also struggling to cope with the rising cost.

The percentage of loans that were more than 90 days delinquent in May increased year-over-year for the first time in nearly four years, according to data from CoreLogic, Inc., a California-based property data firm.

About 1.22 percent of loans were more than 90 days delinquent in May, up 0.11 percent from the same month last year. Midland's rate, however, still falls well below both the state and nationwide rates.

Roughly 3.2 percent of mortgages statewide were delinquent in May, a 0.38 percent decrease year-over-year. Nationwide, the rate was at 4.44 percent in May, which is also lower than the May 2013 rate.

In June, the median price of a Midland home surpassed

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DOWN HOME BLUES

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Jim Suhler & Monkey Beat brought a bit of funk during the band's set on the Cimarex Energy Main Stage at the 2014 Tall City Blues Fest held in downtown Midland. See more photos from the event on Page 4A and online at mrt.com

Charter schools on the rise in Midland

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Charter schools are taking an interest in Midland, and Midlanders are reciprocating that interest in a big way.

The Tall City will have five charter schools once Vista Academy opens this fall. Twenty Midland students will also attend the University of Texas of the Permian Basin's STEM Academy, also opening this fall, in Odessa.

Altogether, charter schools will educate nearly 1,300 students from or in Midland next school year, according to enrollment estimates from local schools.

Charters have steadily gained popularity across the Lone Star State since the first schools opened in 1996. The Texas Education Agency has awarded 308 open enrollment charters since 1996, but 191 remain operational at this time, according to TEA data. The current limit on charters is 215, but that will increase to 225, effective Sept. 1, TEA spokeswoman DeEtta Culbertson said. By Sept. 1, 2019, there could be as many as 305 charter schools in Texas.

Because multiple schools can operate under one charter, the number of campuses could "increase exponentially" by 2019, Culbertson said.

The Texas Charter Schools Association's (TCSA) Quick Facts reported that this is exactly what's happening.

Charter school enrollment in Texas has grown an average of 15 percent per year, every year for the last five years. There were more than 178,000 students in charter schools in 2013, according to the TCSA.

In addition to Texas Leadership Charter Academy Midland, which opened in 2013, and Vista, Midland's other charter schools are Midland Academy Charter School, Premier High School of Midland and Richard Milburn Academy. - Midland.

Neighboring Ector County has three other charter schools besides UTPB STEM: Compass Academy Charter School, Harmony Science Academy — Odessa and Richard Milburn Academy — Ector County, according to the TEA's map of charter schools.

Despite the recent growth in Permian Basin charters, the West and West Central region have the fewest charter

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New campaign sparks talk about help for mental illness

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Odessan Heather McKenzie remembers when her smart, athletic teenage son first started showing signs of mental illness.

McKenzie described Kody, now 22, as a popular football player who graduated with honors from Permian High School.

But while grasping a photo of the curly-haired blonde, she tearfully explained how those signs turned into a constant state of psychosis by the time Kody became an adult.

"He hears voices. He sees things," said McKenzie. "I cannot imagine that fight."

She said Kody suffers from a bipolar type of schizoeffective disorder and suspects he experienced sexual abuse and other emotional traumas.

Worried about her other young son, McKenzie removed Kody from her home. But he now he lives in a smelly apartment littered by his own medication, she said.

"He is deemed incapacitated. He cannot make decisions on his own. He does not bathe. He doesn't eat. He lets the homeless come into his home. He's been stolen from," she said during a mental health workshop held last week in Odessa. "I cannot protect him."

McKenzie pleaded with a room full of 60 mental health facilitators, school administrators and state officials to find help for parents who are "stuck in the middle."

"I constantly swim in this vast cesspool of mental health help. I want something changed," she said. "I just want him safe."

Last week's community conversation about mental health issues — sparked by the statewide Speak Your Mind campaign — is one of 16 being held this summer throughout Texas.

The campaign focuses on getting people to speak freely about mental illness and finding assistance if needed, said Mary Anderson, state regional medical director for West Texas.

"The idea here is to get people to become more aware of mental health issues, especially in the young," Anderson said. "In the past it's been difficult to speak about mental health issues — there's a reluctance to talk about it."

Texas ranked second to last in 2010 for mental health care spending, which is only one-third of the national average, according to the Texas Medical Association.

But during the 2013 Legislature, lawmakers allocated roughly $300 million more than the previous session for mental

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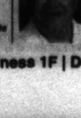

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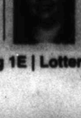

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health services, the Texas Tribune reported. The state health department has a $2.6 billion budget for the next fiscal year to expand services, decrease waiting lists and improve state mental health hospitals, according to the campaign.

"An estimated 1 in 5 Americans will experience a mental health issue during their lifetime, and 1 in 20 will develop a serious mental illness," said Dr. David Lakey, commissioner for the Texas Department of State Health Services, in a prepared statement. "People can and do recover from mental illness and substance abuse issues."

During small group sessions and panel discussions last week, participants discussed faith and psychology, masculinity, teaching respect between men and women, changing the conversation about mental health on social media, cultural differences and the role of schools and parent-teacher associations.

Here are takeaways from the workshop:

Getting help in Texas

The basics

■ Mood disorders involve persistent feelings of sadness or periods of feeling overly happy. Sometimes moods may fluctuate from one extreme to another. Common mood disorders include depression and bipolar disorder.

■ Anxiety disorders include panic attacks, phobias, obsessive-compulsive disorder (OCD) and post-traumatic stress disorder.

■ Eating disorders involve extreme emotions, attitudes, and behaviors about food, weight and self-image. Anorexia is when someone doesn't eat enough and becomes very thin. Bulimia is when someone overeats, then purges, such as by forced vomiting. People with bulimia may be of normal weight.

■ People with personality disorders have extreme and inflexible personality traits. They may have trouble perceiving and relating to situations and people. Two common disorders are antisocial personality disorder and borderline personality disorder.

■ A substance use disorder is the repeated use of alcohol or drugs. Substance use disorders make it difficult for people to meet family, work or school obligations. Some people with a mental health disorder may also have a substance use disorder.

■ Psychotic disorders are when someone loses contact with reality and experiences hallucinations or delusions. For example, schizophrenia is a disorder that can be characterized by hallucinations or delusional thoughts.

■ Suicidal behavior involves thoughts of wanting to die or trying to kill oneself. People who are suicidal often experience feelings of extreme sadness and hopelessness.

Mental illness symptoms

■ Frequent sadness or changes in mood or behavior
■ Changes in eating and sleeping patterns
■ Not wanting to go to school or work
■ Fighting with family and friends
■ Drug and alcohol abuse
■ Hopelessness
■ Feeling confused, angry, forgetful, edgy or upset
■ Wanting to hurt oneself or others
■ Hearing voices
■ Isolation or acting distant
■ Sharing thoughts of suicide

Substance abuse symptoms

■ Sudden weight loss or gain
■ Unhealthy appearance
■ Frequently missing school or work
■ Financial problems
■ Changes in friends, hangouts or hobbies
■ Getting into fights, accidents or breaking the law
■ Striking change in personality or behavior

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■ Mental health
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Parents: Look for signs of mental illness in kids

McKenzie started seeing the signs after Kody turned 16, but by the time he was 18 and fully psychotic, she no longer had legal control over her son. She warned parents to get guardianship or power of attorney for medical needs for older children with mental illnesses.

"If you recognize the signs, get help immediately," McKenzie said.

Half of all mental illnesses start by age 14 and three-fourths just a decade later, according to the Speak Your Mind Texas campaign.

Suicide is also the leading cause of death among Texans ages 15 to 34, and nearly 1 out of 7 high school students make a plan to kill themselves.

Participants of nearly all the small groups agreed that parents need to pay closer attention to their kids and get help immediately if signs of mental illness become evident.

Warning signs include dropping grades, isolation, change in behavior, cutting, irritability, fatigue and not enjoying usual activities, said Patrick Ramsey, counselor and clinical director of the Samaritan Counseling Center of West Texas, during a panel discussion.

Some parents worry they are being too heavy-handed, but Ramsey said they absolutely need to intervene if they notice the signs.

"Parents should be in their kid's business," he said.

Stigmas prevent families from talking to each other the way they should about mental health issues, said Kathy Haddock, administrative assistant for the Area Health Education Center.

Teens and adults suffering from mental illness also don't know how to reach out, said Haddock, who lost a family member to suicide.

"We're all suffering in one way or another. It's time for us to talk about it," she said.

McKenzie knows Kody needs full-time help. But after the workshop ended Monday afternoon, she said the thought of him ending up in a state mental health hospital keeps her up at night.

Kody has already had 20 to 30 hospital visits and 10 to 15 mental health hospital crisis stays, McKenzie said.

"It's gut-wrenching," she said. "When I close my eyes at night and have to think about him being in that situation, the stigma is still there: 'One Who Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest.'"

Mental health/ substance abuse and criminal activity

During a morning panel discussion, local officials discussed the relationship between mental illness, substance abuse and criminal behavior and the role of law enforcement in identifying needs and services.

Nearly half of young people sent to the Texas Juvenile Justice Department needed treatment for a mental health issue in 2011, according to the state. Three-quarters required treatment for alcohol abuse or drug dependency.

"They go hand-in-hand," said McKenzie, noting a substance abuse label often limits access to mental health services in the Permian Basin.

Still, for some families, the stigma of a mental illness is greater than alcohol or drug dependency, said Tom Cooper, victims services counselor for the Department of Public Safety, during a panel discussion.

"Some parents might want their kids to be diagnosed with a substance abuse issue than a mental health issue," Cooper said.

The Midland County Juvenile Justice Department is seeing more of both issues, said Forrest Hannah, the county's chief juvenile probation officer. One in 3 kids who enter the system are already taking psychotropic medication.

Most kids — 85 to 90 percent — have been exposed to one, if not multiple, traumatic events, Hannah said during a small group discussion.

"We have young kids who take that trauma and act it out in school, get a felony and come into our system," he said.

Risk-screening tools implemented at schools and doctors' offices could identify future criminal activity, said Dalton Keal, a Lubbock-based nurse consultant for the state.

"The amount of adverse traumatic events a child undergoes by the time they are in junior high school increases the number of adverse risk-taking behaviors they undertake in their adult life three-fold," Keal said.

That means traumatized kids could end up in county jails and state prisons later on in life. About 17 percent of Texas prisoners suffer from mental illness, the Texas Tribune reported in April.

The Texas Department Criminal Justice spent $60 million for mental health services and $172 million for substance abuse treatment in 2012 and 2013, according to the Tribune.

A handful of Midland County Sheriff's Department mental health deputies handle the 800 calls a year involving people who are mentally ill or addicted to drugs or alcohol, said Sheriff Gary Painter.

Some of these people are diverted to Permian Basin Community Centers for MHMR, the largest mental health provider in a 27,000-square-mile region. But it's hard to find help in the Permian Basin for people without money or insurance — and they often end up in jail — Painter said.

"Jails are the biggest mental health providers in the state of Texas, and that's not what a jail should be," he said.

A mental health court holds some promise. 238th District Court Judge Elizabeth Byer Leonard started the court last December to identify the mental health needs of felons in the criminal justice system.

"Right now we have estimated that 15 percent of the jail population suffers from a mental disorder or disease," Leonard said. "We need to address those issues."

The Permian Basin has a shortage of mental health providers

Midland might have the lowest unemployment rate in the nation, but the booming economy is also bringing more people with mood and anxiety disorders and kids with behavioral and learning problems.

One-fifth of Midland County residents reported a family member having depression or anxiety in 2011, according to a Texas Tech and the West Texas Area Health Education Center mental health assessment.

Texas Tech psychiatrist Dr. Bobby Jain, who works out of the Midland clinic with a waiting time of six to eight weeks, estimates that fewer than a dozen psychiatrists serve a Midland-Odessa population of 234,653 people.

Mental health provider shortages are also a statewide problem. By the end of last year, 81 percent of Texas counties were federally designated as Health Professional Shortage Areas.

That's because of an aging workforce, uninterested medical students and stigma of the field, according to a recent Mental Health Workforce Shortage in Texas report.

Out in West Texas, the oil and gas boom is partly to blame for a lack of mental health providers, said Todd Luzadder, director of mental health service for the Permian Basin Community Health Centers for MHMR.

"We created a system where you have really talented people leaving the field," Luzadder said during the workshop.

Even individuals with higher-paying jobs are feeling the effects of the Permian Basin's high costs of living, Ramsey said.

"It's a challenge to live in the Permian Basin for people who are not from the Permian Basin," he said. "The housing difficulties might keep them away."

McKenzie was able to get a private psychiatrist to see her son once a week, and MHMR also provides help once a month.

But she said Kody needs more attention than that, and full-time facilities — costing between $1,500 and $21,000 per month — are often unaffordable.

"I refuse to believe that's the best we can do," said McKenzie, who worries about Kody ending up homeless, in jail or in the morgue. "I want treatment before tragedy, not tragedy before treatment."

Clear rules sought for musical items brought on planes

Associated Press

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — The government should clarify federal rules about bringing musical instruments on to commercial flights as carry-on luggage, Sen. Jack Reed said, after a report of problems encountered by a band flying to Rhode Island for the Newport Folk Festival.

In a letter sent Friday, the Rhode Island Democrat urged U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx to speed implementation of a 2012 law that requires commercial air carriers to allow musical instruments as carry-on items as long as they can be safely stowed in the aircraft cabin. But Reed said the law has not taken effect because the Department of Transportation has yet to adopt the specific rules needed for the provision.

Reed cited a report in the Providence Journal that members of the band Deer Tick were delayed while traveling from Nashville. The newspaper reported that U.S. Airways refused to allow the band's guitarist, John McCauley, board a connecting flight in Philadelphia with his guitar. The airline later apologized, according to the report, and paid for a train ticket to get McCauley to Rhode Island.

"We have a lot of great musicians come to Rhode Island for our world renowned music festivals, and they shouldn't have to deal with arbitrary and conflicting storage policies from one airline to the next. There should be clear rules of the road," Reed said in a statement.

In his letter to Foxx, Reed cited reports from other musicians that their instruments had been lost or damaged after being placed in baggage holds.

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Midland Academy Charter School 7th and 8th graders load nearly 2,000 cans of food collected into containers for the West Texas Food Bank in February. Nearly all charter schools in Midland have reached capacity, and the demand for more is growing.

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campuses in the state. The TCSA reports that just 3 percent of all Texas' 552 charter school campuses were located here in 2013.

But that could be changing, TCSA spokeswoman Tracy Young said.

"In West Texas, we see it as an area, as an association, when people come and ask us, 'Where's a good place to locate?' We identify places that don't have a whole lot of choice and options," Young said. "We do say the rural areas, especially West Texas, are very viable options for charters to locate in. They may not be a huge urban area ... but we really like to identify places it would just be great to have a variety of options for parents to choose from."

MIDLAND'S NEWEST CHARTERS

Midland's growing population has brought with it an influx of school-aged children, but the space to educate them has remained limited.

Many area private schools have told the Reporter-Telegram they are at capacity, and Midland ISD officials said in June the district will use a record 170 portable classrooms this fall. MISD began construction on its first new campus in 22 years in May when it broke ground on Bunche Elementary School, and the final two 2012 elementary bond campuses will have groundbreakings on Tuesday and Wednesday. The schools are set to open for fall 2015.

"There's an economic boom going on, and people are moving in quicker than schools can expand, and that goes for any school," Vista Campus Director Debra Bingham said. "Public schools can't build their buildings fast enough. Private schools can't expand their programs fast enough.

"That leads charter schools in to fill that gap."

Vista Academy, operated by Lewisville-based Responsive Education Solutions, will open a kindergarten through second grade campus this fall, the company announced earlier this month. Bingham said there are currently 98 students enrolled, and she hopes there are140 students when school starts in August.

Midland and Odessa have always had "a bit of poverty of choices" when it has come to businesses and services, Bingham said.

"The area is kind of playing catch-up," she said. "The charter schools and the choices for parents to educate their children, different choices and a larger number of them, should have been here for a good 10 years.

"Unfortunately, it hasn't occurred just because either places didn't know you were out here until the economic boom or seeing Midland on the news. It's a little bit of everything all happening at the same time that puts everyone in a good position to start the school year out and to not just have a charter school, but for parents and communities to have some genuine school choice."

TLCA Midland Principal Denise Rives said the number of parents choosing to enroll their kids at TLCA, which expanded from San Angelo, has doubled between its first to second year.

During the first year, the charter had 187 students, but there will be 366 enrolled this fall with a waiting list at every grade totaling 78 kids, she said.

"I think parents are looking for something different than what they see in their regular ISDs," Rives said. "There's also such a lack of dealing with problems, such as bullying, that they're looking for a safe place for their kids."

Vista, TLCA and the UTPB STEM Academy will all maintain the 22-to-1 student-teacher ration, which officials believe is one reason their respective schools are attractive to parents.

Juli Ratheal, UTPB associate vice president of research and dean of graduate studies, said the academy's unique, project-based learning curriculum has also contributed to the high demand for the school. More than 500 applications were received in about two weeks for the school's initial 308 spots. While at school, students will work on projects designed by teachers, and the remainder of the day — about three hours — will be spent working with a parent or another adult on virtual projects. Each student will be provided an iPad for their homework.

"Parents need options," Ratheal said. "Our school is not for everyone. It's a different format and it's not going to meet every child's learning style."

Charter schools with strong academic programs are popping up across the state, she said.

"Originally, charter schools didn't have a really good reputation because the first ones started as dropout-recovery programs. But they've changed a lot, and they're now really targeted, really good programs, a lot of them. That's what you're starting to see."

MIDLAND'S EARLY CHARTERS

Three of Midland's charter schools have been serving the community for more than a decade.

Midland Academy and Premier High School both opened in 1999, with Richard Milburn following about two years later. RMA focuses on credit recovery, and Premier allows students to work at their own pace to either get back on track or graduate early. Midland Academy serves pre-kindergarten through eighth grade, although it has served high school students in the past and has since adjusted its offerings to meet demand.

Midland Academy had 470 students last school year, and will have about the same number this fall, Superintendent Jill Lankford said. Pre-kindergarten through eighth grade have become the areas of greatest demand, which is why the academy decided in 2010 to eliminate its high school offerings. The school currently has a waiting list of about 50 students.

Midland Academy offers smaller class sizes and a personalized approach for reading instruction that meets students at their ability level, Lankford said.

RMA State Director Chris Skipper said that as a school that focuses on credit recovery, RMA Midland and RMA Odessa have good relationships with MISD and Ector County ISD.

"We depend on them," Skipper said. "We rely on them. If kids are dropping out at Midland High School or at Permian, if we can get them back in to the school system, it's going to help (the ISDs) with their accountability, it's going to help us, and it helps the kids. It's a win-win-win situation for everybody."

The Odessa location is the largest of RMA's Texas campuses, Skipper said, with about 400 to 450 students enrolled. Midland is one of the smaller RMA locations, with about 200 students.

"The Odessa school has been real successful, but to be honest, we have less competition over there and (fewer) charters on the Odessa side," he said. "And Midland really does have many other really good schools and good options for kids."

CHARTERS GAIN INTEREST

"Charter schools have traditionally been an experiment in the works from the start and they are getting better," Skipper said.

As alternative schools, the RMA campuses in Midland and Odessa work closely with MISD and ECISD, he said. Together the schools are able to find the best place for students to succeed.

"Twenty years ago, it was not that way," Skipper said. "There was a lot of suspicion between other public schools and charters, and those barriers are being broken down."

TCSA's Young said parents are looking for choices and in their search are turning up innovative charters that offer individualized and rigorous programs.

"Parents are doing a lot more homework on where their kids are going and where they're going to be happiest," she said.

Even with charter enrollment growing 15 percent every year, there were more than 101,000 students on waiting lists at Texas charters in 2013, according to the TCSA.

"We want there to be more seats for those kids to be able to fill," Young said. "We would love to have the atmosphere in Texas to be right for a variety of charters."

There is potential for future charter growth in Midland and Odessa. Vista's Bingham said ResponsivEd could open a Quest Middle School if there is the demand for it. UTPB's Ratheal said the STEM Academy could expand to as many as 3,000 students. The school has received an offer of donated land to open another Odessa campus next year, and there have been previous mentions of a Midland campus.

But launching a new campus is expensive.

Ratheal said the STEM Academy received a $500,000 grant from the TEA and $1.5 million from the University of Texas System's Permanent University Fund to open the charter school, and it still isn't enough, which means UTPB will have to contribute a yet to be determined amount of money to cover remaining costs.

If UTPB doesn't open an other STEM Academy next year, it won't be because the demand isn't there, but because there funding isn't there.

"The need and interest are here," she said.

"Our whole economic need here is based in STEM fields," she said. "To do that we need to engage students early and get them thinking in terms of STEM fields and get them interested early. We feel that we have a good base and the capacity to do that."

Fast facts about area charter schools

MIDLAND ACADEMY CHARTER SCHOOL

Founded: 1999
Enrollment for 2013-14: 470
Projected enrollment for 2014-15: 475

PREMIER HIGH SCHOOL OF MIDLAND

Founded: 1999
Enrollment for 2013-14: 120
Projected enrollment for 2014-15: 125

RICHARD MILBURN ACADEMY - MIDLAND

Founded: Around 2001
Enrollment for 2013-14: About 200
Projected enrollment for 2014-15: About 200

TEXAS LEADERSHIP CHARTER ACADEMY MIDLAND

Founded: 2013
Enrollment for 2013-14: 187
Projected enrollment for 2014-15: 366

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS OF THE PERMIAN BASIN STEM ACADEMY IN ODESSA

Founded: 2014
Enrollment for 2013-14: N/A
Projected enrollment for 2014-15: 308, with 20 Midland students planning to attend as of July 25

VISTA ACADEMY OF MIDLAND

Founded: 2014
Enrollment for 2013-14: N/A
Projected enrollment for 2014-15: 98 and growing; goal of 140 students

Total: Nearly 1,300 students attend charter schools in Midland

Sources: Respective charter school administrators and representatives and Reporter-Telegram archives

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Things to do

Today

■ Cory Yeager Band, 7:30 p.m., Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org/lawn-concerts.

■ Ringling Bros. Circus at Ector County Coliseum. ringling.com.

Tuesday

Movie camp: "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2," 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m., Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

Wednesday

Steve Martin and the Steep Canyon Rangers at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Friday

■ Summer Science Class: Science is Sweet, 9 a.m.-noon, Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

■ Family Friday: So Long Summer, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

■ "Late Night Catechism" at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center wagnernoel.com.

Saturday

Silver Spur Gun & Blade Show at the Horseshoe. midlandgunshow.com.

Meetings this week

County commissioners
9 a.m. Monday
Midland County Courthouse auxiliary courtroom
500 N. Loraine St.

Midland Housing Authority Commission
11:45 a.m. Monday
Conference Room, Midland Housing Authority
700 W. Scharbauer Drive

MISD
5:30 p.m. Monday
First floor boardroom
615 W. Missouri Ave

Hospital District
11:45 a.m. Thursday
First floor boardroom
Midland Memorial Hospital

City pool hours

Doug Russell Pool, 900 N. Midland Drive, noon-7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Family swim is 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Doug Russell pool is closed Sundays.

Washington Pool, 1601 E. Indiana Ave., 1-7 p.m. Sunday, noon-9 p.m. Tuesday and noon- 7 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Family swim is 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Washington Pool is closed Mondays.

Admission: $2; kids under 2 are free. For more information, call 685-7356.

Support groups today

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

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 582-2926.

Community calendar

■ West Texas Society of Psychotherapists is to meet 10 a.m. Friday at The Palms at Briarwood clubhouse. Brunch will be served.

For more information, call 214-435-6305.

■ Young Professionals of Midland's sixth annual Connections Golf Classic is set for Aug. 16 at Hogan Golf Course. Registration begins at 7 a.m. with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. Fee for a four-person team is $400, which includes breakfast and lunch.

Proceeds from the event benefit Gifts of Hope and YPM. For more information or to register, visit www.ypmidland.org/events.

Sales tax holiday

The annual sales tax holiday is scheduled for Aug. 8-10. The law applies to most clothing, footwear, school supplies and backpacks priced under $100. A complete list of apparel and school supplies that may be purchased tax free is available at www.TexasTaxHoliday.org.

This is the 15th year that shoppers will receive the tax break, according to a press release from the Texas Comptroller's Office.

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 0-4-8
Pick 3 day: 9-4-8
Pick 3 evening: 9-9-9
Pick 3 night: 6-7-2
Daily 4 morning: 4-2-0-8
Daily 4 day: 9-9-6-7
Daily 4 evening: 6-5-0-8
Daily 4 night: 1-0-6-1
Cash Five: 16-25-26-30-32
Lotto Texas: 3-9-16-48-53-54
Powerball: 24-28-30-38-39 PB 16 Power Play: 2
All or Nothing morning: 1-2-3-4-7-10-11-12-13-14-17-24
All or Nothing day: 1-2-3-6-9-10-11-18-20-21-22-23
All or Nothing evening: 2-3-4-6-7-10-14-18-19-20-21-24
All or Nothing night: 1-3-5-6-8-11-12-15-18-22-23-24

Today in history

Today is Sunday, July 27, the 208th day of 2014. There are 157 days left in the year.

Today's highlight:

On July 27, 1974, the House Judiciary Committee voted 27-11 to adopt the first of three articles of impeachment against President Richard Nixon, charging he had personally engaged in a course of conduct designed to obstruct justice in the Watergate case. (In the days that followed, the committee also adopted articles accusing Nixon of abuse of power and contempt of Congress.)

On this date:

In 1789, President George Washington signed a measure establishing the Department of Foreign Affairs, forerunner of the Department of State.

In 1909, during the first official test of the U.S. Army's first airplane, Orville Wright flew himself and a passenger, Lt. Frank Lahm, above Fort Myer, Virginia, for one hour and 12 minutes.

HOMES

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the maximum amount one could receive on a loan that's backed by the Federal Housing Administration, or FHA.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced in December the new loan limits for 2014. The limit was unchanged for Midland, staying at a $271,050 maximum.

That figure is the lowest limit HUD set for its loans this year and is reserved for "areas where housing costs are relatively low," according to the December announcement. The 2014 national-ceiling loan limit for the most expensive areas in the U.S. is $625,500.

Midland's FHA loan limit is now less than the most recent median home price, meaning borrowers are more likely to turn to the less-forgiving underwriting standards of conventional or jumbo loans that typically require stronger credit scores and higher down payments.

Potential homebuyers in the Tall City would be significantly impacted if the cost of homes continue to climb at the current rate.

The vast majority of Midland homebuyers today elect to finance houses through the FHA-guaranteed basic home mortgage loan 203(b), according to Warren Ivey, regional vice president of the Texas Association of Realtors.

Borrowers in other major cities across Texas have a bit more flexibility when shopping for a new home. Counties surrounding San Antonio, for instance, have a loan limit of $316,250.

As reported last week, home values in Midland have topped every other county in Texas two out of the six months recorded this year, according to the Real Estate Center's historical data.

Fort Bend County, near Houston, had the second-most expensive median home price in June. There, borrowers can get an FHA-backed loan as high as $295,550. Additionally, counties surrounding Dallas and Austin also have higher loan limits — $287,500 and $305,900, respectively — than Midland.

Brian Sales, Permian Basin Board of Realtors president, said the community is likely growing faster than governmental agencies, such as HUD, can keep up with — meaning Midland's loan limits may not be as high as they should be.

"We're probably approaching a point where a review may be necessary," Sales said. "I think we'll see growth in property values in the long-term."

HUD spokesman Brian Sullivan said the department re-evaluates loan limits each year. With that, January 2015 would be the soonest Midlanders could see a higher loan limit.

The FHA, meanwhile, is hoping borrowers will soon start to use more conventional loans when financing their homes, allowing more private capital to return to the market.

"As the housing market continues its recovery, it is important for FHA to evaluate the role we need to play," FHA Commissioner Carol Galante said in a December statement.

SIGHTS FROM DAY 2 OF TALL CITY BLUES FEST

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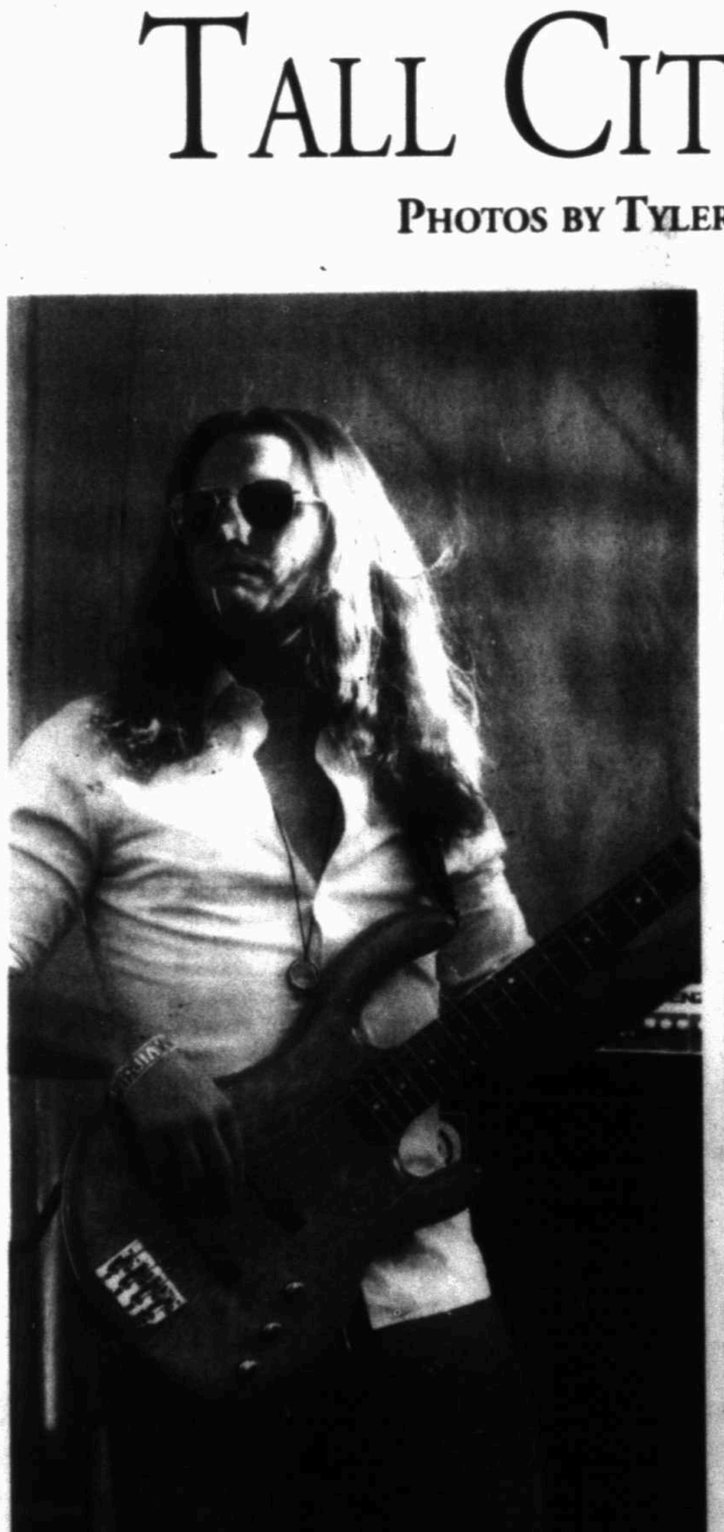


TODAY: Sunny	MONDAY: Mostly sunny	TUESDAY: Mostly sunny	WEDNESDAY: Mostly sunny	THURSDAY: Mostly sunny	FRIDAY: Partly sunny
High: 98 Low: 75	High: 93 Low: 73	High: 93 Low: 74	High: 97 Low: 74	High: 95 Low: 73	High: 89 Low: 72

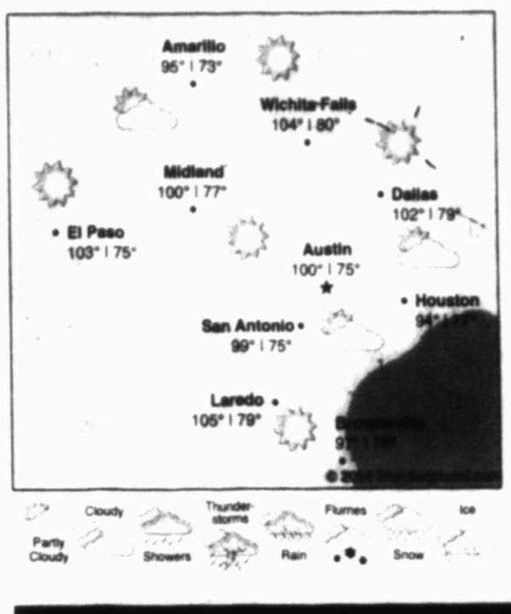
Local forecast

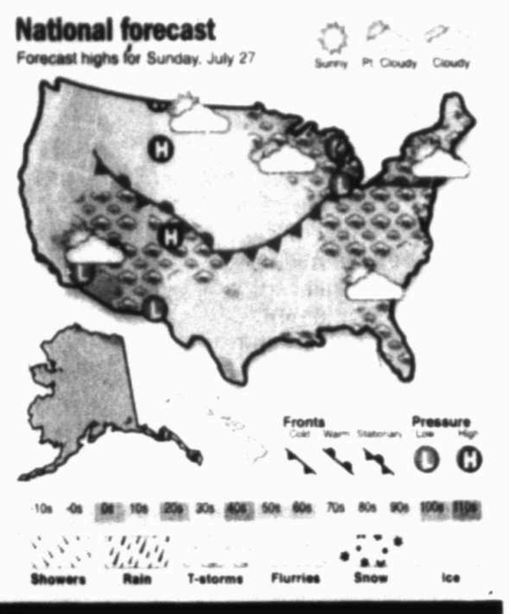
Expect sunny skies today with a high around 98 and southeast winds around 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 75 and southeast winds between 5 and 10 mph.

Monday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 93 and southeast winds between 5 and 15 mph. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 73 and east winds between 5 and 15 mph. There is a 10 percent chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms.

Tuesday, the forecast calls for mostly sunny skies during the day, partly cloudy skies at night, with a high around 93 and a low around 74. There is a 10 percent chance of isolated showers and thunderstorms.

The high Saturday reached 100, while the low dropped to 75. The record high for July 26 is 105 set in 1944 and 1995. The record low is 61 set in 1933 and 2004.





Precipitation

Friday	0.00 in.
Saturday	0.00 in.
Month total	0.28 in.
Year total	3.92 in.
Normal total (year to date)	7.60 in.

Saturday's temperatures

High	100
Low	75
Normal high	95
Normal low	70
Sunrise	7:01 a.m.
Sunset	8:49 p.m.

National forecast

Unsettled weather will push into parts of the Northeast and mid-Atlantic today, with strong storms firing up from central Ohio and western Pennsylvania to West Virginia and Maryland. The strongest storms will begin in the afternoon and continue into tonight. To the west, periods of rain and thunder will stretch across western Ohio and Michigan, while a couple of thunderstorms rumble through the Chicago area.

Across the Northeast, a few thunderstorms will move through New England, with a spotty shower or thunderstorm across upstate New York.

Cooler air will dive into the upper Midwest today with a couple of showers around Minnesota and Wisconsin. Temperatures across those areas will generally be in the low to mid-70s.

The Central Plains will be dry as high pressure sits overhead, while a few spotty thundershowers may form across eastern Colorado and New Mexico, as well as central Oklahoma and northern Texas. Temperatures will soar into the triple digits across western Texas and Oklahoma.

Afternoon thunderstorms will pop up across the Four Corners region, while the rest of the West remains dry with above-average temperatures.

While cooler conditions return to the East, the mercury will be on the rise across the West this week. Temperatures over the region's interior will range from the lower 90s to the lower 100s with dry conditions, resulting in a high risk of wildfires.

California trying to cut water, but is it working?

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The sprinklers outside the California's state Capitol are off and the lawn is withering, the lemon- and cucumber-infused "water stations" at the state pension building are gone and prison inmates are taking shorter showers while campers at some popular parks can't take them at all.

In ways big and small, the state government is conserving water to try to meet Gov. Jerry Brown's request that everyone — from residents to businesses to state agencies — reduce their use by 20 percent.

Still, six months after Brown declared a water emergency, few state agencies know whether their conservation efforts are meeting the mark. They are not required to compare water consumption this year to last, and few have. The Associated Press found.

The AP asked the 11 agencies or departments that use the most water how their consumption over the first half of this year compared to the same period in 2013.

Only four could provide comprehensive data for water use in buildings they manage, in some cases taking several weeks to produce the information. Others pulled a smattering of utility bills from a few sites only after being contacted — data they acknowledged was not sufficient to gauge the effectiveness of conservation efforts.

One of the largest water users, the California Department of Transportation, provided 2014 data for water accounts in four cities and one county, and couldn't provide any 2013 numbers. The agency has more than 7,500 accounts.

"Obviously, we have quite a bit more data to review," spokesman Mark Dinger emailed.

The agency believes it will meet or exceed the governor's target, Dinger said.

The lack of accounting by Caltrans and other agencies is another example of how the state is struggling to keep track of water use. A recent AP story detailed how state regulators do not know how many trillions of gallons have been diverted by corporations, agricultural concerns and others that have "senior water rights" entitling them to free water.

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Q. What is your education background?
A. I graduated from Southern Methodist University and the Temple University School of Medicine and then completed orthopedic residency at the University of Kentucky, Hansen Hand Fellowship University of Louisville.
Q. How long have you been in practice?
A. I have been practicing for 34 years.
Q. What do you do in your free time?
A. I have been a Dallas Cowboys fan since 1960. I also enjoy RV travel and playing with my grandchildren.
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A West Texas native, Lance is married with 2 children. He actively serves at Mid-Cities Community church and enjoys playing tennis during his free time.
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Bad week: Airline disasters come in a cluster

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Nearly 300 passengers perish when their plane is shot out of the sky. Airlines suspend flights to Israel's largest airport after rocket attacks. Two airliners crash during storms. Aviation has suffered one of its worst weeks in memory, a cluster of disasters spanning three continents.

Industry analysts and safety experts shake their heads at the seeming randomness of the tragedies, saying they can find no common themes. Nor do they think the events indicate that flying is suddenly becoming less safe.

Less than one in 2 million flights last year ended in an accident in which the plane was damaged beyond repair, according to the International Air Transport Association. That includes accidents involving cargo and charter airlines as well as scheduled passenger flights.

"One of the things that makes me feel better when we look at these events is that if they all were the same type event or same root cause then you would say there's a systemic problem here, but each event is unique in its own way," said Jon Beatty, president and CEO of the Flight Safety Foundation, an airline industry-supported nonprofit in Alexandria, Virginia, that promotes global aviation safety.

But Beatty said he also finds the disaster cluster "a cold reminder" that airline accidents are likely to increase because the industry is growing, especially in developing countries. The more flights there are, the more potential for accidents, he noted.

The misfortunes began July 18 when Malaysia flight 17 was shot down over eastern Ukraine with 298 people on board. It's still uncertain who fired the missile that destroyed the plane, but Ukrainian officials have blamed ethnic Russian rebels, and U.S. officials have pointed to circumstantial evidence that suggests that may be the case.

The shootdown doubled Malaysia Airlines' misfortunes this year. The mysterious disappearance of Malaysia Flight 370 with 239 people on board in March combined with the destruction of Flight 17 added up to more than twice the total global airline fatalities in all of last year, which was the industry's safest year on record. Ascend, a global aviation industry consulting firm headquartered in London, counted 163 fatalities in 2013 involving airliners with 14 seats or more.

On Wednesday, a mere seven days after the shootdown over Ukraine, a TransAsia Airways plane crashed in Taiwan in stormy weather trailing a typhoon, killing 48 passengers, injuring 10 others and crew, and injuring five more people on the ground. The next day, an Air Algerie flight with 116 passengers and crew crashed during a rainstorm while en route from Burkina Faso to Algeria's capital. The plane was operated for the airline by Swiftair, a Spanish carrier. A Burkina Faso official said late Thursday that wreckage of the plane had been found in Mali.

Together, the disasters have the potential to push airline fatalities this year to over 700 — the most since 2010. And 2014 is still barely half over.

"With three tragedies in such quick succession, many people will, understandably, be asking questions about aviation safety," Tony Tyler, director general of the International Air Transport Association, whose members include most airlines that fly internationally, said in a statement. He sought to assure the public that "despite the events of the past seven days, flying is safe."

Global aviation leaders will meet in Montreal next week to initiate discussions on a plan to address safety and security issues raised by the shoot-down of the Malaysia Airlines jet, an aviation official said late Thursday. The official spoke on condition of anonymity because he wasn't authorized to discuss the issue publicly by name.

Aviation industry analyst Robert W. Mann Jr. said he doesn't expect the recent events to deter travelers from flying.

"They're all tragic, but the global air travel consumer has a very short memory and it's highly localized to their home markets where they fly," he said. "The places where these things are happening, 99 percent of passengers never go to or fly to. ... This isn't a headline issue for most people, and that's why people continue to fly despite the headlines."

Associated Press

A forensic team recovers human remains among the wreckage of crashed TransAsia Airways flight GE222 on the outlying island of Penghu, Taiwan, on Thursday. Stormy weather on the trailing edge of Typhoon Matmo was the likely cause of the plane crash that killed more than 40 people, the airline said. Aviation has suffered one of its worst weeks in memory, a cluster of disasters spanning three continents.

After teen pilot's crash, how young is too young?

Associated Press

The deadly crash of a teenager on an around-the-world flight brought new attention to the dangers of record-setting youth adventures, and questions about how young is too young to fly a plane.

Yet pilots and flight instructors said that while some question the ability of kids and teens to deal with unforeseen difficulties, training matters more than age.

They said the real danger is when pilots push the boundaries of safety to set records for speed or youth, as Indiana teenager Haris Suleman, a newly licensed pilot, was attempting when his plane went down in the Pacific Ocean on Tuesday.

Investigators are still trying to determine what caused the 17-year-old's plane to crash as he attempted to set a record for the fastest flight around the world in a single-engine airplane with the youngest pilot in command to do so.

Here are some key questions and answers about the issue:

How old do you need to be to get a pilot license?

The Federal Aviation Administration allows 16-year-old student airplane pilots to make solo flights, but they're prohibited from having passengers and are heavily supervised by an instructor who closely monitors their flight from the ground.

A private airplane pilot's license can be obtained at 17. It often takes more than required 40 hours of flight time to be ready to pass the licensing exam.

Can children fly with instructors at younger ages?

The FAA doesn't restrict young teenagers or children from taking flying lessons, and programs offer various degrees of experience.

The Experimental Aircraft Association runs a Young Eagles program where children as young as 8 can go on flights and help maneuver some controls, but the pilots are always in control of the plane, said spokesman Dick Knapinski. For example, a pilot may allow a child to help with a gentle turn.

Spencer Clark, a 15-year-old from Atlanta, said he started flying lessons at age 11, progressing from maneuvering some controls and contacting the traffic control tower to flying the plane by himself. Spencer said starting lessons as early as he did gave him years to practice for the solo flights he's almost allowed to make.

Some people questioned whether it was safe to start flying that young, but Spencer said kids and teens often make better students by starting with less ego and self-assurance. Often, he said, they have more dexterity and quicker reflexes from years playing with video-games or remote-controlled planes.

What about around-the-world adventures?

Some in the aviation industry said being a young pilot isn't as risky as trying to be a record-setting pilot.

Many questioned such efforts after 7-year-old Jessica Dubroff, her father and a flight instructor were killed in a 1996 crash in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during her attempt to become the youngest person to fly across the country. The National Transportation Safety Board later ruled pressure from national media attention may have contributed to the crash.

Stephen Belt, a flight instructor, pilot and chair of the aviation science department at Saint Louis University, said that while it's not clear what caused Suleman's plane to crash, generally anyone trying to set a record "is putting a tremendous amount of pressure on themselves to achieve something."

"You're faced with this desire to achieve your goal and push the limits of your ability, the airplane's ability," he said. "The more epic the adventure, the more pressure you're putting on yourself to continue."

Guinness World Records will not recognize attempts to break piloting records by those under 16 because of concerns about what's safe or appropriate for young people.

What's the risk of young people trying to break records?

Although Haris Suleman had only obtained his pilot's certificate in June, that doesn't mean he wasn't prepared for the demands of an around-the-world flight because each pilot has different skill levels, said Bruce Landsberg, who oversees the Air Safety Institute, a nonprofit educational group based in Frederick, Maryland.

Landsberg said the teen's father, who had been a pilot for more than a decade, was at his side throughout the journey.

"They obviously were reasonably successful because from what I understand they had made it about three-quarters of the way around the world. If they had had an incident in the first you know 1,000 miles of the trip, then I'd say, 'Chalk it up to inexperience,'" he said.

Experts point out record attempts can be done safely if a pilot is prepared.

Allen Guthmiller said that's the case with his son, 19-year-old Matthew Guthmiller, who in July became the youngest person to fly solo around the world. The South Dakota teenager is "not the type of kid that takes chances," was well-trained and grew up playing flight simulator video games, according to his father.

Has anyone pushed to raise the pilot age?

After Jessica's crash, Congress in 1996 passed a bill banning record-setting attempts by unlicensed pilots and barring licensed pilots from supervising such activities.

But there haven't been any significant pushes by lawmakers or others to raise the age to obtain a pilot's license — which in some states comes before a teenager can get a driver's license.

"When you hear about tragedies like this, naturally people would raise questions, but for decades, it has really been an effective measure," said Knapinski with the Experimental Aircraft Association.

The important thing, Knapinski and others said, is not looking at the age of the pilot but what really happened to cause the crash.

"The vast majority of flights go off without a hitch," Belt said. "It's still the safest form of transportation and, I think that's regardless of age."

Jeff Hansard Named
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John E. Grist, President, Chairman and CEO of Commercial State Bank has announced that the Board of Directors in their monthly meeting in July, appointed **Joe R. Grist**, President of the Andrews Market; **Johnny Lutrick**, President of the Lubbock Market; **Jeff Hansard**, President of the Midland/Odessa Markets, and **Kevin Petty**, President of the Seminole Market.

In making the announcement, Grist said, "These gentlemen have proven their leadership ability in each of their respective markets and will assume the management of Commercial State Bank's operations in each of these valuable markets served by the Bank."

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What happened? The day Flight 17 was downed

Associated Press

SNIZHNE, Ukraine — It was lunchtime when a tracked launcher with four SA-11 surface-to-air missiles rolled into town and parked on Karapetyan Street. Fifteen hundred miles to the west, passengers were checking in for Malaysia Airlines Flight 17.

It had been a noisy day in this eastern Ukrainian town, residents recounted. Plenty of military equipment was moving through. But still it was hard to miss the bulky missile system, also known as a Buk M-1. It left deep tread marks in the asphalt as it rumbled by in a small convoy.

The vehicles stopped in front of journalists from The Associated Press. A man wearing unfamiliar fatigues, speaking with a distinctive Russian accent, checked to make sure they weren't filming. The convoy then moved on, destination unknown in the heart of eastern Ukraine's pro-Russia rebellion.

Three hours later, people six miles west of Snizhne heard loud noises.

And then they saw pieces of twisted metal — and bodies— fall from the sky.

The rebel leadership in Donetsk has repeatedly and publicly denied any responsibility for the downing of Flight 17.

Sergei Kavtaradze, a spokesman for rebel leader Alexander Borodai, repeated to the AP on Friday that no rebel units had weapons capable of shooting that high, and said any suggestions to the contrary are part of an information war aimed at undermining the insurgents' cause.

Nevertheless, the denials are increasingly challenged by accounts of residents, the observations of journalists on the ground, and the statements of one rebel official. The Ukrainian government has also provided purported communications intercepts that it said show rebel involvement in the shoot-down.

Associated Press

People inspect the crash site of a passenger plane near the village of Grabovo, Ukraine, on Thursday. All 298 people aboard the Malaysia Airlines Flight 17 traveling from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur were killed.

A highly placed rebel, speaking to the AP this week, admitted that rebels were responsible. He said a unit based in the hometown of ousted President Viktor Yanukovych, made up of both Russians and Ukrainians, was involved in the firing of an SA-11 from near Snizhne. The rebel, who has direct access to the inner circle of the insurgent leadership in Donetsk, said that he could not be named because he was contradicting the rebels' official line.

The rebels believed they were targeting a Ukrainian military plane, this person said. Instead, they hit the passenger jet flying from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur. All 298 people aboard were killed.

Intercepted phone conversations released by the Ukrainian government appear to back up the contention they were unaware the aircraft was a passenger jet.

In those tapes, the first rebels to reach the scene can be heard swearing when they see the number of bodies and the insignia of Malaysia Airlines.

Ukraine immediately blamed the rebels for the shooting. In an interview in Kiev this week, the Ukrainian counterterrorism chief, Vitaly Nayda, gave the AP the government's version of the events of July 17. He said the account was based on information from intercepts, spies and resident tips.

Nayda laid the blame fully on Russia: He said the missile launcher came from Russia and was operated by Russians. The Russian Foreign Ministry on Friday declined to comment on either charge. Moscow has continually denied involvement in the downing of the plane.

The rebel official who spoke to AP did not address the question of any Russian government involvement in the attack. U.S. officials have blamed Russia for creating the "conditions" for the downing of the plane, but have offered no evidence that the missile came from Russia or that Russia directly was involved.

According to Nayda, at 1 a.m. on July 17, the launcher rolled into Ukraine across the Russian border aboard a flatbed truck. He cited communications intercepts that he would not share with the AP. By 9 a.m., he said, the launcher had reached Donetsk, the main rebel stronghold 125 miles from the border. In Donetsk it is presumed to have been offloaded from the flatbed and started to move in a convoy on its own.

Nayda said the Buk turned back east toward Snizhne. Townspeople who spoke to the AP said it rolled into Snizhne around lunchtime.

"On that day there was a lot of military equipment moving about in town," recalled Tatyana Germash, a 55-year-old accountant, interviewed Monday, four days after the attack.

Valery Sakharov, a 64-year-old retired miner, pointed out the spot where he saw the missile launcher.

"The Buk was parked on Karapetyan Street at midday, but later it left; I don't know where," he said. "Look — it even left marks on the asphalt."

Even before the plane was downed, the AP had reported on the presence of the missile launcher in the town July 17.

Here is what that dispatch said: "An Associated Press reporter on Thursday saw seven rebel-owned tanks parked at a gas station outside the eastern Ukrainian town of Snizhne. In the town, he also observed a Buk missile system, which can fire missiles up to an altitude of 72,000 feet."

AP journalists saw the Buk moving through town at 1:05 p.m. The vehicle, which carried four 18-foot missiles, was in a convoy with two civilian cars.

The convoy stopped. A man in sand-colored camouflage without identifying insignia — different from the green camouflage the rebels normally wear — approached the journalists. The man wanted to make sure they had not recorded any images of the missile launcher. Satisfied that they hadn't, the convoy moved on.

Russian execs fear lasting damage from plane crash

Associated Press

MOSCOW — Having for months dismissed Western sanctions on Russia as toothless, business leaders here are now afraid that the downing of the Malaysian jetliner will bring about an international isolation that will cause serious and lasting economic damage.

Throughout the Ukrainian crisis, U.S. and European sanctions had mainly targeted a handful of individuals, sparing economic ties. Then last week the U.S. imposed penalties on some of Russia's largest corporations. And when the airliner was shot down just a day later in Ukraine, allegedly by separatists with Moscow's support, concern grew in Russia that the sanctions would only get worse as President Vladimir Putin shows little sign of cooperation.

Reinforcing those concerns, the European Union said Friday it is planning newer, tougher penalties on businesses.

"Over the past few months, there was a sense that Mr. Putin acted decisively, forcefully, and correctly, and that everybody else in the world would accommodate themselves to that reality and we'd get back to something like business as usual," said Bernard Sucher, a Moscow-based entrepreneur and board member of Aton, an independent investment bank. "Now we're talking about real fear."

It's not clear how quickly that fear and the country's overall economic pain might soften Putin's foreign policies. He keeps tight control over business leaders and still enjoys a high popularity rating. But some analysts note the fear of tougher sanctions may in fact already be having an impact, for example by keeping Russia from trying to annex eastern Ukraine the way it did with Crimea in March.

After that move, which triggered a deep freeze in relations with the West, stock markets in Russia dropped only to later rebound as investors understood the country's trade relations would remain largely unscathed. Europe, which is in frail economic health, dared not block energy imports from Russia or the trade in goods such as cars. Oil companies like BP and ExxonMobil continued their operations in Russia, with some even signing new deals.

The U.S. took a tougher stance, but until last week was also careful to limit sanctions to asset freezes on individuals who were perceived to have had a hand in destabilizing Ukraine.

On July 16, the night before the Malaysia Airlines jet was shot down, Russian markets appeared to have fully recovered, with the MICEX stock index adding 23 percent since March 1.

Then last week, the U.S. announced new sanctions that had investors in Russia fear a turn for the worse. The U.S. shut off its financial markets for a broad swath of defense companies as well as Russia's largest oil company, Rosneft, gas producer Novatek, which is half-owned by a close Putin ally, and a major bank, VEB. The move offered business executives a glimpse of what they had thought would never happen: serious international isolation.

According to Alexis Rodzianko, president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Russia, those sanctions were the first to really pack a punch because they were "broader and more specific: they went beyond the symbolic."

Rodzianko said anecdotal evidence suggests some investment decisions were delayed, "particularly when people were just considering coming in to the market."

When the Malaysian airliner went down one day later, investors worried conditions would deteriorate further.

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Global tensions don't dent enthusiasm for stocks

Associated Press

A war breaks out between Israel and Hamas. An airliner is shot out of the sky in Ukraine. A Portuguese bank's finances look shaky.

And the U.S. stock market's response? After dipping briefly on the bad news, it climbs higher.

The market's resilience this year — which has pushed it to a series of records and extended its five-year bull run — is driven by investors' optimism over the growth of the U.S. economy and record corporate earnings. That helped the market overcome its latest dip, on July 17th, when a passenger jet was shot down in eastern Ukraine and Israel invaded the Gaza Strip, raising investor worries that conflicts around the world could escalate and destabilize financial markets.

As they have all year, investors responded by using it as an opportunity to buy stocks. In fact, they've "bought on the dip" consistently for three years, keeping the market's slips from becoming slides. Stock pullbacks since 2011 have been rare and relatively small, and none have become severe enough to qualify as a correction, Wall Street parlance for a fall of 10 percent or more from a peak.

The lack of a correction for such a long period is unusual, because the Standard & Poor's 500 index experiences such a decline on average every 18 months, according to S&P Capital IQ research.

Many investors said that the uninterrupted rally is justified by the outlook for stocks. Central banks worldwide have policies in place aimed at stimulating economic growth, and U.S. corporate profits continue to rise, even in the first quarter, when the economy contracted.

That has driven the S&P 500 up 7 percent this year, not including reinvested dividends. That's on top of a 30 percent surge in 2013. The index closed Friday down 0.5 percent at 1,978.34, after closing at a record 1,987.98 a day earlier.

"The fundamental underpinnings of this bull market remain very much intact," said Katie Nixon, chief investment officer for wealth management at Northern Trust.

In the U.S., the Federal Reserve has held short-term interest rates at close to zero for almost five years, and has bought $3 trillion of bonds to hold down long-term rates. The Fed has been winding down its stimulus, but a rate increase isn't expected until at least 2015.

The European Central Bank in June introduced a raft of unusual measures meant to revive the eurozone economy by getting credit flowing to companies. Japan's central bank is also trying to stimulate that nation's economy.

While these policies have cut borrowing costs, they have also reduced the yields on bonds — and the income they generate for investors. As a result, investors have shifted their money to other assets, such as stocks, in the hunt for better income. That dynamic has supported the rally in stocks.

Utilities, which are regarded by some investors as a proxy for bonds because they are relatively stable and pay rich dividends, are the biggest gainers in the S&P 500 this year. Their dividend yield — which measures how much a company pays out in dividends each year compared with its stock price — stands at 3.5 percent. The yield on the 10-year government Treasury is 2.5 percent.

The stock market could suffer a sharp, but short, correction later this year once the Fed finishes withdrawing its stimulus and investors start to focus on when exactly the central bank will begin raising interest rates next year, says Robert Pavlik, chief market strategist at Banyan Partners.

"The market is going to focus more and more on when the Fed moves," said Pavlik. "That's the biggest chance for a correction to come at us."

But for now, investors are focused on company profits, and the outlook remains strong. Earnings for S&P 500 companies are expected to climb 7.8 percent in 2014, their fifth straight year of growth, helping investors overcome concerns about the Fed and rising political tensions.

"People are looking for something to justify a significant correction," says Dan Morris, global investment strategist for TIAA-CREF. "Yes, volatility is going to come back, that's obvious, but in terms of any kind of 10-plus percent correction, we just don't see it."

The S&P 500 index has risen almost 72 percent since the end of the last market correction in October 2011. It has closed at an all-time high 27 times since the start of the year.

Stocks have managed to rise even as the outlook for growth weakens.

The International Monetary Fund said Thursday that the global economy expanded less than it had previously forecast, slowed by weaker growth in the United States, Russia and developing economies. The lending organization predicted that global growth will be 3.4 percent in 2014, below its April forecast of 3.7 percent.

In Europe, growth is recovering but weak. During the first quarter of 2014, the eurozone grew by a paltry 0.2 percent.

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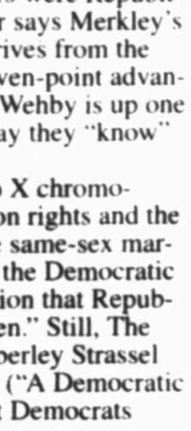
Oregon doctor ready for pressure of office

■ Given medicine's enormous role in economy, it's unfortunate not more lawmakers are physicians



GEORGE F. WILL
Washington Post Writers Group

'Are you *kidding*?" This is Monica Wehby's amiable response to people who wonder whether she will be able to bear the pressures of office if she wins her race as a Republican Senate candidate. For 17 of her 52 years she has been a pediatric neurosurgeon, holding in steady hands sharp steel and the fate of children's brains. She probably can cope with the strains of legislative life.

Today, her task is to persuade Oregonians to act on the cogent exhortation of her campaign's bumper stickers: "Keep Your Doctor, Change Your Senator." She is trying to take a Senate seat away from freshman Democrat Jeff Merkley, who was elected in 2008 with 49 percent of the vote when Barack Obama carried the state with 57 percent. This year, Merkley's task is to run far ahead of Obama's 43 percent job approval among Oregonians, with 54 percent of independents disapproving of the president.

Oregon is one of the 18 states and the District of Columbia that have supported Democratic nominees in at least six consecutive presidential elections. About half the state's voters live in the Portland metropolitan area, which has become emblematic of urban progressivism ("smart growth," autophobia). But from 1969 to 1995, both Oregon senators were Republicans, and Wehby's pollster says Merkley's two-point lead (41-39) derives from the incumbent's perishable seven-point advantage in name recognition. Wehby is up one point among voters who say they "know" both candidates.

Wehby not only has two X chromosomes but supports abortion rights and the right of states to recognize same-sex marriages, which complicates the Democratic Party's continuing accusation that Republicans wage "war on women." Still, The Wall Street Journal's Kimberley Strassel noted in a May 22 column ("A Democratic War on One Woman") that Democrats were complicit in attempts to portray Wehby as having had an unstable romantic life. Never mind the selective prurience of some members of Bill Clinton's party. Note, however, Strassel's information: Of the two men with whom Wehby is said to have had tumultuous relationships, one, a former boyfriend, says he regrets *his* "emotional" behavior, and the other, her ex-husband, lives four doors from her, calls her a friend, and has contributed to her campaign.

Another Democratic theme is that all Republicans are extremists. Wehby, however, won 50 percent of the vote in a five-candidate primary in which her rivals accused her of moderation. Oregonians interested in real extremism should note that Merkley is co-sponsoring a constitutional amendment that would do something unprecedented — alter the Bill of Rights to reduce its protections. It would eviscerate the First Amendment by empowering Congress to regulate the quantity and content of political campaign speech, including speech about Congress.

The federal government owns 32.7 million — 53 percent — of Oregon's acres, some of which are inhabited by sage grouses. These birds the size of chickens might be big enough to matter in November. The federal government, resourceful at devising ways to burden economic activity, might declare the bird an endangered species. This could have large economic consequences, so Merkley, caught between liberal environmentalists and timber and other agricultural interests, supports a measure that is pluperfect liberalism: Let's spend $15 million to study how birds and bipeds can coexist.

Oregon had the worst of all the unpleasant experiences that states had with the Obamacare rollout. The FBI is investigating how the state managed to spend $250 million on an online insurance exchange that failed. Which is just one reason health care matters here.

Oregon's largest employer is not Nike, which is only sixth. The three largest employers, and 13 of the top 25, are health care providers. But, then, in the archetypal Rust Belt manufacturing city of Cleveland, the largest employer is the Cleveland Clinic and the second-largest is another health care provider. Houston is America's energy capital, but four of its five largest employers are in the health care field. Pittsburgh's largest employer is the University of Pittsburgh, partly because of its medical center.

Given the enormous and growing role of medicine in this aging nation's economy, it is unfortunate that only three senators are physicians — Wyoming Republican John Barrasso, an orthopedic surgeon, Oklahoma Republican Tom Coburn, an obstetrician, and Kentucky Republican Rand Paul, an ophthalmologist. Coburn is retiring, but another doctor may be coming, straight from the operating room to her first elected office.

Today, there are only eight senators who ascended to that institution's glory, such as it is, without previous success in electoral politics. This, too, is probably too few.

GUEST VIEW

TIRZ zone removes too much power from elected officials

Houston Chronicle

Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones are an admission of failure. A TIRZ works by locking in the dollar amount that the city receives in property tax revenue. If rising property values cause revenues to grow above that figure, they're redirected to a TIRZ fund controlled by an appointed board that is supposed to improve local infrastructure and help foster business development.

Every time City Hall creates a TIRZ, it is a vote of no confidence in its own ability to properly collect and spend taxpayer dollars. It is a confession that Houston should be managed at secretive meetings by unelected boards that can issue debt without voter approval.

Sometimes a TIRZ spends money on worthwhile infrastructure: Uptown creating a Bus Rapid Transit system. Other times TIRZ expenditures are more questionable: Uptown lining feeder roads with concrete balls.

But each TIRZ represents a moment when our elected officials decided to hand over the purse strings to someone else, diverting dollars that could have been spent shoring up pension obligations or paying down debt.

Despite these underlying problems, TIRZes have one redeeming value: They often work.

The politics of City Council can make it difficult to provide the infrastructure that fosters business development. Sometimes delegating to hyperlocal boards is better than relying on government bureaucracy. Drive through one of Houston's successful TIRZ areas, and the results are readily apparent with well-paved roads and sidewalks and all sorts of improvements.

Houston's less-successful TIRZes aren't nearly as impressive, with reckless finances that waste money on consultants and open the door to hidden corruption. As we've said before, every TIRZ should be implemented only for specific improvement projects and should be promptly terminated when the project is finished. New projects may merit extensions, but a TIRZ should not exist in perpetuity, sucking up tax dollars for decades.

The new Greater Houston Zone seems to violate every one of those requirements. A project years in the making, this city-county TIRZ covers a sprawling, non-contiguous territory of eastern downtown and underdeveloped areas around NRG Park. It has a planned timeline that stretches to 2042 with $300 million in public facility and infrastructure improvements. Despite categorical denials, we can't help but wonder whether any of those proclaimed improvements will involve the Astrodome.

A scheme of this scale removes far too much power from the hands of elected officials, and that may be the point. The original TIRZ proposal in 2009 involved funding a joint city-county processing center, despite voters rejecting a similar plan in a bond vote (they later approved a smaller project). What other grand construction will Houstonians unwittingly fund in this super-TIRZ?

Perhaps, the ends of this plan will end up justifying the means. This TIRZ was a lynchpin in the city-county deal to develop the BBVA Compass soccer stadium. The infrastructure projects could end up proving their worth in new development. And the whole scheme stands as a symbol of growing cooperation between the city and county. In fact, the county will be providing most of the money, returning 65 percent of new tax dollars in contrast to the city's 5 percent. Houston's greatest contribution is the ability to issue TIRZ debt.

Houstonians should be suspicious of relying on a system of taxation without representation to fund infrastructure, even worthwhile projects. We would rather see our politicians put in the hard work of improving local government, and that is something a TIRZ cannot do.

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US, Mexico are incomparable

■ America is the better country and should start acting like it

RUBEN NAVARRETTE
Washington Post Writers Group

Almost any discussion of how the United States treats uninvited visitors — whether they be child refugees looking for shelter or adult immigrants looking for jobs — will eventually get to the point where someone asks: "What about Mexico?"

This was the question put to me recently by Matt Patrick, a conservative radio host in Houston. Judging from the direction of the interview, the idea was to get me to admit that the undocumented are treated better in the United States than they are in Mexico — or in most other countries.

As Patrick said: "The United States is the only country on the planet that I'm aware of that seems to allow people to cross its borders illegally, that allows them to stay, helps them out, doesn't throw them in jail, gives them a job, a house. Am I wrong? Are there are other countries that have the same policy?"

Yes and no, I responded. The larger narrative is that the United States is — even with those who break the rules — more humane and compassionate than are many other countries where, after all, people who steal from others might get their hands chopped off and adulterers are stoned to death. But the rest of the story, I said, is that, as I travel around the world and listen to journalists in other countries who also cover immigration, I see the same tension that Americans feel between trying to take a hard line against illegal immigration and yet being accustomed to relying on illegal immigrant labor.

"Let's just take Mexico, for instance," Patrick interjected. "They're pretty strict about their border in Mexico."

Here we go. It's a fair point. But it's also one that raises questions that don't lend themselves to easy answers.

Part of the problem is Mexico's disingenuousness regarding border security. From everything we know, Mexican officials have long been tough on illegal immigrants attempting to cross their southern border with Central America while simultaneously demanding that their American counterparts be lenient toward those trying to cross from Mexico into the United States.

Then there is the fact that Mexico isn't exactly known for its generosity or humanitarianism. As evidenced by consecutive waves of illegal immigrants migrating north over the last half-century, Mexico does a poor job of creating opportunities for its own people. So we can assume it doesn't do much for those who make it across the border unlawfully and wind up on Mexican soil.

Now that at least 57,000 unaccompanied minors from Central America have crossed into the United States since October 2013, with more on the way, there's another concern that could be fueling this need to compare ourselves with other countries.

Some Americans are feeling uneasy, and maybe even a tad defensive, about the shoddy way that these kids are being treated by U.S. immigration officials — not given adequate food, sanitation or prescribed medicines, crammed for weeks into holding rooms that are only designed to house inmates temporarily, denied beds, pillows and proper hygiene.

If these kids are really refugees, as the United Nations has designated them, they did nothing wrong. Asylum law says that upon crossing the border, they are not to evade authorities but to surrender and ask for help. They did that, by the book. And yet, their accommodations are so sparse as to seem punitive.

In fact, right-wing radio host Glenn Beck recently came across as a kinder and gentler alternative to the Obama administration by delivering $2 million worth of food, clothing, shoes, teddy bears and soccer balls to churches at ground zero — Texas' Rio Grande Valley.

Now, let's go back to the radio interview and the question that drove it: What about Mexico?

Being a Mexican-American, as I formulated my response, the "American" half took over.

"Mexico has — in part because of its resistance to immigration — never been a model of economic prosperity and fairness," I said. "And, as a Mexican-American born in this country to parents who were born in this country, I've never, ever, aspired to be like Mexico."

Nor should any other American. We need to stop comparing ourselves to Mexico. What's the point? When dealing with immigrants and refugees, the United States is a much better country. We must realize that. Let's start acting like it.

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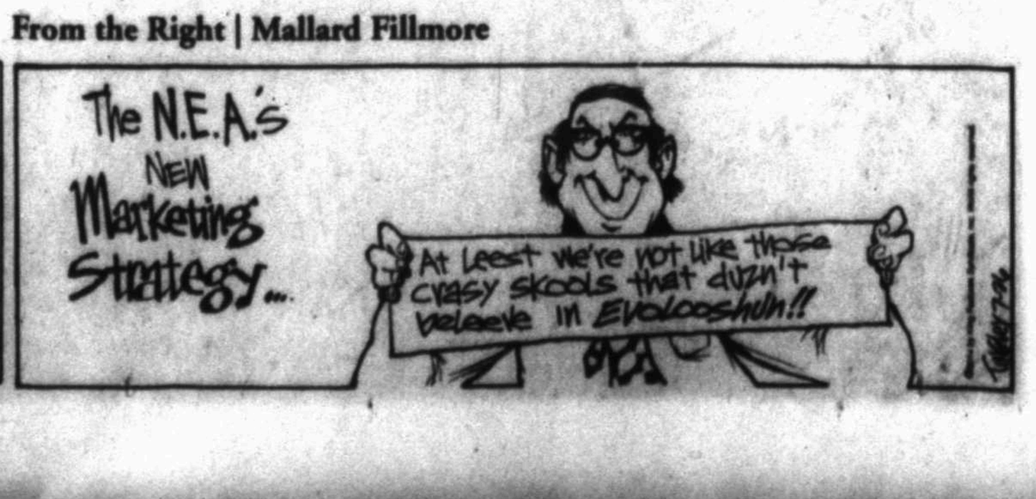


LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Roundabouts might be challenge for local drivers

Roundabouts in Midland, Texas? The city is already overpopulated with drivers who are seriously challenged on encountering an intersection having a four-way stop.

I shudder at the mere thought of the carnage.

John E. Meyer

Downtown should be place everyone would enjoy

My comments on downtown revitalization:

1. Do you ever feel like coming to downtown for a good time?

2. Do you feel safe coming to downtown after dark?

3. When your children or grandchildren visit Midland, do they have any place to go to have fun other than the country club or backyard pool?

4. Would you like to have a place where you can enjoy a cup of coffee or ice cream and sit and enjoy some music?

5. To my knowledge, Scooter Brown worked very hard to bring in investors for downtown revitalization.

Take a moment and answer the above questions. Hopefully you will become a believer what William Myers and Scooter Brown are proposing. I hope you vote "Yes."

My comments on various agencies, such as TIRZ, DMMD, and MDC:

1. These agencies were established 12 to 14 years ago and collected millions of tax dollars. The objective was to grow Midland by providing funds to attract business from outside MDC, provide incentives to property owners for improving the façade of the buildings, and thus making downtown look beautiful.

2. With improvement, the property values would increase resulting in greater tax revenue for the city. These agencies were to assist the property owners to subsidize the increase in taxes for couple of years. Thereafter, the city will keep on receiving increased taxes revenue forever.

3. Mark Wellen worked hard volunteering and conducting tours describing the history of the downtown buildings.

General comments on the public information which I have been listening and reading:

1. Downtown revitalization is complete.

2. Pioneer has broken ground, and thus bust is coming in five years.

3. In my opinion, downtown became a ghost town after ClayDesta Plaza was constructed. Hence, not supporting the construction of the Energy Tower.

I feel that the next downtown development will be in 2040. I hope I am wrong.

Think it over, Midland residents and city officials. Make downtown a place where everyone could visit, enjoy and have a good time and we all could sing the 1960s song "Downtown."

Dr. Sudhi Agrawal

Something's 'fishy' with border crisis

OK, folks, let's give this issue a thought. How many 6- to 12-year-old children do you know who can travel, let's say, 1,000 to maybe 1,500 miles alone, crossing rivers, deserts, ride trains, avoid other country's police agencies, robbers and so forth? How did they survive with only minimal food and water? How did they get extra food? How did they bribe those who would hurt them?

I can believe that there was money to pay the coyote up front. I cannot see or even believe that the coyote did anything else to help the kids. Some coyotes are children themselves. Remember, the coyotes are only used to help people cross the U.S. border.

I smell something fishy, and it isn't seafood.

My heart cries for the children, but something else is going on with this issue.

Timothy L. Parker

Article didn't mention source of candidates' donations

Despite state Sen. Seliger getting a measly 30 percent of Midland's vote while narrowly winning re-election (in spite of losing the Election Day vote count), the Midland paper continues to avoid transparency when reporting on the good senator.

The Reporter-Telegram recently made a flattering report of Seliger's robust campaign contributions compared to Midland challenger Mike Canon's smaller intake. What the Reporter-Telegram failed to mention is the source of each candidate's donations. Mayor Canon raised more than 90 percent of all his campaign dollars from inside Senate District 31, whereas Sen. Seliger garnered about 60 percent of his campaign funds from outside of district.

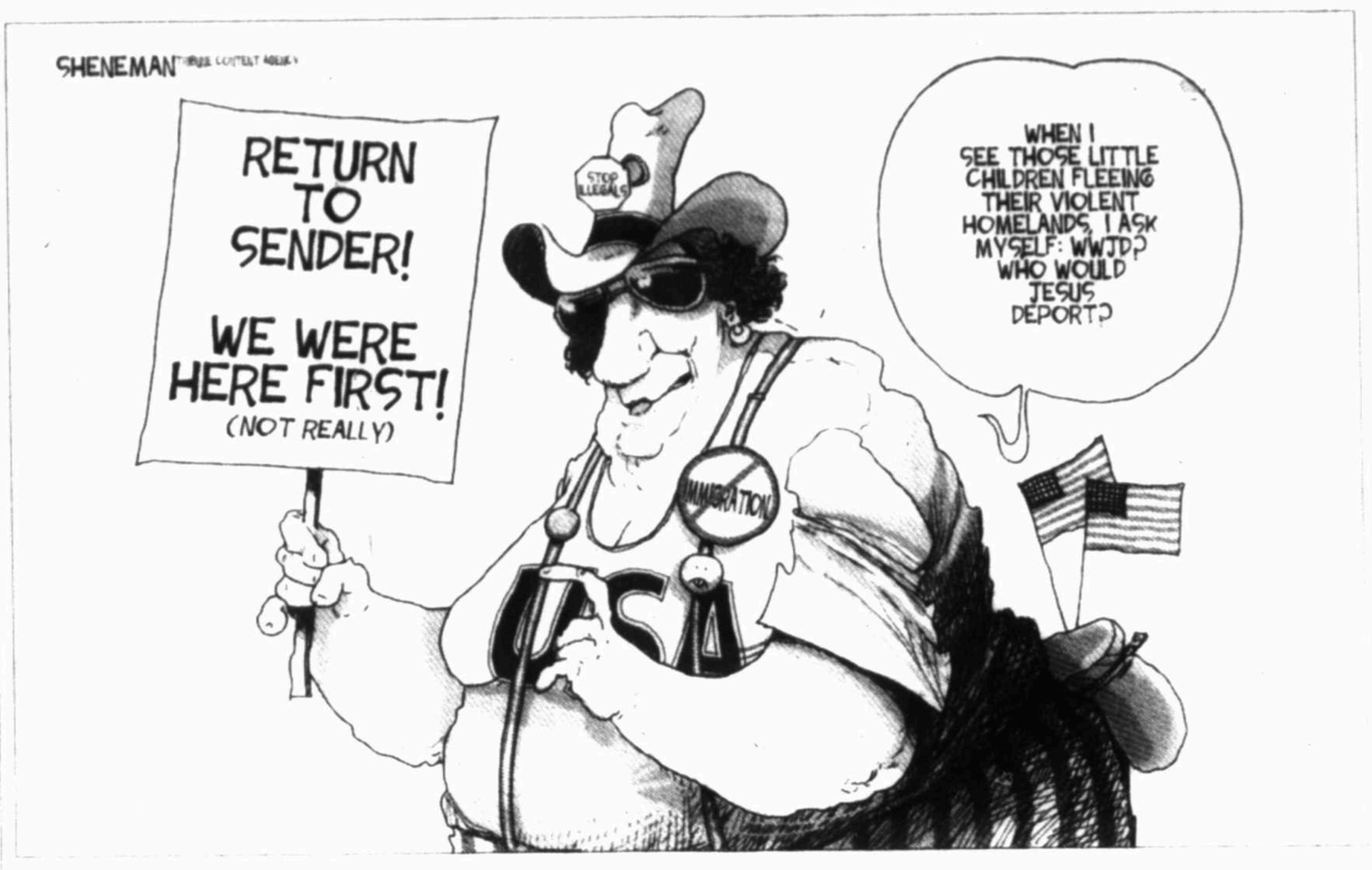
For Sen. Seliger, special interest donations made up an overwhelming majority of his campaign funds raised. Of Sen. Seliger's contributions, 83 percent came from donations of $1,000 or more and were primarily (roughly 70 percent) from corporate or special interests.

Seliger's top funder was the University of Houston PAC donating a whopping $21,000, followed by 11 $10,000 donors. These included Howard Butts of San Antonio, one Dallas PAC, three Austin real estate PACs and the Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma.

Mayor Canon arguably raised considerably more than Seliger, adjusting for out-of-district special interests.

The Reporter-Telegram should pay attention to where money comes from and the contributor's objective. This is only basic journalism, and that seems to be missing when it comes to Kel Seliger.

Stephen Lambert



More to 'gringo' comment than Dems will admit

■ No matter what the solution needs to be, some Americans are irked by people who are breaking the law

KEN HERMAN
Cox Newspapers

Hey, you know what Dems stands for? Dummies endorsed by minorities.

Funny, right?

No. Just like it's not funny to say GOP should stand for "gringos y otros pendejos," which is what state Rep. Trey Martinez Fischer, D-San Antonio, said at the recent Texas Democratic Party convention in Dallas.

I wasn't there, but my colleague Jonathan Tilove, who was, reported the line sparked "uproarious cheers and applause from the 6,000" Dems who heard it live. The phrase loosely translates as "Anglos and other idiots," and video of Martinez Fischer delivering it shows a man very pleased with himself about the barb.

Martinez Fischer, a pugnacious sort, defended his words as targeted only at Texas GOP Convention delegates who ratified a very conservative platform. He said he does not view "gringo" as pejorative. To me, it's one of those words that can be, depending on who's saying it and how it's said. The N-word is like that. So is Mexican. We'll talk more about Mexicans in a bit.

The "other idiots" reference, and the reaction it elicited, fits nicely into Herman's Handy, Oversimplified Theory of Early 21st Century American Politics: Democrats think they're smarter than everybody else. Republicans think they're better than everybody else. (And Libertarians think everybody else should just leave them alone.)

Martinez Fischer said in his world ("I'm just a traditional, old school westside San Antonio Mexican") "pendejo" means "somebody who's dumb." People who disagree with him, it seems, are dumb.

"Obviously," he told Tilove, "folks are going to try to reincarnate the word to paint it in its most extreme interpretation, but I think the street interpretation of 'pendejo' being dumb is universally accepted."

I don't know. I don't speak Spanish, but I understand pendejo can have some meanings uglier than dumb. And I'm not an old school westside San Antonio Mexican. And, come to think of it, neither is Martinez Fischer. He's from San Antonio's westside, but he's not a Mexican. Mexicans, save perhaps for the relatively few who hold dual citizenship, are barred from serving in the Texas Legislature and cannot vote in the United States. Martinez Fischer is not a Mexican. He's an American, and if a Republican called him a Mexican in a context similar to the one in which he called Republicans gringos, I'd expect him to take rightful, fact-based umbrage.

In his defense of Martinez Fischer's one-liner about the GOP, Texas Democratic Party spokesman Manny Garcia mentioned Republican convention signs that said "Secure our border" and portrayed locked, white picket fences.

"They might have just as well said, 'No Mexicans allowed,'" Garcia told Tilove.

OK, let's talk some more about Mexicans, which can only be defined as citizens of Mexico. Under U.S. law, Mexicans (and all foreigners) need U.S. permission to enter our country. It's not a no-Mexicans-allowed policy, but there are laws that govern such things.

Our current laws on such things are long overdue for a major overhaul. But they are our current laws, and it's nice when neighbors respect each other's laws. Back when I lived near the Texas-Mexico border I did my best to obey Mexico's laws when I crossed the Rio Grande. It would be neighborly if more Mexicans and Central Americans would do their best to obey our laws about entering our country.

Here's the ugly fact, stripped of political correctness or diplomacy: We live near a crummy neighborhood. Many of our neighbors to the south have created nations so bad (a fact contributed to by illegal drug users in our country) that many of their citizens are willing to endure unspeakable hardship and horror to get into the imperfect but great country created to the north. Things are so bad for many people in those countries that it's beyond reasonable to say folks who are unhappy with the status quo should stay there and work to better it.

I begrudge nobody the desire to find better lives for themselves and their offspring. I do, however, ask that they obey our laws, even if some of our employers ignore laws about hiring folks who come here illegally.

Here's another fact, one that irks many Americans: We're going to have to change our immigration laws because so many foreigners have violated them, leaving us no practical choice. I wonder what would happen if we started violating Mexican laws in ways that forced them to change their laws.

By reference, Martinez Fischer was chiding the Texas GOP's hard line on immigration, including the platform's opposition to "any form of amnesty including the granting of legal status to persons in the country illegally."

Texas Democrats' platform calls for "comprehensive immigration reform with an attainable path to citizenship." That's somewhat vague, but let's please remember that we've long had attainable paths to citizenship. More than 7 million people have attained it in the last 10 years. It's far from a perfect system and improvement is needed, but it's attainable.

The final step in the current attainable path to citizenship is an oath in which new citizens declare, among other things, their willingness to "support and defend the Constitution and laws of the United States of America against all enemies, foreign and domestic."

Is it just me, or is there something dissonant about that in the mouth of someone who violated the laws of the United States of America to get here?

TEC goes on trial after federal judge steps in

Editor's note: If you would like to offer your perspective on the Texas Ethics Commission's fine, please contact Editor Stewart Doreen at sdoreen@mrt.com.

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Playing their part in establishment's game to use state government as a vehicle for political retribution, the Texas Ethics Commission issued their maximum fine against me. They did exactly what we said they would do. And now we are going to make the commissioners defend themselves and their policies in court.

The real fight over attempts by incumbent politicians to limit First Amendment rights is about to begin.

By way of background, two left-leaning GOP cronies of liberal House Speaker Joe Straus filed complaints against me, and against Empower Texans/Texans for Fiscal Responsibility as an organization. (The complaints against EmTx/TFR, where Midlander Tim Dunn serves as the chairman of the board, are still pending.)

Straus and his cronies are frustrated by conservative groups like ours that educate and inform Texans about what lawmakers are doing in Austin. They want us to shut up and go away.

The appointed commissioners leading the TEC hoped a $10,000 fine would do it. Not a chance. Instead, we are only going to be speaking louder. Much louder. And an agency that has a practice of hiding from the sunlight is about to get a lot more exposure.

The essence of their ruling is this: If you talk about lawmakers, rate them or along the way criticize the speaker of the House, the TEC will come after you. That was the point of the hearing last month and the ruling finally issued this last week.

Along the way, we learned the complaints were put together by a lobbyist for the Texas Trial Lawyers Association and a liberal political consultant, both friendly with Speaker Straus. (That particular detail was something the commission staff and Straus cronies hid from us for more than a year.)

The ruling itself falls right in line with a pattern of unethical behavior we have seen played out over and over again at the Texas Ethics Commission. Earlier this year, the TEC staff said in a public hearing that constitutional arguments don't apply at the TEC. Apparently, neither does state law.

This ruling came down without commissioners voting, as is required by law. It was issued without commissioners deliberating in public, which is also required by law. And it was listed as a "unanimous" decision despite the fact that one commissioner wasn't even present for our formal hearing last month and therefore is not supposed to have a vote. But then, Commissioner Chase Untermeyer is an appointee of Speaker Straus.

The TEC ruling is based on discredited witnesses and hearsay. Much of what the ruling describes as "facts" are baseless allegations unsupported even by any testimony or evidence. It was written as a political vendetta document, not a serious exercise in law.

Fortunately for Texans, the commissioners don't get the last word.

A federal judge has already told the TEC that its subpoenas in my case were "absurd" — so just think what a court might say about their latest abuses.

We will be filing a "de novo" appeal as allowed by law. Simply filing the appeal itself vacates, or makes ineffective, the TEC ruling. That's a right which serves as a check on the agency being used to attack political opponents. It's also a right that the chairman and vice chairman of the commission, Houstonians Jim Clancy and Paul Hobby, have asked the legislature to eliminate.

Much like Lois Lerner at the IRS, Clancy and Hobby would use their bureaucracy to undermine our basic constitutional rights. Through my case, by proposed regulations, in legislative testimony and public comments, Jim Clancy and Paul Hobby have committed the TEC to becoming a government censor, limiting public debate and silencing dissent. They are cheered on by Austin's mercenary lobbyist corps, which despises citizens who engage in policymaking. The effort to regulate political speech is driven by big-spending cronies who are afraid lawmakers might end up listening to voters.

As I told the hosts of the Dallas NBC station's political program last week, I look forward to watching the TEC commissioners explain themselves in court, under oath, in front of a real judge with real rules.

One last point. I was offered the opportunity last fall to pay a $500-per-complaint "make-it-go-away" bribe by commissioners because they didn't want to be seen in public. I said "nuts" to that. And I say the same to this political maneuver disguised as a ruling.

Texans' constitutional rights are too important, too precious, to give up without a fight.

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It's becoming harder to figure out just who we can trust

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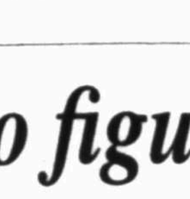

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We're past the July 4 celebrations and the All-Star Break. NFL training camps haven't started. Congress is poised to recess for August — the pause before the storm leading up to the midterm elections.

"Pause" is the operative word.

Right now, I want to pause and consider where we are and where we're going. I want to pause and consider the state of our national dialogue, especially as we discuss important issues like the crisis at the border, the turmoil in Gaza and the tragedy in Ukraine.

Have you ever watched a baseball or football game without the play-by-play and expert analysis? Without it, the game seems boring. And you can miss a lot of the action.

But we expect the commentators to be accurate and to be civil, even while being critical.

Do those of us who do political play-by-play or analysis help the reader, or viewer, know what's going on, to see deeper into the issues? Do we try to strengthen the national dialogue and improve its quality?

Does the quality of our civic discourse not reflect the quality of the conversation in Washington?

Having paused and reflected, I think we need to change the tone.

Analysis of the past should lead us toward choices — choices that help us form "a more perfect Union." In sports, they go on to the next play; in politics, we should be finding solutions together.

But we can't move forward and we can't find solutions until we do two things: acknowledge that we as a nation are changing and change how we talk about each other.

Accommodating and managing change is built into our federal system. Thomas Jefferson wrote (and these words are inscribed on a panel in the Jefferson Memorial): " ... laws and institutions must go hand in hand with the progress of the human mind ... with the change of circumstances, institutions must advance also to keep pace with the times."

Our federal system recognizes that people are, almost universally, a mixture of good and bad. That's its beauty and the truth it works from.

The Founders created an electoral system that is responsive to change. They designed institutions that, through checks and balances, would be flexible, that would allow change, but would also encourage deliberation and due diligence.

Change should come, but not all change should come quickly or easily.

Elections — fair elections — are the vehicle of change. The people's voice is heard through elections; the pundits' favorite term, "mandate," becomes manifest through elections.

Our Constitution, our electoral system, our institutions require trust — trust in the principles behind them, trust in our foundations, trust that if we pay attention, if we hold each other and our leaders accountable, and if we communicate, we can move forward toward forming that "more perfect Union."

But there's a hysterical fear of change in this land. It's undermining our trust in each other and it's corroding our foundations and institutions. Those who subscribe to that fear are destroying the Constitution — through the very words and deeds by which they say are saving it.

This fear is fueled by an infatuation with incivility and a monstrous hubris. Jefferson said that we chose self-government because we did not find angels in the form of kings to govern us. Those driven by this fear of change and mistrust of others have gone to the opposite extreme: seeing elected officials as devils.

Dialogue, conversation, compromise, argument — in its truest sense of testing ideas — cannot take place when those on the other side, those with a different position, or perspective or ideology, are not to be trusted — ever.

The greatest danger to our nation is a political strategy that says your party must never say anything good about the President, ever. That your party cannot cooperate with or acknowledge the concerns or values of the opposition party, ever. That everyone has to approve of everything you believe, always.

The result of such absolutism is not refinement, but betrayal — betrayal of "we the people," and betrayal of the ideals being trumpeted. Besmirching the reputation of others soils our own.

We must change how we talk to and talk about each other. We must find a way to get the gutter-language out of our national conversations.

In his first inaugural address, Jefferson said: "... let us reflect that, having banished from our land that religious intolerance under which mankind so long bled and suffered, we have yet gained little if we countenance a political intolerance as despotic, as wicked, and capable of (just) as bitter and bloody persecutions."

He knew whereof he spoke.

The growing intolerance of diversity of opinion is corrupting us. Let us, as citizens, as commentators, as analysts, as journalists, adopt a different course. Let us heed the words of Benjamin Franklin who, in addressing the Continental Congress to adopt the Constitution, said, "the older I grow, the more apt I am to doubt my own judgment of others."

Instead of assuming we, or our party, or our sect, is in possession of "all truth," let's give each other — and ourselves — the benefit of the doubt.

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House votes to boost child tax credit for some

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — More families with higher incomes could claim the popular child tax credit under a bill that won approval Friday in the House. But in a dispute that divides Republicans and Democrats, millions of the poorest low-income families would still lose the credit in 2018, when enhancements championed by President Barack Obama are set to expire.

The bill would gradually boost the amount of the $1,000-per-child tax credit by tying it to inflation, so it would go up as consumer prices rise. It also aims to make a dent in illegal immigration by prohibiting people without Social Security numbers from claiming a portion of the credit reserved for low-income families.

With nearly all Republicans voting in favor and most Democrats opposed, the bill cleared the House by a vote of 237-173. The White House threatened to veto the bill, though the Democratic-controlled Senate is unlikely to pass it.

About 37 million taxpayers claimed the credit in 2012, reducing their tax bills by nearly $57 billion.

House Republicans said the bill would strengthen the tax credit by increasing it as inflation rises, and by making it available to even more middle-income families. "It is time we make some simple improvements to the child tax credit, so it keeps up with the cost of raising children," said Rep. Dave Camp R-Mich., chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee.

The White House said the bill favors high-income taxpayers over the poor, while adding $90 billion to the budget deficit over the next decade.

Five million of the poorest low-income families would lose the credit in 2018, the White House said. An additional 6 million low-income families would see the amount of their tax credits reduced.

"The new Republican rhetoric on poverty is no match for the deeply troubling actions they have repeatedly taken, and continue to take, with this legislation today," said Rep. Sander Levin of Michigan, the senior Democrat on the Ways and Means Committee. "This bill leads to harm for millions of low- and middle-income families and their children."

House Republicans dispute the Democrats' argument, saying the bill is silent on low-income families. Current law calls for Obama's enhancement for low-income income families to expire. The bill simply lets it happen. "The opponents make a false claim, that somehow this bill eliminates benefits for millions of low-income families," Camp said. "That's just wrong."

Under current law, the child tax credit is gradually reduced and phased out for individuals making more than $75,000 a year and married couples making more than $110,000 a year.

House Republicans said the income limit for married couples amounts to a marriage penalty because it's less than double the limit for single tax filers.

The bill would increase the income threshold for married couples to $150,000, allowing more families with higher incomes to claim it. The bill would index the income limits to inflation, meaning they would increase over time as consumer prices rise.

The amount of the credit would also increase with inflation, rising above $1,000 as consumer prices go up.

These changes would increase savings for taxpayers by $115 billion over the next decade, according to the nonpartisan Joint Committee on Taxation, which analyzes tax bills for Congress.

At the other end of the income spectrum, the child tax credit is also available to families that don't make enough money to pay any federal income taxes. These families get payments similar to tax refunds when they file their tax returns.

In 2009, Obama signed a law that made the payments available to more low-income families — the poorest of the working poor. That provision, which has since been extended, is scheduled to expire at the end of 2017.

Democrats see these types of payments as an important tool to fight poverty — and as a way for low-income families to benefit from the tax code.

Some Republicans say these provisions are simply government expenditures disguised as tax breaks. "This is basically a benefit check handed out by the IRS," said Rep. Sam Johnson, R-Texas.

The bill would require taxpayers claiming these payments to provide a Social Security number, making it harder for immigrants to claim them, whether they are in the country legally or not. Noting the recent flood of unaccompanied minors showing up at the southern border, House Republicans said the provision would reduce the incentive for people to enter the U.S. illegally.

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Rep. Dave Camp, R-Mich., listening at a hearing on Capitol Hill in Washington on July 20. More families with higher incomes could claim the popular child tax credit under a bill that won approval Friday, July 25 in the House. "It is time we make some simple improvements to the child tax credit, so it keeps up with the cost of raising children," said Camp.

Lawmakers: Obama too aloof with Congress

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama's request for billions of dollars to deal with migrant children streaming across the border set off Democrats and Republicans. Lawmakers in both parties complained that the White House — six years in — still doesn't get it when it comes to working with Congress.

Top GOP leaders got no notice of the $3.7 billion emergency request. The administration sent contradictory messages about what it wanted to deal with the border crisis. And as the proposal drew fierce criticism, the White House made few overtures to lawmakers in either party to rally support.

House and Senate lawmakers in both parties plus several senior congressional aides said this past week that the handling of the proposal by Obama and the White House is emblematic of the administration's rocky relationship with Congress: an ad hoc approach that shuns appeals to opponents and doesn't reward allies.

Combined with a divided Congress — GOP-led House and Democratic-controlled Senate — and election-year maneuvering, neither basic nor crisis-driven legislation is getting done.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., described the lack of communication between the White House and Congress as "stunning." He said he first learned many details of Obama's border request from news reports.

Obama is the "only person in America who can sign something into law and help bring members of his party on board for an outcome on a given piece of legislation that requires bipartisan support," McConnell said in an interview. "So it's a mystery, but that's the way they operate."

Several Democratic lawmakers echoed McConnell but spoke on condition of anonymity to avoid alienating the president of their party. They said they were baffled by the White House's tactics in handling the border request. Several Democrats expressed frustration that the president and administration officials weren't more involved in legislative fights.

Obama's hands-off approach was evident in June.

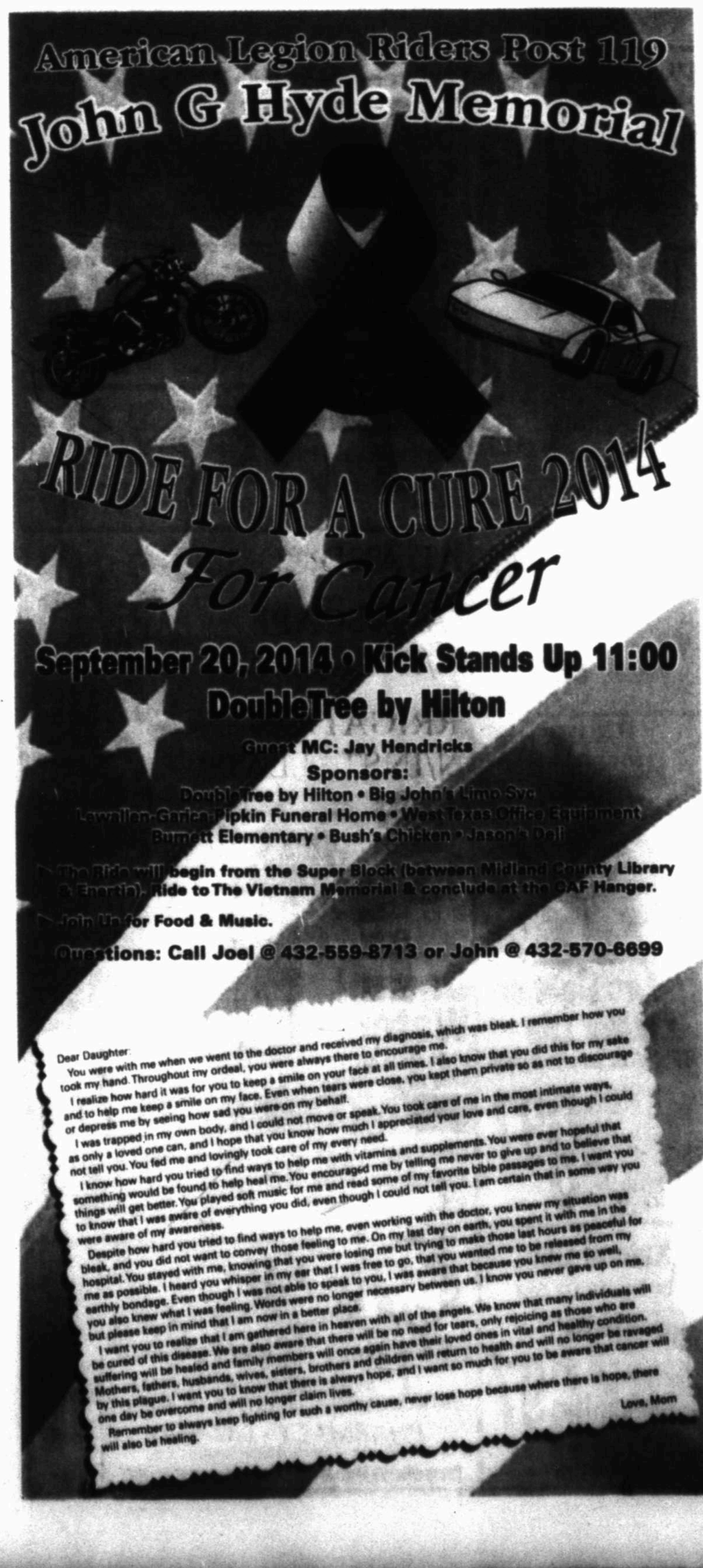
At a private White House meeting Obama held with the top four Republican and Democratic leaders in the House and Senate, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid appealed to the president to intervene in pressing McConnell to allow speedier approval of the president's dozens of ambassadorial nominees.

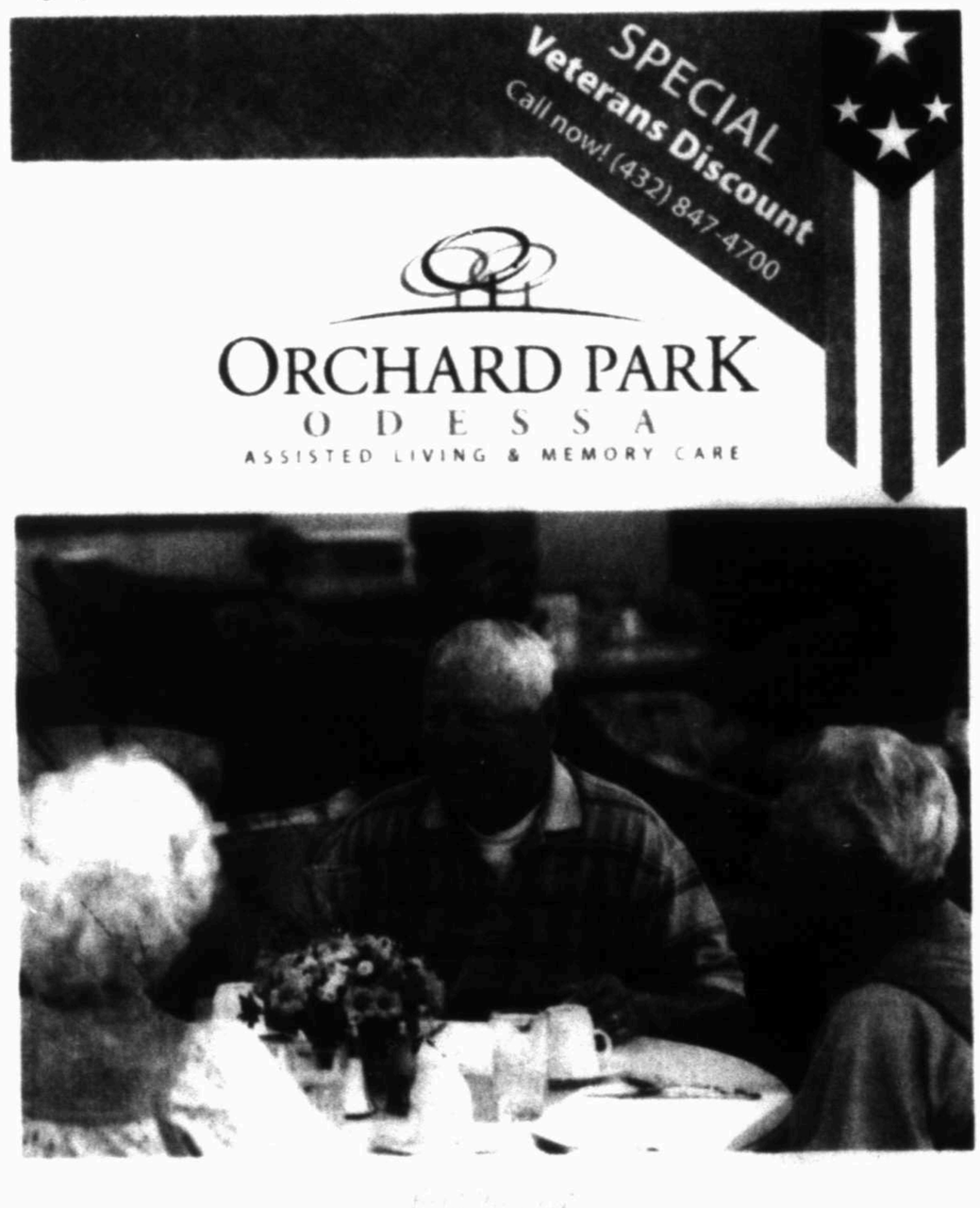
Obama said it was a matter for Reid and McConnell to work out, an answer that left Democrats flabbergasted, according to participants in the meeting. Finally, more than a week later, Obama called McConnell to urge him to break the logjam and get ambassadors confirmed.

McConnell said the conversation — one of the few he has had with Obama in recent months — was limited to ambassadors.

White House officials rejected the criticism, insisting that they have been regularly consulting with lawmakers.

While frustrated with the administration, Democrats also sympathized. They described Obama's untenable position of trying to work with Republicans unwilling to give him any legislative victories, especially the tea party class of 2010. The White House has argued that even if it tried to cut a deal with House Speaker John Boehner, R-Ohio — as it did in 2011 on entitlements, spending and taxes — there was no assurance Boehner could deliver his rambunctious caucus."





States' use of execution drugs varies widely

Associated Press

The prolonged execution of an Arizona death row inmate with a new, two-drug combo has highlighted the patchwork quilt approach that states now take with lethal drugs, with types, combinations and dosages varying widely. A question and answer look at how the disparity came about and why, following more than three decades in which all death penalty states used the exact same three-drug mixture.

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An unidentified Arizona Corrections Officer adjusts the straps on the gurney used for lethal injections at the Arizona State Prison at Florence, Ariz. The prolonged execution this week of an Arizona death row inmate with a new, two-drug combination highlights the patchwork approach states have been forced to take with lethal injection drugs, with the types, combinations and dosages varying widely.

Q: What are states currently using for lethal drugs?

Georgia, Texas and Missouri use single doses of compounded pentobarbital, an anesthetic similar to the drug used to put pets to sleep. Arizona and Ohio use a combination of midazolam, a sedative, and hydromorphone, a painkiller. Florida uses midazolam, vecuronium bromide and potassium chloride. Oklahoma has authorized five different lethal injection protocols: a three-drug method beginning with sodium thiopental, pentobarbital, or midazolam, a two-drug procedure using midazolam and hydromorphone, or a single, lethal dose of pentobarbital.

Q: All death penalty states used the same three-drug combo for lethal injection for more than three decades. Why isn't that done now?

Two reasons. First, supplies of the drugs started to run short as death penalty opponents in Europe put pressure on their drugmakers — which manufactured key anesthetics — to prohibit their use in executions. Secondly, states eager to avoid ongoing lawsuits alleging the old three-drug method caused inmates to suffer unconstitutional levels of pain looked for alternatives beginning about five years ago.

Q: Why don't all states follow the lead of Georgia, Missouri and Texas and use compounded pentobarbital?

The compounded version is difficult to come by, with most compounding pharmacists reluctant to expose themselves to possible harassment by death penalty opponents. Adopting it also raises the specter of lawsuits over its constitutionality, based on arguments that its purity and potency could be questioned as a non-FDA regulated drug. So far, Georgia, Missouri and Texas won't reveal their sources, while Ohio, whose protocol includes the option of compounded pentobarbital, hasn't been able to obtain it.

Q: Why can't states just find another drug as effective as pentobarbital?

Basically, options are running out. The leading candidate after pentobarbital was propofol, the painkiller known as the drug that caused pop singer Michael Jackson's 2009 overdose death. Missouri proposed using propofol but withdrew the idea over concerns the move would create a shortage of the popular anesthetic. Meanwhile, manufacturers are also starting to put limits on drugs in the old three-drug combo still in use in states like Florida.

Q: With all this uncertainty, why don't states return to the electric chair or other non-drug methods?

Most states retired their electric chairs or used them sparingly with the advent of the three-drug method introduced in the 1970s. Tennessee recently enacted a law allowing its use if lethal drugs can't be found, and other states are debating its reintroduction. But electric chairs come with their own constitutional problems, since they have produced a number of botched executions over the years, as did hanging decades ago. Many death penalty experts, even some opponents, believe the quickest and most humane method is the firing squad. But it's unclear whether there's a public appetite for moving to that method.

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Pot may be legal, but homeowner agreements can ban

Associated Press

DENVER — Pot may be legal in some states — but the neighbors don't have to like it.

Marijuana and hemp have joined wacky paint colors and unsightly fences as common neighborhood disputes facing homeowners' associations. Though a few HOAs have willingly changed their rules to accommodate for legal marijuana use or home-growing, many more are banning home pot smoking.

Homeowners' associations can't ban members from using marijuana in their homes when it's legal. But if neighbors can see or smell weed, the law is clear — HOAs have every right to regulate the drug as a nuisance, or a threat to children along the lines of a swimming pool with no fence.

"The fact that people may be legally entitled to smoke doesn't mean they can do it wherever they want, any more than they could walk into a restaurant and light up a cigarette," said Richard Thompson, who owns a management consulting company that specializes in condominium and homeowner associations.

Thompson said his home condo development in Portland, Oregon, is a prime example of how marijuana's growing acceptance has sparked neighbor conflicts.

"As soon as spring and summer come around, we hear complaints about marijuana smoke because people are out on their patios, and they have the windows down," he said.

Associated Press

Jim Denny inspecting the growth of a hemp plant on his property in Brighton, Colorado, on July 3. Denny learned the hard way that he needed neighbors' permission before growing hemp. He learned about marijuana's non-intoxicating cousin at an event earlier this spring and decided to try the crop on a 75-by-100-foot plot in his yard. But Denny's hemp plot ran afoul of his homeowners' association, which ruled the hemp experiment unacceptable.

It's not clear how many homeowners' associations have confronted marijuana conflicts in the 23 states with some form of legal marijuana. But lawyers who specialize in HOA disputes, as well as a Colorado regulatory agency that advises HOAs, said there are growing conflicts among neighbors who want to smoke pot and others who don't want to see it or smell it.

"What we're really seeing more now is regulating the associations' common areas," such as smoke wafting onto playgrounds or others' porches, said Erin McManis, an attorney in Phoenix whose firm represents hundreds of Arizona HOAs.

The Carrillo Ranch homeowners association in Chandler, Arizona, earlier this year took the rare step of withdrawing a proposed ban on residents smoking medical marijuana in their front and backyards and on their patios.

The HOA planned a meeting on the topic in March, but withdrew the proposal after many residents opposed the ban as too harsh.

"This is a personal-freedom issue where people were going to dictate how other people should live," Carrillo Ranch resident Tom LaBonte told The Arizona Republic in February, when the HOA dropped its proposal.

HOA lawyers said the Carrillo Ranch case illustrates the value of HOAs when the law changes, as with marijuana.

"Coming together and working on issues is something associations have been doing for a long time," McManis said. "We're hopeful that's how it's going to go forward now with medical marijuana."

Smoke isn't the only neighbor complaint posed by loosening marijuana laws. Growing pot and hemp is prompting neighbor disputes, too.

A suburban Denver retiree learned the hard way this spring that he needed neighbors' permission before growing hemp. Jim Denny, of Brighton, Colorado, learned about marijuana's non-intoxicating cousin and decided to try the crop on a 75-by-100-foot plot in his yard.

But Denny's hemp plot ran afoul of his homeowners' association, which ruled the hemp experiment unacceptable.

"As soon as they heard about it, they said, 'We're not going to let anyone grow marijuana here,'" Denny said. "I explained to them that hemp is not marijuana, but they were dead-set against it."

So with his hemp plants about 2 feet tall, Denny invited hemp activists to come transplant them to somewhere without opposition from a homeowner association. Denny sold the plants for about $3 each, a good price for a plant whose seeds can cost up to $10 each because it can't be imported.

Hemp activists volunteered to pay Denny's fines for flouting the HOA, which could have run to $600 a day. But Denny decided that living peacefully with his neighbors trumped making a political point.

"I had people calling up and saying, 'It's just a shame; we'll pay your fines all the way through to the end.' But I decided in the end not to fight it," said Denny, a technical writer and former software engineer. "At the end of the day, I live here."

Widow: Man who died in NYPD custody wasn't violent

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The widow of a New York City man who died this month in a videotaped confrontation with New York City police demanded justice on Saturday, saying the victim wasn't asking for trouble.

Eric Garner "was not a violent man — not in any way, shape or form," said his widow, Esaw Garner, in what were described as her first public remarks about the death. "He was a quiet man, but he's making a lot of noise now."

She described getting a text from her 43-year-old husband a half hour before he died July 17 that read: "I'm good."

The widow and other members of Garner's family spoke at the Harlem headquarters of the Rev. Al Sharpton. On Friday, Sharpton and the family met with federal prosecutors to ask them to bring a civil rights case against the New York Police Department officers who stopped Garner on Staten Island on suspicion of selling untaxed cigarettes.

A video shot by an onlooker shows Garner telling the officers to leave him alone and refusing to be handcuffed. One responded by appearing to put him in a chokehold, which is banned under police policy. Garner is heard gasping "I can't breathe." He was later pronounced dead at the hospital. Autopsy results are pending.

Fast food workers vow civil disobedience

Associated Press

VILLA PARK, Ill. — Comparing their campaign to the civil rights movement, fast food workers from across the country voted Saturday to escalate their efforts for $15-an-hour pay and union membership to include nonviolent civil disobedience.

More than 1,300 workers gathered in a convention in center in suburban Chicago to discuss the future of a campaign that has spread to dozens of cities in less than two years. Wearing T-shirts that said "Fight for $15" and "We Are Worth More," the workers cheered loudly and said they would win if they stuck together.

"People are just fed up," said Cindy Enriquez, 20, of Phoenix.

The $8.25 an hour she makes working for McDonald's is not enough to go to college and become a police officer and barely enough to pay her rent, Enriquez said.

"We need to ... get (restaurant owners') attention," perhaps with more strikes or blocking stores, she said. "We're going to keep on going."

The Service Employees International Union has been providing financial and organizational support to the fast-food protests. They began in late 2012 in New York City and have included daylong strikes and a loud but peaceful demonstration outside this year's McDonald's Corp. shareholder meeting, where more than 130 protesters were arrested after stepping onto company property.

Saturday's convention in Villa Park, Illinois, included sessions on civil disobedience and leadership training. Kendall Fells, an organizing director for the campaign and a representative of SEIU, said when and what actions happen next will be up to workers in each city.

The Rev. William Barber II, head of the North Carolina NAACP, said the movement is young but as important as when civil disobedience efforts began during the early years of the civil rights movement.

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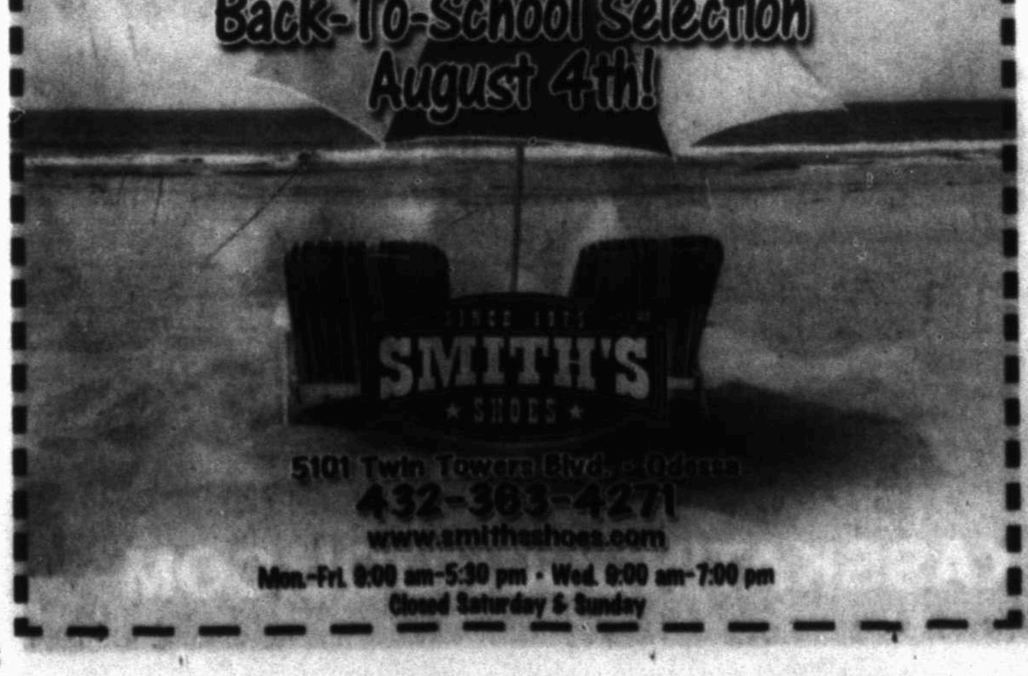
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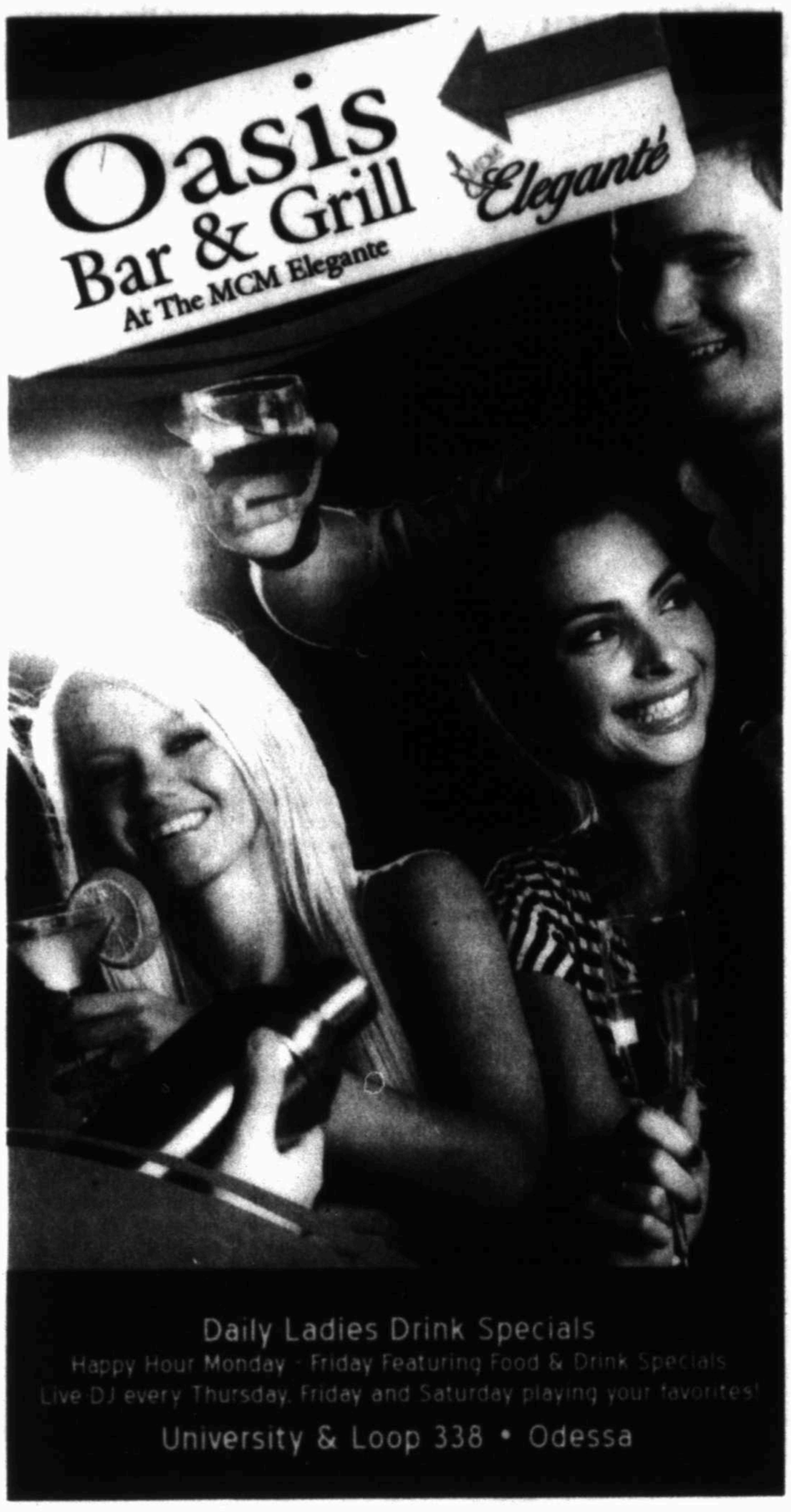
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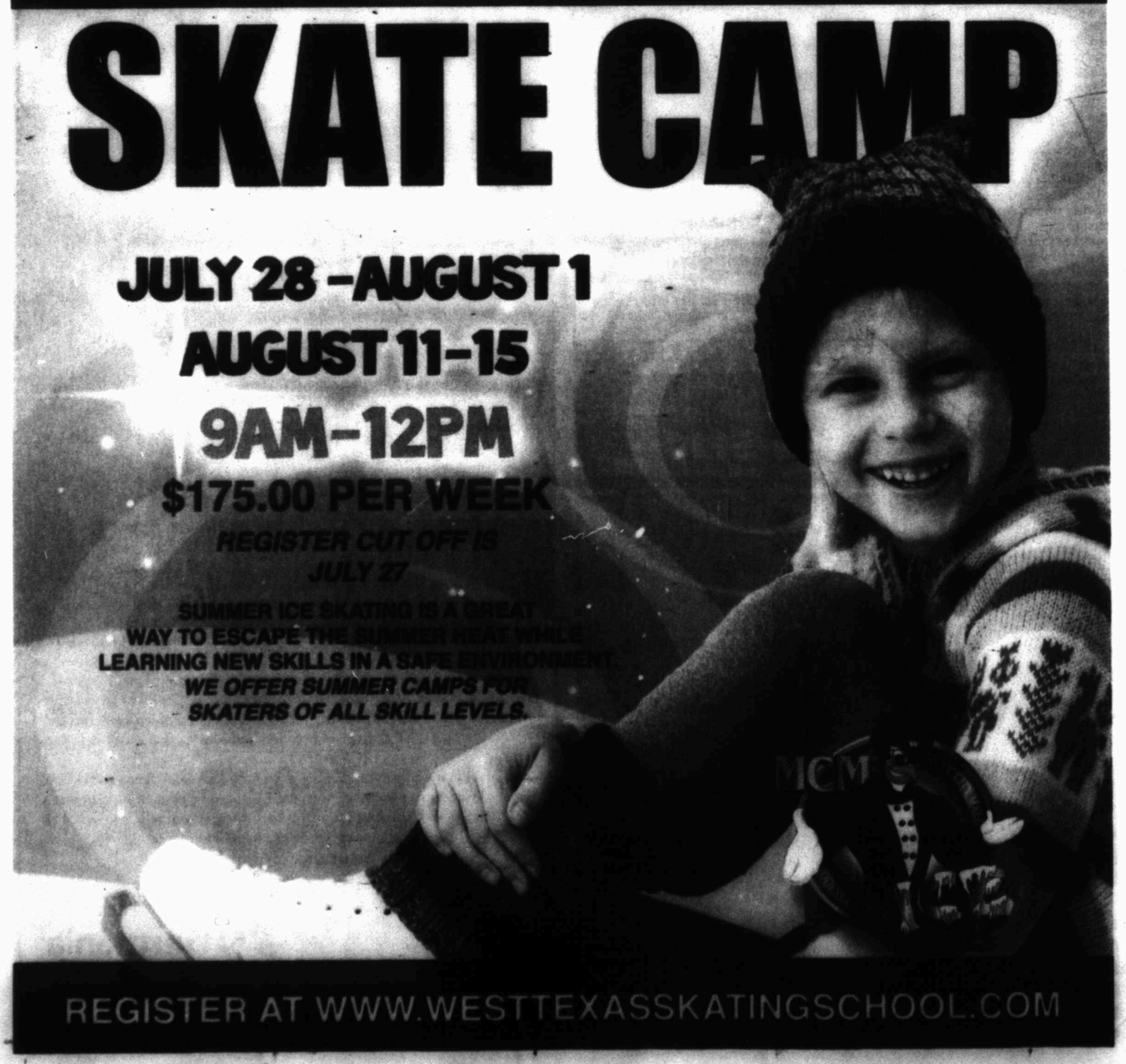
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Fracturing ban could spur wider legal clash

Denton residents cite loud noises, nauseating odors in fight against industry

By Jim Malewitz
Texas Tribune

DENTON — Debbie Ingram understands the importance of Texas' oil and gas industry and she enjoys the look of a lit-up drilling rig rising in the nighttime sky.

But a few months of living about 400 feet from a natural gas well — the source of a cacophony of noises and nauseating fumes that, at times, have overtaken her brick house — prompted her to join hundreds of others pushing back against the industry in the North Texas city.

"I couldn't sit on the back porch because I couldn't breathe," said Ingram, 67, wearing a black T-shirt reading "Frack Free Denton," the name of the grassroots group spearheading that opposition.

The group could have its moment in November. Voters will decide whether the city will become the state's first to ban hydraulic fracturing, the method of oil and gas extraction that has led to a domestic energy boom. But passage of a ban would probably trigger another fracturing fight: a legal clash over a city's power to regulate for health and safety and the rights of mineral owners to develop their resources. The outcome could reshape Texas law at a time when drilling is causing tension in some of its urban areas.

"It's going to be one of those first-time tests, and I don't think there's a clear answer out there in Texas law," said Jim Bradbury, a Fort Worth-based lawyer who focuses on environmental and energy issues.

The Denton measure would not prohibit drilling outright; it would apply only to hydraulic fracturing, which involves blasting apart rock with millions of gallons of chemical-laced water hauled in by trucks. After gathering nearly 2,000 signatures on a petition calling for a ban on hydraulic fracturing, opponents forced the City Council to vote on it. Council members rejected the proposal last week, leaving the decision to voters.

Denton, a city of 121,000 with more than 270 gas wells scattered among its neighborhoods, is one of several cities that has tried to ban fracturing. That includes towns in New York, whose highest court last month upheld local ordinances banning the practice. The state of Colorado has sued its cities that have banned fracturing and is pushing back against ballot measures that would toughen regulations. The prospect of such a ban in Texas — a leading oil and natural gas producer — has put Denton in a bright spotlight, rankling industry leaders and the state's Republican leadership.

"If one community after another

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RELATING TO REPTILES

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Michael Price, director of the I-20 Wildlife Preserve, gets out Scooter, an African spurred tortoise, to show off during the "Wild About Texas" animal presentation Saturday at the Sibley Nature Center.

Permian Basin can't escape boom-bust cycle

TERRY WILLIAMSON
Real life columnist

Every boomtown era is different in its own right, but I can't get over the idea that many Midlanders think we are exploring a new way of living.

The truth is, West Texas has seen boomtowns dozens of times since the late 1940s and early 1950s, when the Permian Basin exploded with all-out mining of major oil reserves.

Nearly all boomtowns share a few common threads. There is always a huge housing shortage, and cities struggle with how to educate all the new children who come into the system. Traffic increases by leaps and bounds, and roads deteriorate at a faster level.

And everyone across the nation wants their city to be a boomtown until it is one.

We are once again discovering that there are major upsides and steep downsides to every boomtown experience. West Texans also have discovered that you have to make hay while the sun shines because boomtowns do not last forever.

We are prisoners of our ability to get oil out of the ground, or to the price of oil, or to a government that can saddle the industry with uncompromising hurdles or to technology.

Yes, Midland has seen boom times before. Midland has also seen times of bust when there is plenty of housing, no traffic and no money.

One of the favorite jokes of a busted oil town goes like this. "What do you say to a geologist?"

"Hey, waiter, what's on the menu today?"

We've seen both sides of the boom-bust coin and we still can't get away from that cycle related to the oil industry.

I was a child when Snyder had its big boom era, about the same time Midland was booming in the '40s and '50s.

My dad told me about those days. He told me wonderful stories about some dirt-poor farmers becoming millionaires overnight with the discovery of oil on their land, while other farmers were passed over, leaving them with only

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Restaurant column receives overwhelming response

MELANIE NICHOLAS
MRT columnist

I have written quite a few columns over the last couple of years, some on love, some on loss. Miscarriages and fear, human frailty, dog snatching and the joys of childhood. But nothing has touched off quite so much debate as my last column. In case you missed it, I wrote about opening Midland's first "testaurant" to compete with the area's "breastaurant" eateries: Hooters, Tilted Kilt and Twin Peaks. The Fire Extinguisher Bar & Grill would employ only hot guys as chefs and servers. Hot, smart women would be managers. I opined that firefighters and young college boys would be the best candidates for employment there, since they need extra income with flexible hours.

The response was overwhelming. I have had more than 2,000 social media shares and a legit television production studio in Los Angeles has contacted me about basing a show on my restaurant concept. (Sorry, just couldn't help myself.) I wonder if the guys from "Black Gold" are ready for a new gig?

The fact that 2,000 people were interested in this topic is mind blowing. I am especially grateful for all the feedback and questions I have received. Here is what I have learned over the last couple of weeks.

■ My job as a columnist is to explore situations in my life, see how you relate and to examine how we feel about an issue. My job is not to tell you how to feel or what to do. Except for letting girls wear booty shorts. I still say don't let your daughters wear them. And no one listens, anyway. If it worked that way, I could tell you to pay more attention to your kids and partners, to work less and love more and to choose happiness and let go of the things that hurt you. You would know that you are loved and that you matter. But if everyone did what I wanted, I would be out of a job. On the other hand, I would be queen of the world.

■ Apparently, some people see being a mother or a woman as being far less valuable than other roles in society.

■ Several of my readers took me very seriously. I have actually had people contact me to ask me about investing. No one ever wants to give writers money, so I thought that was pretty sweet. And I don't mean sweet like puppies and lollipops. I mean sweet like a 1966 Mustang GT Fastback. Thank you all so much for recognizing my brilliance and

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Amid border crisis, situation in Brooks County turns urgent

By Molly Hennessy-Fiske
Los Angeles Times

FALFURRIAS — Daniel Zamarripa loaded his police dog into the back of his patrol car and set out to track his quarry — immigrants circumventing the local Border Patrol checkpoint.

Zamarripa, 27, is one of 15 reserve deputies brought in to assist the Brooks County Sheriff's Office, whose four deputies have lately found themselves overwhelmed by 911 calls from migrants stranded on the vast ranches that stretch from here to the horizon in all directions.

Then there are the bodies of migrants who didn't make it to retrieve and identify: 42 so far this year.

Most attention to the crisis on the Southwest border has focused in recent weeks on the Rio Grande Valley, where many of the 57,000 unaccompanied children and a large number of families have crossed from Mexico since October, double last year's total. Many surrender to immigration agents willingly at the Rio Grande, aware that they will be allowed to stay pending immigration court hearings.

But an unknown number end up here, 70 miles north of the border, in the meadows and scrubland that have become the region's deadliest killing fields for migrants. Since 2009, authorities have recovered more than 400 immigrants' bodies in the county, including a 16-year-old Central American boy discovered last month.

The land looks deceptively welcoming. Thick stands of scrub oak and mesquite give way to grasslands where cows graze. Everything is so green, it seems a pond or river must be around the next bend.

They are not.

As Zamarripa drove onto a ranch late last week, he cautioned that the landscape can be hypnotically similar. Getting lost is easy. The high that day was 100 degrees, with 67 percent humidity evident in sultry breezes. Zamarripa glanced back at Ivan, a big Belgian Malinois, who was panting in his carrier.

According to Chief Sheriff's Deputy Urbino "Benny" Martinez, officers have been catching 30 to 40 immigrants in the county a week, about double the number six months ago.

"Up here, they're trying to hide," he said. "The only time they give themselves up is when they're tired and they fear they're dying."

Law enforcement is under growing pressure to move quickly to save migrants and recover the dead. The challenge comes at a bad time of year, when brush is still abundant and high from recent rains, concealing both migrant routes and human remains.

"These are critical months," Martinez said. "When the vegetation goes down, that's when you start locating bodies."

Martinez does not receive direct federal funding for border security because his county lies too far north. He has been trying to coordinate a group of volunteer searchers to help deputies.

For officers like Zamarripa and his partner, Domingo Aguirre, 31, there's a sense of urgency, even on hot, slow days — a sense that they're missing someone lost in the scrub.

Smugglers generally ferry immigrants in groups from the valley up to a road south of the Border Patrol checkpoint. The immigrants are expected to skirt the checkpoint and walk along back roads and through the brush 25 to 30 miles north to another road known as a pickup point.

Some are misled by the smugglers.

"We had one a few weeks ago, they told him when they dropped him off he only had to walk a few miles to reach his

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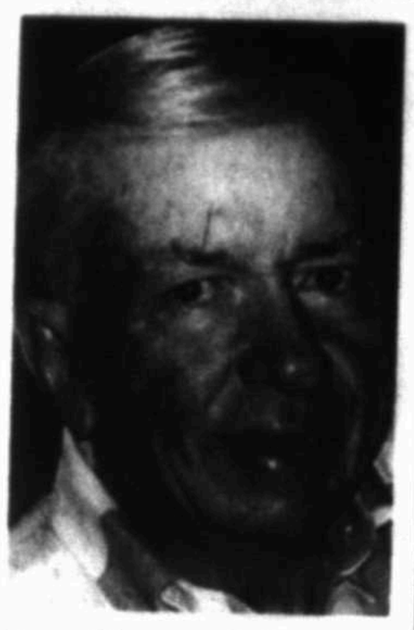

Don Seawright

Don Seawright, 70, of Midland, passed away peacefully in his home on Friday, July 25, 2014. He was a loving and devoted husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather and friend. Don was a Baptist and a member of the Midland community for almost 60 years.

Eddie Don Seawright was born on March 13, 1944 in Brady, Texas to Carl and Beaulah "Boots" (Hughes) Seawright. Don grew up in Mason, Texas and moved to Midland during the oil boom in the 1950's. Don married the love of his life, Lynda Sessions, on July 27, 1963, in Midland. He owned and managed Daddy Don's Steakhouse as well as the Last Chance Saloon. Don also worked as a salesman in the oil patch before retiring. Don loved horses and competing in team sorting events. Don won his last 2 competitions at the age of 70.

Don is survived by his wife of almost 51 years, Lynda Seawright; his son, Randy Seawright and wife, Debbie; his daughter, Kim Demerson; his grandchildren, Cory Seawright; Casey Seawright and his fiancée, Halee Walsh; Chandler Seawright; Trevor Demerson and Brenna Demerson; his great grandchildren, Cameron Seawright and Carter Seawright; his sister-in-law, Patsy Seawright; his beloved horse, Lady Bug; and numerous nieces, nephews and friends, all of whom loved and will miss him dearly.

Don was preceded by his parents, Carl and Boots Seawright; his brother, Tommie K. Seawright and his sister, Wanda Seawright.

Visitation will be held on Monday, July 28, 2014 from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at 10:00 AM at the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Chapel.

Funeral arrangements are under the care of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home and Crematory of Midland. Online condolences can be made at *www.npwelch.com*.

Dorothy "Dotsy" McKenzie Murray

Dorothy "Dotsy" McKenzie Murray, 73, of Big Spring, passed away peacefully at her home in company of her furry friends on Tuesday, July 15, 2014.

She was born January 15, 1941 in Pecos, Texas, to Thomas Richard and Lenore McKenzie.

Dotsy lived in Fort Stockton until her junior year in high school. During the drought of the 50's, the family moved to Clinton, Louisiana where her father, a third generation West Texas sheep rancher, took a job managing a plantation to survive the drought.

She graduated from Clinton High School and attended Ole Miss. A true Texan, she gradually made her way back to West Texas. "

She married Jim Murray on September 24, 1983. They moved to Big Spring from Big Lake in 2002. She was a homemaker and an accomplished artist, both on canvas and people's lives, and she loved all animals. She was a friend of Bill W. for over 31 years.

She is survived by her husband Jim Murray of Big Spring; her daughter, Beth Brady of Wimberley, Texas; her son, Don Brady and his wife Kasi of Paso Robles, California; five grandchildren, Laura Ellen Brady, Paso Robles, California; Paris Brady and Layton Patterson of Wimberley, Texas; Colter and Cassidy Brady of Cypress Point, Texas; and one sister, Linda LeTard of Atlanta, Georgia.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her son, John Tullie Brady; her grandson, Bryan Brady; and her sister, Sage (Mary Jean) McKenzie.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 P.M. on August 2, 2014, at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in Fort Stockton.

The family suggests memorials to Big Spring Humane Society, P0 Box 823, Big Spring, Texas, 79721-823.

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

Edith Marie Tutten

Edith Marie Tutten, 91, was born was born October 22, 1922 and known as Marie by those that knew and loved her. Marie Tutten was born in Midland, Texas to Newell and Sephrenia Beauchamp.

After losing her mother at a young age, her father married Dessie Kiser who raised and loved Marie as her own. She was raised in Midland and attended Midland High School.

Marie married Loyd McSpadden in 1940 and was blessed with a son, Billy Wayne McSpadden. After Loyd McSpadden's death, Marie worked at Cities Service Company where she met and later married William Tutten in 1955. Marie and Bill had two sons, David and John.

Marie and Bill were members of Westbury United Methodist Church. Marie's faith in God and love of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren gave her inspiration.

When the doctors recommended Marie consider an assisted living facility, there was natural hesitation and concern from Marie and her family. However, after a few weeks of living at Clarewood House, Marie felt right at home and had an active life, making new friends, attending Bingo, going to church services, and helping with exercise classes. Her life was full and rich with activities and her new Clarewood family. Marie never missed a moment to share prideful stories about her children and grandchildren.

Marie leaves behind her sister, Inez Thomas of Midland Texas; three sons, Bill McSpadden and wife Sheri of San Angelo, Texas, David Tutten of Houston, Texas, and John Tutten and wife Patricia of Sevenoaks Kent, England; and by four grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

We will miss her unyielding faith, her silly jokes, and her positive outlook. We all have a "Gratitude Attitude" for knowing she touched those that knew her and loved her.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland Texas.

The memorial service will be at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 31, 2014 at the Clarewood House Chapel.

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

Joseph W. Keffler

Joseph W. Keffler was born on April 6, 1921 in Malvern, Ohio. He passed away on July 7, 2014 in Midland, Texas. He grew up with many siblings including his last surviving brother, David.

Joe graduated from Malvern High School where he was a celebrated left handed quarterback. In 1939 he attended the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana until he dropped out to join the army. In the army he was a member of the 101st Airborne Division (the Screaming Eagles), 502nd Parachute Regiment, and 1st Battalion Easy Company. General Dwight Eisenhower personally presented him with a distinguished service medal for his courage and valor in the Battle of the Bulge. After his honorable discharge he enrolled in the Petroleum Engineering program at Ohio State University and played clarinet in the Buckeye Marching Band. He graduated from O.S. in 1947 with a degree in Geophysics.

Joseph began a thirty two year career with Phillips Petroleum and moved to West Texas with the first love of his life, Ruth Koehler. They were married until her death on July 20, 1999.

In his early career Joe and Ruth moved fifteen times including multiple moves to Borger, Texas, Brownfield, Texas, Ft. Stockton, Texas, Houston, Texas, Bartlesville, Oklahoma, and four times to Midland, Texas where Joe and Ruth raised three sons Bill, John, and Rob.

After his retirement from Philips in 1978, Joe Keffler opened his own oil exploration company and worked as an oil exploration consultant until he closed his office in 2011.

Joe met the second love of his life, Jo Francis and they married in 2003.

A lifelong Catholic, Joe was active in Knights of Columbus and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. He was a Scout Leader and Little League Coach.

In addition to his brother David and his beloved wife Jo, Joe Keffler is survived by children and their spouses, Bill and Chrissie Keffler, John and Donna Keffler, and Rob and Louise Keffler; step children and their spouses, Kenneth and Judy Terry, Susan and Tom Hatfield, and Sharon Roberts; grandchildren, Abby, Joey, Sam, Ellie, Will, Jeffrey, Louie, Natalie, Nancy, Martha, Matthew, Jack, Michelle, Kimberly, Heather, Michael, Justin, Robin, Ben, and Adam; grand in laws include Shane, Hunter, Paxton, Andi, Stephanie, Mark, Darin, Jane, and Nicole; and great grandchildren, Libby, Keagan, Kristen, Elizabella, Lizzie, Madison, Jack Henry, George, Peter, Lucy, Angeline, Matthew , Jordan, Joshua, Issabella, Vyden, Kaelyn, Macon, Chapman, Eleanor, and Celilia.

A visitation will be held at 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m. on Sunday, July 27, 2014 at Ellis Funeral Home, a rosary will be conducted during the visitation hours at 7:00p.m. at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel. A memorial service will be held at 10:00a.m. Monday, July 28, 2014 at St. Ann's Catholic Church.

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Mary Doyletta Davis

Mary Doyletta Davis, 70, of Midland passed away at her home surrounded by her family on Tuesday, July 22, 2014.

The family will be accepting guests at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 28, 2014. Memorial services will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 29, 2014, at St. Mark's United Methodist Church with Gilbert Bella officiating.

Doyletta was born on August 4, 1943, in Weatherford, Texas to Doyle Edwin and Edna Charlyn Collins. She worked with Exxon until she retired in the 90s. She loved being involved in her church and working as a Foster Grandparent with MISD, as well as reading, needlepoint, painting, writing, and collecting many items near and dear to her heart, but most of all she loved visiting and laughing with her friends and family.

Her greatest joy came from spending time with her family, especially her grandsons to whom she is affectionately known as "Meemom" and her beloved dog and best friend Biggio. She was the best mom, Meemom and friend to so many, who she would always lend a helping hand or ear and brighten their day with love and a smile when it was needed most.

She is survived by three loving daughters, Michelle Arellano and husband, Rick, of Midland, Tanya Davis Miller and husband, Gary, of Midland, and Shonda Carter and husband, John, of Fort Worth; two grandsons, Billy Davis and fiancé, Amy Shelkey, and Gage Davis, all of Midland; and numerous friends.

Doyletta is preceded in death by her parents, Doyle and Edna Collins; brothers, Nathan Collins, Charles Collins, and Jimmy Collins; her ex-husband and best friend, Bob Davis; and son Brett Davis.

The family would like to thank Hospice of Midland for all their comfort, support and help.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Hospice of Midland, PO Box 2621, Midland, Texas, 79702.

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Neal Robin Allen, P.C.

Neal Robin Allen, P.C., beloved husband and father, passed away after a lengthy illness on Monday, July, 21, 2014, at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland.

Mr. Allen received his undergraduate degree from Yale University and his Law degree from Harvard Law. He served in the military in the Judge Advocate's office and he served one year as Texas Assistant Attorney General State of Texas. He was Board Certified for both Business and Personal Bankruptcy.

Neal moved from Amarillo, where he had been with the law firm of Culton, Morgan, Britain and White, to Midland, where he joined the firm of Stubbeman, McRae, Sealy, Laughlin and Browder. After several years with them, he opened his own office, dealing with business and consumer bankruptcy, estate planning and probate law. Neal was President of the Permian Basin Bankruptcy Bar Association 1987-88 and was a Fellow of the Texas Bar Foundation.

Neal was born in Amarillo, Texas, December 17, 1932, the only child of James Robin Allen and Sybil Finklea Allen.

He is survived by his loving wife, Marilyn of Midland; two sons; Waide Robin Allen of Los Angeles, California, and Bradford Morgan Allen of Brooklyn, New York.

He is also survived by Marilyn's daughters, Pamela Pool Stevens and Marci Pool Hand of Amarillo and Victoria Pool Freeman of Corrales, New Mexico, along with their families. A special family member was his big dog named Ranger. We can visualize Neal and Ranger together again.

Neal's special interests were Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, Kiwanis International, civic activities and tennis. Memorial services are scheduled for Monday, July 28, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. The Reverend Barbara Kirk-Norris will be officiating at Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, 1412 W. Illinois Ave, Midland, Texas.

A special thank you goes to Dr. Gregory Bartha and the nurses and attendants of Manor Park and Midland Memorial Hospital.

In lieu of flowers, Marilyn requests donations be made to the Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity or a charity of your choice.

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Richard (Dick) Marion Oldham

Richard (Dick) Marion Oldham, 79, of Midland, Texas, passed away peacefully at Midland Memorial Hospital on July 22, 2014 following a bold and spirited, 14 year struggle with cancer; his wife, Shannon Oldham, at his side every step of the way.

Throughout his life, he maintained a loyalty, wit, and charm that won the trust and hearts of many.

He was born on February 14, 1935, in Abilene, Texas, to Dahlia Oldham Evans. He graduated Abilene High School where he was the first chair trumpet player. After attending Texas Tech University briefly, he transferred to Sul Ross State in Alpine, Texas, where he received his degree with a double major in geology and mathematics in 1956.

He began his career working at Core Lab in Abilene and Monahans, Texas. Shortly thereafter, he was called to duty to serve our country but after a brief stint at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas, he was deferred because of occupation necessary to national defense.

After his release, he restarted his career and began a lengthy tenure with Permian Mud, beginning in Monahans, Texas, then Hobbs and Lovington, New Mexico, Fort Stockton, Texas, and then to Midland, Texas, in 1970.

Early in his career, Dick began a lifelong friendship with Mr. Clayton (Claytie) W. Williams, and after a few years in Midland, Dick and Claytie started a mud company named Maverick Mud with Dick at the helm. After the oil bust of the 1980's, Dick realized his joy for just 'pounding the pavement' and visiting customers, and he closed the doors of Maverick Mud and moved to M-I Swaco where he kept a desk long after his retirement in 2010. Dick knew his business and he knew his customers and with that combination, he charmed the toughest of patrons!

Dick is survived by his loving wife of 28 years, Shannon Oldham. Shannon has been a blessing to the family, and was with him during the countless good years; she continued to remain by his side and be his best cheerleader during these last few difficult years.

He is survived by his first wife, Sue Applegate Mace of College Station, Texas, and their daughters, Suzanne Oldham Smith of Midland, Texas, and Cynthia (Cindy) Oldham Devlin and her husband Brian Tuckey Devlin of St. Croix, US Virgin Islands. He is also survived by his grandchildren, Sterling Scott Mitchell (first grandchild, who gave him his perfectly suited granddad name, Dandy) and his wife Elizabeth Grella Mitchell of Midland, Texas, Margaret Shelby Mitchell of Arlington, Texas, and Alexander Cole Devlin of St. Croix, US Virgin Islands.

Dick's extended family includes many sisters- and brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews who were devoted to and adoring of Dandy. He is also survived by friends too numerous to name.

Dick is predeceased by his mother, Dahlia and her husband Robert (Bob) W. Evans. He cherished his daughters; with Suzanne, he was so excited and concerned when she was giving birth to Sterling that he beat her to the hospital by two hours; once Suzanne arrived, everyone knew her! And with Cindy, each time she moved further away from 'home,' he and Shannon visited soon after the move to "make sure her new home was good enough for her."

He loved his grandkids. His first, Sterling, is quite the golfer; Dick rarely missed a tournament and relished the fact that he beat Sterling ONCE on the course, albeit, Sterling was a mere 10 years of age. His second and only granddaughter, Shelby, was once injured in Colorado and fainted. Dick carried her a very long distance down a steep mountain to get her to help. He would have carried her to the moon and back if needed. Upon meeting his third and final grandchild, Lex, in New York City, they became easy buddies. When visiting Lex on St. Croix, Dick witnessed him as a Boy Scout marching in the Veteran's Day Parade in downtown Christiansted; Lex became an Eagle Scout at the age of 15 and his Dandy could not have been more proud.

Dick loved the outdoors, beginning in the 1960's when camping with family in Colorado; it was there he created his signature recipe, beans and goo. He continued to find opportunities to be in the open air and fished regularly with his buddies; his fried fish was scrumptious! He was quite the cook and for years, he and his buddies A.K.A: "The Goat Mobile Gang", hitched a large barbeque smoker to the back of his car and went from party to party preparing the most tender and juicy of fare!

Dick was also known for his whistling and was often referred to as "Whistlin' Dick." His most enchanting quality was his quick wit, great timing, and incomparable ability to tell a joke. However, life was not all jokes, Dick was an honorable and principled man with great compassion for all things, a kind and gentle heart and a loving husband, father, grandfather, and friend. He was humble and generous never seeking praise or admiration, he gave selflessly setting an example for all to follow.

The service will be held at First Methodist Church, 300 N. Main St in Midland at 3:00 p.m. July 28, 2014. The service will be officiated by Kurt Borden, Associate Pastor.

Honorary pallbearers are his dear friends: Ferrell Davis, Ted Ferguson, Jerry Roberts, Claytie Williams, Charlie Semple, and Dr. Charles Younger, and also his grandkids, Sterling Mitchell, Shelby Mitchell,

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Lex Devlin, and his son-in-law Tuckey Devlin.

There will be a reception at the church following the ceremony.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, or Hospice, or any charity of your choice in honor of Dick Oldham.

Thanks to the staff at Midland Memorial Hospital, Dr. David Watkins, Dr. James Corwin, Emma Sarckees, Rachel Diaz, Kim Couthren, Deborah Hunter, the staff at Nalley-Pickle & Welch, the staff at First Methodist Church, and his friends and family who were by his side all the way.

We'll miss you Dandy.

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Virgil (Keith) Morgan

Virgil (Keith) Morgan (known as Pete to his family), was born on November 6, 1928 in New Castle, Oklahoma to Lester and Teulum Morgan. At the age of six they moved to Phoenix, Arizona.

Keith graduated from Phoenix Union High School in 1947. After a brief stint working for a Chevrolet dealership in Barstow, California, he returned to Oklahoma in 1950. There he began his career in the oil business working for United Supply and was immediately transferred to Snyder, Texas.

On December 24, 1952, Keith married Bervelene Freeman in Brownfield, Texas. They lived in Snyder, Texas until November 1955, and had one son Gaylan. Keith advanced from being a tool salesman in the oilfield to a city salesman in Midland. There they settled and raised his family having two more children, Alan and Kris Morgan. In the late 1950's he became United Supply's district manager for the Permian basin.

In 1964, Keith purchased A-1 Ace Rental in Midland and ran it successfully for approximately 10 years. During that time Keith teamed up with Howard Bolling and started doing some machine shop work out of Ace Rental.

In November of 1970, Keith married Patricia (Pat) French Bard and raised her daughter, Gina Bard Opheim as one of his own.

In 1974, Keith and Howard started B and M Machine Shop in Midland. Together Keith, Howard and their sons manufactured wellhead equipment, oilfield parts and drill pipe. Sometime later they changed the name to B and M Oil Tool Company. Around 1985, Keith bought out Howard's shares in the company. The company still operates today as a successful family owned oil and mining tool company with worldwide sales.

After Pat's death in 1994, Keith and Bervelene remarried in 1998. They happily shared their lives together with the four children and enjoyed their second chance until his passing.

Keith attended Kelview Heights Baptist Church early on and later attended Midland Christian Fellowship and Cornerstone Christian Fellowship. He was active in the Lions Club for many years, and also volunteered his time with Meals On Wheels here in Midland.

Keith loved to square dance, play dominos, and socialize in the evenings because during the work day he was all business. He enjoyed taking the family camping anytime he could get away.

Keith enjoyed cooking on his custom "3 Beers Morgan" barbecue pit for family and friends. He always had extra for any of his children's friends that would show up. It has been said that Keith mentored many of the friends of his children and was like a second father to them.

After Keith retired, traveling and spending time at the lake house fishing and visiting with family and friends was always a given.

Keith enjoyed spending time with not only his own family and anyone else who might drop by. As Will Rogers once said "A stranger is just a friend I haven't met yet" and Keith lived his life that way.

Keith is preceded in death by his parents, Lester James Morgan and Teulum Haun Morgan; wife, Patricia French Morgan; mother in law, Iris Moore Morgan; brothers, David F. Morgan of California and James N. Morgan of Oklahoma.

He is survived by his loving wife, Bervelene Morgan; children, Gaylan Morgan and wife Trisha, Alan Morgan and wife Jiamei, Gina Opheim and husband Lanny, Kris Morgan and fiancé Charity Smith, all of Midland; sisters, Cora Ann White of Phoenix, Arizona and Betty Ann Hood of Dell City, Oklahoma; nephews, Brian Miller and wife Eleanor (Lennie), James (Bud) Morgan, David Morgan, Bradford Hood and wife Latheia, Steve Freeman, Gary Freeman, Bryan Freeman, Michael Freeman, Ronnie Freeman, and Kevin Collins; nieces, Sandy Morgan, Monica Cooper, Andrea Andrade and husband Juan, Christina Carey, Teresa Johnson and husband Erick, Michelle Hood, Angela Eskeridge, Lura McCashland, Melanie Abend, and Bonnie Worley; grandchildren, Tiffany Morgan, Brittney Morgan Cobb, Kara Morgan Kettering, Eric Opheim, Kristopher Morgan, Brook Opheim, and Sydney Morgan.

The family will be accepting guests on Sunday evening, July 27, 2014, from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home. Funeral services will be held at Mid-Cities Community Church on Monday July 28, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. with Patrick Duffy officiating.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Home Hospice of Midland.

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Death Notices

Evonne Garza Martinez

Evonne Garza Martinez, age 56, of Midland, passed away Friday, July 25, 2014 in Midland.

Services are pending with Sunset Memorial Funeral Home.

Reva Alicia Hernandez

Reva Alicia Hernandez, 27, of Odessa, died July 23, 2014.

Survivors are her mother, Delia Blakeney; her daughter, Emma McKenzie Hernandez; one brother and two sisters.

Viewing will begin 1:00 p.m., Sunday, July 27, 2014, at Family Services Funeral Parlor in Kermit with graveside services scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 29, 2014, at Kermit Cemetery.

Rubenia Joyce Haynes

Rubenia Joyce Haynes, 82, went to be with our Lord, July 25th, 2014, surrounded by loved ones. She was born In Bowser TX. on July 21st, 1932.

She is survived by her 3 children, Deborah Campbell, Bobby Haynes, and Sandy Mehlhoff, 5 sisters, Patsy McKay Tacker, Merita Hart, Mae Moneyhun, Doris Whitley, and Glenda Cobb.

Memorial service will be held Tuesday July 29th, 2014 at 10am at Acres West funeral home. A private burial service for family will be held on Wednesday.

Severo M. Montes

Severo M. Montes, 60, of Big Spring, died Thursday July 24, 2014 at his residence. A prayer service will be held at 7:00 PM Sunday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Funeral services will be held 10:00 AM Monday at Myers & Smith Chapel. Burial will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

He was born to Emsrosiana and Porfidio Montes on July 19, 1954 in San Miguel Mexico.

He is survived by his wife Lupe Montes; three sons: Gregory Aguilar, Salvador Aguilar and Adan Trujillo; two daughters: Mary Graica and Rose Parnell; one sister: Marina Montes; and one brother: Jose Lourdes.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Terrance L. Coleman, 45, of Midland was charged Friday with violation of parole.

Diane E. Johnson, 20, of Midland was charged Friday with criminal mischief between $1,500 and $20,000.

Larry R. Melendez, 49, of Midland was charged Friday with felon escaping confinement and burglary of a vehicle.

Christopher L. Raines, 25, of Hamilton was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Robert D. Richardson, 24, of Midland was charged Friday with violation of probation.

John Roberts, 42, of Midland was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Timothy J. Rogers, 60, of Midland was charged Friday with violation of probation and driving while intoxicated three or more times.

Tony A. Stone, 48, of Midland was charged Friday with possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

STATE BRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

AUSTIN

Judge rules man had right to record police

A federal judge is allowing a lawsuit to proceed that alleges Austin police violated the constitutional rights of a man who was arrested repeatedly for recording officers as they made arrests.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Mark Lane ruled that 37-year-old Antonio Buehler had a right to photograph and videotape the officers. The Austin American-Statesman reports that Lane's order, filed Thursday, determined citizens can record officers in public places so long as they don't interfere.

Lane ruled that the city and its police department cannot escape liability for failing to establish a policy and for not training officers on how to proceed when they're recorded.

The judge rejected Buehler's claims of excessive force and malicious prosecution when arrested in 2012. He has been arrested on two other occasions while filming police.

SAN ANTONIO

Bar none? Not after $1M gift for Texas campus pub

Wealthy alumni usually finance new football stadiums or libraries at their old colleges. Tom and Leti Contreras are donating nearly $1 million to build a bar.

The couple met at St. Mary's University in the 1980s at an on-campus spot known as The Pub. It closed shortly thereafter and has left the small San Antonio liberal arts college without a watering hole ever since.

Tom Contreras told the San Antonio Express-News that he wants St. Mary's to "go another level" and attract quality students. He says the college needs to bring back a community atmosphere.

Construction is set to begin this fall. Preliminary plans call for a 1,200-square-foot bar with TVs and a stage for live music.

The new pub is scheduled to open next year.

Crime Stoppers fugitive

ISAAC ALEXANDER

DOB: 3-13-1990
Height and weight: 5 feet, 8 inches, 160 pounds
Charge: Assault on public servant — release affiant

- Wanted as of 7-25-2014
- Warrant #CR41824
- $250 Reward to the first person who calls Midland Crime Stoppers this week with information that leads to this fugitive's arrest
- Call 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP, online at midlandcrimestoppers.com or text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
- As always you will remain anonymous
- NEVER attempt to apprehend this subject yourself. Subject may be armed or dangerous.

Crime of the week

Midland Crime Stoppers and the Midland County Sheriff's Office need help solving a residential burglary.

Deputies were dispatched to 5007 W. County Road 116 on May 28 in reference to a burglary. The deputies found that the burglars had removed a window air conditioner unit and entered the home through the window. Taken were an iPad, a Vizio 47-inch TV, a blue ray player, 6mm bullets, 22-caliber bullets and hundreds of DVDs.

The items taken are valued at more than $2,000.

If you are the first person to provide information on this suspect and it leads to an arrest, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. You will remain anonymous and NO caller ID is ever used.

How to submit a secure tip

- **Hotline:** 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCKUP
- **Online:** www.midlandcrimestoppers.com
- **Text:** Text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
- **Mobile app on iPhone or Android phones:** Download free app TIP SUBMIT
- **Facebook:** Click "Submit A Tip" on left side of our Facebook page

Be sure to check out today's editors to read weekly

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Helping Hands of Midland
1301 BRINSON LANE
(BEHIND ROGERS FORD)
520-8900
www.helpinghandsmidland.com

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

Water	5 families	$305.80
Rent	5 families	$2,175.66
Transportation	1 family	$1,230.00
TOTAL		$25,514.46

We met with a new neighbor, a single mother of three, earlier this week. Her husband left a couple weeks ago and took off after she understands "some other lady." She has not called or seen him since, entirely wife. He left her with a few dollars in the bank and nothing else. She was able to take what little money she had and with the support of her friends and family, found a small apartment for her two dogs could move in.

When we met with her, she was working [illegible] 25 hours per week at a pizza restaurant [illegible] with the hope that she had graduated by the time school started because she had friends who could watch her children during those hours. She knew that the job called for. She felt it was the best she could do. We explained to her that no single person should make [illegible] a family of four, which she was acutely aware. The [illegible] down her face as we told her that we [illegible] We suggested that she apply for [illegible] shelter homeless women and children. However, because she did not want to abandon her two dogs she was hesitant to consider our advice.

Then we looked at her lease agreement. Her landlord [illegible] surely have been watching over her because her rent for a three bedroom house in south central Midland was only $550 per month. Perhaps it was her landlord who was the guardian angel [illegible] three bedroom homes in that part of town are [illegible] for [illegible] $1200 per month.

She has friends who can watch her children at a charge, provided that she work evenings. And we calculated that if she were to get a full-time job at $11 per hour she should be able to make it. As we figured what it would take to pay her bills, her tears began to flow. She began to see that a solution to her troubles might be in sight. We paid her rent for what she owed for July and for August, and asked her to take the time to find that better paying job. It was surely out there.

She left and the next client we met with said that, apologetically, she did not mean to eavesdrop on our conversation, but she recently started work at a new restaurant that was desperate for help. When she told us the location, we discovered it was right in the woman's neighborhood. We called the woman and told her about the job opportunity.

We received a call from her later that same day. Not only had the restaurant hired her full-time, but they were willing to coordinate her schedule with the friends who were able to watch her children. And she would start at $11 per hour.

As she told us of her success she laughed — such a tremendous sense of relief. She told us it was the first time she had laughed in over a month...and how good it felt! What a joy it was for us to hear.

We wish this woman, her children, and the two dogs well. We cannot help but know that God had a hand in all of this...and all of you who are God's hands in reaching out to those in need through your support of Helping Hands. God's abundant blessings will not be wanting.

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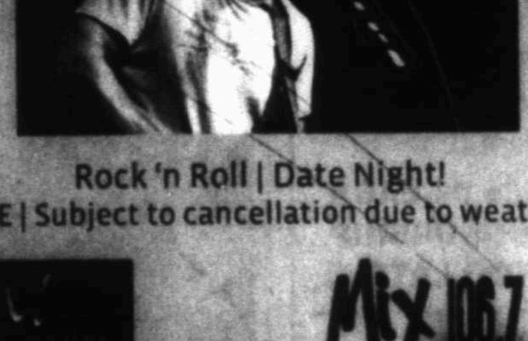

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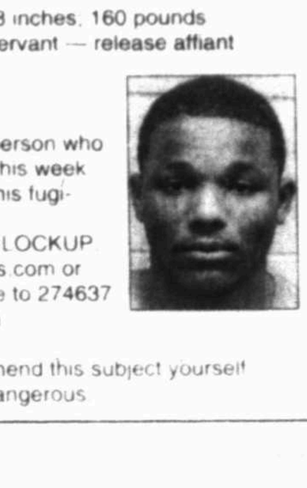

Sadey is a beautiful 3 year old Boxer female. She adores children but would need to be the only dog and no cats. She has been kennel trained and has good manners. A family couple or individual with Boxer experience is preferred. She loves to go on walks and would make a great best friend to someone who would give her lots of love.

Please contact the Midland Humane Coalition (Located inside Petsmart) For more information 432.520.3134
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continues to say 'Not in my backyard,' then before long, a tsunami of exclusion will jeopardize our freedom as a country," said Chris Faulkner, the chief executive of Breitling Energy in Dallas, one of many industry representatives who spoke at City Hall before the Council's vote.

In a letter to the City Council this month, Barry T. Smitherman, chairman of the Railroad Commission of Texas — the state's oil and gas regulator — praised the energy industry's multibillion-dollar impact on the Texas economy and its schools, and said a Denton hydraulic fracturing ban could embolden opponents across the state.

"If other cities were to follow your lead, then we could potentially, one day, see a ban on drilling within all cities in Texas," he wrote. "If that were to happen, I believe that our country, our state, its citizens and its school children would be severely harmed."

Proponents of the ban called the measure a last-ditch effort to address noise and toxic fumes that spew from wells just beyond their backyards, after loopholes and previous zoning decisions have rendered unenforceable changes to the city's drilling ordinance, including a 1,200-foot setback from homes, schools and other structures. Opponents argue that the move would effectively halt all drilling inside Denton, costing mineral owners and the local economy millions of dollars and exposing the city to expensive litigation.

Passage of the ban would almost certainly spur litigation, with energy companies and royalty owners arguing that state drilling regulations supersede Denton's and that the city was confiscating mineral property.

Those claimants could include the state, which owns minerals within Denton's corporate limits. Jerry Patterson, Texas' outgoing land commissioner, warned in a letter last week that the state would "pursue any available remedy to ensure the right to develop" those minerals.

George P. Bush, the Republican nominee in this year's election to succeed Patterson, said he supported that stance. "We don't need a patchwork approach to drilling regulations across the state," he said. But John Cook, Bush's Democratic opponent, disagreed, saying that "local communities need to have a say" in quality-of-life issues.

Though Texas courts have occasionally considered cities' drilling regulations, they have yet to see a case of such size and scope, legal experts said.

Texas law says the state intends its mineral resources to be "fully and effectively exploited," but courts have said that the power is not absolute. The Railroad Commission has jurisdiction over all oil and gas wells in the state, with authority to adopt "all necessary rules for governing and regulating persons and their operations." Local governments have the right to impose reasonable health and safety restrictions, and the Legislature has granted most Texas cities, including Denton, the power to "regulate exploration and development of mineral interests."

The state has long regulated most aspects of drilling, including well integrity, pipeline safety and air and water impact, while cities have typically controlled noise and authorized the location of wells or related facilities like compressor stations. Now, a key question is where fracturing falls in that spectrum.

Tom Phillips, chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court from 1988 to 2004, said he would expect courts to side with the energy industry — by ruling that the ban unconstitutionally supersedes state law or that it makes gas beneath the city too difficult to tap and amounts to a taking.

Phillips, now a lawyer with the firm of Baker Botts, who was asked to review the proposal for the Texas Oil and Gas Association, said that state law gave cities less stringent options for protecting health and safety at well sites and that Denton "can't just say no" to hydraulic fracturing.

Other legal experts acknowledge that state high courts tend to favor oil and gas interests, but say that Denton could make a compelling argument that a hydraulic fracturing ban would not wipe out all options to drill.

"To say that this is a slam dunk, it's a taking, I think that's painting with an overly broad brush," said Terrence Welch, a lawyer who has helped write drilling ordinances in several Texas cities. "The property — the mineral estate isn't left valueless. You can drill, but you just can't frac."

Bradbury, the Fort Worth lawyer, agreed and noted that new technology has enabled drillers to reach resources thousands of feet away at various angles. He suggested that some companies might reach Denton's gas from outside city limits.

Fertilizer makers blame city for blast

Associated Press

WACO — Two fertilizer companies sued following a deadly Texas explosion are claiming the small town deserves blame for failing to properly train volunteer firefighters and first responders, who made up most of the 15 people killed by the blast.

El Dorado Chemical Co. and CF Industries argued in a state district court in Waco that the city of West, which has about 2,800 people, had insufficient protocols in place to battle the April 2013 blaze at West Fertilizer Co. that triggered the explosion.

The fertilizers suppliers are now seeking to have the city designated as a "responsible third party" in lawsuits filed against the companies, the Waco-Tribune Herald reported Saturday.

The Texas State Fire Marshal's Office concluded in a report published in May that members of the West Volunteer Fire Department arrived at the scene that day unprepared for the dangers.

"The Texas State Fire Marshal also determined that strategies and tactics utilized by the WVFD were not appropriate for the situation and unnecessarily exposed the firefighters, many of whom have brought claims against the CF defendants in this matter, to extreme risks," CF Industries said in the motion.

A motion from El Dorado also alleges that the city should be named as a responsible third party because it failed to protect its citizens by allowing through its zoning authority schools and a nursing home to operate in a close proximity to the plant.

Waco attorney Steve Harrison, who represents the city of West in the lawsuit and many of those killed or injured in the blast, said it is common in lawsuits for defendants to blame everyone but themselves.

"Some things really just don't need any comment," Harrison said.

West Mayor Tommy Muska, who also is a volunteer firefighter, declined comment on the motions by the company, saying he cannot discuss pending litigation on the advice of Harrison.

About 200 plaintiffs, including families of those killed and injured, have filed lawsuits in the wake of the blast. State District Judge Jim Meyer has divided them into three trials, with the first scheduled to begin in July 2015.

State investigators concluded that firefighters' water didn't cause the explosion, noting they were trying to stop a blaze "significantly beyond the extinguishment phase."

Even as some first-responders expressed misgivings about the size of the fire, the firefighters did not pull back, according to the report. One of the West volunteer firefighters, Cody Dragoo, is quoted in the report as telling another firefighter that the building had ammonium nitrate but "it could never get hot enough for it to go off." Dragoo died in the blast.

REGIONBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW MEXICO

Some Water Bank deliveries curtailed

ALBUQUERQUE — An irrigation district that provides water to farmers throughout the Middle Rio Grande Valley is curtailing water deliveries, officials announced Friday.

The suspension of the deliveries was caused by sporadic rainfalls and inadequate water storage in El Vado Reservoir, according to the Middle Rio Grande Conservancy District.

New water deliveries to Water Bank users will halt until further notice.

Under the conservancy district's policy, each water-bank lease is subject to curtailment in times of shortage.

The district established target water levels, both at El Vado Reservoir and the flows in the Rio Grande, as triggers to curtail deliveries to Water Bank users.

Lake levels at Heron, El Vado and Elephant Butte are all expected to drop by the end of the year.

Officials blamed below-average snowpack in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico for this year's limited water supplies.

Farmers in southern New Mexico and parts of Texas who depend on the river were expecting to get about 6 inches of water to irrigate each acre this season. That's double what they received last year, but only a fraction of a full allotment.

New Mexico is entering its fourth consecutive year of drought after one of the driest winters on record. The drought reached unprecedented levels last summer, and nearly 70 percent of the state is still in severe drought with little promise of moisture this spring. A recent forecast from the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service shows spring and summer stream flows in New Mexico have been less than half of average and in some cases less than 25 percent of average.

New Mexico has weathered the drought through piecemeal responses, such as temporary water-sharing agreements and watering restrictions.

NEW MEXICO

Man killed pet dog to serve as dinner

EDGEWOOD — Authorities say a New Mexico man slaughtered his family's dog to serve it for dinner.

KRQE-TV reported Friday that Torrance County deputies arrested 46-year-old Salvador Martinez at his Edgewood home.

According to a criminal complaint, deputies conducting a welfare check July 18 were told by Martinez's girlfriend that he had killed the dog, a 9-month-old chiweenie named Onyx.

Deputies said they found the dog's carcass in the freezer.

Martinez told deputies he stabbed the dog with a screwdriver and researched dog meat recipes online.

Torrance County Sheriff Heath White said eating dog isn't illegal. But he said it is "extremely disturbing" the way in which the dog was killed.

Martinez faces a charge of extreme animal cruelty and child abuse.

He is currently in federal custody on unrelated charges.

NEW MEXICO

County has given hundreds of gay marriage licenses

LAS CRUCES — A southern New Mexico county clerk says he has issued nearly 900 marriage licenses to same-sex couples in the past year.

The Las Cruces Sun-News reported that Dona Ana County Clerk Lynn Ellins said Friday his office has given out 896 licenses since August 2013.

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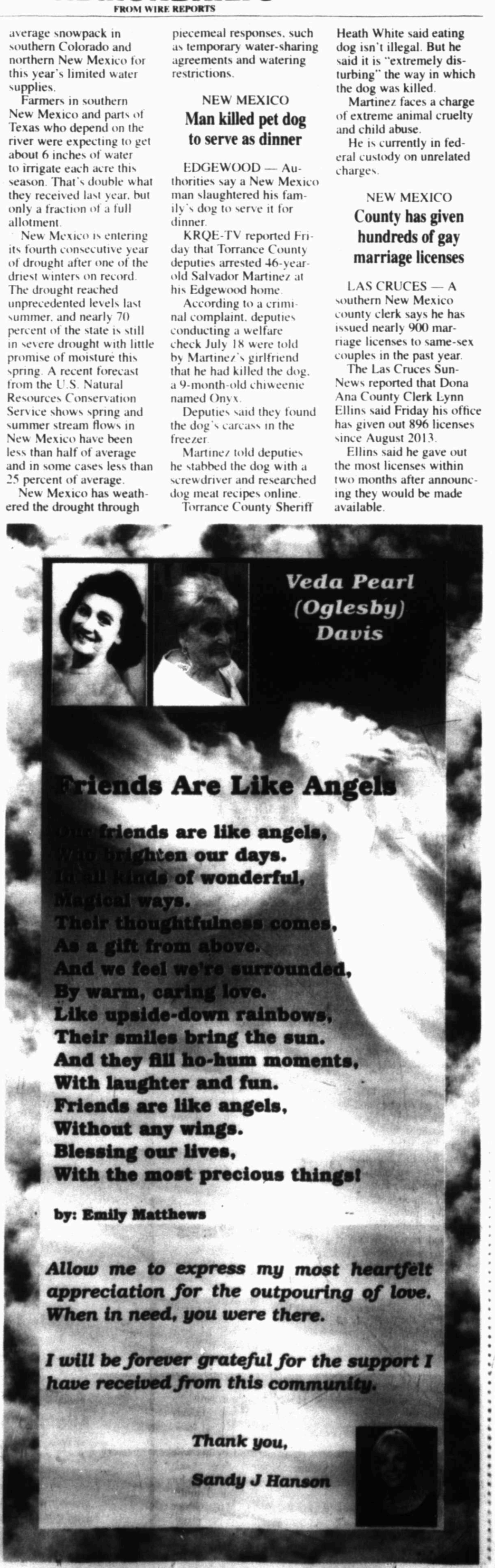

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Bare Knuckle Babes are sisters in noodling

By Barry Shlachter
Fort Worth Star-Telegram

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Sammy Jo of Pawhuska, Okla., displays a catfish she caught earlier in the day in Rockwall on July 11. Some women skydive, some rock climb. Then there are the 14 women who meet up every so often in North Texas to compare skills at overpowering brutishly ugly, 60-pound catfish by blindly sticking a hand in their big mouths. Meet the Bare Knuckle Babes. The all-female group of noodlers was the brainchild of an enterprising Rockwall real estate agent named Jennifer Drake.

FORT WORTH — Some women skydive, some rock climb. Then there are the 14 women who meet up every so often in North Texas to compare skills at overpowering brutishly ugly, 60-pound catfish by blindly sticking a hand in their big mouths.

Meet the Bare Knuckle Babes.

The all-female group of noodlers was the brainchild of an enterprising Rockwall real estate agent named Jennifer Drake. Three years ago, she organized 13 young, down-home women to pose for a calendar project with mud-dwelling catfish they hadn't nabbed themselves. (The next month, Texas officially allowed hand-fishing, dropping a $500 fine.)

It was clearly a money-making lark for Drake. But four of the models got, um, hooked, and since then every "babe," from Miss January through Miss December and the calendar's "cover girl," has been a noodler. Drake herself had been noodling for years. (She even converted her very reluctant husband, who had called the sport "ludicrous" and not for someone like him with "all my teeth in my head." Today Eddie Drake holds a tournament noodling record.)

What the businesswoman/hand fisher is tapping is the sport's new-found fame, which is due in no small part to the insatiable American appetite for reality TV shows, such as Animal Planet's "Hillbilly Handfishin'" and The History Channel's "Mudcats," which covers catfish noodlers in Oklahoma, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported.

In September 2011, Texas legalized what's also called hogging, stumping, catfisting, cat-daddling, grabbling, graveling, dogging, gurgling and tickling, depending on the particular body of water or region. No one seems to know the origin of the most popular term, noodling. Drake believes the sport dates back to Native Americans.

The original babes got paid for posing in bikinis for the first calendar, but not for subsequent editions, although they get appearance fees at special events. The $20 calendar has a press run of about 1,000.

"It started as a hobby and now there's a huge following," said Drake, who also sells $25 Bare Knuckle Babe T-shirts, $3 koozies and $2 rubbery bracelets on her website. And her noodlers raise money for charity (a recent guided noodling expedition netted $25,000), she said. Such outings with two women hand fishers start at $1,500. Dallas' Trinity River Audubon Society is a favorite nonprofit of her group.

Drake's bare knucklers appear to do it more for the sport and accompanying camaraderie than for any monetary gain.

"We're definitely a team. I don't want to call it a sorority. It's more like a sisterhood," explains Fort Worth resident Shereen Lewis, 25, who clerks at a downtown FedEx outlet on weekdays. "We learn so much from each other. I love it."

Drake said she enforces strict rules since noodling can be a dangerous sport — two 19-year-old men drowned in May while noodling near Sulphur Springs in East Texas, and a 26-year-old noodler drowned in June 2013 in Oklahoma City's North Canadian River. She suspects beer might play a role in accidents and bans alcohol on her outings. Drake also insists on a buddy system for support in case a big fish drags a noodler under water.

While catfish don't have sharp teeth, their mouths are like sandpaper, which can leave cuts, scrapes and bruises. Some noodlers wear gloves.

At tournaments, Drake said some male competitors have refused to believe that the women were the real thing.

"A lot of people thought we were too cute or too citified to be noodlers," she said. "But we have videos to show we really do hand fish."

On a recent July evening, Lewis and three other bare knucklers waded into Lake Ray Hubbard and felt for holes with their feet in the muddy bottom near a concrete boat ramp. Then they poked a foot into unseen crevices, hoping to grab a whiskered flathead catfish, a.k.a. yellow cat, opelousas, motley or shovelhead.

They were trying to fill pickups with catfish for a tournament in Royce City.

All emerged empty handed, including 25-year-old Faun Coffins, who had flown in from Colorado.

Luckily, Crystal Staggs, a 33-year-old stay-at-home mom from Forney, had gone out earlier with her husband, a relative newcomer to the sport, and caught several flatheads, including one that weighed in the vicinity of 45 to 50 pounds.

"This is the biggest fish I've caught so far," Staggs said.

"It thrashed a lot while I held on with my hand. It's like riding a bull. You're terrified, but also excited. There's an adrenalin rush putting your hand in there. It's so intense. And you're like: I did it!"

While all are outdoors-women, many challenge the redneck stereotype. Collins just received her bachelor's degree in May and will start a master's program this fall at the University of Denver. Another will be starting medical school. Others include a registered nurse, a teacher and a graduate student in communications.

And Drake said that, as incredible as it may sound to some, "we've become role models to other women."

At noodling tournaments, women have come up to thank the Bare Knuckle Babes for opening the eyes of their husbands and realizing that non-males enjoy the sport, she said.

"After years of marriage, they tell me they've finally been taken fishing," she said. "We've brought families together. Yes, we have."

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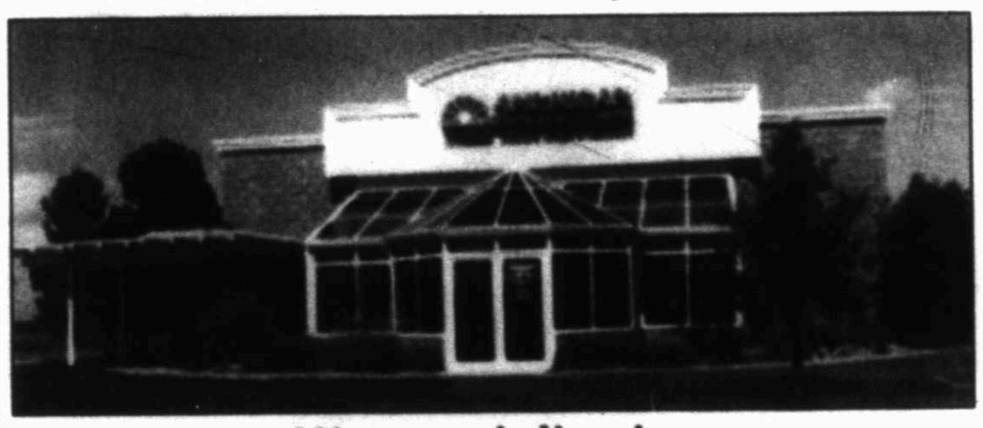

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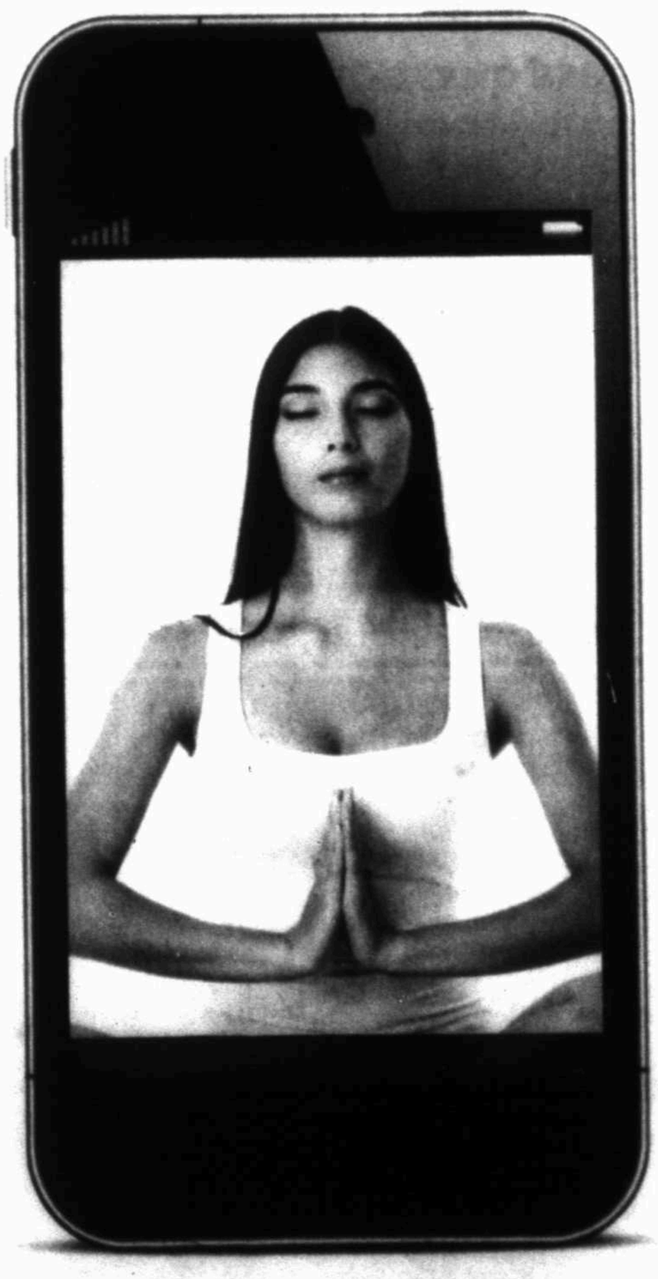

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FBI: No arrests made yet in scam targeting migrant kids

By Juan A. Lozano
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Scammers have been preying on the relatives of unaccompanied young migrants being held at two U.S. military bases by conning them into paying nonexistent fees to be reunited with their loved ones, officials said.

The FBI is trying to determine how many people have been victimized by the scheme, in which con artists use private information about the children to contact their family members and demand payment for bogus processing and travel expenses needed to reunite the kids with their relatives.

"With each day that passes, we identify new victims who have paid money and have suffered losses," Michelle Lee, a spokeswoman for the San Antonio FBI office, said Friday.

No arrests have been made and the FBI has declined to say how those behind the scheme may have gotten the children's personal information.

The children whose families have been contacted by the scammers were staying at shelters at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio and Fort Sill in Oklahoma. The shelters are run by Baptist Child and Family Services, a San Antonio-based nonprofit, on behalf of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the agency in charge of the children's welfare.

The children at Lackland and Fort Sill are some of the tens of thousands of unaccompanied minors who have been caught at the U.S.-Mexico border. More than 57,000 minors have arrived since October, mostly from El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala.

As part of the process of reuniting children at the two military bases with family members in the U.S., case workers for the nonprofit contact relatives. But at some point after that initial contact, scammers have been calling relatives and demanding money to complete the reunification process, Lee said.

The scammers have requested payments ranging from $300 to $6,000 and have called relatives in 12 states, including Alabama, Florida and Massachusetts.

Case workers have been able to warn relatives of the scam, with some family members telling investigators that con artists who called them hung up once they were challenged about the legitimacy of their requests, Lee said.

"The well-being and safety of these children is our top priority and we take any reports of fraud very seriously," Kenneth Wolfe, a Department of Health and Human Services spokesman, said in an email. "No direct payment to shelters will ever be requested during the reunification process."

There are currently 999 children at the Lackland temporary shelter, Wolfe said. Thus far, 3,376 children have gone through the Lackland shelter. Fort Sill currently has 706 children, with 1,155 having gone through the facility.

Situation

From 1B

final destination: Houston," Aguirre said.

Houston is 270 miles north.

"They see the lights and think it's Houston," Aguirre said. "When we tell them it's Falfurrias, that they're far away, they give up."

The officers slowed near a work site where several men were installing an underground natural gas pipeline. Immigrants follow the pipeline north, they said.

Zamarripa turned onto a paved road.

"The pickup area," he said. "This is a dangerous road. There should be no one traveling this except the ranchers."

Today, no one was.

Zamarripa and Aguirre usually live and work as school police in the Rio Grande Valley. Zamarripa is the shorter of the two, with a goatee. Other than that, they are a clean-cut matched set in black bulletproof vests, reflective shades, tactical pants and short sleeves that reveal tattooed biceps.

Zamarripa drove on, back toward the checkpoint, past a sign with an arrow that says, "Town."

He stopped at an abandoned machine shop where they recently caught five immigrants. The back door gaped open. Inside, the deputies found signs of new arrivals: empty electrolyte water bottles, a crumpled pair of black denim shorts and a red Spider-Man backpack next to a torn mattress.

They checked an adjacent trailer: Again, no people. But even when immigrants can't be seen, their presence is inescapable: Another mattress, more electrolyte bottles, a woman's black elastic snap belt.

Zamarripa recalled asking a group of immigrants he apprehended why they came so far north.

"They could just stay in the valley. They could blend in," he said.

The simple answer: Houston.

"All we hear about is Houston," he said. "Houston's the promised land to them."

As the deputies finished their patrol that afternoon, a few miles across town, Eddie Canales was starting his.

Canales, a former carpenter's union organizer in jeans and a polo shirt as gray as his short hair, was loading jugs of water into the back of his pickup outside his office at the South Texas Human Rights Center in Falfurrias.

He got permission from ranchers to install the "water stations" — barrels loaded with the jugs — in April. He has 35 in place, and plans to have 60 by summer's end.

At first, he placed barrels on the more remote roads migrants frequent. In recent weeks, he grew concerned as more children headed north, and he set up barrels closer to the highway, where youths in distress might hear traffic and seek help.

When Canales started, he refilled the barrels every two weeks. Now he refills them weekly. On this day, he checked a barrel stationed beneath power lines migrants often follow north. He had filled it with at least a dozen gallon jugs a week earlier.

"Empty. Completely empty."

Canales drove on to another barrel. He hadn't seen any immigrants today, but he'd been doing this long enough to know that what counted was what he didn't see. He gestured to low stands of trees as the brutal sun slowly sank.

"They're in here," he said. "People are in here."

Nicholas

From 1B

a smokin' hot idea when you see one.

■ It would cost about $2 million to open The Fire Extinguisher in Midland, I checked.

■ I wonder if it is time for us to start having conversations about how we really feel about the sexualization and objectification of people in our everyday lives. I was a little surprised by the "turnabout is fair play" comments I received and the number of women who were more than ready to ogle men for a change. I was dismayed to learn that a group of Midland Police Department wives was upset about my article. It was satirical, ladies. I really don't want your husbands to come work for me, half-naked and slinging meat to customers. It troubles me that so many of the men and women who risk their lives to keep us safe have to take second jobs so they can afford groceries.

■ And speaking of groceries, Midlanders are hungry. Many of the women I heard from don't actually eat when they go out; they save their calories for a glass of wine. Others are hungry for really good food, such as my menu offerings of Brown Sugar Bourbon ice cream, tapas and stinky cheese.

■ Women, moms in particular, are not getting out of the house enough. I love my life and I adore my children, but sometimes I just have to get out of the house and have "keep Mommy sane" time. This usually involves the elliptical and girlfriends or booze and girlfriends. You pick your poison. But seriously ladies, do yourselves a favor and make yourselves a priority. Arrange playdates for yourselves.

Do any of you have other insights about the restaurant, want to suggest some good local spots for mommy playdates or think "does that work?" Ideally, I would like to set up mom's nights out, but it is a problem because I don't live there anymore. I will be there for Christmas, so maybe I could work toward setting something up.

I think I need a twin.

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Williamson

From 1B

parched dirt that wouldn't grow a crop.

He said that Snyder once swelled to well over 20,000 residents. There were no places to stay. Flop houses were opened, and an oil field worker would purchase his cot space for the night. If you moved from your cot, it was sold to the next person in line.

I told my dad, "That kind of living had to be hard on your kidneys," and he replied, "I suspect there were a lot of wet cots."

That gave me a whole new perspective on what it must have been like to work in the oil field in those days. Oil companies today rent out hundreds of rooms for their workers. We complain about the cost of hotels in the area and the lack of rooms, but it sure beats the old flop houses. That's just not a good answer to affordable housing.

We complain a lot about the ill effects of the boom on our community, but no one wants it to go away as long as we can keep our pants dry.

Thought for the Week: The difference between a town in boom and bust is people get rich in boom times and go broke in the bust. Those not affected by either is what you call diversification."

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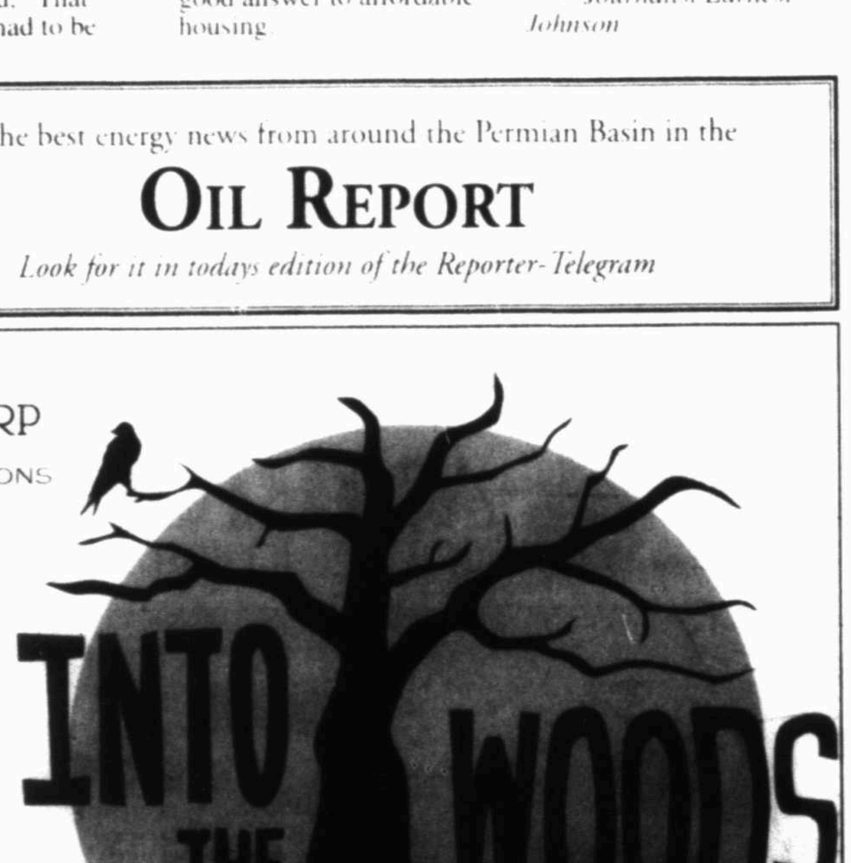

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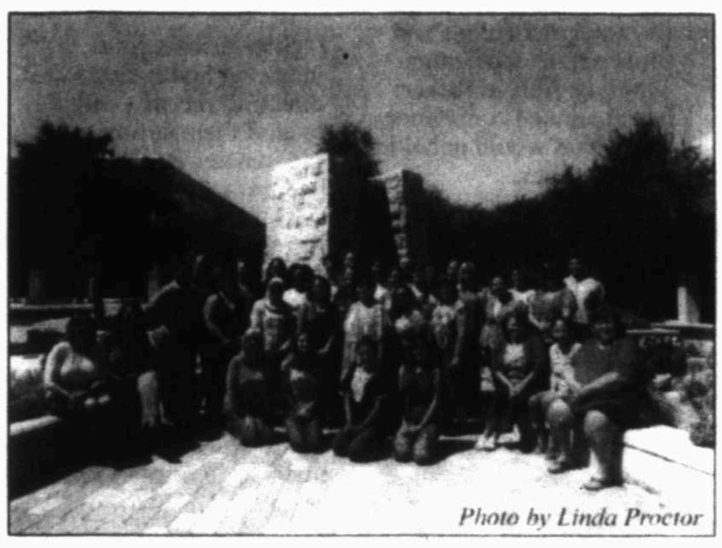

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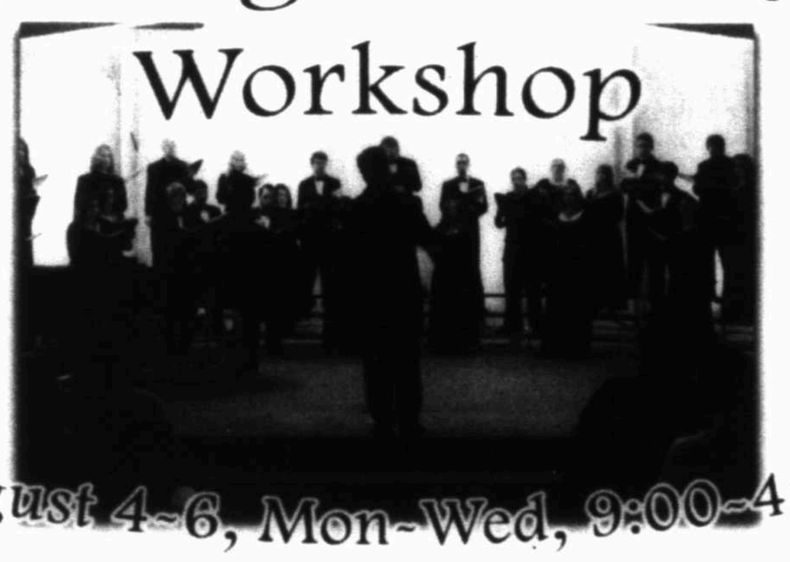

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Abel Alvarez, the minister for the Harvey Drive Church of Christ in McAllen, stacks cots into the arms of a church member as they unload the Global Samaritan Resources trailer on July 16. GSR delivered cots, clothes and other supplies to assist with the surge of undocumented immigrants crossing the border from Central America.

Nonprofit serves churches serving immigrants

By Ronald W. Erdrich
Abilene Reporter-News

MCALLEN — When the truck lurched, Danny Sims knew it wasn't good.

In the rearview mirror he could see pieces from one his trailer's tires flying into the air. The car behind him swerved to avoid the trailer's fender, taken out by the blown tire. The spiraling piece of tin mashed itself against an eighteen-wheeler's grill farther back.

It was the first of two tires he would lose that night.

Sims pulled over. The trailer's side, painted with the Global Samaritan Resources logo, was now also marked with black streaks.

Sims is the executive director for Global Samaritan Resources. The trailer he was towing carried a full load of cots, used clothing and baby supplies, all of it bound for the Harvey Drive Church of Christ in McAllen. Their final use would be determined by faith-based groups responding to the recent surge of Central Americans crossing the U.S.-Mexican border illegally.

Despite the delay, there were still people at Harvey Drive waiting to greet Sims' group hours later. More than 20 people began stacking the cargo inside a backroom of the church's activity center. Later, Sims' group set up cots in another room, reserved for a Boy Scout troop, and bedded down for the night.

Over breakfast the next morning, Abel Alvarez, the church's minister, described the effect of the increase of immigrants crossing the border.

"I think three years ago, the (annual) numbers were 17,000 to 20,000," he told the Abilene Reporter-News. "Right now they've processed over 50,000, and we're expecting maybe another 90,000 by the end of the year."

All that just since Oct. 1, 2013.

"It's mind-boggling," Alvarez said.

Most are women traveling with their children, but other children of varying ages are traveling solo. All of them come from the so-called Northern Triangle of Honduras, Guatemala and El Salvador.

"It's mostly Honduras. We haven't had anybody from Mexico," said Leticia Benavides, who oversees the project operations for Sacred Heart Catholic Church's immigration assistance center. She said the church became involved in early June.

"We estimated about 200 people every day for that first week," said Benavides.

Twice-daily buses filled with families released by the U.S. Border Patrol are dropped off at the church. But where the unaccompanied immigrant children are taken, no one seemed to know.

Alvarez said not having access to those children is becoming an issue with the faith community.

"They need pastoral care and we're asking to be let in," he said, adding they've so far had no luck.

At Sacred Heart, workers gather immigrants' information in case family members call looking for them. Then, the workers see to the immigrants' needs.

"They're fed, we provide them clean clothes, offer them a shower and have volunteer doctors who see them for minor things," said Benavides.

The church is two blocks from the bus station. Immigrants used to collect there, their tickets paid by family members, until overcrowding forced them out. That's when volunteers started taking them into their homes, and then Sacred Heart.

"We had a lady here from the center, we called her El Angel, because at one time she had nine families at her house," said Benavides.

Immigrants may only stay a few hours until they catch a bus to wherever they planned to travel. Those arriving later in the day spend the night, sleeping on cots in air-conditioned tents behind the church.

Climbing atop the infamous freight train known as La Bestia — The Beast — has been the most notorious way for immigrants crossing Mexico to the American border.

It's also known as The Death Train because so many have been maimed or killed boarding it. The train normally doesn't stop for the immigrants; those people must jump on a moving train.

On July 10, La Bestia derailed in the state of Oaxaca, stranding 1,300 immigrants. Heavy rain and overloading was blamed; it was the third immigrant train derailment in southern Mexico in a month.

Immigration is a sore subject in America. Some label immigrants entering the country without documents as criminals, while others point to Emily Lazarus' 1883 poem inscribed under the Statue of Liberty welcoming "the homeless, tempest-tost (sic)."

But like any political problem, this one has many layers. The most visible, people crossing the border, is only the most obvious.

"The drug cartels have been able to collapse any kind of rule of law," Alvarez said. He pointed to the valley's bordering state of Tamaulipas and the Mexican government's ineffectiveness there.

"They don't run that state, the cartel does," he said. "So how can I fault some little country in Central America, who doesn't have 10 cents to rub together?"

Earlier this month, the commander for U.S. Southern Command, Marine Corps Gen. John Kelly, wrote in a column for Military Times that Northern Triangle drug cartels "have left near-broken societies in their wake." Money fueling the violence, he says, comes directly from the U.S. illicit drug trade.

Kelly cited U.N. statistics labeling Honduras as the world's most violent nation, with a rate of 90 murders for every 100,000 people. By contrast, recognized war zones, such as the Democratic Republic of the Congo in 2012, rated 28 murders per 100,000.

"I know that the stories that we hear over and over again is, 'We're fleeing the violence,'" Benavides said.

STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

HOUSTON

Vote on anti-bias ordinance still possible

Houston city leaders still don't know whether opponents of new anti-bias protections for gay and transgender residents have enough signatures to force a repeal vote in November.

The Houston City Council in May adopted the discrimination bans in housing, employment and services provided by private businesses such as hotels and restaurants. Critics contend the ordinance impedes on religious liberties.

The Houston Chronicle reported that a minimum of roughly 17,000 signatures is needed to let voters decide the issue this fall. Opponents claim they've collected nearly triple that number.

City Attorney David Feldman told council members Friday it was too soon to tell whether there are enough valid signatures. He said verifying has been meticulous and proven time consuming.

Mayor Annise Parker has expressed confidence that voters would uphold the ordinance.

HOUSTON

Democrat in Houston DA race says no jail for pot

The Democratic nominee for district attorney in Houston says if elected she won't jail people for small amounts of marijuana.

Kim Ogg said she will instead issue citations and enforce community service for people suspected of misdemeanor pot possession. She says two days of picking up litter would avoid a conviction.

Ogg is running against Republican Houston District Attorney Devon Anderson. The Houston Chronicle reported that Anderson released a statement saying she is working on a similar program and agreed that low-risk offenders are straining the system.

Ogg said more than 12,000 people were charged in 2013 with marijuana possession of less than 4 ounces. She told reporters they were then jailed for an average of five days, costing taxpayers $4.4 million.

CORPUS CHRISTI

Early release of inmates prompts order by judges

State district court judges in South Texas are directing sheriff's officials to alert them before releasing inmates due to jail overcrowding.

The Nueces County Sheriff's Office will notify the judges when releasing inmates who were assigned to their courts. The Corpus Christi Caller-Times reported a 1992 court order allows county officials to release prisoners early to avoid state rules against overcrowding.

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Happy Retirement Debbie Bounds!

Midland Reporter-Telegram employee Debbie Bounds is retiring July 31 after 20 years with the company. Please join the newspaper's staff as we gather to wish Debbie well and show our appreciation for her longtime service.

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Midland Reporter-Telegram lobby

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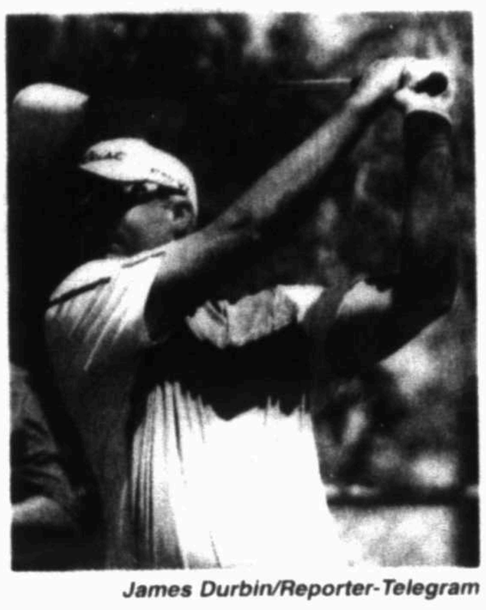
Leaderboard shaken up after 2nd round at Blowout



John McLeod tees off during the Ranchland Hills Blowout on Saturday at Ranchland Hills Golf Club. McLeod along with teammates Jeff Beal, John Pelletier and Gary Dukerson took a one-stroke lead in the second round of the tournament.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

By Chris Hummer
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The new rules at the Ranchland Hills Blowout provided the intended effect Saturday as many flights, including the championship leaderboard, were shuffled significantly.

Jeff Beal, John Pelletier, John McLeod and Gary Dunkerson jumped from third to first after a combined round of 133 (7-under-par) and are at 268 for the tournament to snag a one-stroke lead after the second round.

The teams sitting a shot behind the lead group each feature two members from the two-time defending champions — Ken Livingston-Mark Terry and John Ironside-Gary Johnson, who couldn't play together because of the event's new 10-handicap rule mandate per team.

Ranchland Hills head golf professional Jeremy Langdale said the initiative was to restore competitiveness to the tournament, and it seems to be working as designed.

"(The new rule) gives quality back to the event," Langdale said. "Any of these teams, given how close they are, can have one round and change it. Whoever is four or five shots back is still in it with one round to go."

With that thinking, seven of the eight teams in the championship flight are still within shouting distance of the leaders entering the final round.

After the round Saturday, the leaders didn't appear too concerned about protecting first place. The group, except for Dunkerson, has played together for six years and prepared entering today.

"We'll play like we always do," Pelletier said.

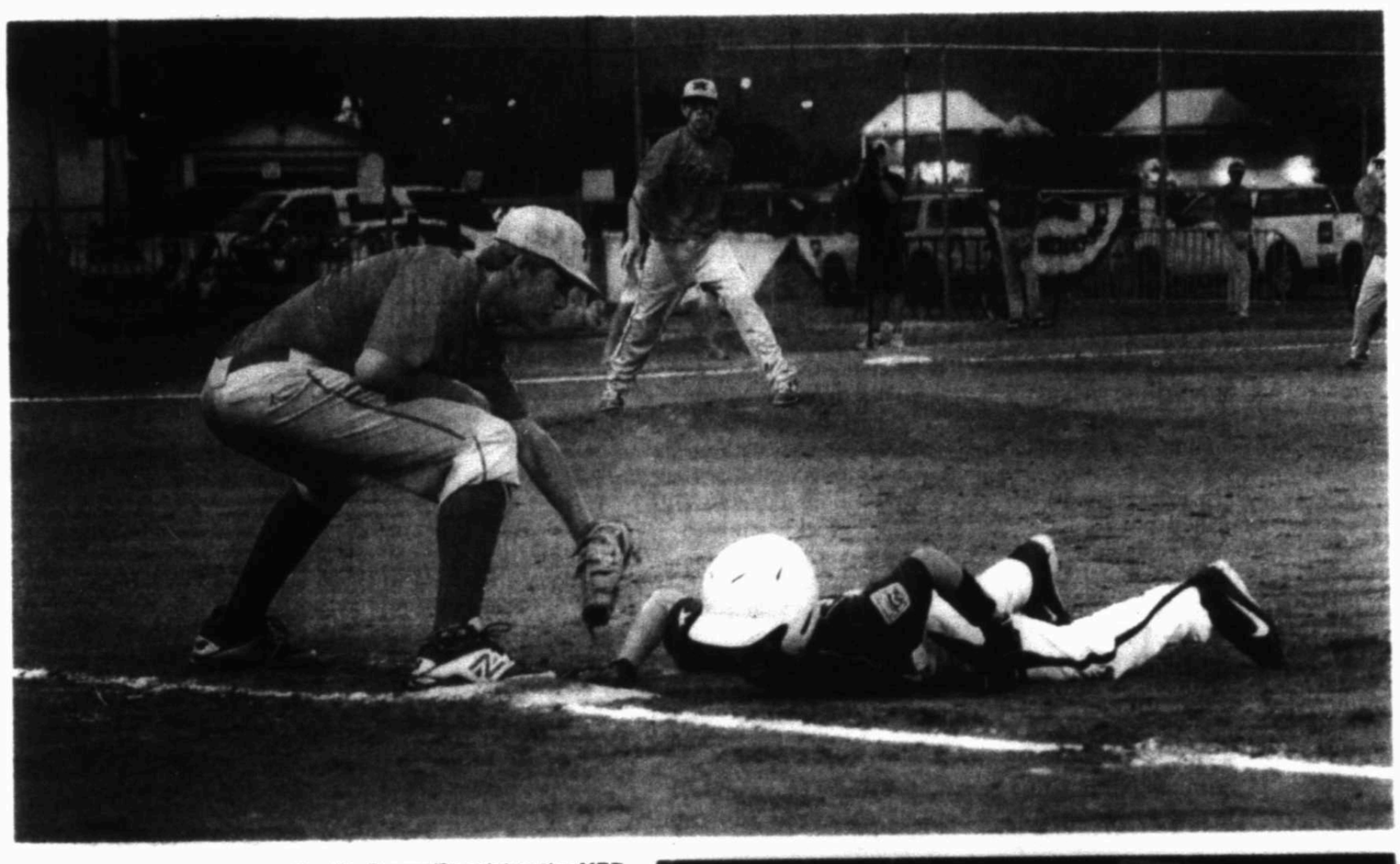
Added Beal: "The fact that we know each other so well helps a lot."

Actually, the group said they didn't play all that well Saturday. Beal described the round as "hamming and egging" it around the course—one partner picking the other up on different holes.

"All in all, we covered each other when we got in trouble," Beal said. "There were a couple of other scores better than we shot today. But we kept it together and covered each other's mistakes."

Please see **BLOWOUT**/2C

'Crazy' night for Mid City



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TOP: Midland Intermediate All-Stars first baseman Jake Treia tries to lay down the tag on a runner from Jackson Parish, Louisiana during Friday's Southwest Regional Championship game at Grand Mesa Park in Grand Junction, Colo. **RIGHT:** Team photo of the Midland Mid City Intermediate All-Stars who won the Little League Intermediate 50/70 Southwest Regional Championship on Friday.

Intermediate All-Stars going to World Series

By Len Hayward
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Andy Bayley didn't want to think about traveling to the Little League Intermediate World Series until he needed to.

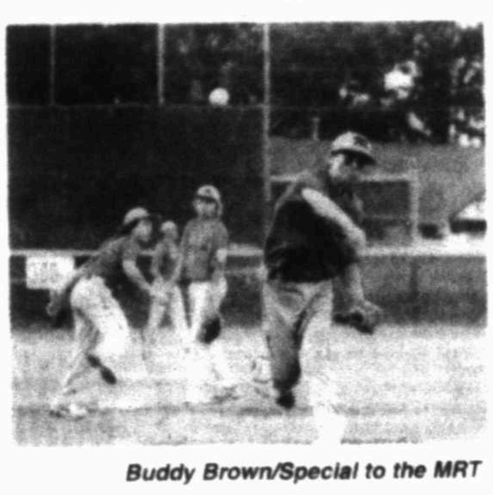
Entering Friday night at Grand Mesa Park in Grand Junction, Colorado, the Mid City Intermediate All-Stars still needed to win one more game in the Southwest Regional Tournament to make that World Series dream happen.

Mid City had to win that game against a team it had beaten by 21 runs the night before.

Bayley wasn't quite sure what to expect, but like much of this tournament season the Mid City Intermediate All-Stars found a way to win and realize a dream they didn't really think would happen six weeks ago.

The Mid City Intermediate All-Stars became what's believed to be the first team from Midland to compete in a Little League-sanctioned World Series when it beat Jackson Parish, Louisiana, 12-8, Friday.

On Saturday, the players, coaches and team parents were all thinking about the quick turnaround of making their way from Grand Junction to Livermore, California for this week's Intermediate World Series. But they were also still thinking about what they had accomplished the night before.



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Midland Intermediate All-Star pitcher Randall Blanscett throws a pitch during Friday's Southwest Regional Championship game at Grand Mesa Park in Grand Junction, Colo.

"It was crazy," said shortstop and pitcher Ivan Dominguez.

"Shocked," added second baseman and pitcher Cooper Jauz.

"I was kind of pumped," said Cesar Ponce, who pitched in Friday night's victory.

"I'm still trying to process it," Bayley said. "I know everybody has dreamt of this and now it's actually happened. It's hard to process and hard to believe it's actually happening."

The Mid City All-Stars, representing the Southwest Region, will begin play in the World Series on Wednesday taking on either a team from Maryland or Michigan as they received a first-round bye.

To get to this point, though, both Bayley and the players said they faced some doubters along the way. The team hadn't played together before this summer, and some kids hardly knew each other.

But the team has forged a bond that has resulted in victories over the last few weeks.

Friday night, Mid City was down, 6-4, after four innings to the team from Louisiana, but then scored two in the fifth to tie it and then broke the game open with six runs in the sixth.

In that sixth inning, Manuel Iglesias, who Bayley said had been struggling over the last few days, hit a two-out triple to start the six-run rally. Bayley said that's how this team has been through much of the All-Star tournament season in that someone different has found a way to contribute in big ways each night.

Please see **ALL-STARS**/4C

Gus Ruelas/AP

Dallas Cowboys linebacker Rolando McClain makes his first day of practice since his retirement Saturday at training camp in Oxnard, Calif.

Cowboys' McClain back to football after court date

By Schuyler Dixon
Associated Press

OXNARD, Calif. — Rolando McClain says a phone call from Jerry Jones was the last bit of convincing the linebacker needed to come out of retirement.

The former top 10 pick wasn't so much moved by what the flamboyant Dallas owner had to say. It was more where Jones was when he said it.

"He called me from Turkey, and I figured that had to be an expensive phone call," McClain said as he tried to keep a straight face. "So, it was pretty serious with me from that point."

McClain just turned 25, but he's already flamed out in Oakland just three years after the Raiders drafted

Please see **MCCLAIN**/6C

Browns fans flock to see Manziel

By Tom Withers
Associated Press

BEREA, Ohio — They came to see what he's all about, to see if Johnny Football can be the one to lead the Browns back to glory.

On Saturday, Manzielmania grew even bigger.

With No. 2 jerseys ringing the field, celebrated rookie quarterback Johnny Manziel began his quest to win Cleveland's starting job.

Strutting onto the field with his usual swagger, Manziel is taking part in his first NFL training camp practice and thousands of fans have arrived to get an up-close look at the 21-year-old sensation who electrified college football with his uncanny playmaking. Fans began lining up outside the

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HOUNDSWATCH

SATURDAY'S SCORE
Midland 10, Corpus Christi 4

TODAY'S GAME
Midland at Corpus Christi, 6:10 p.m., Whataburger Field, Corpus Christi

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Friday	Saturday	Today	Monday	Tuesday
Corpus Christi 6, Midland 3	Midland 10, Corpus Christi 4	Midland at Corpus Christi	Midland at Frisco	Midland at Frisco

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

TODAY
WHAT'S ON TV
AUTO RACING

NASCAR, Sprint Cup, The John Wayne Walding 400, Noon, ESPN

Formula One, Hungarian Grand Prix (same-day tape), 1 p.m., NBC Sports Network

NHRA, Sonoma Nationals (same-day tape), 8 p.m., ESPN2

CYCLING

Tour de France, final stage, Evry to Paris, 8 a.m., NBC Sports Network

GOLF

European PGA Tour, Russian Open, final round, 5 a.m., TGC

The Senior British Open Championship, final round, 11 a.m., ESPN2

PGA Tour, Canadian Open, final round, at Montreal, Noon, TGC

PGA Tour, Canadian Open, final round, 2 p.m., CBS

LPGA, International Crown, final round, 2 p.m., TGC

HORSE RACING

Thoroughbreds, Haskell Invitational, 4 p.m., NBC

MLB

Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, Noon, TBS

Oakland at Texas, 6 p.m., Fox Sports Southwest

L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, 7 p.m., ESPN

SOCCER

International Champions Cup, AC Milan vs. Manchester City, at Pittsburgh, 3 p.m., Fox Sports 1

International Champions Cup, Liverpool vs. Olympiakos, at Chicago, 5 p.m., Fox Sports 1

TENNIS

ATP World Tour, Atlanta Open, championship, 3 p.m., ESPN2

World TeamTennis, finals, Washington at Springfield, 5 p.m., ESPN2

VOLLEYBALL

World Series of Beach Volleyball, women's/men's finals (same-day tape), 2:30 p.m., NBC

WHAT'S ON DECK

TODAY
GOLF

Ranchland Hills Blowout

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League

BOSTON RED SOX — Traded RHP Jake Peavy and cash considerations to San Francisco for LHP Edwin Escobar and RHP Heath Hembree and optioned Heath and Hembree to Pawtucket (IL). Sent C Ryan Lavarnway to Pawtucket (IL) for a rehab assignment. Recalled RHP Allen Webster from Pawtucket.

CLEVELAND INDIANS — Optioned RHP Josh Tomlin to Columbus (IL). Recalled RHP Zach McAllister from Columbus.

LOS ANGELES ANGELS —Agreed to terms with LHP Randy Wolf on a minor league contract. Optioned RHP Fernando Salas to Salt Lake (PCL). Recalled OF J.B. Shuck from Salt Lake.

MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned INF Jorge Polanco to New Britain (EL). Recalled LHP Logan Darnell from Rochester (IL).

NEW YORK YANKEES — Assigned RHP Bruce Billings outright to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).

OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Sent 1B Alberto Callaspo to Stockton (Cal) for a rehab assignment.

TAMPA BAY RAYS — Designated RHP Juan Carlos Oviedo for assignment. Recalled RHP Jeremy Hellickson from Charlotte (FSL). Sent RHP Joel Peralta to Charlotte for a rehab assignment.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Sent SS Cliff Pennington to the AZL Diamondbacks for a rehab assignment.

ATLANTA BRAVES — Optioned RHP Gus Schlosser and INF Tyler Pastornicky to Gwinnett (IL). Reinstated RHP Anthony Varvaro from paternity leave. Recalled INF Philip Gosselin from Gwinnett.

CHICAGO CUBS — Optioned RHP Neil Ramirez to Iowa (PCL). Recalled RHP Blake Parker from Iowa.

COLORADO ROCKIES — Sent RHP Jordan Lyles to Modesto (Cal) for a rehab assignment.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Sent SS Erisbel Arruebarrena to Albuquerque (PCL) for a rehab assignment.

NEW YORK METS — Placed RHP Daisuke Matsuzaka on the 15-day DL, retroactive to Friday. Selected the contract of RHP Buddy Carlyle from Las Vegas (PCL).

PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Assigned RHP Jeff Manship outright to Lehigh Valley (IL).

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS — Designated C George Kottaras for assignment. Agreed to terms with C A.J. Pierzynski on a one-year contract.

SAN DIEGO PADRES — Optioned INF Jace Peterson and OF Jake Goebbert to El Paso (PCL). Recalled RHP Jesse Hahn from El Paso. Reinstated 1B Yonder Alonso from the 15-day DL.

SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS — Placed C Hector Sanchez on the 7-day DL. Selected the contracts of INF Tony Abreu and C Andrew Susac from Fresno (PCL).

WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Recalled LHP Matt Purke from Harrisburg (EL) and placed him on the 60-day DL. Optioned OF Eury Perez to Syracuse (IL).

American Association

KANSAS CITY T-BONES — Signed INF Matt Padgett.

LAREDO LEMURS — Signed C Heath Holliday.

Can-Am League

TROIS-RIVIERES AIGLES — Signed LHP Alex Szymanski.

Frontier League

FRONTIER GREYS — Signed RHP B.J. Hyatt.

RIVER CITY RASCALS — Signed RHP Jose Samayoa.

WINDY CITY THUNDERBOLTS — Signed OF Ryan Tufts. Released INF Jon Mestas.

FOOTBALL
National Football League

ATLANTA FALCONS — Signed WR Jabin Sambrano.

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed TE Dominique Jones.

CINCINNATI BENGALS — Released OT Curtis Feigt.

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Signed WR Jordy Nelson to a contract extension.

SEATTLE SEAHAWKS — Placed DT Dewayne Cherrington on the waived/injured list. Signed LB Brandon Denmark and S Steven Terrell.

COLLEGE

LIMESTONE — Named Brent Smith men's and women's assistant volleyball coach.

PENN STATE — Named Sandy Barbour athletic director and signed her to a five-year contract.

TOUR DE FRANCE

Results
Saturday
At Perigueux, France
20th Stage

A 33.5-mile individual time trial over a hilly course from Bergerac to Perigueux

1. Tony Martin, Germany, Omega Pharma-Quick-Step, 1 hour, 6 minutes, 21 seconds.
2. Tom Dumoulin, Netherlands, Giant-Shimano, 1:39.
3. Jan Barta, Czech Republic, NetApp-Endura, 1:47.
4. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Astana, 1:58.
5. Leopold Konig, Czech Republic, NetApp-Endura, 2:02.
6. Tejay van Garderen, United States, BMC Racing, 2:08.
7. Jean-Christophe Peraud, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 2:27.
8. Sylvain Chavanel, France, IAM Cycling, 2:36.
9. Markel Irizar, Spain, Trek Factory Racing, 2:39.
10. Daniel Oss, Italy, BMC Racing, 2:58.
11. Danny Pate, United States, Sky, 3:01.
12. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ.fr, 3:12.
13. Martin Elmiger, Switzerland, IAM Cycling, same time.
14. Maciej Bodnar, Poland, Cannondale, 3:13.
15. Svein Tuft, Canada, Orica GreenEdge, 3:23.
16. Peter Velits, Slovakia, BMC Racing, 3:24.
17. Nelson Oliveira, Portugal, Lampre-Merida, 3:30.
18. Tanel Kangert, Estonia, Astana, 3:35.
19. Luke Durbridge, Australia, Orica GreenEdge, 3:38.
20. Lieuwe Westra, Netherlands, Astana, 3:44.

Also

26. Romain Bardet, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 4:17.
28. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, 4:28.
41. Benjamin King, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 5:18.
83. Christopher Horner, United States, Lampre-Merida, 7:16.
103. Peter Stetina, United States, BMC Racing, 7:42.
147. Matthew Busche, United States, Trek Factory Racing, 9:41.
161. Alex Howes, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 11:43.

Overall Standings
(After 20 stages)

1. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Astana, 86 hours, 37 minutes, 52 seconds.
2. Jean-Christophe Peraud, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 7:52.
3. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ.fr, 8:24.
4. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, 9:55.
5. Tejay van Garderen, United States, BMC Racing, 11:44.
6. Romain Bardet, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 11:46.
7. Leopold Konig, Czech Republic, NetApp-Endura, 14:41.
8. Haimar Zubeldia, Spain, Trek Factory Racing, 18:12.
9. Laurens ten Dam, Netherlands, Belkin Pro Cycling, 18:20.
10. Bauke Mollema, Netherlands, Belkin Pro Cycling, 21:24.
11. Pierre Rolland, France, Europcar, 23:16.
12. Frank Schleck, Luxembourg, Trek Factory Racing, 25:57.
13. Jurgen Van den Broeck, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, 34:01.
14. Yury Trofimov, Russia, Katusha, 36:50.
15. Steven Kruijswijk, Netherlands, Belkin Pro Cycling, 38:15.
16. Brice Feillu, France, Bretagne-Seche Environnement, 43:59.
17. Christopher Horner, United States, Lampre-Merida, 44:46.
18. Mikel Nieve, Spain, Sky, 46:40.
19. John Gadret, France, Movistar, 47:30.
20. Tanel Kangert, Estonia, Astana, 52:11.

Also

35. Peter Stetina, United States, BMC Racing, 1:52:45.
53. Benjamin King, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 2:41:26.
98. Matthew Busche, United States, Trek Factory Racing, 3:41:58.
127. Alex Howes, United States, Garmin-Sharp, 4:18:10.
153. Danny Pate, United States, Sky, 4:46:56.

Stages-Winners

July 5 — First Stage: Leeds to Harrogate, England, flat (190.5km-118.3 miles) (Stage: Marcel Kittel, Germany; Yellow Jersey: Kittel)

July 6 — Second Stage: York to Sheffield, England, hilly (201-124.8) (Vincenzo Nibali, Italy; Nibali)

July 7 — Third Stage: Cambridge to London, flat (155-96.3) (Kittel; Nibali)

July 8 — Fourth Stage: Le Touquet-Paris-Plage to Lille Metropole, flat (163.5-101.5) (Kittel; Nibali)

July 9 — Fifth Stage: Ypres to Arenberg Porte du Hainaut, flat/cobbled roads (152.5-94.7) (Lars Boom, Netherlands; Nibali)

July 10 — Sixth Stage: Arras to Reims, flat (194-120.5) (Andre Greipel, Germany; Nibali)

July 11 — Seventh Stage: Epernay to Nancy, flat (234.5-145.6) (Matteo Trentin, Italy; Nibali)

July 12 — Eighth Stage: Tomblaine to Gerardmer La Mauselaine, medium mountain (161-100) (Blel Kadri, France; Nibali)

July 13 — Ninth Stage: Gerardmer to Mulhouse, medium mountain (170-105.6) (Tony Martin, Germany; Tony Gallopin, France)

July 14 — 10th Stage: Mulhouse to La Planche des Belles Filles, high mountain (161.5-100.3) (Nibali; Nibali)

July 15 — Rest Day: Besancon

July 16 — 11th Stage: Besancon to Oyonnax, medium mountain (187.5-116.4) (Gallopin; Nibali)

July 17 — 12th Stage: Bourg-en-Bresse to Saint-Etienne, medium mountain (185.5-115.2) (Alexander Kristoff, Norway; Nibali)

July 18 — 13th Stage: Saint-Etienne to Chamrousse, high mountain (197.5-122.6) (Nibali; Nibali)

July 19 — 14th Stage: Grenoble to Risoul, high mountain (177-110) (Rafal Majka, Poland; Nibali)

July 20 — 15th Stage: Tallard to Nimes, flat (222-137.9) (Kristoff; Nibali)

July 21 — Rest Day: Carcassonne

July 22 — 16th Stage: Carcassonne to Bagneres-de-Luchon, high mountain (237.5-147.5) (Michael Rogers, Australia; Nibali)

July 23 — 17th Stage: Saint-Gaudens to Saint-Lary Pla d'Adet, high mountain (124.5-77.3) (Majka; Nibali)

July 24 — 18th Stage: Pau to Hautacam, high mountain (145.5-90.4) (Nibali; Nibali)

July 25 — 19th Stage: Maubourguet Pays du Val d'Adour to Bergerac, flat (208.5-129.5) (Ramunas Navardauskas, Lithuania; Nibali)

July 26 — 20th Stage: Bergerac to Perigueux, individual time trial (54-33.5) (Martin; Nibali)

July 27 — 21st Stage: Evry to Paris Champs-Elysees, flat (137.5-85.4)

Total — 3,660.5km-2,273.3 miles

Sunday Morning Line

LEN HAYWARD

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This and that as a trip to Schlitterbahn helped to rejuvenate this writer:

■ The college football season is about a month away, but there's been plenty of news being made in the college football world, especially in Austin, over the last week or so.

Charlie Strong is certainly trying to put his stamp on the Texas program with the recent dismissals of a handful of players. He has won over some fans for his recent actions, but it will all boil down to winning.

Now, for that spelling thing ... oh I won't go there.

Meanwhile, Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops has been dishing out some barbs at the Southeastern Conference over the past week. OK, Bob we get it the Sooners beat Alabama in the Sugar Bowl last year, and you weren't happy with Nick Saban's consolation game comment. Although it kind of was a consolation game. Anyway, sometimes it's not right to poke the bear. Stoops even had some jabs for former Big 12 rival Texas A&M, who his team dominated when they were in the Big 12.

Stoops has certainly had his share of success at Oklahoma, but the Sooners haven't seen the promised land of a national title since 2000. But hey, it's July, we'll see if he keeps that up in the fall or if the Sooners happen to see Alabama again, or even A&M. I don't think Sooner fans want to be reminded the last time they played the Aggies.

Hey, that's the fun of college football, multi-millionaire coaches taking shots at each other and their programs.

■ The Mid City Intermediate All-Stars made a little history Friday by winning the Southwest Regional Tournament in Grand Junction, Colorado to qualify for this week's Little League Intermediate World Series. We believe its the first time a team from Midland has qualified for a Little League-sanctioned World Series.

This team is a collection of players who hadn't really played together much before this summer but have forged a bond that is giving them a shot at a once in a lifetime opportunity.

Congrats and good luck.

■ It's sad to hear the news of legendary Andrews track coach Max Goldsmith passing away at the age of 91 this week. Andrews High School's annual track meet is named after Goldsmith and he was part of the golden age of track in Texas.

During his tenure at Andrews, Goldsmith won five team titles and had athletes win 13 individual gold medals and six relay teams. Plus from 1958-61, Andrews had a state champ each year in the boys 440-yard dash. Plus, the 1960 Mustang mile relay team set a national record.

Goldsmith went on to a long career as an athletic director in Lewisville ISD where he has a stadium named after him. Goldsmith was a native of Lewisville and was also a World War II veteran.

■ Cowboys camp is in full swing this week, and plenty of eyes are on Tony Romo and his back. But there are probably more eyes on Dallas' defense and how it will play this season.

The Cowboys could be looking at another 8-8 campaign in 2014, but this is the NFL where if a team can find that little bit of consistency it can be playing in the playoffs. If Romo can stay healthy and the defense can make the stops needed, then Dallas has a shot at winning the NFC East.

■ It was good to see Andre Johnson report to Houston Texans training camp this week, and, frankly, I don't blame him for his frustration with the Texans.

He's been nothing but class with that organization and has played his guts out trying to make that team better, and now he's faced with another rebuilding project at quarterback. I still think Johnson may be in another uniform in 2015, though.

■ And finally, I'd like to wish a happy belated birthday to my father, Larry. He turned 73 years old on Friday. Happy Birthday, Grandpa.

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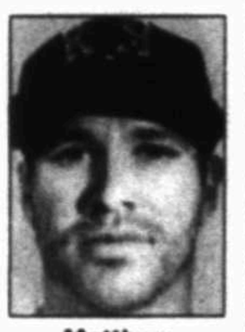
Matthes powers Midland past RoughRiders

From staff reports

CORPUS CHRISTI — Kent Matthes hit two home runs, including a grand slam in the fifth inning, and had nine RBI on Saturday as the RockHounds rolled to a 10-4 victory against the Corpus Christi Hooks on Saturday night at Whataburger Field.



Matthes

The RockHounds (22-14) were up, 3-2, entering the fifth inning but then got to Hooks relief pitcher Ruben Alaniz. Jefry Marte and Max Muncy hit back-to-back singles to lead off the inning, then Bruce Maxwell and Dusty Coleman each drew one-out walks. Coleman's free pass brought in Marte.

Then one batter after David Rollins came on to pitch for Alaniz, Matthes hit the grand slam to complete the five-run inning for an 8-2 lead. Matthes' other home run was a three-run shot with no outs in the second inning that gave the RockHounds an early 3-0 lead.

Matthes later helped the RockHounds add two insurance runs in the ninth when he hit a two-run single to left that scored Hiroyuki Nakajima and Bruce Maxwell.

Matthes was 3-for-5 on the day.

Meanwhile on the mound, Midland starter Nate Long improved to 9-6 with the victory as he pitched 5 1/3 innings, allowing three runs on five hits with five strikeouts and two walks. Marcus Walden, Frank Gailey and Ryan Dull combined to pitch 3 2/3 innings and gave up one run in that span.

Midland remained two games ahead of Frisco in the Texas League South Division standings as the RoughRiders beat San Antonio, 2-1, on Saturday night.

Midland and Corpus Christi will conclude their four-game series at 6:10 p.m. today at Whataburger Field.

RockHounds 10
RoughRiders 4

Texas League
Second half

North Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arkansas	19	17	.528	—
NW Arkansas	18	18	.500	1
x-Tulsa	16	20	.444	3
Springfield	14	22	.389	5

South Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Midland	22	14	.611	—
x-Frisco	20	16	.556	2
San Antonio	18	18	.500	4
Corpus Christi	17	19	.472	5

x-clinched first half

Saturday's Scores
Frisco 2, San Antonio 1
Arkansas 5, Tulsa 3
Midland 10, Corpus Christi 4
Northwest Arkansas 4, Springfield 0

Today's Games
Springfield at NW Arkansas, 6:05 p.m.
San Antonio at Frisco, 6:05 p.m.
Midland at Corpus Christi, 6:10 p.m.
Tulsa at Arkansas, 6:10 p.m.

ROCKHOUNDS 10, HOOKS 4

Midland	ab	r	h	bi	CChristi	ab	r	h	bi
Burns cf	5	0	0	0	Kemp 2b	4	0	1	0
Crumbliss 2b	4	0	1	0	Sosa ss	4	0	0	0
Marte dh	4	1	1	0	DeShields lf	3	1	1	1
Muncy 1b	4	1	1	0	Aplin cfr	4	1	2	1
Nakajima 3b	5	1	1	0	Meyer 3b	4	0	1	0
Maxwell c	3	3	1	0	Gregor 1b	3	0	0	0
Coleman ss	3	2	0	1	Nash dh	4	1	1	1
Matthes rf	5	2	3	9	Heras rf	4	1	1	1
Myers lf	4	0	2	0	Heineman c	4	0	1	0
Totals	37	10	10	10	Totals	34	4	8	4

Midland .... 030 050 002—10
Corpus Christi .... 002 001 010 —4

E — DP — Midland 1. LOB — Midland 8. 2B — Myers (7), Crumbliss (4), Aplin (1). HR — Matthes 2 (7), Nash (18), Heras (4), DeShields (6), Aplin (6). SB — DeShields (43).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Midland						
Long W, 9-6	5 1	5	3	3	2	5
Walden	1 2	1	0	0	0	3
Gailey	0 1	2	1	1	0	0
Dull	1 2	0	0	0	0	2
Corpus Christi						
West L, 2-1	1 2	3	3	3	4	1
Alaniz	2 2	3	4	4	2	1
Rollins	4 2	4	3	3	2	7

WP — Long. HBP — by Long (DeShields).
T — 3:18. A — 6,384.

BLOWOUT

From 1C

The foursome's round, which started on the back nine, kick-started on No. 14 with an eagle by Beal and birdie by McLeod. The result gave the team a cushion the rest of the way, and they said the 3-under start really took the pressure off.

Dunkerson, the Ranchland Hills member of the group and the only high handicapper, said the pressure was off the entire time. He may even put some of the pressure on his partners. If they continue to win, the group may have to admit he's the one providing the good fortune.

"They have to commit to using me again if we win, in spite of me," Dunkerson said with a laugh.

The team won't take themselves too seriously today. Beal and Pelletier had a side $15 bet the entire day Saturday—they tied and split the pot—and a beer was foremost in the thoughts after the round.

As it happens, beer is their half-hearted strategy to reign over their competition.

"We hope the other guys, a lot of which are younger teams, get drunk tonight," Dunkerson said.

The tournament resumes today with the championship flight teeing off early in the afternoon.

2014 Blowout
Ranchland Hills Golf Club
Friday-Sunday
Saturday's Scores
Championship Flight

1. Jeff Beal-John Pelletier-John McLeod Gary Dunkerson 135-133—268. 2. (tie) K.T. Livingston-Ken Livingston-Ben Livingston-Mark Terry 136-133—269; Marselo-Barriga-John Ironside-Mike Connally-Gary Johnson 138-131—269. 4. Braxton Brin-Matt Oge-Jason Hewitt-Shawn Anderson 132-137 270. 5. Robert House-Jim Nash-Scott Chapman-Rick Yadon 137-135—272. 6. (tie) Chris Baltzell-Marc Gilmour-Terry Hall-Jeff Henderson 140-132—273; Rick Gasser-Dub Huckabee-Greg McLendon-Chris Ryburn 130-143—273. 8. Troy Martin Jr.-Ryan Havens-Brian Swinarski-Lee Prucka 141-137—278.

President's Flight

1. Gary Mulloy-Ryan Jones-Steve Hammel-Kyle Blackney 143-138—281. 2. Paul Slaughter-Donnie Blanks-Paul Slaughter Jr.-Bill Gulley 143-139—282. 3. (tie) Bob Reimers-Ben Wilson-John Hopkins-Greg Avery 145-138—283; Forrest Eikenburg-Nick Rives-Joe Thaggard-Aaron Burchfield 139-144—283. 5. Kent Williams-Jay Issacs-Mike Lewter-Jeff Munden 142-142—284. 6. Kevin Leary-Koy Stribling-Jayson Lester-Jeff Leary 146-141—287. 7. Craig Foster-Marcus Lopez-Steve Scott-Greg Russell 143-146—289. 8. Jerad Fain-Keith Bitner-Troy North-Rich Fontenot 146-145—291.

First Flight

1. Danny Brenner-Lance Wood-Chad Jordan-Paul Edwards 138-141—279. 2. John Morrow-Ricky Young-Barry McAllister-Scooter Parks 139-144—283. 3. Shawn Curlee-Jason Murphy-Kevin Glaspie-Travis Price 142-144—286. 4. Jeff Welch-Paul Neatherlin-John Chandler-Michael Chandler 145-143—288. 5. Kevin Spray-Ryan Kainer-Kevin Pearce-Nathan Foreman 145-147—292. 6. Derrick Nichols-Rod Roberts-Rhett Vestal-Ryon Vestal 151-144—295. 7. Mark Hessel-Scott St. Louis-Chip Roemisch-Zach Zuniga 146-150—296. 8. Bill Kirby-David Logan-Gary Stoltz-Matt Manulik 155-147—302.

Second Flight

1. Oscar Molinar-Raul Ochoa-Fred Mendoza-Maurice Martinez 143-147—290. 2. Eric Van-Daryl Smith-Sid Wilson-Mark Mays 146-146—292. 3. Craig Winborn-Royce Woolard-Elvin Hester-Lonnie Crow 151-144—295. 4. Joe Espy-Doug Connor-Jim Espy-Bryan LeBeff 147-151—298. 5. Adam D Bell-Ronnie Stevens-Mark McQueen-JJ King 150-153—303. 6. Pool Webb-Matt Weatherly-Tony Burton-Steve Scoggins 159-147—306. 7. James Mcdougal-Trey Perkins-Greg Tomlin-Clayton Weaver 155-152—307. 8. Chris Acosta-Chad Campbell-Bobby Hess-Choy Gilbert 159-153—312.

Third Flight

1. Mickey Ray-Ray Matthews-Bill Scott-Dale Connally 147-142—289. 2. Justin Savage-Cody Cox-Cleve Thomas-Dewey Sheppard 145-145—290. 3. Erick Alvarado-Josh Jones-Steve Bowerman-Adiel Alvarado 148-143—291. 4. Tony Reeves-Ernest Hernandez-Tim Green-Stuart Beall 148-149—297. 5. David Scardino-Andy Armstrong-Jack Sharrick-John Naugle 147-153—300. 6. Jeremy Stallings-Heath Babcock-Jerrod Stallings-Mikey McMillan 154-150—304. 7. Dave Freeman-Lester Lippert-Carson Watt-David Legg 153-153—306. 8. Jason Tankersly-Devin Alsup-John Tribulla-Chad Wheeler 153-156—309.

Fourth Flight

1. Alex Bies-Bill Mewhorter-Steve Pitts-David Pitts 143-145—288. 2. Zach Pitts-Austin Bullock-Miles Walker-Clayton Luttrell 141-150—291. 3. Ray Pierson-Jim Davis-Prentice Hay-Boog Childers 151-145—296. 4. Warren Hutcherson-Manuel Olivas-Sammy Fields-Richard Stringer 146-151—297. 5. James Frith-Cody Quintana-Jamey Standard-Kenny Bradford 149-151—300. 6. Billy Rumbough-Louis Sanchez-Charlie Troutz-Bill Rowoldt 151-153—304. 7. Randy Silva-Bob Weidner-Bob Callier-Ricky Patterson 153-159—312. 8. Shawn Jordan-Wayne Pounds-Reed Neff-Doug Young 162-152—314.

Fifth Flight

1. Curtis Couch-Shaun Standard-Billy Howell-John Blevins 148-149—297. 2. Matt Gushee-Reese Lynch-Nathan Hood-Nick Gieghorn 155-149—303. 3. Abel Lujan-Sergio Lujan-Dana Slusher-Speedy Sparks 151-156—307. 4. Ronnie Williams-Daniel Watts-Ron Johnson-Greg Benton 154-156—310. 5. Don Bohannon-Ronnie Burnett-Joey Robinson-Elton Smith 157-155—312. 6. Michael Prather-Joe Newbrough-Blake Arthur-Coley Wood 159-156—315. 7. Justin Smart-Richard Meeks-Chris Price-George Garcia 155-163—318. 8. Joe Wayland-Kelly Sloan-Terry Miller-Brad Boen 162-160—324. 9. (tie) Jeff Eggleston-Marc McWilliams-Brandon Martin-Michael Svoboda 163-162—325; Doc Jordan-Lee Cook-David Morren-Tom Terrett 163-162—325.

Sixth Flight

1. Boyce Holder-Clint Bizzell-Warren Hairford-Cory Bizzell 159-149—308. 2. Richard White-Sal Quiroz-Terry Brumley-Dan Martinez 158-157—315. 3. Rodney Cox-Jim Phillips-Ray Rinard-Zach Smithey 162-161—323. 4. Jaron Gaines-Gary Coburn-Brandon Murphy-Eric Anderson 160-166—326. 5. Michael Truitt-Lyndon Kauk-Michael Beggs-Pete Kneeland 169-169—338. 6. Gary Laughlin-Garren Laughlin-Reny Laughlin-Jay Laughlin 163-177—340. 7. Adam Munoz-Brett Young-Cody Thompson-Joseph Sanchez 166-180—346. 8. Christian Castro-Oscar Dominguez-Alex Fyrus-Ryan Bocnick 175-181—356.

MLS STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Sporting KC	11	5	5	38	31	19
D.C.	10	5	4	34	29	20
Toronto FC	7	6	5	26	27	25
Columbus	6	7	8	26	25	27
New York	5	6	9	24	32	31
New England	7	11	2	23	25	33
Philadelphia	5	8	8	23	33	35
Chicago	3	5	11	20	27	33
Houston	5	11	4	19	22	40
Montreal	3	11	5	14	19	34

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Seattle	12	4	2	38	35	24
Real Salt Lake	8	4	8	32	31	26
Colorado	8	6	6	30	31	24
FC Dallas	8	7	5	29	32	29
Los Angeles	7	4	6	27	26	16
Vancouver	6	4	9	27	29	27
Portland	5	6	9	24	32	33
Chivas USA	6	9	5	23	21	33
San Jose	5	8	5	20	22	20

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

Friday's Scores
Colorado 3, Chivas USA 0

Saturday's Scores
Sporting Kansas City 2, Toronto FC 1
Columbus 2, New England 1

Today's Games
FC Dallas at Vancouver, 4 p.m.
Portland at Montreal, 7 p.m.

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Kevin Love withdraws from Team USA

By Jon Krawczynski
Associated Press

With no idea where he will be playing in the NBA next season, Kevin Love has withdrawn from this summer's Team USA basketball roster.

Love is in limbo while the Minnesota Timberwolves field offers for their three-time All-Star, a process that was complicated and likely lengthened when Cleveland Cavaliers rookie Andrew Wiggins signed his contract this week.

Love is the latest All-Star to pull out of Team USA, which begins its training camp in Las Vegas next week to prepare for the FIBA World Cup in Spain. In recent weeks the Americans have lost Blake Griffin, LaMarcus Aldridge and NBA Finals MVP Kawhi Leonard. They have 18 players remaining and will choose 12 for the World Cup of Basketball roster.

Love, who won gold medals at the 2012 Olympics and 2010 world championship and was one of the first players to commit to play this summer, told USA Basketball chairman Jerry Colangelo that he would be unavailable for training camp that starts Monday.

"He wants to play but it's a little bit of a sign of the times when you look at the league in terms of contracts, rumored trades," Colangelo told The Associated Press in a telephone interview. "All of those circumstances puts players I'm a funny position."

The Cavaliers have been in pursuit of Love since before the draft. Their chances of landing Love, who can opt out of his contract next summer and has told the Timberwolves he wants to play for a contender, increased exponentially when LeBron James chose to return to play in Cleveland.

The Timberwolves have demanded Wiggins, the No. 1 overall draft pick, in a package in return for Love and the Cavaliers have gradually softened on their position to include the dynamic 19-year-old wing player in trade talks.

Under NBA rules, Wiggins cannot be traded until 30 days after he signed his contract with the Cavaliers.

That length of time allows other teams to make offers for Love as well, but also makes it too risky for Love to participate with Team USA. An injury could derail any trade possibilities, so Love had to take the difficult step of informing Colangelo on Friday night that he would not be able to participate.

It had to be a tough call for Love to make. He has long held playing for Team USA as one of the highest honors possible and has referred to his experience of winning gold in London as the pinnacle of his young career. While other big stars like James were stepping away from the team to get some rest this summer, Love took pride last year in joining with Kevin Durant to be among the first elite players to recommit to the World Cup team.

Baseball HOF cuts election eligibility to 10 years

Associated Press

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. — Barry Bonds, Roger Clemens, Sammy Sosa and Mark McGwire will have less time to remain eligible for the Hall of Fame ballot under changes made Saturday.

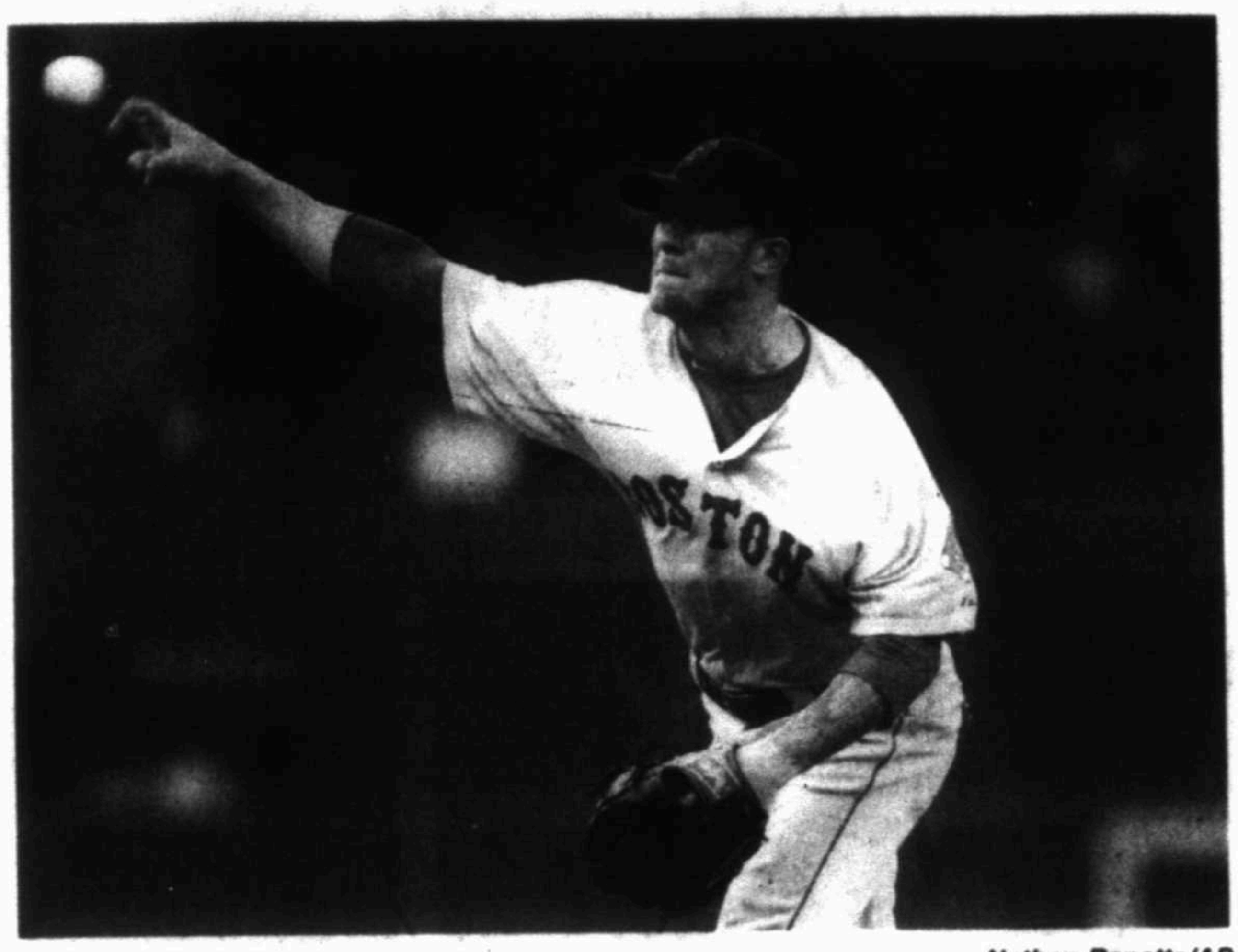
The Hall of Fame's board cut a player's eligibility from 15 years to 10, which gives McGwire a maximum of two more appearances on the writers' ballot. Bonds, Clemens and Sosa, shunned so far along with other Steroids Era stars, can be considered up to eight more times each by the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Clemens, a seven-time Cy Young Award winner, dropped from 37.6 percent to 35.4 last year in his second ballot appearance, well short of the 75 percent needed for election. Bonds, a seven-time MVP and baseball's career home runs leader, fell from 36.2 percent to 34.7.

McGwire dropped from 16.9 percent to 11, down from a peak of 25.6 in 2008. Sosa, who hit 609 homers, dropped from 12.5 percent to 7.2 — close to falling below the 5 percent threshold for remaining on the ballot.

Three players with 11-15 years will remain eligible: Don Mattingly (15th year in 2015), Alan Trammell (14th) and Lee Smith (13th).

This is just the second change in voting rules since 1985, when the 5 percent threshold for remaining on the ballot was instituted. In 1991, players on baseball's permanent ineligible list were barred from the ballot, a move that prevented career hits leader Pete Rose from being considered. Rose agreed to a lifetime ban in 1989 after an investigation by Major League Baseball concluded he bet on the Cincinnati Reds to win while managing the team.



Nathan Denette/AP

Pitcher Jake Peavy pitches for Boston against the Toronto Blue Jays during the first inning Tuesday in Toronto.

Giants acquire righty Jake Peavy from Red Sox

By Janie McCauley
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — The San Francisco Giants boosted their rotation for the stretch run by acquiring right-hander Jake Peavy from the Boston Red Sox on Saturday for a pair of minor league pitchers.

The 2007 NL Cy Young Award winner will start Sunday night's series finale against the Los Angeles Dodgers. The Giants held a half-game division lead in the NL West against their rival going into Saturday night's middle game at AT&T Park.

The Giants have plenty of familiarity with Peavy, who pitched for manager Bruce Bochy with the San Diego Padres in the playoffs in 2005-06.

"It's great to be reunited with Jake," Bochy said by text message. "Look forward to working with him again."

San Francisco missed the playoffs in 2013 after winning the World Series in 2010 and '12, and the club is committed to making another special October run.

The 33-year-old Peavy pitched one of his best games last Aug. 25 at Dodger Stadium. He tossed a three-hitter with five strikeouts and one walk in an 8-1 Red Sox victory.

San Francisco received cash from Boston and is sending right-hander Heath Hembree and lefty Edwin Escobar to the World Series champion Red Sox in the swap. Both players were optioned by the Red Sox to Triple-A Pawtucket.

Peavy (1-9, 4.72 ERA) has been hurt by poor run support this season, receiving two runs or fewer of support in each of his past eight starts. He is in the final season of a $29 million, two-year contract.

Peavy is earning $14.5 million this season, with the Red Sox paying more than $3 million of his remaining salary for the year — $5.15 million.

Six weeks on the disabled list last year with a rib injury cost him a chance to have a conditional $15 million option for 2015 if he had reached 400 innings over 2013-14. He is at 268 2-3 heading into Sunday's outing.

Yusmeiro Petit had been scheduled to pitch Sunday for the Giants with right-hander Matt Cain on the disabled list.

The Giants made the deal without having to give up their top pitching prospect, Kyle Crick.

It's been a busy week for Giants general manager Brian Sabean and assistant GM Bobby Evans.

On Friday, they promoted second baseman Dan Uggla from Triple-A Fresno only four days after they signed him to a minor league contract Monday. Uggla was released by Atlanta on July 18.

Escobar went 3-8 with a 5.11 ERA with 96 strikeouts in 20 games for Triple-A Fresno, while Hembree went 1-3 with a 3.89 ERA and 18 saves with 46 strikeouts in 41 appearances for Fresno this year.

MLB STANDINGS, BOXES & LINESCORES

STANDINGS
AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	57	46	.553	—
New York	54	49	.524	3
Toronto	55	50	.524	3
Tampa Bay	51	53	.490	6 1/2
Boston	47	57	.452	10 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	57	43	.570	—
Kansas City	53	50	.515	5 1/2
Cleveland	51	53	.490	8
Chicago	51	54	.486	8 1/2
Minnesota	46	57	.447	12 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	64	39	.621	—
Los Angeles	61	41	.598	2 1/2
Seattle	54	50	.519	10 1/2
Houston	42	62	.404	22 1/2
Texas	41	63	.394	23 1/2

Saturday's Scores

Toronto 6, N.Y. Yankees 4
Seattle 4, Baltimore 3
Tampa Bay 3, Boston 0
Chicago White Sox 7, Minnesota 0
Kansas City 7, Cleveland 5
Miami 7, Houston 3
Oakland 5, Texas 1
Detroit at L.A. Angels, late

Today's Games

Toronto (Happ 8-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Greene 2-1), 12:05 p.m.
Boston (Webster 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Archer 6-5), 12:40 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Carroll 4-6) at Minnesota (Pino 1-3), 1:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Salazar 2-4) at Kansas City (B.Chen 2-2), 1:10 p.m.
Miami (Ja.Turner 3-6) at Houston (McHugh 4-8), 1:10 p.m.
Detroit (Porcello 12-5) at L.A. Angels (H.Santiago 2-7), 2:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Mi.Gonzalez 5-5) at Seattle (Elias 8-8), 3:10 p.m.
Oakland (Kazmir 11-3) at Texas (Mikolas 1-2), 6:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	56	45	.554	—
Atlanta	56	48	.538	[illegible]
Miami	50	53	.485	[illegible]
New York	49	55	.471	8 1/2
Philadelphia	45	58	.437	[illegible]

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	59	46	.562	—
St. Louis	[illegible]	48	.534	[illegible]
Pittsburgh	[illegible]	49	.524	[illegible]
Cincinnati	52	[illegible]	.50[illegible]	[illegible]
Chicago	42	60	.412	[illegible]

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	57	46	.553	—
Los Angeles	57	47	.548	1/2
San Diego	46	57	.447	[illegible]
Arizona	44	59	.427	[illegible]
Colorado	43	60	.417	[illegible]

Saturday's Scores

St. Louis 6, Chicago Cubs 3
Cincinnati 1, Washington 0
Arizona at Philadelphia, late
Miami 7, Houston 3
Milwaukee 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Atlanta 5, San Diego 3
Colorado 8, Pittsburgh 1
L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco, late

Today's Games

Washington (Fister 9-2) at Cincinnati (Latos 2-2), 12:10 p.m.
Arizona (Nuno 0-1) at Philadelphia (R.Hernandez 4-8), 12:35 p.m.
Miami (Ja.Turner 3-6) at Houston (McHugh 4-8), 1:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (deGrom 4-5) at Milwaukee (J.Nelson 1-1), 1:10 p.m.
St. Louis (Wainwright 12-5) at Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 1-0), 1:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Volquez 8-7) at Colorado (F.Morales 5-5), 3:10 p.m.
San Diego (Stults 3-12) at Atlanta (Minor 3-6), 4:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 11-5) at San Francisco (Peavy 0-0), 7:07 p.m.

SATURDAY'S AL WEST BOXES
ATHLETICS 5, RANGERS 1

Oakland	ab	r	h	bi	Texas	ab	r	h	bi
Crisp cf	4	0	0	0	Choo dh	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Jaso c	4	1	1	2	Andrus ss	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
DNorris c	0	0	0	0	Rios rf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cespds lf	4	1	1	1	ABeltre 3b	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Moss 1b	4	0	1	0	Adduci lf	3	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Dnldsn 3b	4	1	1	1	Arencii 1b	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Vogt dh	4	0	1	0	LMartn cf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Reddck rf	4	1	1	1	DRrtsn ph	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Punto ss	3	0	0	0	Chirins c	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Sogard 2b	3	1	1	0	Odor 2b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
					Rosales ph	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	34	5	7	5	Totals	31	1	7	1

Oakland 000 003 200—5
Texas 000 100 000—1

E—Sogard (2), Arencibia (3). DP—Oakland 2, Texas 1. LOB—Oakland 2, Texas 8. 2B—Sogard (6). HR—Jaso (8), Cespedes (17), Donaldson (22), Reddick (5). SB—Adduci (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Oakland						
Gray W,12-3	6 2-3	7	1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Otero	1-3	0	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Gregerson	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Doolittle	1	0	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Texas						
Tepesch L,3-7	6	4	3	3	[illegible]	2
Adcock	2	2	2	2	0	3
S.Baker	1	1	0	0	0	0

T—2:47. A—34,651 (48,114).

MARLINS 7, ASTROS 3

Miami	ab	r	h	bi	Houston	ab	r	h	bi
Yelich lf	4	2	2	1	Altuve 2b	5	1	3	0
Vldspn cf-rf	4	1	1	2	MGnztz ss	5	0	2	0
Stanton dh	4	0	1	3	Carter dh	5	1	2	1
McGeh 3b	5	0	2	1	JCastro c	5	1	2	2
GJones 1b	5	0	1	0	MDmn 3b	4	0	0	0
Sltlmch c	3	1	0	0	Singltn 1b	4	0	0	0
RJhnsn rf	4	0	0	0	Krauss lf	3	0	2	0
Ozuna cf	0	0	0	0	Guzmn ph-lf	1	0	0	0
Solano 2b	4	1	1	0	KHrndz cf	3	0	1	0
Hchvrr ss	3	2	1	0	Grssmn rf	3	0	0	0
Totals	36	7	9	7	Totals	38	3	12	3

Miami 140 000 002—7
Houston 200 010 000—3

E—Ma.Gonzalez (5). DP—Miami 1. LOB—Miami 7, Houston 10. 2B—Stanton (24), Solano (5), Krauss (4), K.Hernandez (3). HR—Valdespin (1), J.Castro (9). SB—Yelich (13), Hechavarria (7). S—Valdespin.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Miami						
Koehler W,7-7	5	9	3	3	0	2
Da.Jennings	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
A.Ramos	1 2-3	1	0	0	1	2
M.Dunn	1	0	0	0	1	1
Hatcher	1	1	0	0	0	1
Houston						
Cosart L,9-7	5 2-3	7	5	5	4	4
D.Downs	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Veras	1	0	0	0	0	2
Sipp	1	0	0	0	0	1
Qualls	2-3	2	2	1	0	1
J.Buchanan	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP—A.Ramos, Cosart.
T—3:29. A—28,968 (42,060).

MARINERS 4, ORIOLES 3

Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
Markks rf	3	0	0	0	J.Jones cf	4	0	0	0
Dlong dh	4	0	2	0	Ackley lf	4	2	2	0
A.Jones cf	3	1	0	0	Cano 2b	2	1	1	1
N.Cruz lf	2	1	0	0	KMorls dh	2	0	1	1
C.Davis 1b	3	1	0	0	Seager 3b	4	0	1	1
JHardy ss	4	0	1	1	Hart rf	3	0	0	0
Machd 3b	4	0	0	0	Romer rf	1	0	0	0
Flahrty 2b	4	0	0	0	Morrsn 1b	3	0	1	1
Hundly c	3	0	0	0	BMiller ss	2	0	0	0
Lough ph	0	0	0	0	Taylor ph-ss	1	0	0	0
					Sucre c	3	1	1	0
Totals	30	3	3	1	Totals	29	4	7	4

Baltimore 000 000 030—3
Seattle 003 010 00x—4

E—Seager (8). DP—Baltimore 1. LOB—Baltimore 7, Seattle 5. 2B—D.Young (6), Ackley 2 (20), Cano (24). CS—Lough (4).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
B.Norris L,8-7	5	6	4	4	3	6
McFarland	2 2-3	1	0	0	0	0
Brach	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Seattle						
C.Young W,9-6	7	2	0	0	3	8
Farquhar	2-3	0	2	0	1	0
Beimel	0	0	1	0	0	0
Medina	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Rodney S,28-31	1	0	0	0	1	1

Beimel pitched to 1 batter in the 8th.
HBP—by B.Norris (K.Morales), by C.Young (N.Cruz), by Farquhar (A.Jones). WP—Beimel.
T—2:49. A—36,936 (47,476).

SATURDAY'S LINESCORES
AMERICAN LEAGUE

BLUE JAYS 6, YANKEES 4

Toronto 000 020 103—6 9 0
New York 000 200 002—4 8 0

Hutchison, Loup (7), Janssen (9) and D.Navarro; Capuano, Kelley (7), Thornton (7), Whitley (9), Francis (9) and Cervelli. W—Hutchison [illegible]. L—Kelley [illegible]. HRs—Toronto, D.Johnson [illegible]; New York, McCann [illegible], Beltran [illegible].

RAYS 3, RED SOX 0

Boston 000 000 000—0 8 1
Tampa Bay 100 100 10x—3 9 0

Lackey, Uehara (8) and Vazquez; Hellickson, Belliveau (5), Balfour (6), Boxberger (8), McGee (9) and J.Molina. W—Balfour [illegible]. L—Lackey [illegible]. Sv—McGee [illegible]. HRs—Tampa Bay, Zobrist [illegible].

ROYALS 7, INDIANS 5

Cleveland 050 000 000—5 12 0
Kansas City 001 420 00x—7 9 0

McAllister, Hagadone (5), Atchison (6), Rzepczynski (7), Allen (8) and Y.Gomes; Guthrie, S.Downs (6), K.Herrera (7), W.Davis (8), G.Holland (9) and S.Perez. W—Guthrie 6-9. L—McAllister 3-6. Sv—G.Holland (27). HRs—Cleveland, [illegible] Santana (18); Kansas City, B.Butler [illegible].

WHITE SOX 7, TWINS 0

Chicago 011 023 000—7 14 0
Minnesota 000 000 000—0 6 1

Sale, D.Webb (9) and Flowers; Darnell, Pressly (6), Perkins (9) and K.Suzuki. W—Sale [illegible]. L—Darnell [illegible]. HRs—Chicago, A.Ramirez [illegible].

NATIONAL LEAGUE

REDS 1, NATIONALS 0

Washington 000 000 000—0 4 0
Cincinnati 000 010 00x—1 4 0

G.Gonzalez, Storen (8) and W.Ramos; Cueto, Broxton (8), A.Chapman (9) and B.Pena. W—Cueto 11-6. L—G.Gonzalez 6-6. Sv—A.Chapman (22).

CARDINALS 6, CUBS 3

St. Louis 200 000 400—6 8 0
Chicago 000 101 010—3 8 1

S.Miller, Choate (6), S.Freeman (7), Neshek (8), Rosenthal (9) and Pierzynski; Arrieta, Russell (7), Schlitter (7), B.Parker (8) and Castillo. W—Choate 2-2. L—Russell 0-2. Sv—Rosenthal [illegible]. HRs—Chicago, Schierholtz (6), Sweeney (3).

BREWERS 5, METS 2

New York 001 010 000—2 8 0
Milwaukee 000 031 01x—5 8 0

Niese, C.Torres (6) and d'Arnaud; W.Peralta, Duke (6), Jeffress (7), W.Smith (8), Fr.Rodriguez (9) and Lucroy. W—W.Peralta 12-6. L—Niese 5-6. Sv—Fr.Rodriguez (30). HRs—New York, Granderson (15); Milwaukee, Mar.Reynolds (17).

BRAVES 5, PADRES 3

San Diego 000 210 000—3 9 3
Atlanta 010 400 00x—5 11 0

Despaigne, Stauffer (4), A.Torres (6), Thayer (6), Vincent (8) and Grandal; Teheran, S.Simmons (7), Varvaro (7), Walden (8), Kimbrel (9) and Gattis. W—Teheran 10-6. L—Despaigne 2-2. Sv—Kimbrel (31).

ROCKIES 8, PIRATES 1

Pittsburgh 000 000 001—1 4 1
Colorado 001 120 22x—8 14 1

Locke, J.Gomez (7) and R.Martin; Matzek, Masset (8), R.Brown (9) and McKenry. W—Matzek 2-4. L—Locke 2-2. HRs—Pittsburgh, Davis (7); Colorado, Stubbs (11), Arenado (8), Co.Dickerson (13).

FRIDAY'S LATE AL WEST BOXES
ORIOLES 2, MARINERS 1, 10 INNINGS

Baltimore	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
Markks rf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	EnChvz rf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pearce lf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Hart pr	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lough lf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	J.Jones cf	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
A.Jones cf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Romer ph	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
N.Cruz dh	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Cano 2b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
C.Davis 1b	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	KMorls dh	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
JHardy ss	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Seager 3b	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Flahrty 3b	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Ackley lf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
CJoseph c	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Morrsn 1b	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Schoop 2b	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Zunino c	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
					BMiller ss	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals	35	2	6	2	Totals	34	1	8	1

Baltimore 010 000 000 1—2
Seattle 000 001 000 0—1

LOB—Baltimore 3, Seattle 8. 2B—Markakis (21), C.Joseph (5), Seager (25). 3B—Cano (2). HR—N.Cruz (29), C.Davis (17). SB—En.Chavez (4). CS—A.Jones (1). S—En.Chavez. SF—K.Morales.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Baltimore						
Gausman	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Matusz	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
O.Day W,3-1	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Z.Britton S,19-22	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Seattle						
F.Hernandez	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Maurer	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Rodney	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Furbush L,1-5	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Farquhar	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Furbush pitched to 1 batter in the 10th.
T—3:16. A—34,792 (47,476).

ANGELS 2, TIGERS 1

Detroit	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
AJcksn cf	4	0	0	0	Calhoun rf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kinsler 2b	4	0	0	0	Trout cf	4	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
MiCarr 1b	4	1	2	1	Pujols 1b	3	0	[illegible]	0
VMrtnz dh	4	0	1	0	JHmltn lf	[illegible]	0	0	0
JMrtnz lf	4	0	1	0	ENavrr lf	3	0	2	[illegible]
TrHntr rf	4	0	1	0	HKndrc 2b	4	0	1	0
Cstlns 3b	3	0	1	0	Aybar ss	3	0	1	0
Avila c	3	0	0	0	Freese 3b	2	0	0	0
Suarez ss	2	0	0	0	JMcDnl 3b	0	0	0	0
					Cron dh	3	0	0	0
					Iannett c	3	1	1	0
Totals	32	1	6	1	Totals	30	2	7	2

Detroit 000 100 000—1
Los Angeles 000 002 00x—2

E—Freese (3). DP—Los Angeles 1. LOB—Detroit 6, Los Angeles 6. 2B—J.Martinez (18), Calhoun (16), H.Kendrick (22), Iannetta (12). HR—Mi.Cabrera (16). CS—Suarez (2), Aybar (7).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Detroit						
Smyly L,6-9	5 2-3	4	2	2	1	11
Alburquerque	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	2
B.Hardy	1	2	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Skaggs	5 2-3	5	1	1	1	5
Morin W,3-3	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Jepsen	1	0	0	0	0	3
J.Smith	1	0	0	0	0	0
Street S,2-2	1	1	0	0	0	1

HBP—by Skaggs (Suarez).
T—3:02. A—42,915 (45,483).

FRIDAY'S LATE LINESCORES

ROCKIES 8, PIRATES 1

Pittsburgh 000 000 001—1 5 0
Colorado 001 000 70x—8 10 0

Morton, Pimentel (8) and R.Martin, C.Stewart; B.Anderson, Kahnle (7), Brothers (8), Masset (8), Belisle (9), Ottavino (9) and Rosario. W—B.Anderson 1-3. L—Morton 5-10. HRs—Colorado, C.Gonzalez (10).

DODGERS 8, GIANTS 1

Los Angeles 100 051 010—8 15 0
San Francisco 000 000 001—1 7 0

Greinke, C.Perez (8), Maholm (9) and A.Ellis; Lincecum, J.Gutierrez (5), Kontos (8) and H.Sanchez, Posey. W—Greinke 12-6. L—Lincecum 9-7.

MLBROUNDUP
FROM WIRE REPORTS

American League

ATHLETICS 5
RANGERS 1

ARLINGTON — Sonny Gray won his sixth straight decision, helped when the Oakland Athletics hit four home runs in a six-batter span to beat the Texas Rangers 5-1 Saturday night.

The A's trailed 1-0 when John Jaso hit a two-run drive with two outs in the sixth inning. Yoenis Cespedes followed with his 17th home run.

BLUE JAYS 6
YANKEES 4

NEW YORK — Dan Johnson drove in four runs with a go-ahead infield hit and a three-run homer, helping the Toronto Blue Jays end their 17-game losing streak at Yankee Stadium with a 6-4 victory over New York on Saturday.

Brian McCann's two-run homer put the Yankees ahead in the fourth, but Johnson drove in the tiebreaking run in the seventh with a 70-foot bloop that fell in front of second baseman Brian Roberts, who didn't charge the ball.

MARINERS 4
ORIOLES 3

SEATTLE — Chris Young allowed two hits in seven shutout innings and the Seattle Mariners snapped a four-game losing streak by holding off the Baltimore Orioles 4-3 on Saturday.

Dustin Ackley doubled twice and scored two runs for Seattle.

WHITE SOX 7
TWINS 0

MINNEAPOLIS — Chris Sale tied a season high with 12 strikeouts in eight dominant innings, Alexei Ramirez hit his 10th homer, and the Chicago White Sox beat Minnesota 7-0 on Saturday night for their third straight win over the Twins.

Sale (10-1) scattered five hits — all singles — and became the first White Sox starter to win 10 of his first 11 decisions in a season since Mark Buehrle in 2005. It was also Sale's 15th career game with 10 or more strikeouts, moving him into a tie for second on the team's all-time list with Juan Pizarro.

ROYALS 7
INDIANS 5

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Billy Butler homered for the second straight game and the Kansas City Royals overcame a five-run deficit to beat Cleveland 7-5 Saturday night for their fifth straight win.

A day after his pinch-hit, two-run homer in the eighth inning beat Cleveland, Butler connected for a tiebreaking shot in the fifth. It was 5-all when he tagged Nick Hagadone for a drive over the Royals' bullpen in left field.

RAYS 3
RED SOX 0

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Ben Zobrist homered, Matt Joyce and Kevin Kiermaier each had an RBI single, and the Tampa Bay Rays beat the skidding Boston Red Sox 3-0 Saturday night for their ninth consecutive victory.

The stretch is the second-longest in team history, three short of a 12-game winning streak in June 2004.

National League

REDS 1
NATIONALS 0

CINCINNATI — Johnny Cueto fanned nine in seven innings on Saturday, and Brayan Pena singled through a drawn-in infield for the only run, leading the Cincinnati Reds to a 1-0 victory over the Washington Nationals that ended a seven-game losing streak.

Cincinnati ended its longest losing streak in five years by getting several good defensive plays and another dominating performance by its All-Star starter. Cueto (11-6) gave up four hits and walked three.

BRAVES 5
PADRES 3.

ATLANTA — Freddie Freeman had three hits and an RBI, Julio Teheran earned his 10th win and the Atlanta Braves took advantage of Ordisamer Despaigne's control problems to beat the San Diego Padres 5-3 on Saturday night.

Tommy La Stella also had three hits and Chris Johnson drove in two runs as the Braves moved to within 1 1/2 games of NL East-leading Washington, which lost 1-0 to Cincinnati.

CARDINALS 6
CUBS 3

CHICAGO — Matt Adams drove in four runs, A.J. Pierzynski had three hits in his St. Louis debut and the Cardinals beat the Chicago Cubs 6-3 on Saturday to stop a four-game skid.

Shelby Miller returned to the Cardinals' rotation and pitched effectively into the sixth inning. Adams hit a two-run double in the first and a two-run triple in a four-run seventh that was capped by Pierzynski's RBI single.

ROCKIES 8
PIRATES 1

DENVER — Nolan Arenado bounced back from a benching with three hits, including a home run, and the Colorado Rockies beat the Pittsburgh Pirates 8-1 on Saturday night.

Tyler Matzek pitched three-hit ball over seven innings. Drew Stubbs and Corey Dickerson also homered for the Rockies, who have won three straight.

BREWERS 5
METS 2

MILWAUKEE — Wily Peralta earned his team-leading 12th win, and Mark Reynolds homered in the Milwaukee Brewers' 5-2 victory over the New York Mets on Saturday night.

Interleague

MARLINS 7
ASTROS 3

HOUSTON — Giancarlo Stanton hit a three-run double, and Jordany Valdespin added a two-run home run to power the Miami Marlins to a 7-3 victory over the Houston Astros on Saturday night.

Stanton's double in the second inning broke a 2-2 tie. Christian Yelich had two hits, including an RBI single as part of the four-run frame. Valdespin hit his first homer of the season in the ninth off Chad Qualls.

Buddy Brown/Special to the MRT

Players from the Midland Mid City Intermediate All-Stars celebrate after winning Friday's Little League Intermediate 50/70 Southwest Regional Championship at Grand Mesa Park in Grand Junction, Colorado.

ALL-STARS

From 1C

"He swings through the first two pitches and has an 0-2 count, and then he hits it to the fence for a triple," Bayley said. "This was the most complete team. You always have teams where there's super strong players that can carry you, and then a few weak players you have to hide somewhere. We don't have either on this team. Everybody has their role and everybody does their part."

The fact of knowing that everyone has contributed is something that the players also know about and take pride in. The Mid City squad totaled 12 hits on Friday as eight players had at least one hit and four different pitchers saw time on the mound.

"If we didn't have this team and if we had different players with none of us contributing our part we wouldn't have been here," Dominguez said. "We just played like we regularly played and just had fun. We weren't stressed out and nervous."

Now that they have made it "that far" the team is ready to keep playing a few more days.

"I just want to play with my friends right now," Ponce said. "I've spent my whole summer with them and going to the World Series with them is probably the best summer ever."

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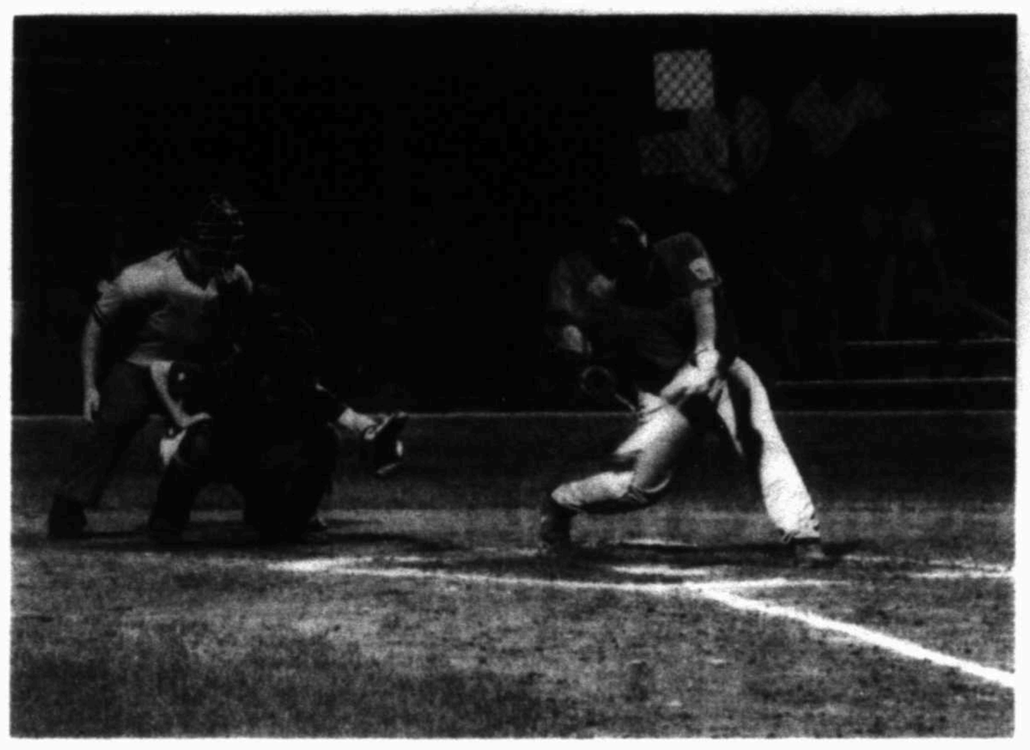
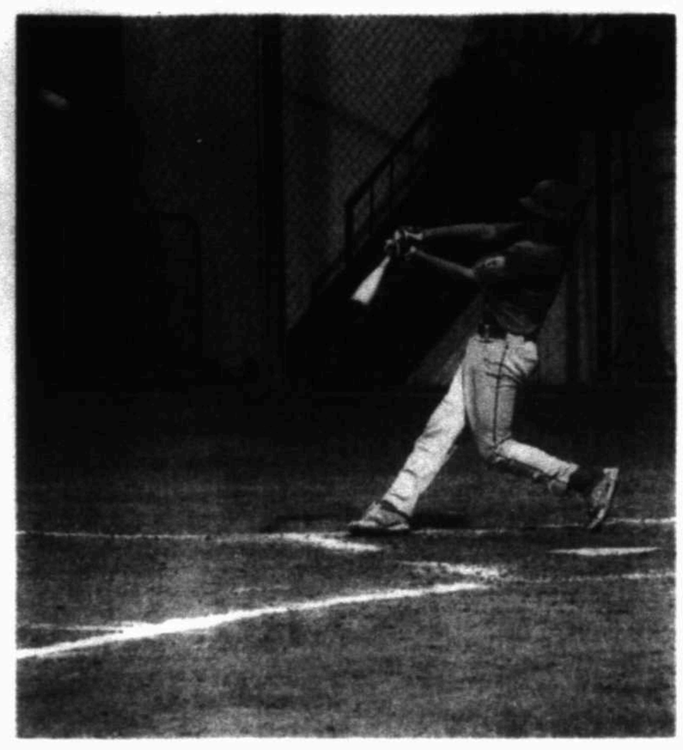
Little League Intermediate 50/70 World Series
Max Baer Park
Livermore, Calif.
Tuesday's Games
All times are CDT
United States Bracket
Tuesday's Games
Game 2: East (Berlin, Md.) vs. Central (Taylor, Mich.), 2:30 p.m.
Game 4: Southeast (Barboursville, W.V.) vs. California 57 (San Ramon, Calif.), 9 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Winner's Bracket
Game 5: Southwest (Mid City) vs. Game 2 winner, 2:30 p.m.
Game 7: West (Nogales, Ariz.) vs. Game 4 winner, 9 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Loser's Bracket
Game 8: Game 7 loser vs. Game 2 loser, 2:30 p.m.
Game 10: Game 4 loser vs. Game 5 loser, 9 p.m.
Friday's Games
Loser's Bracket
Game 12: Game 8 winner vs. Game 10 winner, 2:30 p.m.
Winner's Bracket
Game 14: Game 7 winner vs. Game 5 winner, 9 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 2
Loser's Bracket
Game 16: Game 14 loser vs. Game 12 winner, 9 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 3
United States Championship
Game 18: Game 14 winner vs. Game 16 winner, 6 p.m.
International Bracket
Tuesday's Games
Game 1: Canada (Surrey, B.C.) vs. Latin America (Willemstad, Curaçao), 11 a.m.
Game 3: APAC (Gyeonggi, South Korea) vs. Puerto Rico (San Lorenzo, P.R.), 6 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Winner's Bracket
Game 6: Europe-Africa (Brno, Czech Republic) vs. Game 3 winner, 6 p.m.
Thursday's Games
Loser's Bracket
Game 9: Game 1 loser vs. Game 3 loser, 6 p.m.
Friday's Games
Loser's Bracket
Game 11: Game 6 loser vs. Game 9 winner, 11 a.m.
Winner's Bracket
Game 13: Game 1 winner vs. Game 6 winner, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Aug. 2
Loser's Bracket
Game 15: Game 13 loser vs. Game 11 winner, 6 p.m.
Sunday, Aug. 3
International Championship
Game 17: Game 13 winner vs. Game 15 winner, 2:30 p.m.
Consolation Games
Saturday, Aug. 2
Game 8 loser vs. Game 9 loser, 11 a.m.
Game 10 loser vs. Game 11 loser, 2:30 p.m.
Little League Intermediate World Series Championship
Game 19: Game 18 winner vs. Game 19 winner, 6 p.m.





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Midland Intermediate All-Stars hitters Manual Iglesias, left, Cooper Jauz, right, swing. Iglesias hit a triple for Mid City in the sixth inning.

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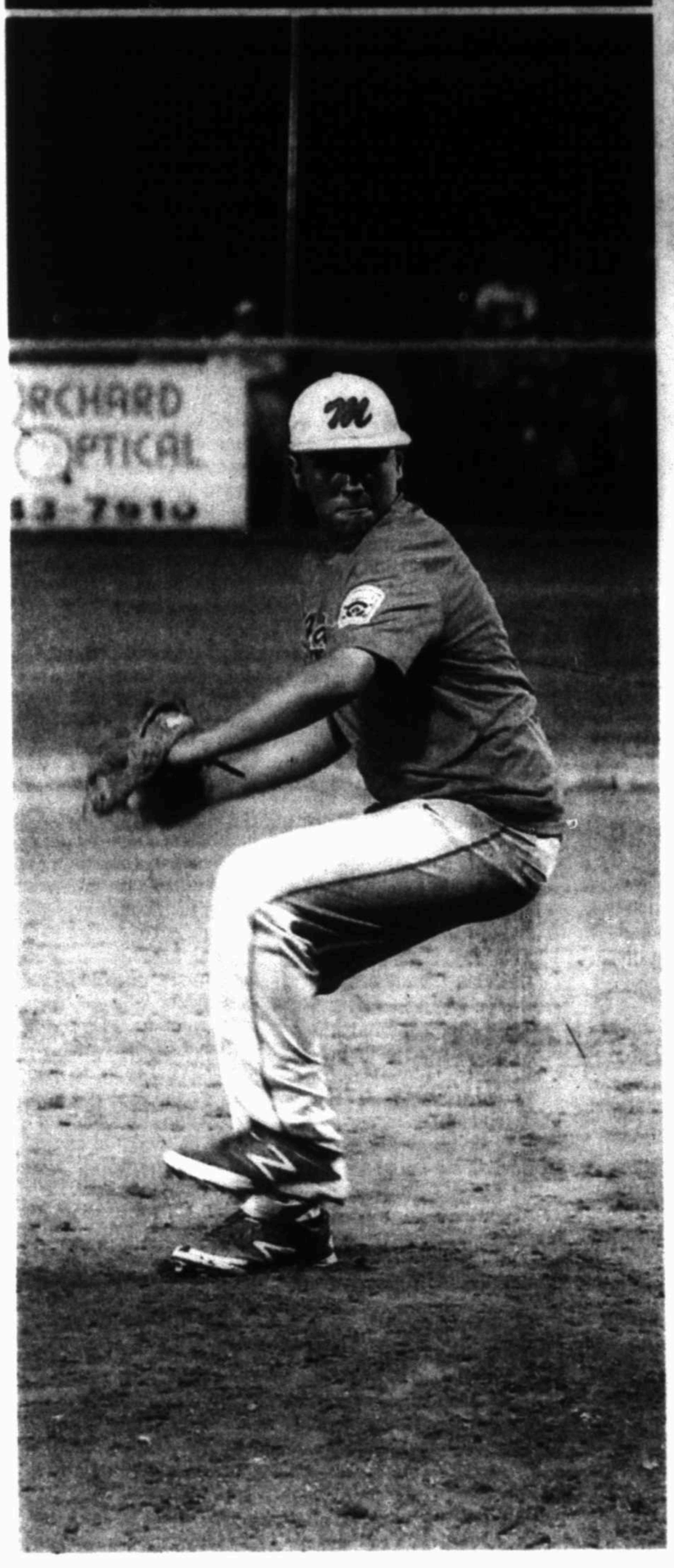
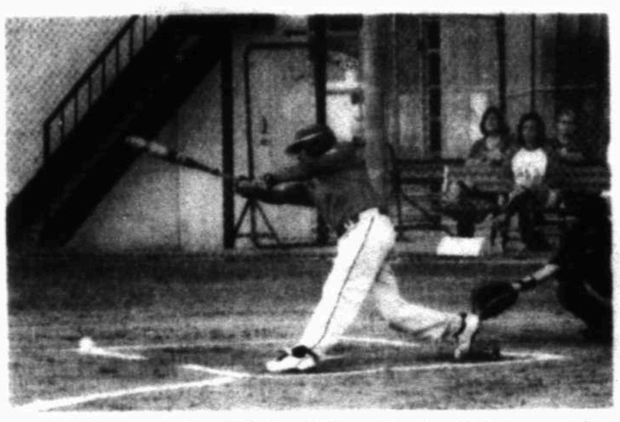
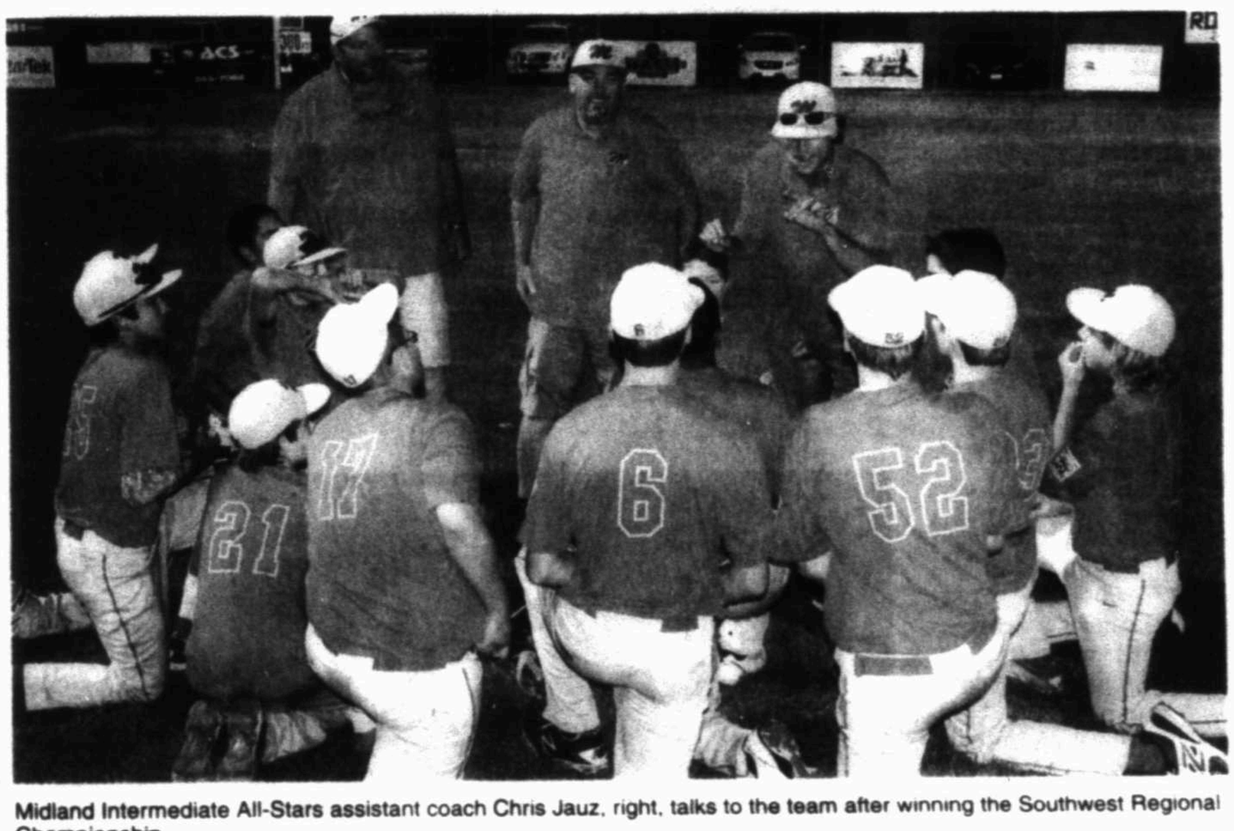


Midland Intermediate All-Star pitcher Cesar Ponce throws a pitch.

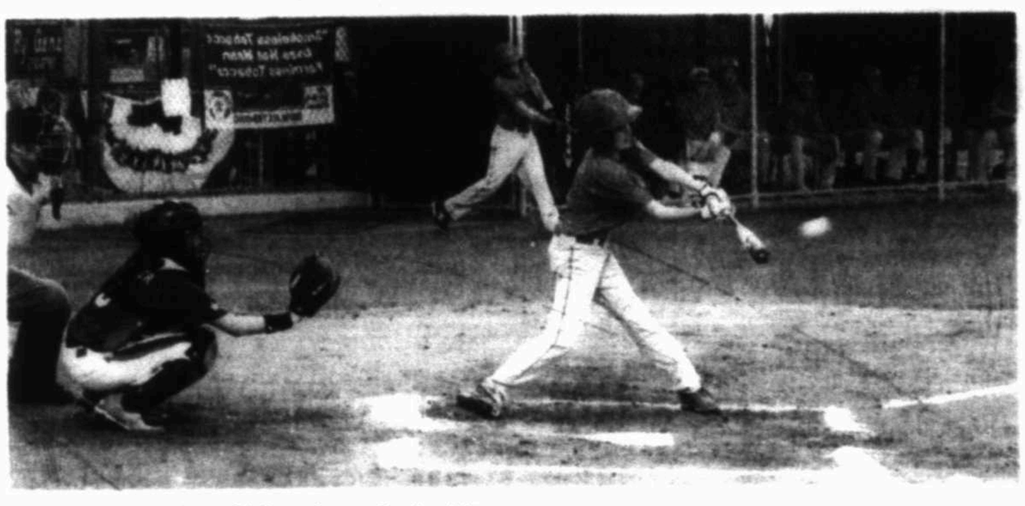
Midland Intermediate All-Star fans cheer during Friday's Southwest Regional Championship.



Midland Intermediate All-Star hitters Jordan Matthews, left, and Ivan Dominguez, right, hit



Midland Intermediate All-Stars assistant coach Chris Jauz, right, talks to the team after winning the Southwest Regional Championship.



Midland Intermediate All-Star Jaxon Bayley hits.

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❑ This is my first year to participate

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Tuesday, July 22nd, 6:00 – 8:00 pm, 1st Methodist Fellowship Hall

List any special activities (ex. Bingo, Dance, BBQ, Ice Cream Social, Hot Dogs, Watermelon, Pie Eating Contest, Pizza, Raffles, Pool Party, Flashlight Walk, Scavenger Hunts)
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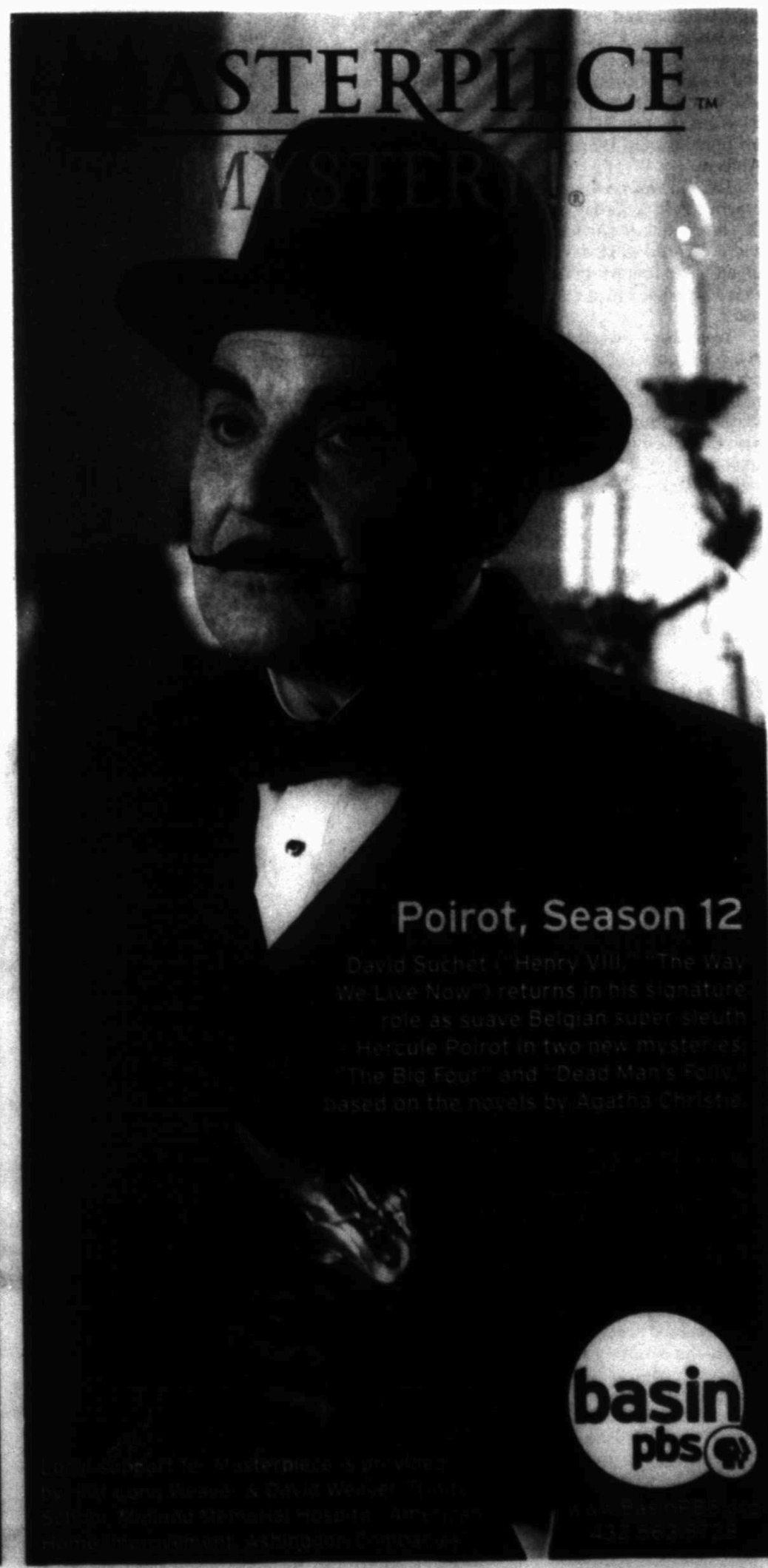


Top pick Clowney on field as Houston opens camp

By Kristie Rieken
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Jadeveon Clowney was on the field with the Houston Texans as they opened camp on Saturday.

But the No. 1 overall pick in this year's draft was limited as he continues to recover from surgery to repair a sports hernia.

Clowney, who had surgery on June 12, participated in the majority of the drills as Houston started camp with a 2 1/2-hour practice on Saturday morning. But he was held out of 11 on 11 drills late in the workout.

The first workout was open to the public and fans cheered as Clowney trotted onto the field for the start of practice.

Others squealed and yelled his name as he walked off of it and he flashed a big smile before first taking a second to pull his flowing dreadlocks, which were drenched in sweat from the workout, away from his face.

He said he's feeling better, but isn't 100 percent yet. Despite that Clowney didn't appear to be slowed by the injury and moved around well during practice. He said it's up to the trainers if he'll be able to take part in drills when the Texans move from shorts and shells to full pads in a few days.

"I'm just taking it one day at a time," Clowney said. "I'm just letting the trainers take it one day at a time and try to come back and get back for the first game."

The Texans open the preseason on Aug. 9 at Arizona.

Coach Bill O'Brien said he'll let the trainers decide how much Clowney will do and when.

"We've got the best when it comes to that," O'Brien said. "We do that and these guys are edgy, they want to get going, but it's a long season. So we bring them back at their pace. When they're ready to go, they'll go."

The 6-foot-5, 266-pound former South Carolina standout is moving from defensive end to outside linebacker in defensive coordinator Romeo Crennel's system and believes the transition is going well.

"I'm feeling very comfortable, but I've still got a lot of work to do," Clowney said. "Just keep getting better and better each day."

He'll pair with 2012 Defensive Player of the Year J.J. Watt to beef up Houston's already solid pass rush. Clowney had 130 tackles, 24 sacks, 47 tackles for losses and 20 quarterback pressures in a three-year career at South Carolina. He also caused a school-record nine fumbles and deflected seven passes. The 21-year-old also set a South Carolina record with 13 sacks in 2012.

Watt said he's eager to see how Clowney and the rest of Houston's rookies perform in camp.

"Training camp is a good time for rookies to get their feet wet," Watt said. "Once we finally put the pads on, it will be a good opportunity to see how they perform in a situation like that. So it will be exciting."

Clowney's still soaking in the fact that he now gets to play with people he watched over the past several years.

"It's very exciting," he said. "It was exciting the first time I got out here with the guys I looked up to coming into the NFL — J.J. Watt, Johnathan Joseph, D.J. (Swearinger), guys like that on my team I just I looked up to before I got here. So now that I'm here with them, it's even better."

Clowney missed Houston's three-day minicamp because of his surgery, but got going early by participating in Houston's offseason workouts leading up to that camp. He feels as if that helped him improve since he was drafted in May.

"I'm a lot better than where I was," he said. "I've learned a lot of the playbook already. Coach already said that we look good out there, so we've just got to keep pushing."

Pat Sullivan/AP

In this June 9 photo, Houston linebacker Jadeveon Clowney runs a drill during minicamp in Houston.

McClain

From 1C

him eighth overall and quit twice in Baltimore.

The Cowboys, who lost middle linebacker Sean Lee for the season to a left knee injury in the first offseason workout, got McClain in a trade with the Ravens earlier this month.

He flew to California with the team for training camp, but had to turn right back around and go to Alabama for a trial on charges of resisting arrest and disorderly conduct. The case stemmed from his third arrest since 2011 in his hometown of Decatur, Alabama.

McClain was on the practice field Saturday, a day after he was convicted and sentenced to 18 days in jail. He's free while the case is appealed to state court.

"Yesterday I was sitting in a courtroom not knowing what was going to happen," said McClain, who started 38 of his 41 games with Oakland over three seasons. "Today I'm here with the Dallas Cowboys with an opportunity to make a football team and fight for a position. You can't argue with that."

McClain was out of football last season because he said he needed to focus on being a better father to his young sons. He thought he was ready to return to the Ravens in April, but walked away again six days after he was reinstated.

Jones said the loss of Lee motivated him for a low-risk that cost the Cowboys a sixth-round pick but gave them one in the seventh. Being a businessman, Jones thinks he knows what might motivate McClain.

"You might have a different appreciation if you're out of dollars," Jones said. "I'm not saying he's out of dollars, but he certainly is less some dollars than where he was a few years back."

McClain will have to make the roster to earn most of those dollars. He will most likely be part of the competition to replace Lee. Justin Durant tops that list right now, and second-year player DeVonte Holloman and rookie Anthony Hitchens could be in the mix.

"His slate is completely clean with us," coach Jason Garrett said. "He has got some good endorsements, so we're hopeful that we'll see a player that we like and a guy that can help our football team."

Cowboys fans might remember McClain as the player who lacerated tight end Jason Witten's spleen with a hit in a preseason game two years ago.

Witten still takes issue with how McClain celebrated after the play, but has long since forgiven him for what everyone agreed was a clean hit. McClain said he apologized to Witten a few days ago.

Now McClain gets a chance to show whether he still has any highlight plays in him — and whether he has the desire to stay out of retirement this time.

"I have a known a lot of people, a lot of successful people, that quit and then got it together and turned it around and came back and really made something of what they quit actually," Jones said. "I have a little empathy."

And the Dallas owner has the long-distance phone call to show for it.

Gus Ruelas/AP

Dallas Linebacker coach Matt Eberflus, left, talks with Rolando McClain during the Cowboys' training camp Saturday in Oxnard, California.

Manziel

From 1C

Browns' training complex at 5 a.m. to secure the closest possible spots near the practice fields.

Manziel, the former Heisman Trophy winner who was drafted in the first round by the Browns, walked out of Cleveland's locker room at 9:22 a.m. as House of Pain's "Jump Around" blared through loudspeakers.

On Friday, Manziel, who will battle Brian Hoyer to be the starter, acknowledged he made "some rookie mistakes" with an offseason filled with partying.

He vows to be all about football now, and his every move will be dissected over the next few weeks as he and Hoyer compete.

Hoyer took the first reps with Cleveland's starting offense, and his first pass was a completion to wide receiver Austin Miles.

Manziel was behind center a few plays later, and after dropping deep in the pocket, his first pass attempt toward the sideline sailed long, beyond the outstretched hands of receiver Charles Johnson.

The incompletion didn't discourage the many Manziel fans, who are confident he can make the Browns winners.

"I loved watching him play in college," said Sam Wilson of North Canton, Ohio, who came to camp with his girlfriend, Savannah Meadows. "I think he's kind of a football genius and I think he'll turn it around. I have faith in him."

Not everyone came out to see Manziel throw the ball.

"I just think he's really cute," Meadows said.

Mark Duncan/AP

Cleveland quarterback Johnny Manziel signs autographs after practice at the team's training camp Saturday in Berea.

Son: Joe Paterno feared wrongly accusing Sandusky

By Mark Scolforo
Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Former Penn State football coach Joe Paterno told his son the day after his firing that he hadn't informed the coaching staff about allegations Jerry Sandusky may be a child molester because he was unsure whether they were true, Jay Paterno writes in a new book.

In "Paterno Legacy: Enduring Lessons from the Life and Death of My Father," which hit the shelves at some central Pennsylvania bookstores this week, Jay Paterno writes that his father said he didn't want to accuse somebody of something he didn't witness or know to be true.

"I didn't know that he'd done all that stuff," Joe Paterno told his son, according to the book. "I had no idea. I just didn't know."

The book takes a defensive tone toward the elder Paterno, who lost his job shortly after Sandusky's arrest in November 2011 and died of lung cancer just months later.

Jay Paterno, who abandoned a candidacy for lieutenant governor before this year's Democratic primary after his nominating petitions were challenged, is involved in two lawsuits in which Penn State is the defendant.

"I am not writing to exonerate my father because he did not commit a crime that needs a pardon," he wrote. "If anything, he is guilty of failing to possess the God-like qualities ascribed to him by others, qualities that Joe was the first to insist he never had."

His take on the Sandusky scandal closely follows — and repeatedly cites — a rebuttal his family produced after a report commissioned by the university concluded that Joe Paterno helped conceal Sandusky's behavior to avoid bad publicity.

Long sections of the book describe Jay Paterno's upbringing and his 17 years as an offensive assistant coach under his father, who built the program into a powerhouse and was instrumental in the university's growth and expansion.

Joe Paterno's firing, and a subsequent decision to remove his statue from outside the football stadium, remains controversial among Penn State alumni and fans, and Jay Paterno describes the trustees in bitter terms, saying they were just trying to save themselves.

"The firing was an act of cowardice," he wrote. "End of story."

In a phone interview Friday with The Associated Press, Jay Paterno said his father first realized Sandusky may be a child molester in late 2010, when he got word that a grand jury was investigating, long after Sandusky's retirement.

Paterno had fielded a complaint about Sandusky in a shower with a boy nearly a decade earlier and told the school's athletic director about it. Police weren't notified, however, and the report languished until a fresh complaint in 2008 caused police to investigate Sandusky.

For Jay Paterno, the realization about Sandusky came within a few days of his father's testimony before the grand jury in January 2011.

Until then, he said, he had thought of Sandusky as someone who was doing a lot of good for people — Sandusky had established a charity for at-risk children in the 1970s, and prosecutors later determined he used it to find and groom victims.

"When you know somebody for so long, it's awfully hard to believe bad things about someone, when every sign in his life points the other way," he said.

Three former Penn State administrators are awaiting trial on charges they participated in a criminal cover-up of allegations against Sandusky: former university president Graham Spanier, former athletic director Tim Curley and former vice president Gary Schultz. They have denied the accusations.

"I know what kind of men I think they are, based on personal interactions with them," Jay Paterno told the AP. "I've had nothing but good experiences with those people and nothing but honest dealings with them."

Bolt clear of foot injury, ready for Comm Games

By Rob Harris
Associated Press

GLASGOW, Scotland — Almost immediately after Usain Bolt landed in Scotland, the level of hero worship afforded to him demonstrated just how important the sprint star's participation is to the Commonwealth Games.

The Jamaican has never raced before at the Commonwealths, and his slow recovery from a foot injury had put this appearance in doubt.

Despite skipping the individual sprints, Bolt insists he will honor a commitment to enter the relay — both the heat and a probable final.

"I am here to run," the six-time Olympic champion said on Saturday, fresh from the airport. "I will be running definitely."

Bolt seemed affronted to be asked if there would be a late withdrawal like distance runner Mo Farah, who has the same management representation.

"That's a very weird question," Bolt said, burying his head in his hands in disbelief. "Yes, I am here to run, I don't see why else I would travel all this way to Glasgow."

It was a rare probing inquiry at a news conference in Glasgow attended by many giddy reporters seemingly there to pay homage to the world's fastest man, and leave with personal mementos. Even for a Bolt briefing, the level of sycophancy was high as futile attempts were made to present him with a kilt and pose for selfies.

"I have to be honest," one Australian reporter said to Bolt from the floor of the conference room. "None of us are here for work, we are actually here as fans. We were wondering if we could get a Channel Ten selfie with you."

The request was quickly and politely rebuffed, and the awkwardness was broken by a question on Bolt's troublesome left foot.

"The injury has completely gone, fitness wise I've done a lot of training over the past month," he said. "I've been really pushing myself and I'm in pretty good shape, but I'm not yet in running shape, hence why I'm running the heats just to get a few runs in.

"I won't be doing a lot of races this season, just four. I'm just taking my time trying to get myself into running shape, but not to push myself too much and then get injured again. I'm focused on just getting through the season."

Bolt's appearance on the Hampden Park track in the 4x100 relay heats on Friday will be his first competitive action all year.

"As long as there's athletes and there's eight lanes there's always competition," he said. "For me, it's something to add to my accolades over the years."

GOLFROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PGA

CANADIAN OPEN: At Montreal, Jim Furyk moved into position for his third Canadian Open victory, shooting a 5-under 65 on Saturday to take a three-stroke lead at Royal Montreal.

The 44-year-old Furyk, the 2006 winner at Hamilton and 2007 champion at Angus Glen, had a 15-under 195 total after opening with rounds of 67 and 63. He won the last of his 16 PGA Tour titles in 2010.

LPGA

INTERNATIONAL CROWN: At Owings Mills, Maryland, Inbee Park and So Yeon Ryu both birdied the first playoff hole and South Korea eliminated the top-seeded United States and earned a wild-card berth in the International Crown finale.

The South Koreans will join Spain, Thailand, Japan and Sweden on Sunday in a duel for title.

Champions

SENIOR BRITISH OPEN: At Bridgend, Wales, Bernhard Langer stretched his lead to eight strokes in the Senior British Open, shooting a 3-under 68 at Royal Porthcawl to reach 14-under 199.

The 56-year-old German matched the Champions Tour record for the largest 54-hole lead in a 72-hole event set by Jack Nicklaus in the 1991 Senior PGA. At 14 under, Lander also tied the tournament 54-hole record set by Carl Mason at 14-under 196 in 2003 at Turnberry.

Web.com

MIDWEST CLASSIC: At Overland Park, Kansas, Jarrod Lyle shot a 3-under 68 in the Web.com Tour's Midwest Classic, leaving the Australian 11 strokes behind Zack Sucher in his first U.S. event since his second bout with leukemia

The 32-year-old Lyle was tied for 23rd at 9-under 204 at Nicklaus Golf Club at LionsGate. He eagled the par-4 18th for a back-nine 31.

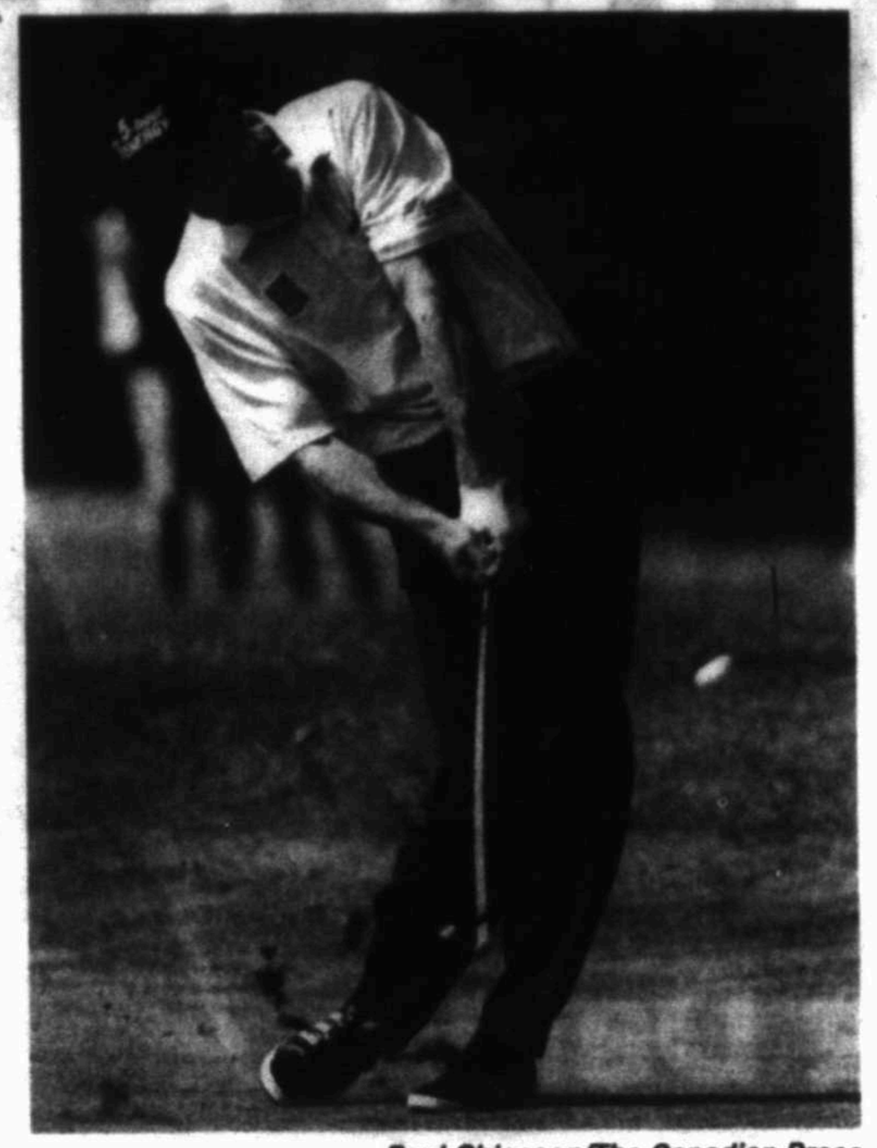
USGA

U.S. JUNIOR AMATEUR: At The Woodlands, William Zalatoris won the U.S. Junior Amateur, beating Davis Riley 5 and 3 in the 36-hole final at The Club at Carlton Woods.

U.S. GIRLS' JUNIOR: At Flagstaff, Arizona, Princess Mary Superal won the U.S. Girls' Junior to become the first Filipino winner in U.S. Golf Association play, beating Mexico's Marijosse Navarro on the 37th hole.

PGA European

RUSSIAN OPEN: At Moscow, Scotland's Peter Whiteford shot a 6-under 66 in windy conditions for a share of the third-round lead with England's David Horsey in the Russian Open.



Paul Chiasson/The Canadian Press

Jim Furyk hits on the ninth fairway during the third round of the Canadian Open on Saturday at the Royal Montreal Golf Club in Montreal.

GOLF SCORES

PGA

RBC Canadian Open Scores
Saturday
At Royal Montreal Golf Club
Montreal
Purse: $5.7 million
Yardage: 7,153; Par: 70
Third Round
a-amateur

Jim Furyk	67-63-65—195
Tim Clark	67-67-64—198
Kyle Stanley	65-67-68—200
Jamie Lovemark	69-65-67—201
Joe Durant	69-66-67—202
Scott Brown	67-66-69—202
Graham DeLaet	69-63-70—202
Tim Petrovic	64-66-72—202
Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano	67-67-69—203
Michael Putnam	64-70-69—203
Graeme McDowell	68-65-70—203
Justin Hicks	66-67-70—203
Matt Kuchar	69-65-70—204
Charlie Wi	66-73-66—205
Brandt Snedeker	69-69-67—205
Troy Matteson	70-68-67—205
Matt Bettencourt	67-70-68—205
Retief Goosen	69-67-69—205
Will Wilcox	68-68-69—205
Nick Watney	66-68-71—205
Andrew Svoboda	67-66-72—205
Andres Romero	71-68-67—206
Joel Dahmen	66-72-68—206
Ernie Els	70-67-69—206
Tim Herron	69-67-70—206
Roberto Castro	69-67-70—206
Danny Lee	69-65-72—206
Brad Fritsch	72-68-67—207
Kevin Chappell	72-67-68—207
Adam Hadwin	70-69-68—207
Kevin Kisner	70-69-68—207
Josh Teater	70-69-68—207
Russell Knox	72-66-69—207
Patrick Rodgers	71-66-70—207
Martin Laird	71-66-70—207
David Hearn	67-70-70—207
Ben Curtis	67-70-70—207
Eric Axley	68-68-71—207
Dicky Pride	66-71-70—207
Nathan Green	67-69-71—207
J.J. Henry	67-69-71—207
Robert Allenby	66-69-72—207
a-Taylor Pendrith	65-75-68—208
James Hahn	72-68-68—208
D.H. Lee	69-70-69—208
D.A. Points	71-68-69—208
Sean O'Hair	69-70-69—208
William McGirt	69-70-69—208
Geoff Ogilvy	70-68-70—208
Vijay Singh	69-69-70—208
Morgan Hoffmann	69-69-70—208
Charl Schwartzel	66-72-70—208
Steve Marino	69-69-70—208
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Stewart Cink	68-69-71—208
Jeff Overton	69-71-69—209
Johnson Wagner	71-67-71—209
Woody Austin	68-70-71—209
Troy Merritt	66-74-70—210
Ricky Barnes	70-70-70—210
Charlie Beljan	67-72-71—210
Ken Duke	67-71-72—210
Jerry Kelly	67-71-72—210
Tim Wilkinson	67-68-75—210
Greg Chalmers	66-68-76—210
Mike Weir	70-70-71—211
Ben Crane	71-69-71—211
Edward Loar	72-64-75—211
Thomas Aiken	70-69-73—212
Derek Ernst	70-69-73—212
K.J. Choi	72-68-73—213
Jim Herman	70-70-75—215
Ryuji Imada	68-72-75—215
Dan Forsman	72-73-74—219
Steve Jones	71-73-75—219
Luis Carbonetti	76-68-75—219
Jean-Francois Remesy	73-70-76—219
Graeme Bell	74-75-71—220
Ronan Rafferty	75-73-72—220
Marco Dawson	76-71-73—220
Michael Allen	75-72-73—220
Gary Wolstenholme	74-73-73—220
Fred Funk	74-72-74—220
Rod Spittle	76-73-72—221
Roger Chapman	75-73-73—221
Hiroshi Ueda	76-70-75—221
John Cook	73-73-75—221
Boonchu Ruangkit	73-70-78—221
Bob Cameron	73-75-74—222
Santiago Luna	75-71-76—222
Paul Eales	73-76-74—223
Richard Backwell	76-73-74—223
Jamie Spence	71-77-75—223
Seiki Okuda	77-71-75—223
Javier Sanchez	74-72-77—223
Malcolm Mackenzie	73-74-77—224
Jose Manuel Carriles	79-70-76—225
Wes Short Jr	77-72-76—225
Jerry Smith	74-74-77—225
Willie Wood	76-71-78—225
Ian Woosnam	73-74-81—228
Alastair Webster	75-72-81—228
Roberto Diaz	71-70-69—210
Henrik Norlander	66-74-70—210
Steven Fox	70-70-70—210
Manuel Villegas	65-74-71—210
Jerod Turner	69-69-74—212
Neil Johnson	71-70-72—213
Guy Boros	68-73-72—213
Glen Day	70-70-74—214

Champions

The Senior Open Championship Scores
Saturday
At Royal Porthcawl Golf Club
Bridgend, Wales
Purse: $2 million
Yardage: 7,021; Par: 71
Third Round
a-amateur

Bernhard Langer	65-66-68—199
Rick Gibson	70-71-66—207
Bob Tway	67-73-68—208
Scott Dunlap	71-73-65—209
Tom Watson	74-66-69—209
Chris Williams	68-70-71—209
Fred Couples	71-71-68—210
Barry Lane	72-69-69—210
Colin Montgomerie	72-66-72—210
Jeff Sluman	73-71-67—211
Miguel Angel Martin	74-69-69—212
Tom Pernice Jnr	78-64-70—212
Philip Walton	72-77-64—213
Steve Pate	75-68-70—213
Greg Turner	73-75-66—214
Russ Cochran	74-73-67—214
Esteban Toledo	73-72-69—214
Olin Browne	72-72-70—214
Pedro Linhart	70-69-75—214
Mike Goodes	75-70-70—215
Lu Chien Soon	76-68-71—215
Kirk Triplett	72-72-71—215
Angel Franco	74-70-71—215
Carl Mason	72-72-71—215
Bruce Vaughan	73-69-73—215
Peter Fowler	71-72-73—216
a-George Zahringer	71-78-68—217
David J Russell	77-71-69—217
Mike Harwood	74-73-70—217
Mark Brooks	74-72-71—217
Gary Hallberg	72-74-71—217
Jeff Hart	71-74-72—217
Jim Carter	72-73-72—217
a-Chip Lutz	72-72-73—217
Miguel Angel Jimenez	74-69-74—217
Bob Gilder	81-68-69—218
Wraith Grant	78-70-70—218
Andrew Oldcorn	69-78-71—218
David Frost	71-76-71—218
Joe Daley	75-71-72—218
Katsuyoshi Tomori	72-73-73—218
Mark Mouland	74-69-75—218
Ross Drummond	72-71-75—218
Kenny Hutton	71-78-70—219
Paul Wesselingh	75-73-71—219
Marc Farry	76-71-72—219
Kohki Idoki	74-73-72—219

PGA European

M2M Russian Open Leading Scores
Saturday
At Tseleevo Golf & Polo Club
Moscow
Purse: $1.35 million
Yardage: 7,491; Par: 72
Third Round

Peter Whiteford, Scotland	66-71-66—203
David Horsey, England	65-68-70—203
Andrea Pavan, Italy	73-70-64—207
Scott Jamieson, Scotland	66-72-69—207
Thomas Pieters, Belgium	67-68-72—207
Damien McGrane, Ireland	69-71-69—209
Sam Hutsby, England	72-67-70—209
Gary Boyd, England	72-67-72—209
Soren Hansen, Denmark	72-69-69—210
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Adrian Otaegui, Spain	70-73-68—211
Krister Eriksson, Sweden	72-68-71—211
Javier Colomo, Spain	72-68-71—211
Maximilian Kieffer, Germany	67-71-73—211
Jorge Campillo, Spain	68-76-68—212
Adrien Saddier, France	69-73-70—212
Edouard Dubois, France	72-68-72—212
Mikko Korhonen, Finland	74-71-68—213
Seuk-hyun Baek, South Korea	74-70-69—213
Brinson Paolini, United States	72-71-70—213
Haydn Porteous, South Africa	72-71-70—213
JB Hansen, Denmark	69-73-71—213
Sam Walker, England	69-71-73—213
Kevin Phelan, Ireland	69-70-74—213
Gaganjeet Bhullar, India	67-71-75—213
Also	
Daniel Im, United States	73-72-70—215
John Hahn, United States	72-74-75—221

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Midwest Classic Scores
Saturday
At Nicklaus Golf Club at LionsGate
Overland Park, Kan.
Purse: $600,000
Yardage: 7,237; Par: 71
Third Round

Zack Sucher	66-63-64—193
Aaron Watkins	67-65-64—196
Jason Gore	68-63-68—199
Bill Lunde	69-65-66—200
Tom Hoge	70-71-60—201
Aron Price	68-70-63—201
Rod Pampling	71-66-64—201
Shane Bertsch	65-70-66—201
Darron Stiles	68-71-63—202
D.J. Trahan	67-72-63—202
Harold Varner III	70-67-65—202
Jin Park	66-71-65—202
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Martin Piller	67-69-66—202
James Sacheck	72-66-65—203
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Paul Haley II	64-71-68—203
Steve Wheatcroft	67-70-67—204
Andres Gonzales	69-68-67—204
Jarrod Lyle	67-69-68—204
Sebastian Cappelen	65-74-66—205
Steve LeBrun	70-66-69—205
Luke List	70-66-69—205
Bronson Burgoon	70-71-65—206
Korbin Kuehn	66-74-66—206
Hunter Haas	69-71-66—206
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Michael Whitehead	71-68-69—208
Matt Davidson	69-70-69—208
Si Woo Kim	69-69-70—208
Mackenzie Hughes	69-69-70—208
Jose Toledo	66-71-71—208
Steve Allan	68-67-73—208
James Nitties	71-70-68—209
Justin Bolli	74-67-68—209
Byron Smith	71-70-68—209
Skip Kendall	68-72-69—209
Chris Wilson	73-67-69—209
Ryan Sullivan	67-73-69—209
Nathan Tyler	68-71-70—209
Brandt Jobe	69-70-70—209
Zac Blair	70-71-69—210

LPGA

International Crown Results
At Caves Valley Golf Club
Owings Mills, Md.
Purse: $1.6 million
Yardage: 6,628; Par: 71
Saturday
Fourball
Pool A

Standings: Spain 7, Thailand 7, United States 6, Taiwan 4

Spain 4, Taiwan 0

Carlota Ciganda and Azahara Munoz, Spain, def. Yani Tseng and Phoebe Yao, Taiwan, 6 and 5.

Belen Mozo and Beatriz Recari, Spain, def. Candie Kung and Teresa Lu, Taiwan, 1 up.

United States 2, Thailand 0

Cristie Kerr and Lexi Thompson, United States, def. Ariya and Moriya Jutanugarn, Thailand, 3 and 2.

Pornanong Phatlum and Onnarin Sattayabanphot, Thailand, def. Paula Creamer and Stacy Lewis, United States, 1 up.

Pool B

Standings: Japan 8, Sweden 7, South Korea 6, Australia 3

Sweden 4, Australia 0

Caroline Hedwall and Anna Nordqvist, Sweden, def. Minjee Lee and Karrie Webb, Australia, 5 and 3.

Pernilla Lindberg and Mikaela Parmlid, Sweden, def. Katherine Kirk and Lindsey Wright, Australia, 7 and 5.

South Korea 2, Japan 2

Inbee Park and So Yeon Ryu, South Korea, def. Mamiko Higa and Mika Miyazato, Japan, 4 and 3.

Ai Miyazato and Sakura Yokomine, Japan, def. Na Yeon Choi and I.K. Kim, South Korea, 3 and 2.

Friday
Fourball
Pool A

Standings: Thailand 5, United States 4, Taiwan 4, Spain 3. Thailand 4, Taiwan 0

Ariya and Moriya Jutanugarn, Thailand, def. Candie Kung and Teresa Lu, Taiwan, 3 and 2.

Pornanong Phatlum and Onnarin Sattayabanphot, Thailand, def. Yani Tseng and Phoebe Yao, Taiwan, 1 up.

United States 4, Spain 0

Cristie Kerr and Lexi Thompson, United States, def. Belen Mozo and Beatriz Recari, Spain, 3 and 2.

Paula Creamer and Stacy Lewis, United States, def. Carlota Ciganda and Azahara Munoz, Spain, 2 up.

Pool B

Standings: Japan 6, South Korea 4, Sweden 3, Australia 3. Japan 3, Australia 1

Mamiko Higa and Mika Miyazato, Japan, def. Minjee Lee and Karrie Webb, Australia, 3 and 2.

Ai Miyazato and Sakura Yokomine, Japan, halved Katherine Kirk and Lindsey Wright, Australia.

South Korea 2, Sweden 2

Caroline Hedwall and Anna Nordqvist, Sweden, def. Inbee Park and So Yeon Ryu, South Korea, 1 up.

Na Yeon Choi and I.K. Kim, South Korea, def. Pernilla Lindberg and Mikaela Parmlid, Sweden, 1 up.

Thursday
Fourball
Pool A

Standings: Taiwan 4, Spain 3, Thailand 1, United States 0

Spain 3, Thailand 1

Ariya and Moriya Jutanugarn, Thailand, halved with Belen Mozo and Beatriz Recari, Spain.

Carlota Ciganda and Azahara Munoz, Spain, def. Pornanong Phatlum and Onnarin Sattayabanphot, Thailand, 3 and 2.

Taiwan 4, United States 0

Candie Kung and Teresa Lu, Taiwan, def. Paula Creamer and Cristie Kerr, United States, 4 and 3.

Yani Tseng and Phoebe Yao, Taiwan, def. Stacy Lewis and Lexi Thompson, United States, 1 up.

Pool B

Standings: Japan 3, South Korea 2, Australia 2, Sweden 1

Japan 3, Sweden 1

Mamiko Higa and Ai Miyazato, Japan, halved with Caroline Hedwall and Anna Nordqvist, Sweden.

Mika Miyazato and Sakura Yokomine, Japan, def. Pernilla Lindberg and Mikaela Parmlid, Sweden, 2 up.

South Korea 2, Australia 2

Inbee Park and So Yeon Ryu, South Korea, def. Katherine Kirk and Lindsey Wright, Australia, 3 and 2.

Minjee Lee and Karrie Webb, Australia, def. Na Yeon Choi and I.K. Kim, South Korea, 2 up.

USGA

Junior Amateur Championship Results
Saturday
At The Club at Carlton Woods (Nicklaus Course)
The Woodlands
Yardage: 7,219; Par: 72
Championship (36 holes)

William Zalatoris, Plano (140), def. Davis Riley, Hattiesburg, Miss. (138), 5 and 3.

Girl's Junior Amateur Championship Results
Saturday
At Forest Highlands Golf Club (Meadow Course)
Flagstaff, Ariz.
Yardage: 6,718; Par: 72
Championship (36 holes)

Princess Mary Superal, Philippines (142), def. Marijosse Navarro, Mexico (136), 37th hole.

Harvick grabs yet another pole with big run at IMS

By Jenna Fryer
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Kevin Harvick once again dominated a NASCAR qualifying session, setting a new Indianapolis Motor Speedway track record to win the pole for the Brickyard 400.

Harvick turned a lap at 188.470 mph on Saturday to claim his Sprint Cup Series-best fourth pole of the season. Harvick beat the track record of 187.531 set last year by Ryan Newman, who won from the pole.

Harvick, who had never before won more than two poles in a season, will try today to win the prestigious Brickyard for the second time in his career. The Stewart-Haas Racing driver first won at Indianapolis in 2003 when he drove for Richard Childress.

It was clear quickly that Stewart-Haas came prepared for the Brickyard with some of its quickest cars. Harvick was fastest in all three rounds of NASCAR's knockout qualifying session, and teammates Tony Stewart and Kurt Busch also finished in the top-seven.

Only Danica Patrick failed to make it into the final round, but still qualified 14th to put all the SHR Chevrolets near the front of the field.

"It's time to get into Chase form, and this is where it all starts," said Harvick, a two-time winner already this season.

Landing right behind Harvick was Sprint Cup Series points leader Jeff Gordon, who will start second today when he races for his fifth Brickyard victory. He was thrilled with his qualifying performance because it puts him on the front row on the 20th anniversary of his victory in the inagural NASCAR race at Indianapolis.

AUTO RACING RESULTS

Sprint Cup

John Wayne Walding 400 Lineup
After Saturday qualifying; race today
At Indianapolis Motor Speedway
Indianapolis
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Car number in parentheses)

1. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 188.47 mph.
2. (24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 187.77.
3. (2) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 186.893.
4. (31) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 186.765.
5. (55) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 186.455.
6. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 186.193.
7. (41) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 185.943.
8. (12) Juan Pablo Montoya, Ford, 185.924.
9. (22) Joey Logano, Ford, 185.828.
10. (5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 185.705.
11. (48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 185.468.
12. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 184.991.
13. (20) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 185.468.
14. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 185.391.
15. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 185.254.
16. (15) Clint Bowyer, Toyota, 185.126.
17. (3) Austin Dillon, Chevrolet, 185.048.
18. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 184.991.
19. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 184.9.
20. (21) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 184.869.
21. (17) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 184.74.
22. (9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 184.426.
23. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 183.887.
24. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 183.61.
25. (78) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, 184.449.
26. (13) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 183.726.
27. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 183.692.
28. (95) Michael McDowell, Ford, 183.565.
29. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 183.539.
30. (98) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 182.861.
31. (51) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 182.656.
32. (83) Ryan Truex, Toyota, 182.574.
33. (7) Michael Annett, Chevrolet, 182.245.
34. (38) David Gilliland, Ford, 182.[illegible]
35. (23) Alex Bowman, Toyota, 181.866.
36. (47) AJ Allmendinger, Chevrolet, 181.815.
37. (40) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, owner points.
38. (34) David Ragan, Ford, owner points.
39. (26) Cole Whitt, Toyota, owner points.
40. (32) Travis Kvapil, Ford, owner points.
41. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, owner points.
42. (36) Reed Sorenson, Chevrolet, owner points.
43. (37) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, past champion.

Failed to Qualify

44. (66) Brett Moffitt, Toyota, [illegible]
45. (33) David Stremme, Chevrolet, [illegible].548.
46. (29) Matt Crafton, Toyota, 178.[illegible]

Nationwide

Lilly Diabetes 250 Results
Saturday
At Indianapolis Motor Speedway
Indianapolis, Ind.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Start position in parentheses)

1. (3) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 100 laps, [illegible] rating, 47 points, $68,050.
2. (1) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 100, 122.[illegible] $56,200.
3. (2) Matt Kenseth, Toyota, 100, 102.4, [illegible] $40,025.
4. (4) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 100, 137.[illegible] [illegible] $35,575.
5. (6) Joey Logano, Ford, 100, 115.[illegible] $30,150.
6. (9) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, [illegible] 0, $29,275.
7. (10) Brian Scott, Chevrolet, [illegible] 37, $32,700.
8. (14) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, [illegible] 0, $27,925.
9. (11) Trevor Bayne, Ford, [illegible] $31,325.
10. (7) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 100, 99.[illegible] 36, $32,375.
11. (8) Chris Buescher, Ford, 100, 87.6, 33, $29,650.
12. (5) Chase Elliott, Chevrolet, 100, 95, 32, $29,400.
13. (16) David Ragan, Ford, 100, 84.9, [illegible] $23,125.
14. (15) Dylan Kwasniewski, Chevrolet, 100, 80.6, 30, $28,775.
15. (12) Elliott Sadler, Toyota, 100, 81.8, 29, $29,425.
16. (30) Landon Cassill, Chevrolet, 100, 73.8, 28, $28,425.
17. (21) Dakoda Armstrong, Ford, 100, 64, 27, $28,250.
18. (20) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 100, 69.7, 26, $28,100.
19. (17) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 99, 66.8, 25, $27,900.
20. (13) Ryan Reed, Ford, 99, 74.8, 24, $28,475.
21. (18) James Buescher, Toyota, 99, 70.2, 23, $27,625.
22. (29) Mike Bliss, Toyota, 99, 60.5, 22, $27,495.
23. (19) Kevin Swindell, Dodge, 99, 63.3, 21, $27,345.
24. (23) J.J. Yeley, Dodge, 99, 58.3, 20, $27,220.
25. (24) David Starr, Toyota, 99, 62.5, 19, $27,670.
26. (25) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 99, 54, 18, $27,095.
27. (22) Chad Boat, Chevrolet, 99, 48.6, 17, $26,945.
28. (35) John Wes Townley, Toyota, 99, 45.3, [illegible] $26,870.
29. (27) Josh Wise, Chevrolet, 98, 45.2, [illegible] $26,770.
30. (33) Tanner Berryhill, Dodge, 98, 40.3, 14, $26,995.
31. (38) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 97, 38.1, [illegible] $26,595.
32. (39) Robert Richardson Jr., Chevrolet, 97, 32.7, 12, $26,470.
33. (37) Josh Reaume, Chevrolet, 97, 30.3, 11, $26,410.
34. (36) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 97, 33.1, 10, $26,375.
35. (31) Jeffrey Earnhardt, Chevrolet, engine, 53, 46.9, 9, $26,304.
36. (28) Eric McClure, Toyota, steering, 44, 37.5, 8, $24,580.
37. (34) Carl Long, Chevrolet, suspension, 19, 29.9, 0, $18,545.
38. (32) Jamie Dick, Chevrolet, clutch, 14, 38.2, 6, $24,461.
39. (26) Matt DiBenedetto, Chevrolet, vibration, 3, 30.8, 5, $18,300.
40. (40) Blake Koch, Toyota, vibration, [illegible] 29.2, 4, $18,190.

Race Statistics

Average Speed of Race Winner: 137.153 mph.

Time of Race: 1 hour, 49 minutes, 22 seconds.

Margin of Victory: 0.833 seconds.

Caution Flags: 3 for 17 laps.

Lead Changes: 9 among 6 drivers.

Lap Leaders: M.Kenseth 1-8; K.Harvick 9-17; J.Logano 18-29; K.Harvick 30-46; R.Smith 47-50; J.Logano 51-59; K.Harvick 60-66; K.Busch 67-76; T.Dillon 77-100.

Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): K.Harvick, 3 times for 33 laps; T.Dillon, 1 time for 24 laps; J.Logano, 2 times for 21 laps; K.Busch, 1 time for 10 laps; M.Kenseth, 1 time for 8 laps; R.Smith, 1 time for 4 laps.

Top 10 in Points: 1. C.Elliott, 678; 2. R.Smith, 674; 3. E.Sadler, 667; 4. T.Dillon, 663; 5. B.Scott, 636; 6. T.Bayne, 631; 7. C.Buescher, 556; 8. B.Gaughan, 551; 9. J.Buescher, 515; 10. R.Reed, 509.

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.

Formula 1

Hunganian Grand Prix Lineup
After Saturday qualifying; race today
At Hungaroring
Budapest, Hungary
Lap length: 2.722 miles
Third Session

1. Nico Rosberg, Germany, Mercedes, 1 minute, 22.715 seconds.
2. Sebastian Vettel, Germany, Red Bull, 1:23.201.
3. Valtteri Bottas, Finland, Williams, 1:23.354.
4. Daniel Ricciardo, Australia, Red Bull, 1:23.391.
5. Fernando Alonso, Spain, Ferrari, 1:23.909.
6. Felipe Massa, Brazil, Williams, 1:24.223.
7. Jenson Button, England, McLaren, 1:24.294.
8. Jean-Eric Vergne, France, Toro Rosso, 1:24.720.
9. Nico Hulkenberg, Germany, Force India, 1:24.775.

Eliminated after second session

10. Kevin Magnussen, Denmark, McLaren, 1:24.585.
11. Daniil Kvyat, Russia, Toro Rosso, 1:24.706.
12. Adrian Sutil, Germany, Sauber, 1:25.136.
13. Sergio Perez, Mexico, Force India, 1:25.211.
14. Esteban Gutierrez, Mexico, Sauber, 1:25.260.
15. Romain Grosjean, France, Lotus, 1:25.337.
16. Jules Bianchi, France, Marussia, 1:27.419.

Eliminated after first session

17. Kimi Raikkonen, Finland, Ferrari, 1:26.792.
18. Kamui Kobayashi, Japan, Caterham, 1:27.139.
19. Max Chilton, England, Marussia, 1:27.819.
20. Marcus Ericsson, Sweden, Caterham, 1:28.643.
21. Lewis Hamilton, England, Mercedes, no time.
22. Pastor Maldonado, Venezuela, Lotus, no time.

NHRA Pairings

Saturday
At Sonoma Raceway
Sonoma, Calif.
Pairings based on results in qualifying, which ended Saturday. DNQs listed below pairings.

Top Fuel

1. Brittany Force, 3.762 seconds, 325.53 mph vs. 16. Clay Millican, 4.293, 301.94; 2. Doug Kalitta, 3.791, 324.20 vs. 15. Steven Chrisman, 4.164, 260.81; 3. Tony Schumacher, 3.793, 323.43 vs. 14. Terry McMillen, 4.061, 301.60; 4. Antron Brown, 3.796, 319.60 vs. 13. Spencer Massey, 3.913, 306.19; 5. Richie Crampton, 3.799, 324.05 vs. 12. Mike Salinas, 3.905, 290.44; 6. Bob Vandergriff, 3.806, 319.60 vs. 11. Steve Torrence, 3.898, 314.39; 7. J.R. Todd, 3.818, 316.82 vs. 10. Shawn Langdon, 3.890, 313.37; 8. Khalid alBalooshi, 3.828, 316.52 vs. 9. Billy Torrence, 3.886, 314.31. Did Not Qualify: 17. Troy Buff, 14.515, 304.80.

Funny Car

1. Courtney Force, Ford Mustang, 4.045, 319.22 vs. 16. Peter Russo, Chevy Monte Carlo, 6.248, 99.36; 2. Cruz Pedregon, Toyota Camry, 4.051, 311.92 vs. 15. Gary Densham, Chevy Impala, 4.321, 285.29; 3. John Force, Mustang, 4.070, 313.73 vs. 14. Paul Lee, Dodge Charger, 4.246, 283.01; 4. Jack Beckman, Charger, 4.075, 314.83 vs. 13. Tim Wilkerson, Mustang, 4.214, 292.33; 5. Matt Hagan, Charger, 4.075, 307.30 vs. 12. Tony Pedregon, Camry, 4.185, 298.01; 6. Robert Hight, Mustang, 4.088, 310.48 vs. 11. Tommy Johnson Jr., Charger, 4.147, 302.01; 7. Ron Capps, Charger, 4.093, 314.61 vs. 10. Alexis DeJoria, Camry, 4.129, 307.37; 8. Del Worsham, Camry, 4.098, 312.57 vs. 9. Bob Tasca III, Mustang, 4.125, 309.98. Did Not Qualify: 17. Jeff Diehl, 6.416, 290.38; 18. John Hale, 6.459, 269.29.

Pro Stock

1. Shane Gray, Chevy Camaro, 6.539, 212.19 vs. Bye; 2. Jason Line, Camaro, 6.541, 211.79 vs. 15. Joey Grose, Camaro, 6.895, 199.64; 3. Allen Johnson, Dodge Dart, 6.547, 212.16 vs. 14. Tommy Lee, Ford Mustang, 6.680, 208.01; 4. Greg Anderson, Camaro, 6.551, 211.93 vs. 13. Larry Morgan, Mustang, 6.660, 208.75; 5. Jeg Coughlin, Dart, 6.552, 212.03 vs. 12. Deric Kramer, Dodge Avenger, 6.613, 209.56; 6. Dave Connolly, Camaro, 6.562, 211.76 vs. 11. Matt Hartford, Avenger, 6.613, 211.00; 7. Vincent Nobile, Camaro, 6.567, 211.30 vs. 10. Jonathan Gray, Camaro, 6.593, 210.54; 8. Chris McGaha, Camaro, 6.582, 210.97 vs. 9. V. Gaines, Dart, 6.583, 211.16.

Pro Stock Motorcycle

1. Jerry Savoie, Suzuki, 6.810, 197.86 vs. 16. Chaz Kennedy, Buell, 7.053, 186.20; 2. Eddie Krawiec, Harley-Davidson, 6.814, 195.59 vs. 15. Freddie Camarena, Suzuki, 7.036, 195.99; 3. Andrew Hines, Harley-Davidson, 6.818, 195.79 vs. 14. Katie Sullivan, Suzuki, 6.990, 192.71; 4. Scotty Pollacheck, Buell, 6.841, 195.85 vs. 13. Adam Arana, Buell, 6.921, 194.07; 5. John Hall, Buell, 6.850, 196.13 vs. 12. Shawn Gann, Buell, 6.908, 192.38; 6. Matt Smith, Buell, 6.851, 196.33 vs. 11. Steve Johnson, Suzuki, 6.895, 193.96; 7. Michael Ray, Buell, 6.852, 194.66 vs. 10. Angie Smith, Buell, 6.875, 193.99; 8. Hector Arana, Buell, 6.862, 196.73 vs. 9. Hector Arana Jr, Buell, 6.871, 197.91.

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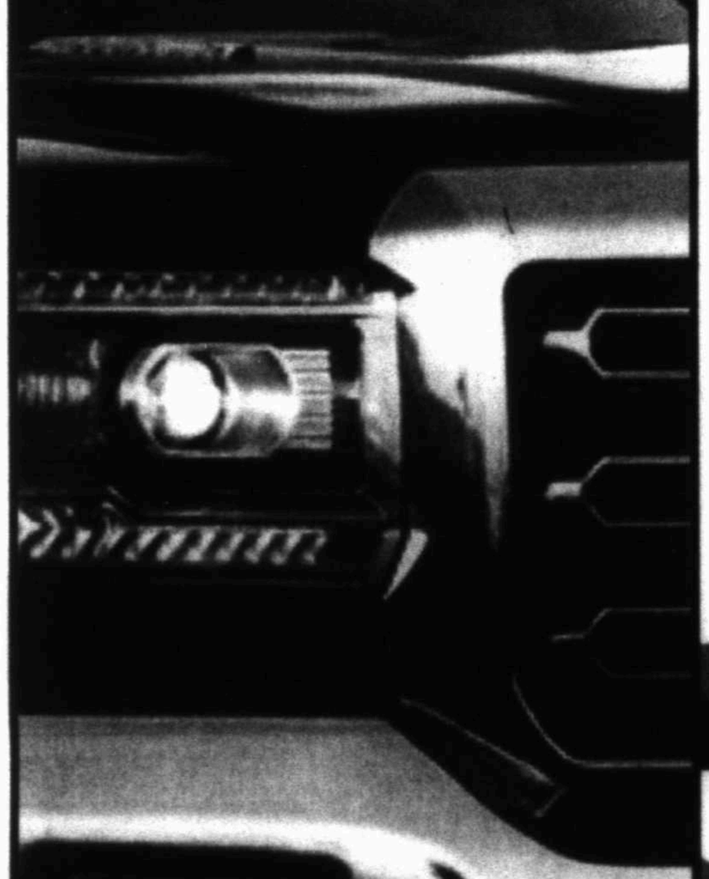

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AGC Plan Room / Dodge Plan Room - Lubbock, Texas
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas

Lee Lewis Construction specifically invites Small Business Concerns and Women Owned Business Concerns and Small Business Concerns Owned/Controlled By Socially And Economically Disadvantaged Individuals to bid this project.

Request For Bids
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc., as construction manager, will be receiving bids for the Ector County ISP Odessa High School Phase 3 Gymnasium Addition - 13,000 sq. ft. addition to the existing gymnasium.

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held at 3:30 PM local time on July 23, 2014 at the Odessa High School jobsite trailer, 1301 Dotsy Avenue, Odessa, TX 79763.

Bids are due by 3:00 PM on August 5, 2014.

Location:
Lee Lewis Construction, Inc.
7810 Orlando Ave
Lubbock, Texas 79423
Phone: 806-797-8400
Fax: 806-797-8492

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AGC Plan Rooms & Podge Plan Rooms - Lubbock, Odessa, Midland
Lee Lewis Construction - Lubbock, Texas
Website: www.isqft.com

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Legal & Public Notices

Public Notice
Proposal #2015-001

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed proposals for maintenance projects requiring concrete services throughout the year. The term of this contract will be for the period of September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2016. Proposal packets may be picked up Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Proposals will be accepted until 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 5, 2014** in the Purchasing Office at which time they will be opened and the vendor names read into record. For proposal packet information contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432) 686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. 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.

Legal & Public Notices

Public Notice
Proposal #2015-002

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed proposals for maintenance projects requiring electrical services throughout the year. The term of this contract will be for the period of September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2016. Proposal packets may be picked up Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Proposals will be accepted until 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 5, 2014** in the Purchasing Office at which time they will be opened and the vendor names read into record. For proposal packet information contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432) 686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. 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.

Legal & Public Notices

Public Notice
Bid #2015-001

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed bids for contract pricing on computer supplies and equipment to be purchased throughout the year. The term of the contract will be for the period of September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2016. Bid packets may be picked up Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N. Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Bids will be accepted until 3:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 5, 2014** in the Purchasing Office, at which time they will be opened and read aloud. For bid packet information, contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432) 686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. A final determination will be made at a future board meeting. The College reserves the right to accept or reject any and or all bids submitted.

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 4:00 P.M., August 19, 2014 to be opened at 4:00 P.M., in the Office of the Purchasing Agent City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

Bid No. 8119-14

For: Bill Williams Complex Improvements

If the Contract is awarded, it will be awarded to either the lowest responsible bidder, or to the bidder who provides goods or services at the best value for the City of Midland. In determining the best value for the City of Midland, the City of Midland may consider the criteria enumerated in Section 252.043 of the Texas Local Government Code. Information for Bidders, Proposal Forms, Specifications and General conditions for bidding may be obtained from Vandergriff Group Architects PC, 312 N. Big Spring St., Suite 100, Midland, Texas.

Purchasing Division
City of Midland, Texas

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Legal & Public Notices

Public Notice
Proposal #2014-027

Midland College District is accepting competitive sealed proposals to remodel a building at Christensen Stadium. Proposal packets may be picked up Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., in the Purchasing Office, located at 3600 N Garfield, Midland, Texas. **Proposals will be accepted until 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 5, 2014** in the Purchasing Office. The proposals will be opened and read aloud in the Administrative Conference Room # PAD 106. For proposal packet information contact Barbara Fennell, Director of Purchasing, (432) 686-4250 or bfennell@midland.edu. 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.

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on August 14, 2014. You have until February 10, 2015 to redeem any ticket for this game: #1557 Super Weekly Grand ($10) overall odds are 1 in 3.97. This Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off game will close on August 23, 2014. You have until February 19, 2015 to redeem any ticket for this game: #1514 Red Hot and Wild 7's ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.84. These Texas Lottery Commission Scratch-Off games will close on October 1, 2014. You have until March 30, 2015 to redeem any tickets for these games: #1521 Lucky 7's ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.42, #1586 Lucky Symbols ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.52, #1576 5X The Cash ($1) overall odds are 1 in 4.52, #1524 LoteriaTM ($3) overall odds are 1 in 3.98, #1507 Twisted Bingo ($3) overall odds are 1 in 3.54, #1556 Bonus Weekly Grand ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.96, #1577 21 ($5) overall odds are 1 in 3.52. 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 $1,000,000 must be claimed in person at the Commission Headquarters in Austin. Call Customer Service at 1-800-37LOTTO or visit the Lottery Web site 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. © 2014 Texas Lottery Commission. All rights reserved.

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION - DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP

The State of Texas	§	**AUSTIN RAMSEY**, Applicant's Attorney
County of Midland	§	**300 NORTH MARIENFELD, STE 700**
	§	**MIDLAND, TEXAS 79701**

To all persons interested in the estate of

GENE CHARLES REYNOLDS, Deceased
Cause No. **P17963**
in COUNTY COURT, Midland County, Texas

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an Application to Determine Heirship in this estate on 7/22/2014, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of **GENE CHARLES REYNOLDS**, Deceased, and their respective shares and interests in such estate.

The court may act on this application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00a.m. **8/04/2014**, which is the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of posting this citation, at the Midland County Courthouse, 500 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79701.

All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before this Honorable Court **by filing a written contest or answer** to this Application should they desire to do so. **To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing** with the County Clerk of Midland County, Texas **on or before the above-noted date and time.**

Given under by hand and seal of the COUNTY COURT of Midland County, Texas at the office of the Midland County Clerk in Midland, Texas on July 23rd 2014.

(SEAL)

Cheryl Becker
County Clerk, Midland County, Texas
P.O. Box 1350, Midland, Texas 79702

By: SHON BRENT, Deputy

General Announcements

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Lost & Found

FOUND OLDER chihuahua mix male tan and white Call 432-296-2834 or 699-0098

FOUND ON McDonald St -female Siamese cat, declawed, deaf 432-413-4975

FOUND TAN & White Female Chihuahua near Godfrey and Neely No collar Call to identify 432-697-3339

MALE BEAGLE Found Near HEB Please Call 638-6408 if you know who he belongs to

Lost & Found

LOST YORKIE missing from Fannin area Reward 432-352-9015

REWARD LOST set of keys with pad lock & key fob possibly on Wall St/ Front St or Florida Street Call 432-352-9791

NATIVE MIDLANDER with 10 years LVN experience seeking long term, full time caregiver position for in-home single or couple. Please email reply to midlandLVN@gmail.com

Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

2010 FORD Mustang Black sports package 64,450 miles dark gray racing stripe on bottom sides non-smoker and one car owner $14,500 OBO 432-553-0575

2011 NISSAN Altima Coupe 3.5 SR 275 hp fully loaded Nab Blue Tooth red excellent condition 36K miles 432-553-1053

BMW 2003 325i black sports package new tires one owner 165,000 miles good condition $5,900 Call 432-349-0369

➤ NEW TODAY! ◄
BUICK 2001 Lesabre 122k miles, some convenience items not working. Asking $1,200, call for more info: 806-441-7870.

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Passenger Cars

CHRYSLER 2006 Crossfire Convertible Excellent condition 40,850 miles auto trans limited edition Orig sticker $40,980 **Asking $13,250** From a smoke free always garaged environment Call 432-553-5444

FORD 2001 Focus Red in color Engine recently replaced 6mo warranty AC works Must See Asking $5000 Call 432-349-0041

FOR SALE black 2001 Mercedes SLK 320 Roadster 65,000 original miles $10,000 Retract convertible hardtop shiftable 6 speed auto 3.2 L fuel injected V6 RWD factory wheels AC AM/FM weather band telephone options remote CD changer electric & heated leather seats, woodgrain trim electric windows carpet & mats wind screen, original documentation & service history excellent condition sold as is Call Jerry 432-853-9392

GRANDMA MUST sell awesome personal car no room for grandkids 2003 Lincoln LE Sports sedan All options plus sunroof meticulously maintained Best offer over $7K 432-559-4536

HONDA 2004 Civic LX four-door sedan in good condition with under 25,000 miles GREAT BACK to school car! Very clean and dependable $8900 432-559-8840

KIA 2007 Sportage LX 4 cylinder 80k miles, cruise control side and front airbags Hunter green $6000 OBO 432-924-0543

LEXUS 2010 GX 460 Full size luxury SUV Silver with black interior 40,504 miles $39,000 Call 432-528-0648

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General Announcements

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Sarah Bella Boutique 1306 N. Lamesa Rd
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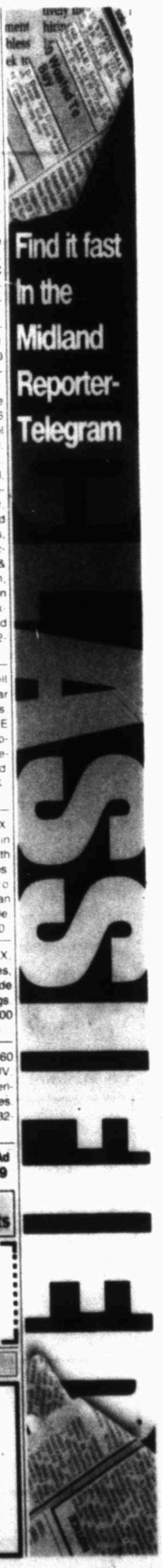
Dresses, Brand Name Purses, Shoes, Etc
Bring in this coupon to recieve
$5.00 off any dress
Offer valid until 7/31/2014, one coupon per transaction

Children's Events

COME JOIN us for
VBS Aug 3rd-6th at
The Orchard Church!
6112 N Big Spring Street
5:30-8:30 pm
Dinner served
before we begin!
Ages 3yrs-6th grade
Register at orchardmidland.com



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Merchandise

Appliances

BLACK REFRIGERATOR (3 years old) $300, stainless three burner propane BBQ grill with tank $40, tan recliner in good condition $40, barrel charcoal grill $25. Take all for $375. Call 432-230-9016.

WASHER & dryer for sale. 2 years old, like new $395 total for both or best offer 432-638-4665

Furniture

BEAUTIFUL OAK entertainment center $350 Please call 432-664-0688 & leave message Can text picture

CHINA HUTCH light oak, like new $400 OBO call or text 432-889-4074 for pictures.

OAK DINING Table, 6 chairs $500 Call 432-934-8882

Furniture

Moving Sale, HDTV 34", one dining table & 4 chairs, 2 accent chairs, 1 recliner. 432-296-1418

SPLIT TOP king size Sleep Number $10 system bed. 2 years old, perfect condition, works great. Not the original frame. Asking $1,800. Call or text 432-425-8277

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CONSESSION TRAILER and commercial restaurant equipment. For more information please call 432-770-4004.

RESTHAVEN MEM. Prk. Garden of Love. 2 plots Mkt val $2,395 ea. Selling pars only. $1,500 per plot. Email m a m a - d i 4 7 @ sbcglobal.net 432-682-3974

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Musical Instruments

USED FULL SIZE Englehart Cello with case. Great for school. $300. 432-638-6975

Sporting Goods

☆☆ GUN SHOW ☆☆ Midland Horseshoe Aug 2 , (9-5) , Aug 3, (10-5) Kim-806-252-6933 midlandgunshow.com

SCHWINN LADIES Cruiser 5spd bike $150, Ultra-Ab Lounger w/ DVD $100. Cash only. 432-352-2700

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Heavy Equipment

2000 VERMEER Ditcher T555DT with 3,780 Hrs. & 2010 Eager Beaver 20XPT 20 ft. Heavy Equipment Trailer. $95,600 Contact: (806) 292-5120

Miscellaneous for Sale

Animals & Pets

Pets

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GENTLE GIANTS, taking deposits on Irish Wolfhound puppies. Approved homes only. Call 432-689-9111

Pets

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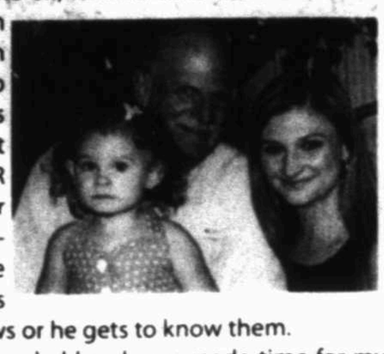
Birthdays

This article is a dedication to a great man my dad, Bert Robinson. Happy 63rd birthday! I believe that we are to give honor when honor is due and I can't think of a more honorable person than my dad.

My dad is the hardest working person I know. He has worked for the RD for 35 yrs. as a contractor with no benefits, no time off, no sick time and he works 6 days a week from about 7am - 8pm. He even helps my mom several times a week with her job. Not only is he committed to his job he goes over and beyond for his customers than what his job requires. So, when I want to complain, I look at my dad and he NEVER complains. He is very compassionate and for as long as I can remember he is always helping someone who is in need or doing some type of work. My dad absolutely never meets a stranger, he always sees someone he knows or he gets to know them.



One memorable thing I remember about my dad he always made time for my mom, my sister, and me. He loved taking us shopping to spend time with us. Other memories I will never forget are everyday before he left for work he would kiss me on the cheek and tell me he loves me and at night would say prayers. Tell your children everyday that you love them. I know my dad loves me because his actions have always shown it even when we disagree. He is the most patient man and always has an open ear when I need to talk or ask for advice. Most importantly, my dad taught me to trust in God. Being a Christian isn't about being perfect or not making mistakes but it's choosing to be different to those around you.

I have a beautiful God given daughter, Hannah. She's not only my world but she loves her grand-dad!!. So to my dad I say, love you so much. Thank you is not enough to express my gratitude! You have always given so much of yourself and go more than beyond to make sure Hannah and I are taken care of. I hold in my heart every memory we share, we are so blessed!! I wish I had enough money to give you the vacation you and mom so deserve. After working all these years and missing just a couple of days you deserve a relaxing trip. I do honor you for who you are: a great dad, husband and grand-dad. And to anyone who knows my dad, or if he is your mailman driving the white Vue...stop and look at him different because he truly is more than just a mailman.

Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday! Happy birthday!

HappyBirthday dad! Love, Sarah Robinson

The Bottom Line

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GARAGE SALES

Estate Sales

10% OFF Storewide Sale!
All of July
PACKRAT ANTIQUES
307 Dodson, Midland,TX 79701
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1715 PRINCTON AVE.
July 31st-August 2nd starting 7am
ESTATE SALE BY MACHELLE
Estate from 1922. Furniture, appliances, kitchenware, china, collectibles, clothes, toys, medical devices, sporting goods, and more!

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404 MARIANA Fri. 5pm-8pm, Sat. 8am-4pm & Sun. 1pm-4pm. Moving Sale! Everything must go! Beds, sofas, decorative items, and TONS of fabric! Baby furniture, clothes and toys, collectible vintage items, handyman odds and ends. Come one & all!

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4008 NORWOOD Street Saturday, August 2, 7:30am-11:30am. Clothing, some video games, shoes, etc

4606 TATTENHAM CR Saturday & Sunday, Starts Early. Household items, children & baby clothes, furniture, appliances, etc

Yard & Garage Sales

79706

4305 WCR 115 Saturday 8am-5pm & Sunday 9am-12pm Huge Huge sale! If you want it I probably have it!! High chairs, strollers, curtains, Avon bottles, microwave oven, dining room table & chairs, gun cabinets, computer desk, Kiln & ceramic molds, knick knacks, clothes, Prom dress size 4, wedding dress, Hotrod parts, Mag wheels & tires, A/C recycler. Go south on Midkiff, go over I-20 overpass, then turn right on I-20 Service Road heading west, go down to Jasmine - (CR 1220)- turn left, go to County Road 115 turn left, 3rd house on right.

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Passenger Cars

LINCOLN 2006 TOWNCAR 50K miles. Immaculate condition. $11,500 432-230-6675

PONTIAC 2006 Solstice. First year of production. No. 416. Many options added. 8,982 miles. $14,000. Call 432-664-1094

SUBARU 2013 WRX plasma blue silica. 15,300 miles. Subaru performance tuning package. Great performance. Call 432-210-1224

TOYOTA 2002 Avalon xls. Very good condition. 158,250 miles. $5,300. 432-210-5054.

TOYOTA 2004 Camry LXE, good school car. 73k miles. Make Offer Call 432-683-1544

TOYOTA 2013 Corolla S, with only 13,400 miles for sale!!! $17k 432-599-2224

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TOYOTA 2006 Prius Hybrid, nice clean car, 150k miles. New hybrid battery. Asking $7,200. Must see! 432-349-0041

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FORD 1968 Mustang Convertible Restomod emulating Shelby GT 500. Very nice car. Serious inquiries only please. $49,500 Call 432-684-5617

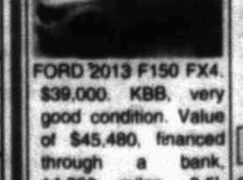
OLDSMOBILE 1969 Cutlass Supreme, complete resotration. 455 modified V8, two 4 barrel carburetors, professional rebuilt engine, 4spd manual, headers, power steering & brakes. $24,700 Call 432-230-6675

Pickup Trucks

CHEVY 1991 S-10 project truck 383 Stroker Rebuilt transmission. Lots of new performance parts randolphcurtis@hotmail.com for pictures or information $3900

CHEVY 2004 Extended cab 1500 pickup, 100k miles. Asking $9,000 432-638-5094

CHEVY 2007 Silverado 1500, 5.3L/V8, LT/TX Edition, crew cab, 1 owner, excellent condition, extremely clean, Desert/ Charcoal, 95K miles. $16,500 OBO. Call 432-212-2371.



FORD 2013 F150 FX4. $39,000. KBB, very good condition. Value of $45,480, financed through a bank, 14,300 miles, 3.5L Ecoboost engine, fully loaded w/ luxury pkg, plus pkg, appearance pkg. Contact seller quick with best offer at 575-418-0474

Pickup Trucks

NISSAN 2006 Titan 106k, 4x4. No tear edition, 9" suspension lift, 35" nitto tires, sound system, navigation, dvd player, same body style as 2014, loaded $15,500 obo 432-269-1077

TOYOTA TUNDRA SR5 Pickup TRD off road 4.7 motor with 74K miles and one owner. Ver good condition. Bed cover, steps, Kenwood stereo $10,500 OBO. Call or text 432-889-4074 for picutres

Vans & Minivans

HONDA 2005 Odyssey EX-L with DVD, leather seats. $9000 697-6415 or 557-5580

4WD & SUV

CHEVROLET 2005 Suburban 4x4, black, fully loaded including entertainment package. 196K miles. Asking $9,600. 432-687-0304 or 682-3147. 432-682-3147

CHEVY 2009 Silverado White 4X4 reg cab, long bed. 108K Only $11,000. 218-9941

GMC 2006 Yukon. 75.9K miles garage kept Michelin tires. Asking $14,000. Call 432-853-0434.

JEEP 2009 Wrangler 1 owner. 21K miles, good tires. $16,000. 432-283-1141 or 432-284-9664

TOYOTA 2009 Hylander LTE CHARCOAL Gray. 42K miles. Great Vehicle! New tires. Bluetooth. Navigation system. Backing camera. Sirius/XM capability. Heated (front) seats. Third row seat. Leather interior. Perfectly maintained. 23 MPG. $26,600 Call (432) 978-6773 or (432) 889-6073 or (432) 312-0340

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2008 YAMAHA Raptor 700R ATV. Garage kept. Excellent Condition. Asking $5000. 432-349-0041

FOR SALE 1967 Cessna 150-G fresh annual April 2014, ready to fly. $18,500. 432-425-5008

Motorcycles

2013 HARLEY Davidson V-Rod Muscle 1,200 miles. Screaming Eagle super tuner, Vance and Hines dual exhaust. Lots of extras. Candy Orange. $16,500.00 432-664-9034

KAWASAKI 2008 Versy 650. 2nd owner, 7,000 miles, new tires, chain, sprockets, cruise control, windshield, hard bags, 60MPG, $4200 OBO Call 432-894-3979

VESPA 2013 LX 50 4T 4V! Brand new, never been driven. In original crate. 3,000 OBO 213-0857 serious inquiries only.

YAMAHA 2008, 1300 for sale in Midland. Maroon, complete with saddle bags, Kuryakin grips, windshield, and sissy bar. $6,000. Call 575-590-0896.

RVs

2004 FLEETWOOD Wilderness 25' travel trailer. Excellent condition. Can be seen at 3505 E Hwy 80. $10,000 Call 432-661-1463

RVs

24FT TRAVEL trailer for sale Lights weight 2002. Comes with $900 leveler. Brand new tires. Only used twice. Asking $13,000. will negotiate. Call or text for more details or photos. Sheila 432-816-7636

DUTCHMEN 2005 Grand Junction 5th Wheel. Has three slides, two air conditioners. Only used four times, garage kept, like new. Asking $28,000 or best offer. Call 409-673-4783 or 409-698-9640

JAYCO 2008 EAGLE 5th wheel, 36ft, 3 slides, 2 air, new tires, excellent condition, extra clean, $26,500. Call 580-512-4450 or 580-342-5043.

LARGE PLACE, only 6 RV spaces for rent or lease in Gardendale, 1/8 mile from HWY 1788 N. Call 480-729-9641

PRESIDENTIAL 2002 Rambler. Top of the line, immaculate. $16,995. Call 915-525-6965

STARCREST POPUP camper, sleeps 6. Good condition. $700 830-634-7880

Utility Trailers

ENCLOSED CAR CARRIER Trailer- 2011 8.5' x 20' "Victory" Car Carrier, drive-on ramp, excellent condition, single owner, $4,900 OBO. Call 432-296-0400

Watercraft

1983 ALUMAWELD Skiff, 48" x 16' long w/ aluminum covered bow. 1987 Evinrude 40HP motor, tiller steering. 1984 Skipper B trailer. Minn Kota 585 trolling motor. Asking $4,200 OBO. Call 432-634-4067

MUST SEE garaged kept boat 2002 Larson 180 SEI, new graphics. $9,000 432-349-0041

Recreational Vehicles

2005 36' Thor Tahoe Transport 2 slides, 12' Bay cargo. 512-517-3776

2012 36' Fifth Wheel Jayco Pinnacle for Sale. $47,000. One Owner never been towed. 2 air conditioners, 4 slides fireplace king bed microwave, 2 TVs living room couch/2 lounge chairs contact Johnny 575-746-7931

FORD 2003 Gulfstream Independence class C motor home 34' 1 pop out sleep 5. 42K miles. Asking $26,995. 432-697-6447

HARLEY DAVIDSON
2013 Dyna Street Bob. 7,500 miles, windshield, saddle bags, custom paint. Excellent condition. Includes HD cover & 2 helmets $9,000. Call 432-352-7470

HAULMARK 2003 Edge 48 enclosed car trailer. 18' lounge, 30 cargo, new tires, 6.5 KW Onan $16,900 OBO. Call 432-559-8953 or 432-438-0121

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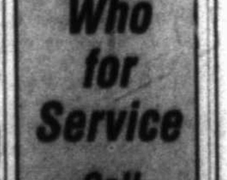

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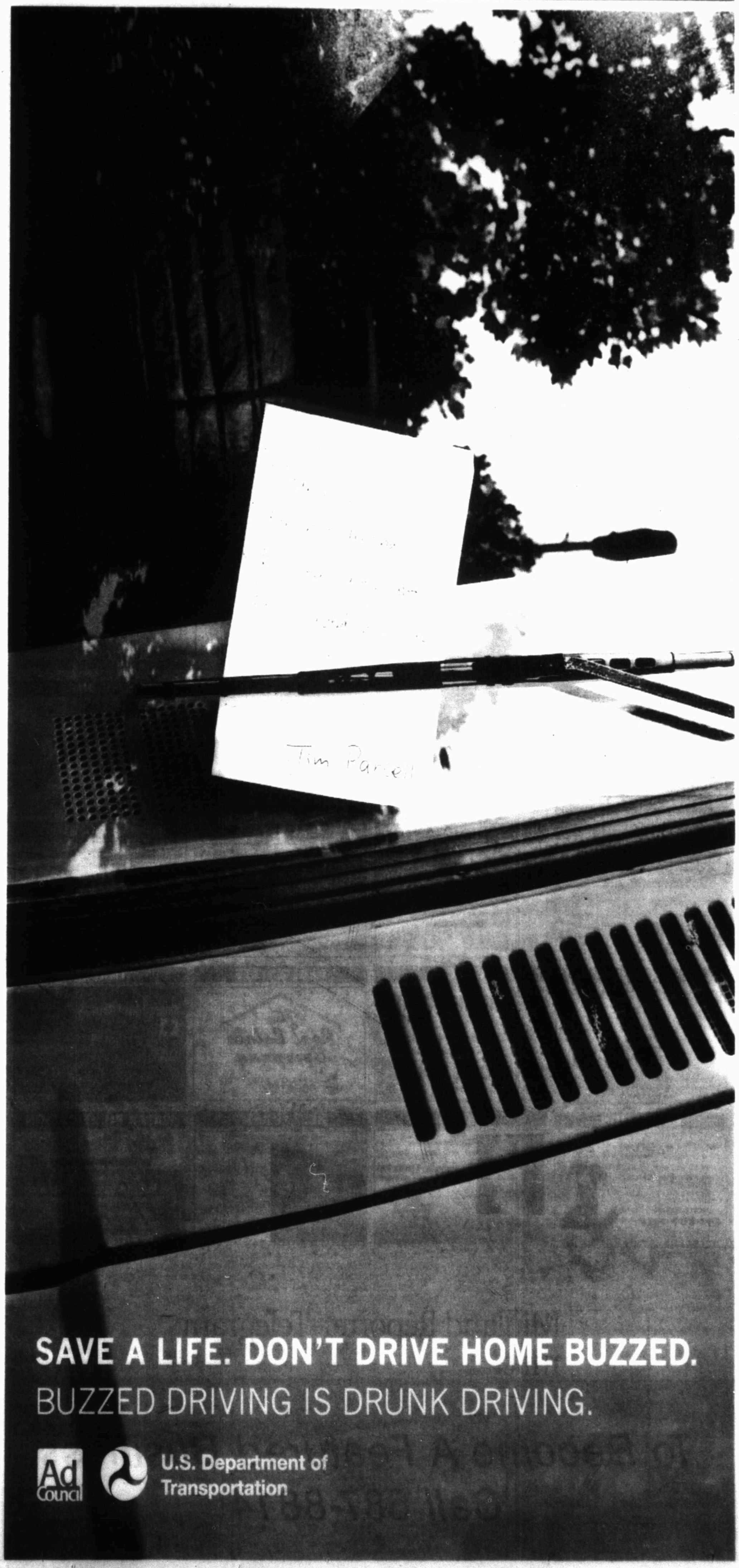
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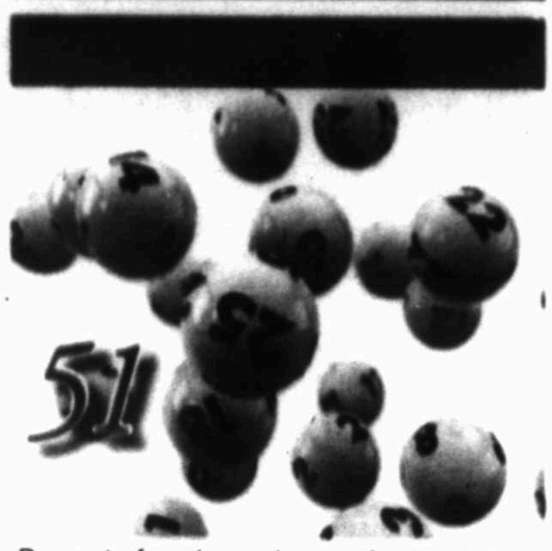

Percent of workers who say they would keep working if they won the lottery.

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STOP DROP ROLL

By PATRICIA RIVERA
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Stop, drop and roll.

School children across the nation learn that this is what they must do when their clothes catch on fire. And the advice for employees caught in a heated situation is no different, says Morag Barrett, leadership development expert and author of "Cultivate the Power of Winning Relationships." (Franklin Green Publishing, 2014)

"By applying these tactics to your emotions, you might just save your reputation and relationships at work," she adds.

At the root is managing, or cultivating, your emotional intelligence. Barrett, of Denver, says being the smartest person in the room is no longer enough (and may never have been) to ensure long-term success. Emotional intelligence is as important, if not more so, than IQ.

She describes emotional intelligence as the capacity to effectively recognize and manage your own emotions and those of others. It is not about being "nicer," less emotional or even unemotional.

"Emotional intelligence today is about intentionally using the awareness of emotions to enhance job satisfaction and performance," she adds.

Emotional intelligence can be learned and developed, and should definitely be practiced in heated moments when your fired up. In moments when you're likely to have a psychological reaction – such as fight, flight, freeze or fold – you can stop and potentially avoid any damaging career consequences.

That's when you should implement the stop, drop and roll approach. Barrett suggests the following:

• Stop. Disengage so you can re-engage more powerfully. Remove yourself from the immediate trigger by creating a physical or mental distance. You can count to 10, take a break or go for a walk.

• Drop. The brain requires 20 percent of the oxygen in the body. In a tense situation, blood and oxygen are shunted away from the brain to the main parts of the body to prepare for fight or flight. You can focus on breathing and return a higher level of oxygen to the brain so it gains greater capacity to function. Try to breathe slowly and deeply, breathe in through your nose and out through your mouth and visualize success, or something or someone that calms you down.

• Roll. You've got to roll with the punches by asking questions and seeking more information. Remain curious and test your assumptions for accuracy. Ask open-ended questions. Explain your thinking. Gain feedback from others. Also, explore your role and contribution to the situation. Take ownership and accountability.

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THE ECO OFFICE

TWELVE TIPS FOR KEEPING YOUR WORKSPACE ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY

By CHRIS GELBACH
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Making more environmentally friendly choices at work requires change, but doesn't have to be difficult. Here are some easy ways you can personally make a difference while encouraging greener practices at your organization.

1. Limit paper use. Scan instead of print when possible. Encourage your company to set double-sided printing as the default and to require a code for printing. "We noticed at least a 30 percent reduction in paper when we moved to the printers where you have to walk up to the copier and click on your code," says Leigh Stringer, director of innovation and research at HOK and author of "The Green Workplace." (Palgrave Macmillan, 2010)

2. Ask your lawyers to help. Mick Dalrymple, practice lead of Walton Sustainability Solutions Services at Arizona State University, noticed additional paper savings when ASU lawyers added a clause to the university's contracts making an electronic signature is as valid as an ink one. Dalrymple estimates the move has also saved 48 hours of processing and about six hours of work on every contract at ASU.

3. Purchase green products. Do your research and choose products that are recycled, locally grown or Rainforest Alliance Certified whenever possible. "Even as a small company, you hire other companies all the time," says Stringer. "Spend your money on ones that will contribute to solving the problem versus creating it."

4. Advocate for communal waste stations. In many offices, every person has their own trash and recycling bins – and custodians dump the plastic bags every night, even if there's only one item in the can. Getting rid of the individual cans can drastically reduce plastic waste and cleanup time while getting employees up and walking more.

5. Eliminate single-use creamers and similar plastic items. "Those little things are what we call the evil hybrids," says Dalrymple. "They've got two different types of material in them, so they can't be recycled." Swap out plastic stirrers for compostable wooden ones and get rid of single-serve sweetener packets, too.

6. Get a spork. Eating with a sturdy reusable camping utensil at work can cut down significantly on plastic waste and washing. Also, encourage your office to nix bottled water and to provide ceramic cups for coffee.

7. Explore behavioral principles. If you're going to be the green champion in your office, study persuasion experts like Robert Cialdini to learn how to frame requests for change. "Integrating these core concepts into your messaging – even signs posted in the kitchen – can have a pretty significant impact," Dalrymple says.

8. Encourage positive incentives. If your workplace charges more for parking while subsidizing mass transit, it makes green choices easier. Convince your office to put half the money it saves by adopting energy efficient practices toward an office party, and more people will buy in.

9. Tackle one topic at a time. Try focusing on using less paper one month and being more energy efficient the next. "We're finding that those kinds of campaigns allow people to dig deeper without getting overwhelmed," says Stringer.

10. Go for easy energy savings. Encourage your office to save money through energy-efficient lighting, light sensors in conference rooms and bathrooms and automatic shutoff of monitors and computers. Get a power strip with a timer for your devices that goes off when you leave. "It's almost automatically encouraging you to do something rather than not," Stringer says.

11. Rethink reward systems. Encourage your organization to offer sustainable mutual funds as an option. Move toward a culture that thanks employees with gift cards or other monetary rewards instead of physical objects.

12. Embrace active design. Inviting stairways, bike storage, access to changing rooms and showers, and offices located near mass transit and parks make activity more attractive. Ask for these options at your office, and consider these things before taking a new job. "Generally, whenever you use your own power, if you're walking or climbing stairs, that's reducing your carbon footprint," says Joanna Frank, executive director of the Center for Active Design. According to Frank, walking just six extra flights of stairs a day can also offset the average weight gain in American adults. "Incremental changes make a big difference," she says.

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JOB HUNTING

LOOK THIS WAY

You should get the job if your skills beat the competition.

But it also takes considerable talent to get those skills noticed.

In fact, jobseekers who take training to hone the art of finding openings and presenting themselves to employers are 2.67 times more likely to land a job than those without guidance, according to a study to appear in the journal, "Psychological Bulletin."

Researchers from the University of Florida, Pennsylvania State University and Wayne State University combed through studies conducted over the past forty years that examined how a total of 9,575 jobseekers who received different types of job search training fared against those without any instruction.

Moreover, training focused on certain search skills – like staying motivated, enlisting support from friends and family and improving self-presentation – were shown to have boosted jobseekers' chances by more than the average 2.67 multiple.

"It is important to note that the effectiveness of job search training programs ranged widely, depending on training components and jobseeker characteristics," notes Song Liu, a Pennsylvania State professor and one of the study's authors.

"We recommend career counselors better design their training programs to utilize effective components identified in our study, and jobseekers to enroll in training programs that best fit their needs," Liu adds.

He recommends taking the self-assessment of job search skills available at Ynj.csom.umn.edu.

The assessment asks questions like, "To what extent do the words below (angry, depressed, worried) describe how you have felt most of the time in the last seven days?" – and then using the results to determine if a particular job search counselor or course can help you.

Private career counselors abound. For those who need a free or low-cost option, try an American Job Center, advices Ronald Painter, CEO of the National Association of Workforce Boards. Or try the site Workforceinvestmentworks.com and look for nearby Workforce Investment Board or WIB, and from there find a nearby American Job Center."

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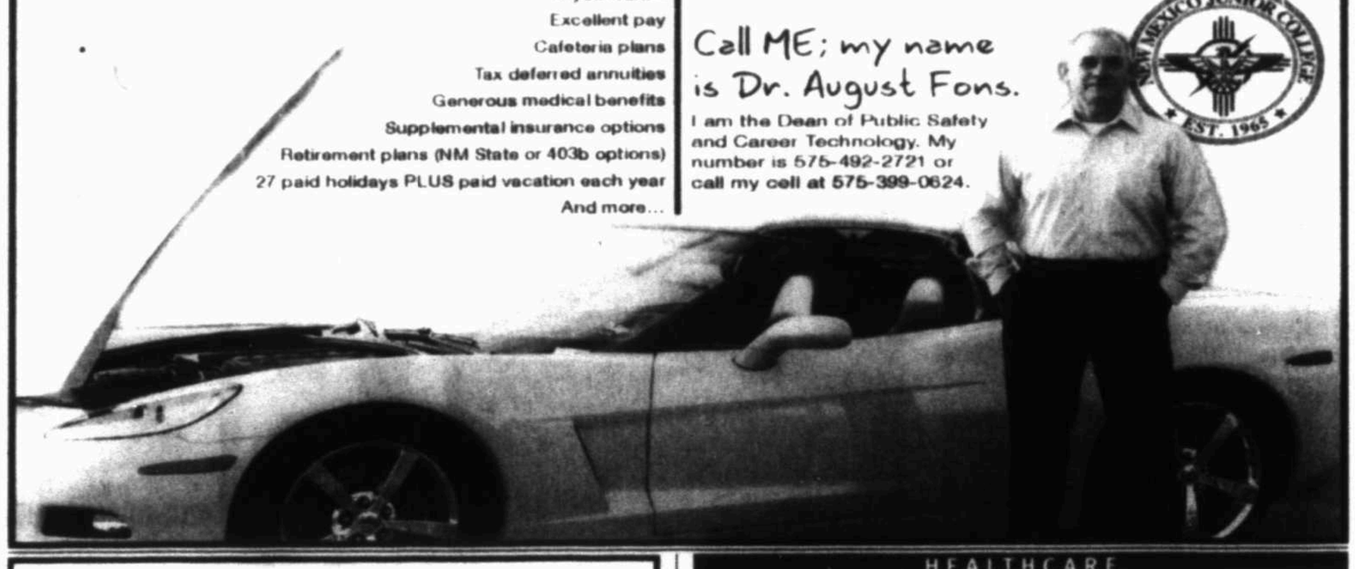

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West Texas Centers has an opening for a **Mental Health Counselor**. This position will be responsible for providing a combination of both counseling duties and intake eligibility assessments as assigned. Duties of this position will be responsible for providing Cognitive Behavioral Therapy to an individual, group, or family, depending on assignment. Advantage if received State training in CBT, CPT, TF-CBT and having CBT Competency requirements met (training will be provided if needed). Other duties of this position may require routine interactions with individuals with mental illness and their families to complete eligibility diagnostic assessments and making level of care recommendations. Must be licensed by the State of Texas as an LPC, LCSW, LMFT. Travel required within assigned service area. Position will be based out of Big Spring. Employee will participate on Crisis Consult Rotation by phone, providing support to Crisis Duty Staff & authorizing options for interventions. Employee must have a valid Texas driver's license and a driving record that is acceptable for insurability through the Center's insurance carrier. $21.84 per hr. $45,420 annually.

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MISD MAINTENANCE
Currently Seeking: **Plumbers**, **HVAC Mechanic**, Carpenter, Periodic Maintenance Worker, **Grounds Equipment Operators**, Grounds Caretaker, **Grounds Crew Leader**, **Grounds Crew/Special Projects** and Custodians. Please apply on-line at **www.midlandisd.net**

LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY

Juvenile Probation Officer
Midland County Juvenile Probation has position for a juvenile probation officer to supervise juveniles ages 10-16. Applicants must have at least a bachelor's degree in criminal justice or related field from an accredited college and one year experience working with youth. Working hours may vary to include evenings and weekends. Smoke free environment. EOE. Apply at Midland County Human Resources Office, 500 N Loraine, Suite 100, Midland, Tx. Open until filled.

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

Operations Manager
Texas Leadership Charter Academy is seeking an Operations Manager to serve as the immediate supervisor of all operational support departments for the Midland campus. These departments include but are not limited to maintenance, custodial, transportation, custodial, food service, security, and purchasing. Benefits including health care and paid time off are offered. Pay would be in the range of $50,000 but is negotiable. For more information contact Scott White, Operations Officer, at (325) 653-3200 x7005.

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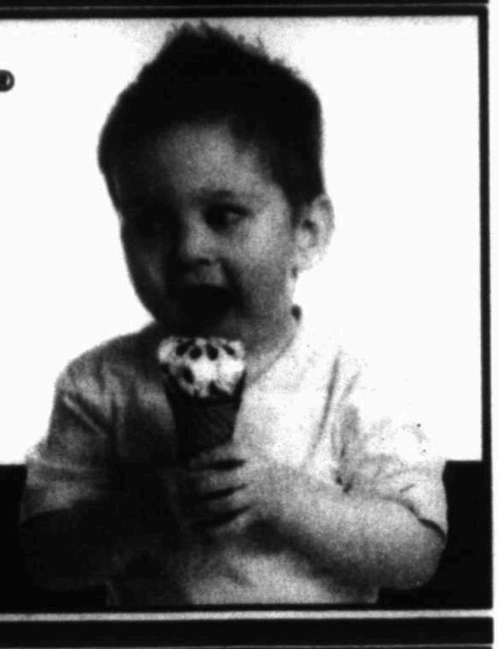

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Odessa Ector Power Partners

Koch Energy Services, LLC is powered by people. Our culture encourages personal growth and values the contributions of each individual. Odessa Ector Power Partners, a subsidiary of Koch Energy Services, is currently seeking a **Mechanic** to join our knowledgeable and talented Operations Team in Odessa, Texas.

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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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OTHER JOBS

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Warehouse Worker & Grinder

Warehouse Worker and Grinder needed. Please apply at: 11524 County Rd 128 West, Midland, TX 79711

Warehouse Worker

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The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening in its Production Department for the position of: PRESSMAN for our Harris N 1650 Printing presses.
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SKILLED LABOR

Warehouse Clerk

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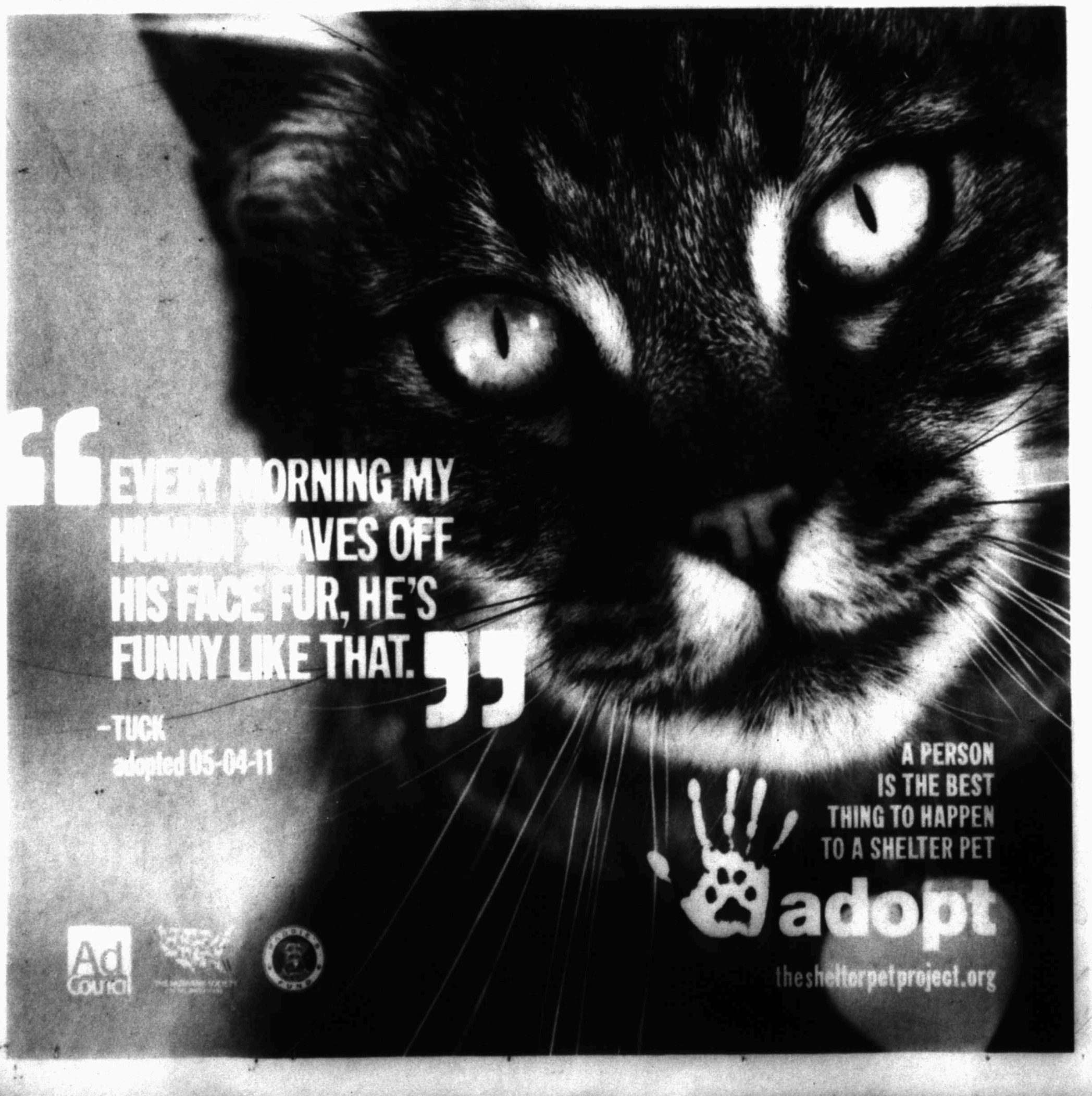

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Perfect for a master chef or one who enjoys a spa-like bathroom retreat, Real Estate One's listing at 1700 W. Illinois Ave is a newly renovated mid-century modern home located in one of Midland's most well-established neighborhoods.

The three-bedroom, four-and-a-half bath home sits on a beautifully landscaped corner lot and includes a backyard guest house and in-ground pool. The 3,703-square foot home, built in 1956, is flooded with natural light and retains many original design features.

Authentic planter boxes, each with dedicated hose connections and valves run from water wells, welcome guests into the home and provide the aspiring gardener with prime design space.

Unique dark-stained epoxy concrete floors run throughout the modern home's entryway, kitchen and living room.

The large, open-concept kitchen was completely remodeled in 2013 and features all stainless steel appliances. A large mosaic wall with a vertical design of grey tiles acts as the kitchen's focal point. Gorgeous "leathered" granite countertops are light grey and made to withhold constant use.

With dual, convection baking ovens, a deep well undermount sink designed to fit cooking pots of all sizes, and a 36-inch, five-burner stainless steel gas Viking cooktop, this kitchen is a cook's dream. The stainless steel refrigerator and microwave both have dedicated high-capacity electrical lines. The kitchen features a high-efficiency stainless steel Delta faucet and Danze pot-filler. All kitchen plumbing has been updated and a high horsepower garbage disposal, operated by an air-switch, installed.

White, slow close, high gloss kitchen cabinets and the large walk-in pantry, with dedicated electrical connections for an additional freezer, provide copious storage space. The eat-in kitchen includes seating for five at the island.

The spacious master bedroom is carpeted and insulated walls isolate sounds from the kitchen and laundry room for additional serenity. A large walk-in closet features built-in, ceiling-high cabinetry and a chandelier. The bedroom opens to a shaded, side-yard patio retreat, complete with a koi pond.

The master bathroom carries a clean-minimalist design and is equipped with the latest technology. The six-foot by four-foot fully electric-valved shower system features body sprays, multiple shower heads and connections for a rain head. The Moen-brand electronic system is state-of-the-art. Programmable user settings are fully customizable to each individual's temperature, flow and speed preferences.

The bathroom also features a Italian porcelain tile and a spa bathtub with customizable jet and air settings, a water heater, filling pump, and Ozone-creator includes a built-in radio and LED lighting.

A recessed 32-inch television is viewable from the toilet or bathtub.

A sleek, dual-sink imported from Canada and a LED backlit vanity mirror, complete with an IR switch and fog-proof heating, finish off the bathroom.

The home's second and third bedrooms both feature bamboo flooring and recently-renovated full bathrooms.

A light-flooded sun room, complete with a wood burning fireplace, the home's original terrazzo tile and a small flower bed, lead into the backyard oasis.

The in-ground swimming pool includes a diving board and brand new vinyl liner. A detached guest house includes a newly-renovated fourth bedroom and bathroom, as well a storage shed.

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Many consumers are overestimating the down payment they need in order to purchase a home, according to Christina Boyle, vice president and head of single-family sales at Freddie Mac. Consumers believe they need 11 percent to 15 percent in order for lenders to approve them for a loan, according to a survey of renters and non-home-owners conducted by Zelman & Associates in New York.

Thirty-nine percent say they need at least 15 percent of the purchase price in order to qualify for financing. Only 28 percent of respondents say they would even qualify for a home loan. But in reality, home buyers often can qualify for a conforming, conventional home loan with a down payment of as little as 5 percent. Between 2009 and 2013, Freddie Mac's purchases of home loans with down payments of less than 10 percent more than quadrupled. So far in 2014, more than one in five borrowers who took out conforming, conventional loans put down 10 percent or less.

Placing FHA and VA loans into the mix actually lowers the down payment requirement to a range of zero to 3.5%, depending upon the financing selected. Additionally, even with regard to conventional conforming loans, the cost of mortgage insurance can be financed as well and therefore will not add to the cash required.

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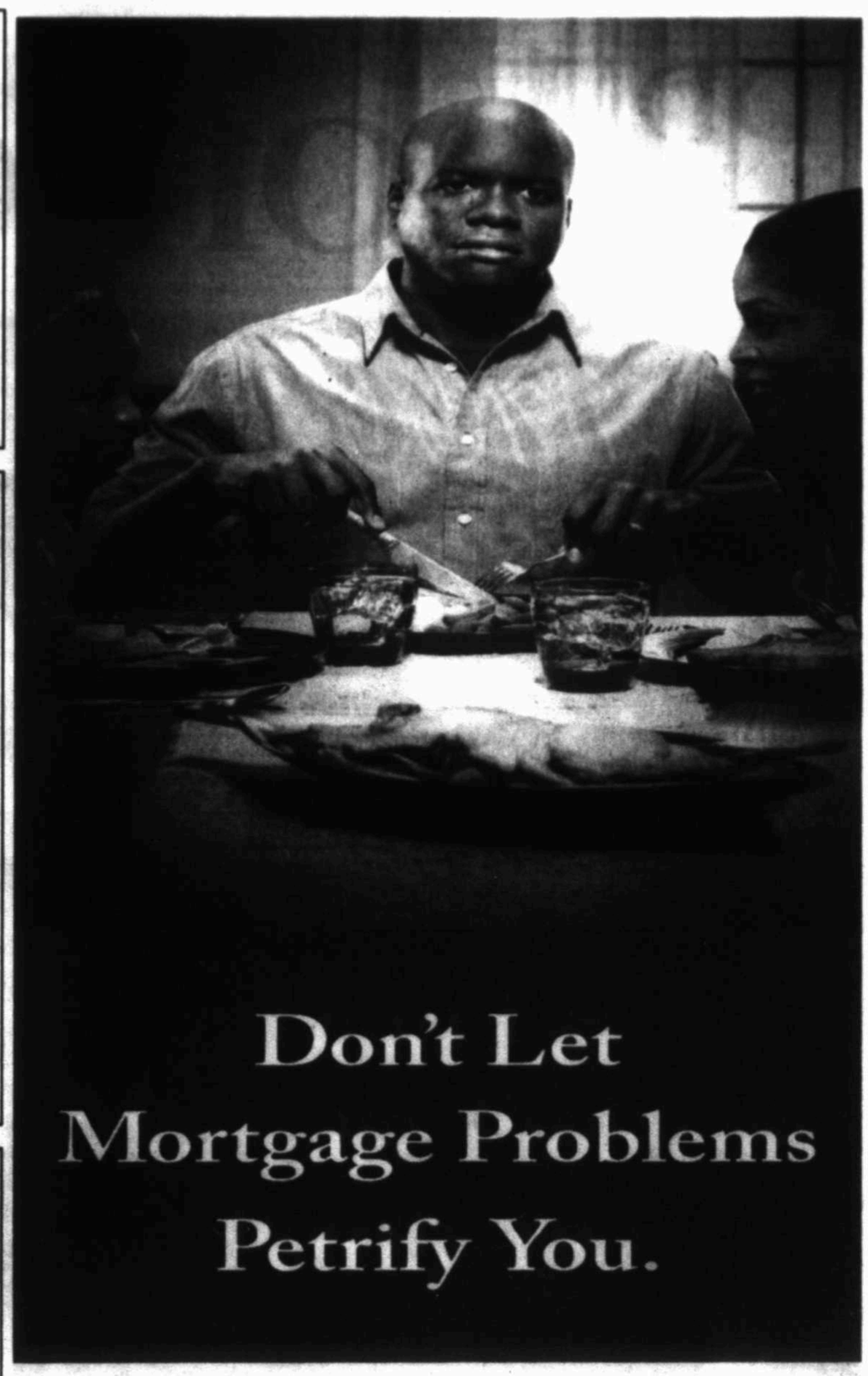

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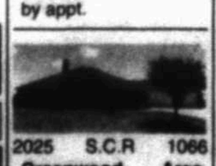

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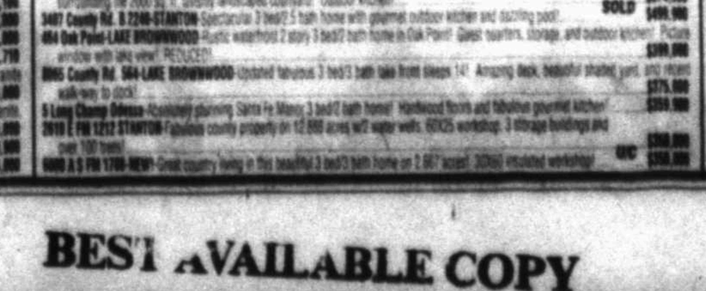

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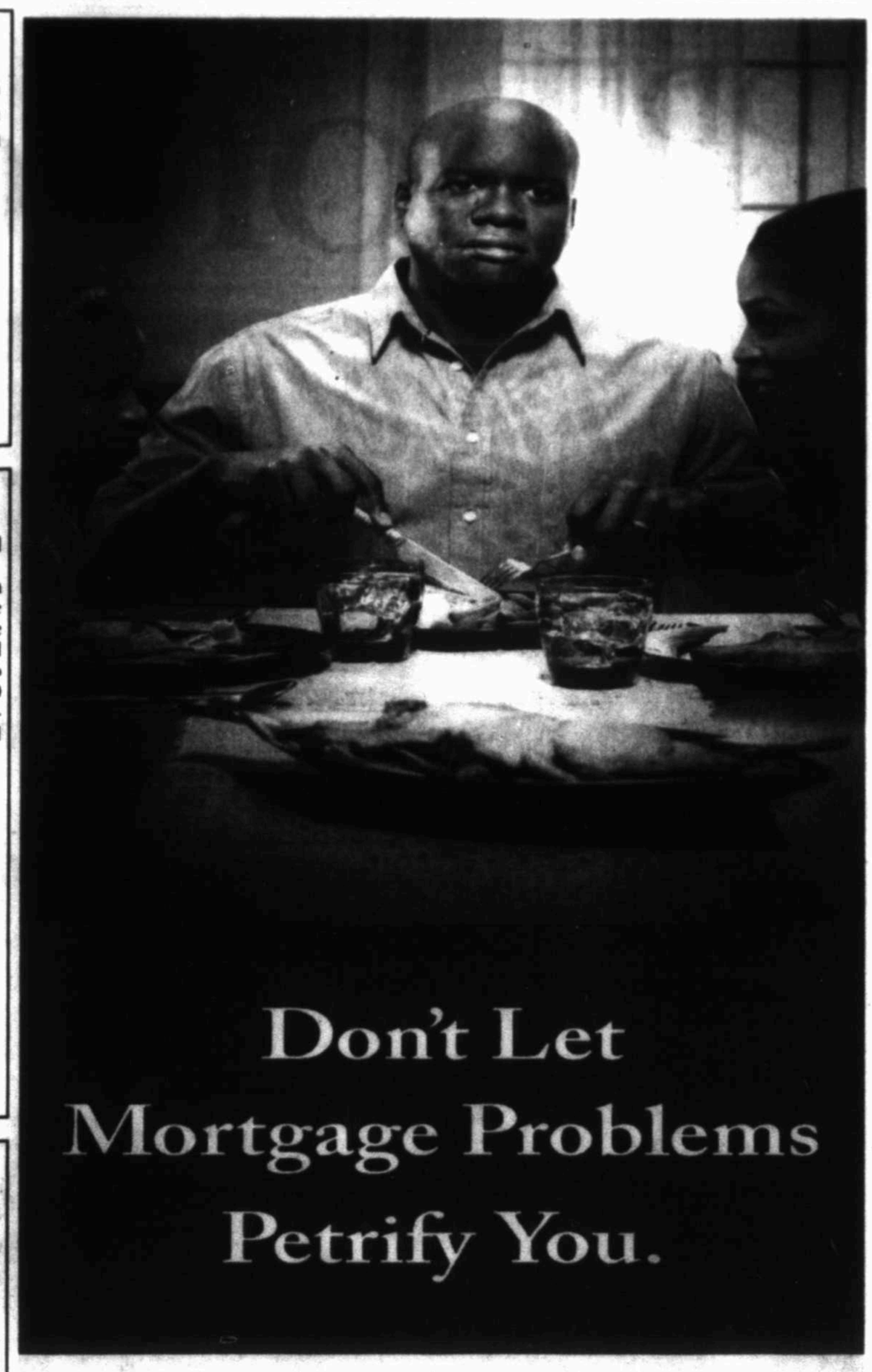

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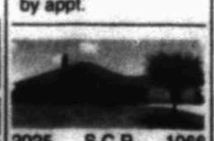

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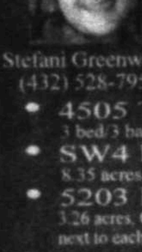

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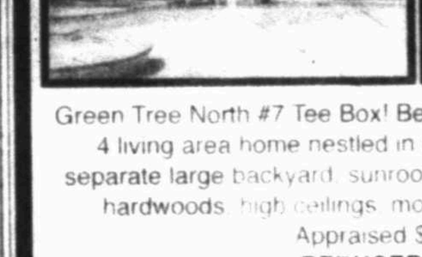

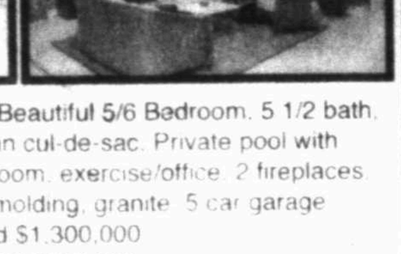

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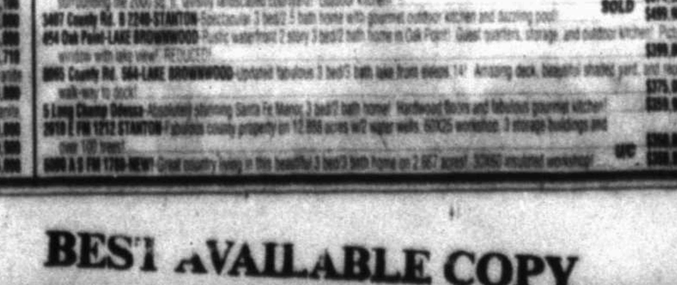

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Down Payments Not As High As Most Think

Many consumers are overestimating the down payment they need in order to purchase a home, according to Christina Boyle, vice president and head of single-family sales at Freddie Mac. Consumers believe they need 11 percent to 15 percent in order for lenders to approve them for a loan, according to a survey of renters and non-home-owners conducted by Zelman & Associates in New York.

Thirty-nine percent say they need at least 15 percent of the purchase price in order to qualify for financing. Only 28 percent of respondents say they would even qualify for a home loan. But in reality, home buyers often can qualify for a conforming, conventional home loan with a down payment of as little as 5 percent. Between 2009 and 2013, Freddie Mac's purchases of home loans with down payments of less than 10 percent more than quadrupled. So far in 2014, more than one in five borrowers who took out conforming, conventional loans put down 10 percent or less.

Placing FHA and VA loans into the mix actually lowers the down payment requirement to a range of zero to 3.5%, depending upon the financing selected. Additionally, even with regard to conventional conforming loans, the cost of mortgage insurance can be financed as well and therefore will not add to the cash required.

"Letting more consumers know how down payments are determined could bring more qualified borrowers off the sidelines," Boyle writes. "Depending on their credit history and other factors, many borrowers can expect to make a down payment of about 5 percent or 10 percent." However, Boyle notes that any borrower who puts down less than 20 percent will be required to buy mortgage insurance.

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Life After Foreclosure: When Can You Buy?

For those consumers who have a foreclosure on their record, it may feel like they will never repair their credit enough to become a homeowner again. It can happen, but it will depend on a variety of variables.

Bouncing back after a foreclosure will depend greatly on your individual circumstances, as well as the mortgage interest rate you are willing to pay. Foreclosures can remain on your credit record for seven to 10 years. Most lenders will consider your request for a home loan two to four years after your foreclosure, although your interest rates will be higher.

Keep an eye out for predatory lenders that will issue a home mortgage in less time than average, but will charge you obscenely high mortgage interest rates, fees, and penalties.

A quality lender will expect you to show that you have cleaned up your credit. In this light, a borrower who has worked hard to reestablish good credit may also be shown some leniency by the lender.

Repairing your credit is possible, although it can be a slow-moving process. Act as quickly as you can to take care of any outstanding delinquencies, tackling a little at a time until you get back on the right track. Make an effort, if at all possible, to repay your debt in full and on time for six months to a year to prove you are working hard to repair any damage.

It will also be helpful to provide a reasonable explanation about the circumstances that led to the foreclosure, such as exorbitant medical expenses or lifestyle changes beyond your control.

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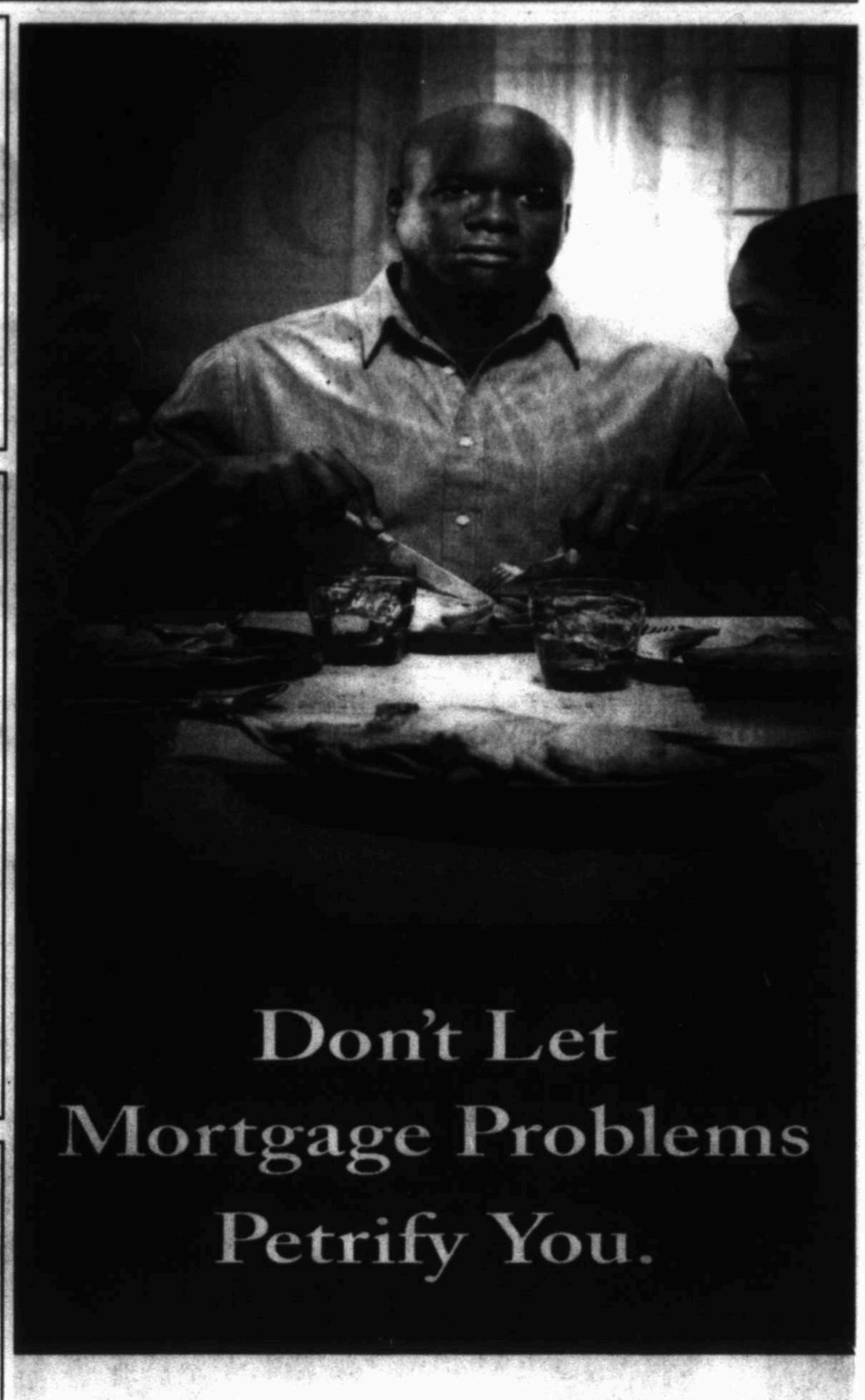

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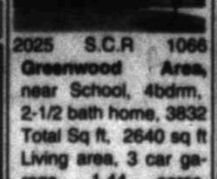

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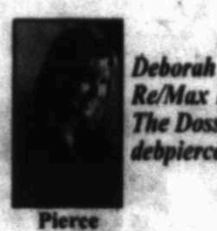

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Down Payments Not As High As Most Think

Many consumers are overestimating the down payment they need in order to purchase a home, according to Christina Boyle, vice president and head of single-family sales at Freddie Mac. Consumers believe they need 11 percent to 15 percent in order for lenders to approve them for a loan, according to a survey of renters and non-home-owners conducted by Zelman & Associates in New York.

Thirty-nine percent say they need at least 15 percent of the purchase price in order to qualify for financing. Only 28 percent of respondents say they would even qualify for a home loan. But in reality, home buyers often can qualify for a conforming, conventional home loan with a down payment of as little as 5 percent. Between 2009 and 2013, Freddie Mac's purchases of home loans with down payments of less than 10 percent more than quadrupled. So far in 2014, more than one in five borrowers who took out conforming, conventional loans put down 10 percent or less.

Placing FHA and VA loans into the mix actually lowers the down payment requirement to a range of zero to 3.5%, depending upon the financing selected. Additionally, even with regard to conventional conforming loans, the cost of mortgage insurance can be financed as well and therefore will not add to the cash required.

"Letting more consumers know how down payments are determined could bring more qualified borrowers off the sidelines," Boyle writes. "Depending on their credit history and other factors, many borrowers can expect to make a down payment of about 5 percent or 10 percent." However, Boyle notes that any borrower who puts down less than 20 percent will be required to buy mortgage insurance.

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Life After Foreclosure: When Can You Buy?

For those consumers who have a foreclosure on their record, it may feel like they will never repair their credit enough to become a homeowner again. It can happen, but it will depend on a variety of variables.

Bouncing back after a foreclosure will depend greatly on your individual circumstances, as well as the mortgage interest rate you are willing to pay. Foreclosures can remain on your credit record for seven to 10 years. Most lenders will consider your request for a home loan two to four years after your foreclosure, although your interest rates will be higher.

Keep an eye out for predatory lenders that will issue a home mortgage in less time than average, but will charge you obscenely high mortgage interest rates, fees, and penalties.

A quality lender will expect you to show that you have cleaned up your credit. In this light, a borrower who has worked hard to reestablish good credit may also be shown some leniency by the lender.

Repairing your credit is possible, although it can be a slow-moving process. Act as quickly as you can to take care of any outstanding delinquencies, tackling a little at a time until you get back on the right track. Make an effort, if at all possible, to repay your debt in full and on time for six months to a year to prove you are working hard to repair any damage.

It will also be helpful to provide a reasonable explanation about the circumstances that led to the foreclosure, such as exorbitant medical expenses or lifestyle changes beyond your control.

If you declared bankruptcy because you were laid off from your job, the lender may be more sympathetic. If, however, you went through bankruptcy because you overextended personal credit lines and lived beyond your means, it is unlikely the lender will readily give you a break.

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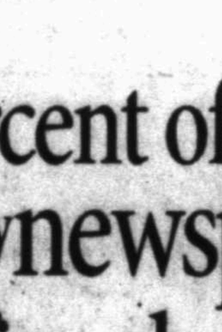

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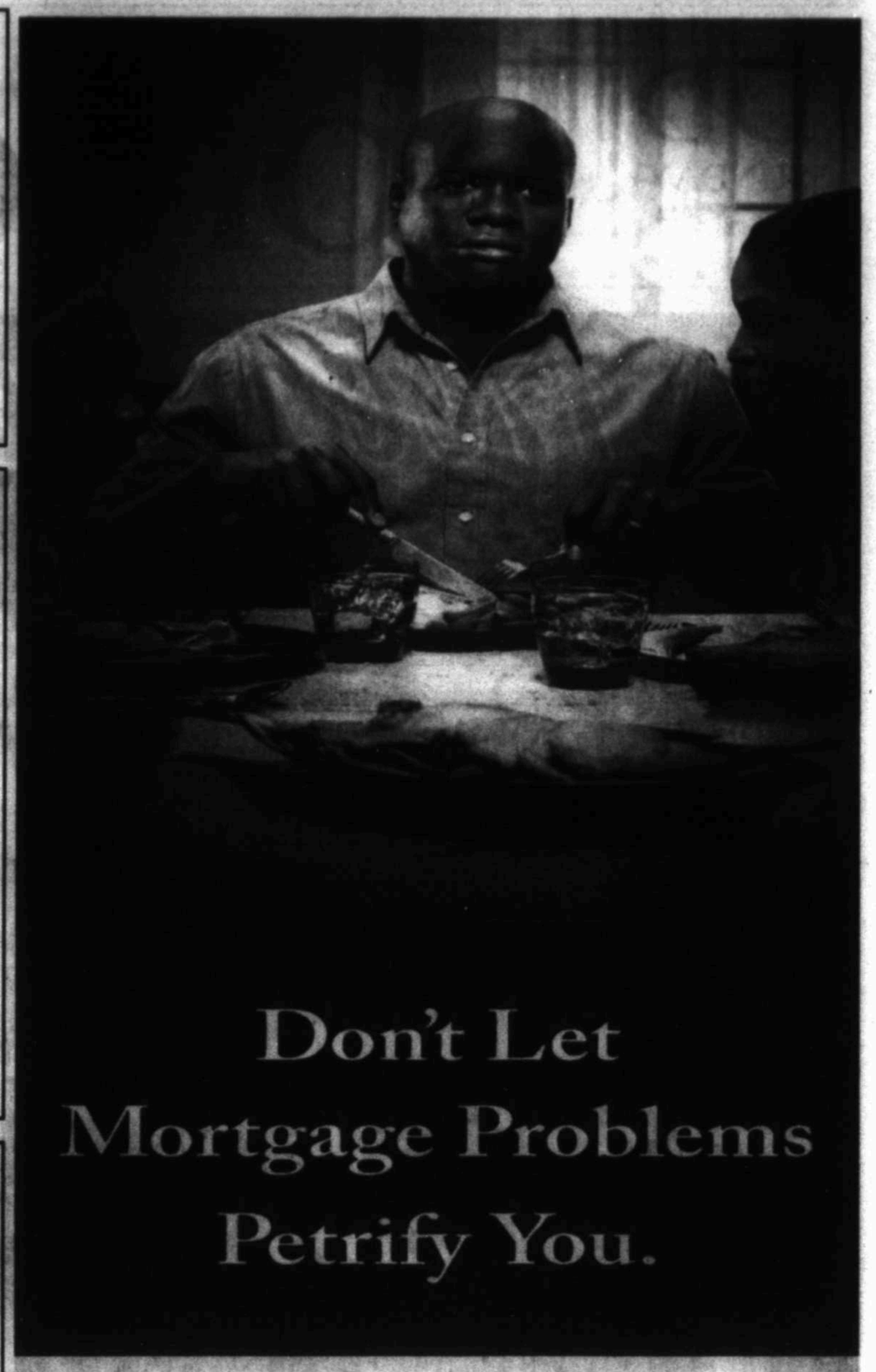

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5200 Oak Valley Dr. - 6 bd, 4.5ba, immaculate!	$625,000
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6103 Oriole Dr. - 4bedroom, 3.5bath, Green Tree	$450,000
4004 Woodhollow Dr. - 4 bd, 3.5 ba, 2 LA, island kitchen, formal dining in Briarwood	$429,900
1802 Rankin Hwy - Commercial restaurant, w/ banquets building	$425,000
3400 WCR 105-3 bd, 2 ba, 5+ acres, plane hanger, runway access	$399,000
1011 Storey - 3bd, 3ba, 3car, so much old charm, hardwoods, 3 fireplaces, well	$375,000
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1311 SCR 1120 - Greenwood 3/2/2, 1.6ac, 30x60 shop	$275,000
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2010 Fannin - 4bd, 2 1/2ba, spacious rooms, workshop, office	$249,900
1702 Cessna - 4bed, 3ba, 2car, 2 storey, Fannin Schools REDUCED	$240,000
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1406 Ventnor - 3 bd, 2 ba, Great Yard!	$235,000
2903 Wydewood Dr. - 3 br / 2 ba, new listings, lots of updates and hot tub	$226,000
2305 Fannin - 4bd, 2ba, 2liv, great family home	$230,000
3222 Whittle Way - 3 bd, 2 ba, Fabulous condition	$215,000
6305 Ojibwa - 1 acre, 3bd, 2ba, hot tub	$215,000
Cotonfield & Harris - 2 Acres	$210,000
1611 W. Pine - 3/3/2, 2 living areas, large utility, 2195sqft	$199,000
Commerical Lots - 10 Lots on Front St	$199,000
5100 ECR 136-3bd, 2 1/2ba, 1 acre, double wide	$195,000
1000 Denton - 3bd, 2ba, immaculate move in cond., granite, updated	$192,500
4001 ECR 130 - 10 AC LAND!	$160,000
4411 Storey - 3 bd, 2 ba REDUCED	$150,000
500 W. Hwy 302 - Shop, 2 bays, compressor office in Kermit	$129,000
3302 Travis Ave - Updated, 3bd, 2ba, wood floors, great kitchen	$137,900
New Commercial: 425 Andrews Hwy - Retail or Service	$112,000
800 Liddon #49-2 bd, 1 ba, downstairs condo, updated, gorgeous	$109,000
4200 ECR 81 - 2.34 AC, Bonito Estates	$104,130
4001 ECR 81 - 2.34 AC, Bonito Estates	$104,130
416 E. Pine - 3bd, 2ba, open plan, storage plus spacious workshop	$95,000
4201 ECR 81 - 2 AC, Bonito Estates	$89,000
3203 SCR 1066 - 3bd, 2ba, manuf. home on .91ac, GISD, updated and ready to move in	$84,900
6020 E. 20th - Odessa, unfinished investment property, 3bd, 2ba, workshop, on 3 lots	$75,000

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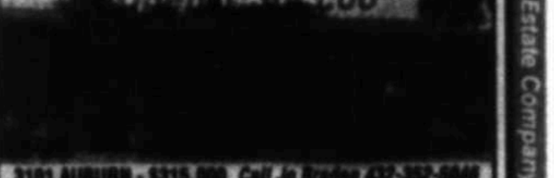

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5326 Bella Place....Call Nathan Reeves 631-9657
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4415 Cherrywood Court....Call Chris Mullinix 269-0870
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1704 W. Missouri Ave....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Calvin Dixon 638-4321
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5209 Greathouse Ave....Call Kay Sutton 416-0299
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3108 Shell Ave....Call Charlotte Dalton 352-7298
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1300 Kentucky Ave....Call Cameron Willmann 978-4298
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106 Ridglea Dr....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766
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3 Bedrooms

16 Lakes Dr....Call Bill Lanier 349-1144
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4111 Irvin Drive....Call Norman Neyman 894-6104
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5209 Ellen Jayne Way....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766
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11 Bristol Court....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766
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2313 Culpepper Dr....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Dale Lookabaugh 553-0766
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4802 Elma Dr....Call Bill Lanier 682-1144/Raquel Calvin Dixon 638-4321
3 bed/2 bath/2 garage. Living area open to formal dining. High ceilings & gas log fireplace. Kitchen w/breakfast nook, recent counter tops, cabinets & appliances! $239,500
1801 Benham Ave....Call Chris Mullinix 269-0870
3br/2ba. Completely updated! Granite counter tops, stainless steel appliances, spacious bedrooms and high ceilings, extra attic space in detached garage. Hot tub on covered patio $235,900

3 Bedrooms

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2405 College Ave....Call Cameron Willmann 978-4298
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1 & 2 Bedrooms

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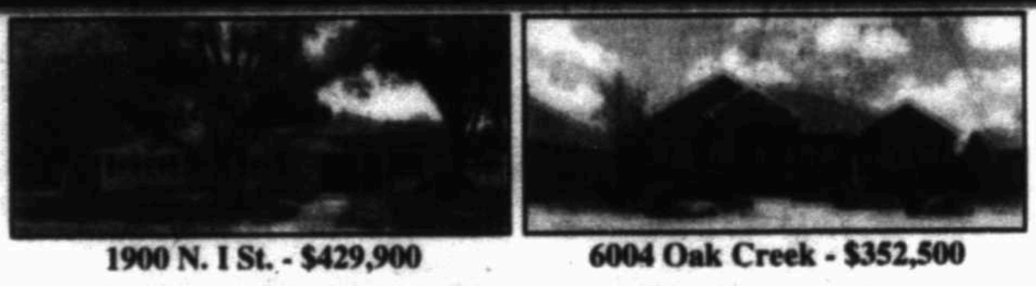

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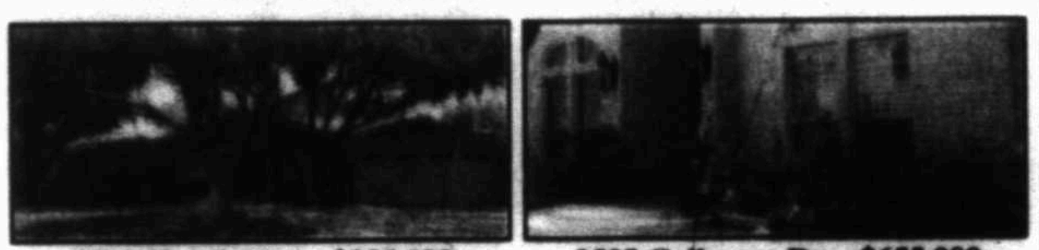

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5006 Oak Valley Dr.-Spectacular open plan, high ceilings, hand scraped wood floors, granite, shutters, double sided fireplace, 2 living areas - Wow! REDUCED	$459,900
1900 N. I St.-Wonderful 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home in Prime location! Great outdoor entertaining space and inground pool	$429,900
5013 Polo Parkway-Beautiful 4 or 5 bedroom home with that pottery barn style! Hardwood floors/tile floors, versatile plan and in move-in condition	$419,000
5002 Heather Rd.-Wonderful family home w/4BR/3.5BA/3LV/APPROX. 4565SF, all oversized rooms	$399,500
5206 Greathouse Ave.-Inside/out perfection, 4/2/2, high ceilings, great updates, patrot pergola to enjoy outdoors	$355,000
2211 Huntington-4/3 w/great updates, stone fireplace, open kitchen/den, pool, yard like a park!	$355,000
6004 Oak Creek-Kahler custom 2012, 3 or 4BR, 2BA, granite, tile, 3 garage, upgrades	$352,500
2603 Frontier Ave.-Spacious home w/pool, outside serving area, great kitchen	$350,000
3202 Reo Dr.-Texas sized 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3 living, updated kitchen	$310,000
1120 N. Big Spring-Great office location! Close to downtown!	$225,000
2722 Rocky Lane Rd.-Open, light and bright! Beautifully updated 2 bedroom, 2 bath home in Odessa	$187,500
11010 Co. Rd. 58 1/2 W.-6 acres restricted residential	$119,000

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2102 Freeport Ln.-Nice low maintenance common wall townhouse	U/C $169,000

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3000 Passage Way-20 acres in town, gorgeous!	$2,595,000
6349 Prairie Ridge-Incredible 1 owner custom 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home where no expense was spared!	$819,000
1500 Douglas Ave - beautiful home w/pool	$629,000
1400 W. Co. Rd. 150-This one has it all; Including extra large pool & party room	$595,000
6200 FM 307-This must see unique 3bdrm/2.5 bath lodge like home is perfect for entertaining indoors and out!	$570,000
1700 W. Illinois Ave.-Stunning Mid-Century Old Midland!	$549,000
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7100 E. Co. Rd. 110-Wonderful M.R. Lary custom build w/1.38 acres located in the new Chaney Ranch Addition!	$390,000
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2603 Frontier Ave.-Walk to Fannin Elementary, great floors, pretty yard, open plan	$350,000
3405 Stanolind Ave.-Great location, updated, pool!	U/C $269,000
5805 Nolan Ryan Dr.-Like New!	U/C $220,000
3506 Sheadon-Nicely updated 3 bedroom	U/C $190,000
3407 S. Hwy. 349-Great Commercial location	U/C $195,000

Three Bedrooms

4415 Golf Ave.-Great 3BR, 2BA home with lots of updates	U/C $190,000
200 Cabrillo Dr., Odessa-Move in ready!	U/C $186,000
700 Sinclair Ave.-Great price for this 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with double garage, large metal shop, and water well!	$179,500
3216 W. Louisiana-3 bedrooms, 2 baths, wood floors, water well	U/C $150,000
504 Broadway, Stanton-Wonderful historic home with 3 bedrooms, ready for move in!	$115,000

Four Bedrooms

2003 Winfield-"Heart of Warwick" Gorgeous landscaping, great amenities	$1,100,000
4505 Bent Tree-Lovely home in Green Tree North with pool!	$757,000
805 Crested Butte Ct.-Incredible world style 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath, 3 living area, 4 car garage in Woodland Park. Wood beams, upgrades galore	$669,000
2508 Callaway Dr.-Beautiful spacious Grassland Gem!	$655,000
4000 Baybrook Dr.-Wonderful 4bdr/3.5 bath Bill Brown home in Mockingbird Heights	$574,500
8200 Edinburgh-4bdr/3.5bth on acreage! One owner custom home w/hardwood floors and granite kitchen	$549,000
1203 Breckenridge-Wonderful 4 bedroom, 3 bath home in Woodland Park with great open plan	$478,000
5505 Heartland-Bonus room could be office, nursery, extra bedroom! Wonderful upgrades every where, good plan, great location in Grasslands!	U/C $469,000
5006 Oak Valley Dr.-Spectacular open plan, high ceilings, hand scraped wood floors, granite, shutters, double sided fireplace, 2 living areas - Wow!	$459,900
1608 Bedford-Updated Old Midland! Fantastic pool, 4BR, 3BA	$449,000
3100 Shell Ave.-Wonderful 4 bedroom custom home at the end of cul-de-sac sprawls on 1/2 acre lot	$445,000
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4802 Yearwood-Wonderful in Briarwood!	U/C $365,000
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5703 E. Co. Rd. 60 - 2784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan	$349,900
3202 Reo Dr.-Texas sized 4 bedrooms, 3 1/2 baths, 3 living, updated kitchen	$310,000
2801 Maxwell Dr.-Well cared for 4 bdrm/2.5 bth family home in the heart of Midland	U/C $245,000

Five or More Bedrooms

4 Willow Ct.-Racquet Club at its finest. Perfect location, fantastic space, gorgeous amenities. Must see!	$2,900,000
5611 N. Midland Dr.-This spacious home has it all! Contemporary style great guest house, beautiful grounds, horse lovers dream includes an indoor arena!	$1,950,000
4224 Baybrook Place-Beautiful 4bdr/3.5 bth home with all the bells & whistles!	$995,000
6708 West Wind Ct.-Elegant, family friendly 5/6 bedroom, 5.5 bath, 4/5 living areas, 5 car garage, parking pad, gorgeous pool/spa, koi pond, plus family yard on #6 Tee Box Green Tree North	$999,000

Five or More Bedrooms

2003 Sinclair-Fabulous 5BR in Warwick, 4LA, pool, spa, gameroom, beautifully updated	$849,000
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#4 Lincoln Park-San Angelo lot & boat house, Lake Nasworthy	$179,000
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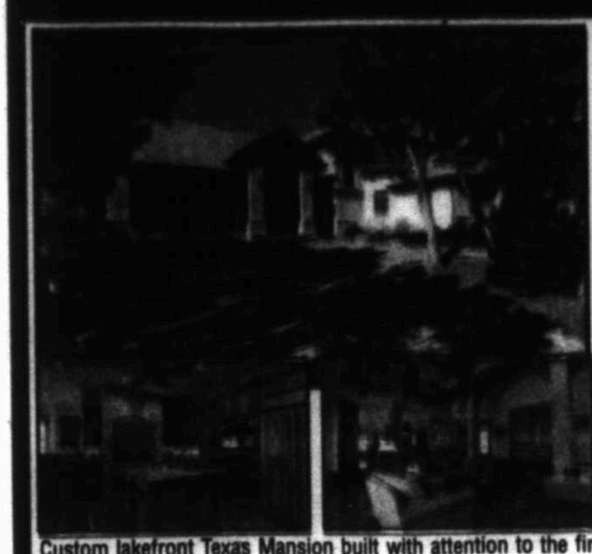

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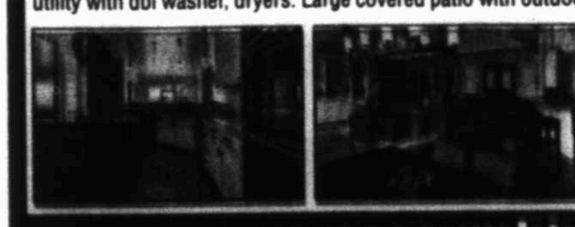

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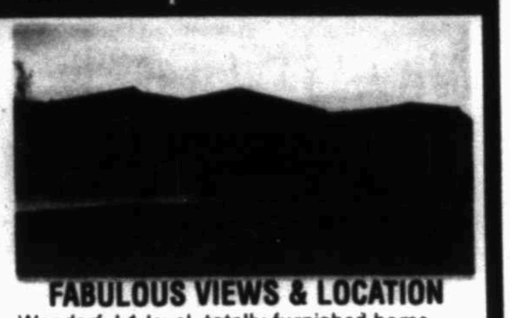

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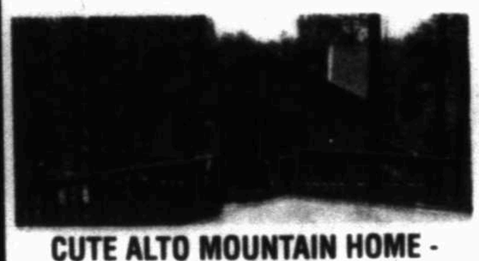

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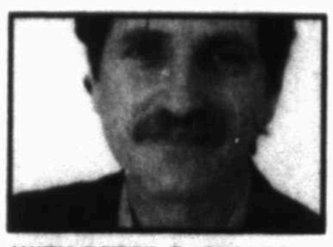

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WHICH MORTGAGE IS BEST?

QUESTION:

We have a choice of loans: a 30-year fixed at 4.25 percent, a 15-year fixed at 3.35 percent or a 5/1 ARM at 3.25 percent. Which is best?

ANSWER:

There is no "best" option in the sense of one loan that's great for every borrower in every situation. The question is which is best for you given your finances and preferences.

Let's imagine we're dealing with a $150,000 mortgage. Here's how the numbers work out:

• $150,000 at 4.25 percent over 30 years gives us a monthly payment of $737.91 for principal and interest. The potential interest cost over 30 years is $115,648.

• $150,000 at 3.35 percent over 15 years produces a monthly cost for principal and interest of $1,061.31. Over 15 years the potential interest cost for the loan is $41,036.

• $150,000 with a 5/1 ARM means we have a fixed rate – 3.25 percent in this case – that applies during the first five years of the loan. The payments for principal and interest are figured on a 30-year schedule, so during the start period the monthly cost is $652.81. The loan then becomes a one-year ARM, where the interest rate adjusts annually.

Which option do you prefer? The overwhelming likelihood is that the loan will be outstanding for 10 years or less, so maybe worries about possibly higher ARM payments are not a big concern. Certainly the 15-year loan has the lowest potential cost, but it also features the highest monthly expense, which may not be acceptable. And what if it turns out that you keep the loan for many years? Maybe that 30-year term is best.

No less important, you have more choices than the three options we're discussing. What about FHA and VA financing? How about a loan with little down and private mortgage insurance, or a loan that the lender self-insures?

There are some questions that don't have answers, and the matter of which loan is best surely falls into that category. In the end you have to ask which financing strategy makes the most sense for you, both financially and as a personal choice, and then you have to shop around to see which lender can deliver the best price and terms.

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Percentage of building firms dedicated to green building (doing more than 90% of their projects green) for single-family homes. FYI: That percentage is expect to double to 38% by 2018

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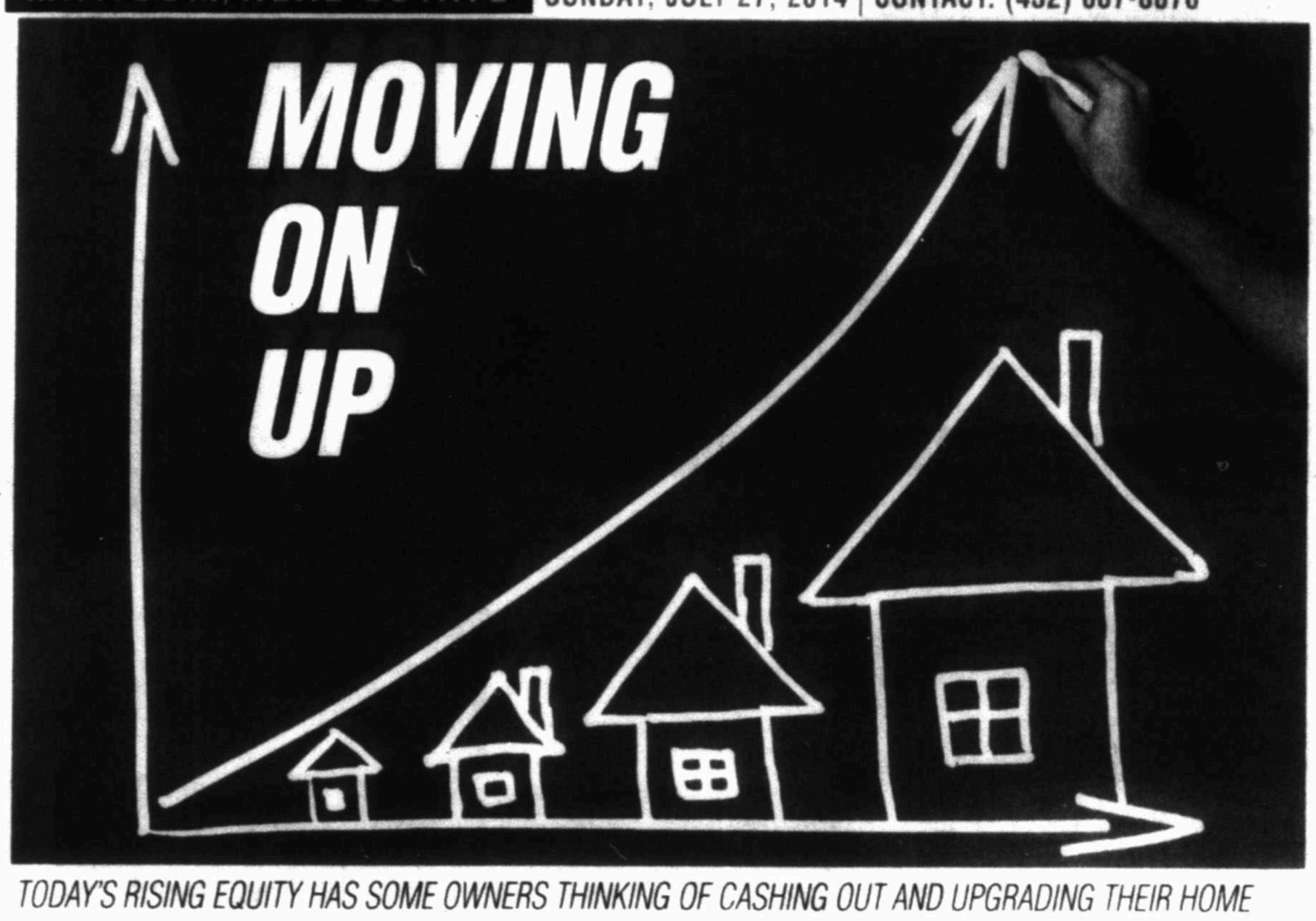

TODAY'S RISING EQUITY HAS SOME OWNERS THINKING OF CASHING OUT AND UPGRADING THEIR HOME

By MADHUSMITA BORA
CTW Features

The recession that plagued the housing market is fast receding and home prices and values are not just resurfacing. They are shooting up.

The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller 20-city home price index jumped 12.4 percent in March compared to the year-ago period. In several markets across the country, prices are well above the 2007-2008 levels, according to RealtyTrac. Suddenly, the market is a seller's paradise.

While many potential first-time buyers are struggling with loan approvals and overpriced yet sparse inventory, the situation is quite different for existing homeowners. They are reaping the benefits of growing equity on their homes.

So, is now a good time to invest in that move-up home before affordability becomes an issue?

"Things are balancing out with inventory increasing and interest rates still low," says Leslie Piper, a Realtor and consumer-housing specialist with Realtor.com. "Rates won't stay low forever so it's a smart time to consider taking the leap and moving into a larger home while locking into a great rate."

Yet others say that the market is still very complicated and it's best to tread with caution. Daren Blomquist, vice president of RealtyTrac, says it's going to be a tricky dance for homeowners looking to move up.

"The positive is it's a great time to sell," he says. "[Owners] probably hold a lot of equity on their current homes and will be able to sell quickly."

But, the problem would be finding the new, bigger home at an affordable price. Here are a few tips for buyers looking to move into a bigger home.

SELL NOW, BUY LATER

Summer is the busiest season for the housing industry. With inventory levels still low, Blomquist says it's a good time to sell and reap a good price. But, this may not be a good time to buy because the market is fiercely competitive. "I think a good strategy would be to sell now and possibly wait until the fall or winter to buy when it becomes a buyer's market," he says.

DO YOUR HOMEWORK

Find a trusted Realtor. Consult friends and family and interview a few agents before finding someone you are comfortable with. Map school districts and places that have open houses on Sundays, Piper says. Get access to apps that will help you with the buying process (think calculating mortgages and listing updates).

"Having the pulse of the market is very important," Piper says.

PRACTICE PATIENCE

Be ready to make four or five offers before you land a home, Blomquist says. Don't offer more than what the property is worth or what you can actually afford. Budget your expenses well and make a wish list, Piper adds. Make sure you have enough money left after your mortgage payment to buy furniture and pay your utilities.

BE CREATIVE IN YOUR SEARCH

Besides hiring a Realtor and looking at the usual places, expand your search to the social media. Look for properties that other buyers may not be interested in or know about. "As many as 30 percent pocket listings are not listed with agents," Blomquist says. "You need to tap into those places."

DON'T BE TOO PICKY

Look at foreclosures and distressed properties. Many of those homes are not listed for sale but are likely to hit the market in the near future.

GET FINANCING IN ORDER

The market is filled with cash buyers, and they are fiercely competitive. It's more important than ever to have a prequalified mortgage before you start shopping. Look for a property that's priced less than what you can afford, which will help if there are multiple bids, Blomquist says.

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BUYING

WHAT'S HURTING AFFORDABILITY?

Survey looks at the economic factors holding back today's buyers

Stagnant income growth, mounting home price and a low supply of homes are making home ownership less reasonable, according to the 2014 Zillow Home Price Expectation Survey, where 106 panelists including economists, real estate experts and investment and market strategists are asked to identify the primary cause of declining home affordability.

"Homes kept being more affordable than ever thanks to prices that were well off from their peaks and historically low interest that boosted buying power," says Stan Humphries, chief economist at Zillow.

However, in major metro areas, particularly in some California cities – including Los Angeles, San Francisco and San Jose – it is getting harder for the average U.S household to afford a home.

The issue is arising from relatively flat income growth compared to spike of home price. Strong demands on the back of an improving job market and great affordability led to rapid and unhealthy price spikes (5.2 percent) the past two years, but income growth has not kept pace with them. That causes buyers to spend an ever-larger share of their pay on housing than during pre-bubble years.

Experts also point high negative equity and low rates of new home construction as driving factors. "Almost one in five homeowners still remain underwater, which constricts the number of homes for sale and drive home values even higher," Humphries says. In addition, affordable homes in the bottom tier (the bottom third of homes by value), which appeal to first-time buyers, are three times more likely to be underwater than higher-priced homes, according to the Zillow Negative Equity Report.

Negative equity will be falling in compliance with home value growth, which is good, but it will remain a drag on the market for years to come as interest rates rise over the next few years, Humphries warns.

—Yena Lee

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6500 Driftwood - $414,000
Picturesque 4BR, 3BA in Green Tree! Gorgeous Hardwood Floors! Shown by Sabrina 312-5081

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3518 Imperial - $219,000
Spacious & UPDATED 3BR, 2BA in Hyde Park! Shown by Ron 349-6140

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2306 Bellechasse - $299,900
Beautiful 3BR, 2BA! LOADS of Updates! Granite! Shown by Miranda 770-2512

OPEN TODAY 3:30-5:30

29 La Promesa, Odessa - $985,000
Luxurious Details! 5BR, 5BA, 2 Water Walls! Outdoor Fireplace! Shown by Sabrina 312-5081

OPEN TODAY 4:00-5:30

6 Da Vinci, Odessa - $309,900
Better Than NEW! 4BR, 2BA, Granite, Custom Details! Shown by Carol 425-5407

MOCKINGBIRD HEIGHTS

3913 Edgebrook - $569,500
AMAZING 4BR, 3.5BA, 3 Living! Fabulous Pool w/3 Water Falls & Hot Tub!

FEATURED HOME

5109 Anetta - $239,900
4BR, 2BA, Big Open Plan! Clean & Move-In Ready

NEW LISTING

1401 McDonald - $222,552
3BR, 2BA, Corner Lot! Need Space? 2nd Living, Neat House! Superior Pricing!

4+ BEDROOMS

6406 Mockingbird - Gorgeous French Country Design with this Brand New Floor Plan by Summit Homes! High End Finishes, Upgraded Appliance Package, Granite, Plantation Shutters, 3 Car Oversized Garage! Still Time To Make Selections, Estimated Completion Nov. 30th **New Construction! $1,098,000**
29 La Promesa - 5 Bedroom, 5 Bath, 4 Car Garage, Million $ New Construction by Keith Antilley Homes! Legendary Details EVERYWHERE!!! Outdoor Living w/Fireplace! $1.1 Million $ Appraisal, Instant Equity! Call Chris for a Private Showing! **New Construction! $985,000**
4000 E Co Rd 61 - 5 Bedroom, 4.5 Bath, 2 Living + Study! Fantastic Quiroz Resale!!! IMMACULATE 1 Owner Home, Lots of High End Upgrades. On 2.7 ACRES, Oversized Pool w/Flagstone Decking, Water Slide, & Hot Tub! Don't Miss This One!!! **New Listing! $799,000**
2013 Mosswood - 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Living, 4 Car Garage. Another Stunning NEW McPherson Home! Still Time To Make All Selections!!! Est Completion November 2014 **New Construction! $615,000**
3913 Edgebrook - 4 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, 3 Living, Open Plan, HUGE Home w/Fabulous Party Pool Room!!! Gorgeous Pool w/3 Water Falls & Hot Tub! **New Price $569,500**
6405 Mosswood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, Sensational NEW Plan by Almand Construction! All The Bells & Whistles! Granite, Stainless, Faux Paint & Stone Accents! Total Landscape Package! Room For A Pool. $3,500 TOWARD BUYERS CLOSING COST **Sale Pending! $479,000**
5516 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, Another Stunning Almand Home! Beautiful Amenities, Gourmet Kitchen, Still Time To Make Selections. Estimated Completion Aug 31st **New Construction! $444,999**
5518 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 3 Car Garage, Fabulous Low Maintenance NEW Almand Construction! High End Finishes! Still Time To Make Selections. Estimated Completion July31st Under Construction! Please Call Norma For An Appointment! **New Construction! $439,900**
5502 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, Beautiful New AGA Home! Austin Stone Accents! Granite, High End Stainless Appliances, Skylights, Est. Completion Mid July **Sale Pending! $435,000**
5504 Casa Grande - 4 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, Beautiful New AGA Home! Austin Stone Accents! Granite, High End Stainless Appliances, Skylights, Est. Completion Mid July **New Construction! $425,000**
6500 Driftwood - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath in Green Tree! Gorgeous Ebony Hardwood Floors, Designer Paint Colors, Some Updates!!! *OPEN TODAY!* **New Listing! $414,000**
112100 W Co Rd 56 - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living, Great Floor Plan! 5 ACRES, Insulated Workshop with 1 Car Garage and Carports! **New Listing! $360,000**
5007 Castleford - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, 2 Dining in Saddle Club South!!! Established Neighborhood w/Mature Landscaping! Gorgeous Pool & Hot Tub! **Sale Pending! $345,000**
6 Da Vinci, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Better Than NEW! Granite, Stainless, Gorgeous Custom Moldings & Arched Built-ins! *OPEN TODAY!* **New Listing! $309,900**
3618 Imperial - 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living, 2 Dining Home! Almost 3,000 sqft. Large kitchen, w/HUGE Breakfast Bar! Dining Room Can Seat 12 People! Skylights! Large Lot 0.357 Acres **New Price! $299,900**
3952 Rabb, Odessa - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, HUGE Space, Little Price! Super Clean & Immaculately Kept 2007 Resale! Perfect Mother-In-Law Suite, THIS IS A DEAL! **New Price! $297,900**
5109 Anetta - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage. Like a New Home!!! Clean & Ready to Move In! Open Plan, Lots of Windows! *OPEN TODAY!* **New Price! $239,900**
3616 Baumann-3 or 4 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 2 Living Areas! Great Open Plan! Sequestered Master Bedroom, Plenty of Storage! **Sale Pending! $193,000**
3105 Mariana - 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, TOTALLY REDONE!!! Beautiful Flooring, All New Blinds, New Counters in Kitchen, Updated Baths! **New Listing! $137,000**

2 & 3 BEDROOMS

5104 N Co Rd. 1150 - 3 Bedroom, 3 Bath on 5 Acres! Tucked away on your own private retreat! Winding porch, granite, wood floors, heated tile floors in bathrooms! Sumptuous Master Bedroom w/2 complete master baths! Park like setting w/mature pecan trees! **Fantastic New Price! $559,900**
2906 Shell - 3 Bedroom, 3.5 Bath, 3 Living, 2 Dining. Modern Beauty in OLD Midland! Metallic Italian hand cut tile, mosaic tile, travertine marble, granite, in-ground pool! **New Price! $469,900**
30 Lafayette - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath. Gorgeous NEW Onyx Townhome! 2 Story in Barkman Square! **New Listing! $350,000**
189 Quail Run, Odessa - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath. Pristine & Impeccable! Spacious, Soaring Ceilings, Open Kitchen, Oversized Master Suite! **New Listing! $325,000**
5504 Rio Grande - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath in Holiday Hill!!! PERFECTION PLUS Here! Super Open Plan, Stainless Appliances, Spacious! **New Listing! $319,900**
3209 Patrick - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 2 Dining, 3-Car Garage! Beautiful High End Finishes, Granite, Crown Molding, Stainless Appliances, & Much More **Sale Pending! $317,900**
2306 Bellechasse - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath Home w/LOADS of Updates! Granite Throughout, Updated Baths & So Much More! *OPEN TODAY!* **New Listing! $299,900**
2708 Marie - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 3 Car Garage! Fantastic Find! Newer Custom Build, Super Hip & Functional Country Living Property! **New Price! $299,900**
1714 Cessna - 3 Bedroom, 2.5 Bath, 3 Living, 2 Dining, HUGE Home in Ma Mar Heights, Over 3,000 sqft, Granite & Stainless in the Kitchen! Large Lot 0.209 Acres **SOLD! $299,900**
5600 Rio Grande - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Gorgeous Mark Payne Resale in Holiday Hill! Stained Concrete, Granite, Huge Open Plan. ★★★**Under Contract in 1 Day! $279,900**
1614 W Pine - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, in OLD Midland! So much NEW! Totally updated Kitchen, Outdoor Kitchen, & So Much More! **SOLD! $269,900**
2600 Frontier - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Living Areas, Fantastic Find in Fannin Terrace with a POOL!!! ★★★**Under Contract in 4 Days!!! $235,000**
1401 McDonald - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bathroom, Cool Corner Lot House! 2nd Living w/Endless Possibilities! Neat House! Superior Pricing!!! **New Listing! $222,552**
3518 Imperial - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, 2 Dining, 2 Car Rear Entry Garage & Carport! In Hyde Park, Lee High District!!! *OPEN TODAY!* **New Price! $219,000**
1208 W Michigan - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Great Gourmet Kitchen w/Stainless Appliances! Hardwood Floors! Bonus Guest House in Back! **Sale Pending! $217,000**
2803 Mariana - 3 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Super Cute Newer Home! 2011!! Open Plan, Large Rooms, All Appliances Pass, Washer/Dryer TOO! **New Price! $209,900**
1410 S Main - 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Want a Perfectly Move-In Ready Home w/Lots of Curb Appeal!!! Like a BRAND NEW HOME! Completely Remodeled! **New Price! $179,000**
1304 N Big Spring - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Almost TOTAL REDO!!! Gorgeous Hardwood Floors, Commercial or Residential **SOLD! 164,900**
602 S Ike, Monahans - 3 Bedroom, 1.5 Bath. Cute Clean Home, Newer Cabinets in Kitchen! 2 Living Areas. Well Maintained Home! **New Price! $119,900**
918 Howard - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, Why Pay Rent? Great layout, Move-in Ready! Large dining area + small office space, Big backyard! **Sale Pending! $119,900**
4207 Pleasant - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, 2 Living, Cute Clean Home! Fresh Interior Paint, LOADED W/Ceramic Tile Flooring! Huge Backyard! **Sale Pending! $109,900**
3215 Roosevelt - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath, ADORABLE Cute Cottage! Central Heat/Air, Doll House Deluxe! **Sale Pending! $99,900**
3610 Thomason - 3 Bedroom, 1 Bath Home, Attached Parking, Shed. As is Where Sale Only **Sale Pending! $75,000**
907 W Kentucky - 2 Bedroom, 1 Bathroom, 2 Living, Investor Special!!! As is Sale. HUGE Backyard **Sale Pending! $60,000**

COMMERCIAL/LOTS/ACREAGE

903 W Industrial - 4 Total Buildings on 1.5 Acres! Office Building, Separate Metal Warehouse, 2 Shops! Call Norma For More Details! **New Price! $697,000**
520 N CR W, Odessa - Phenomenal Investment Opportunity Here! ENTIRE block of land, Church & Warehouses Included! **Sale Pending! $600,000**
3501 Billy Hext Rd., Odessa - Fabulous Pad Site in Eastridge Office Park! Anchor Location! Call Chris for more details! **New Price! $425,000**
3007 Industrial - Sale or Lease! Front Building & Yard, Main Building 2 Office, Kitchen, Bath, Shop! New Roof to be Installed **New Listing! $325,000**
1119 Andrews Hwy - High Traffic Area, Opportunity is Knocking!!!! Full Service Gas Station, Zoned LR-2 per City. Lot Size 19,602 **New Listing! $315,000**
1817 County Rd 1068 - Build Your Dream Home! Greenwood School District!!! 21.51 ACRES, Water Well, Septic, & Electric! Call Sabrina for details! **Land! $299,900**
5540 E Poppy, Gardendale - 2 Acres, Owner has paid for Commercial Water Tap, will accommodate 20 RV's. Call Norma for more details! 349-3440 **Back on the Market! $75,000**
Scharbauer Dr. - Investor Opportunity! 4 Lots Sold in package. 1201-1207 Scharbauer Dr. Owner will not subdivide. Ready to Build! May require flood insurance **Lots! $65,000**
Loop 464, Monahans - No Known Restrictions! Corner lot on 0.41 Acres. Call Cardi for details! **Lot! $10,000**
E County Rd. 60 - Lots Available! Horses Allowed, No Mineral Rights, Mobil & Modular Homes Allowed! **Call Ron! 349-6140**

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FEATURED LISTINGS

6207 DUNBARTON OAKS BLVD. - $1,400,000
Spectacular New construction by Troy Hunt Homes 5 bed, 5 bath, 4 car garage w/ a Gameroom in Mockingbird Oaks!

6307 CO. RD. 1244 - $1,300,000
Gorgeous custom on 3.25 acres w/50x60 insulated shop in Sunridge Ranch Estates!

4705 S. CO. RD. 1172 - $489,000
Fabulous Mediterranean style 4 bed, 3 bath home w/24x30 shop & carport on 2 acres!

2401 HAYNES - $235,000
Nice 3/2 Patio home w/ a 5 car carport close to schools

1710 EMERALD ODESSA, TX- $219,900 UNDER CONTRACT
Absolutely darling & spacious 3 bed, 2 bath home w/hardwood floors & plantation shutters!

1704 WARD $199,900 UNDER CONTRACT
4 bed, 2bath w/ a Pool & 2 Storage Units!

2807 DURANT $289,900 UNDER CONTRACT
Beautiful 4 bed/3.5 Bath home in Kimber Lea!

5201 RAINBOW $235,000 UNDER CONTRACT
Adorable, move in ready 4 bed/2bath home w/ nice sized backyard!

3005 E. CO. RD. 143 $125,000 UNDER CONTRACT
Nice 5 bedroom (or 4 bedroom w/an office) 3 bath, 1996 mobile home on 0.57 Acre lot!

LAND
2910 N. CO. RD. 1138 $330,000
6.34 Acres close to loop 250 & I-20! 1 Water well! 2 Septic tanks! 5 Stalls & hay barn, metal building, arena & 2 pens!

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SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES

106 N. BENTWOOD DR. - $152,900
Open floor plan, huge living room w/cozy fireplace, formal dining area nice & bright, breakfast dining area, nice & spacious kitchen w/beautiful island & breakfast bar, large pantry, seq. master suite w/double vanities, jetted tub, separate shower, his & hers walk-in closets. Good sized bedrooms w/spacious closets, utility room w/sink, circular driveway, nice covered patio in a great neighborhood.
Call Gloria Lott for more information, 432-557-7581

206 W. PARKER AVE. - $192,000
Can you say WOW! Tons of updates! Kitchen updated! Wood floors throughout! Huge den addition! Huge patio addition! Huge master addition! Two other nice sized BR w/good closet organization! Tank less W.H. Huge 5 car Driveway has gate open to back yard. So much new! Great neighborhood! Seller's family has lived there for many years!
Call Kelvie Cleverdon for more information, 432-559-1488

2818 DENGAR - $229,000
LOCATION. LOCATION. LOCATION! Wonderful home in Fannin school area! Lots of space for the price! Two living areas, mirrored formal dining, pretty corner fireplace in den! Tile flooring throughout with exception of brs. screened porch! Large workshop+exterior multi-purpose bldg. - great for exercise equip/office/teen room! Plantation shutters don't miss it!
Call Pat Paxton for more information, 432-352-2622

4+ BEDROOM		
3206 CALLAWAY DR	FACT ID #1053	U/C
4311 E. CO. RD. 60	FACT ID #1008	$725,000
5608 DREXEL COURT	FACT ID #1079	U/C
3804 WEDGWOOD	FACT ID #1019	U/C
1207 W. KANSAS AVE	FACT ID #1025	$375,000
4011 NORWOOD ST	FACT ID #1048	$349,900
1301 LAWSON AVE		SOLD
728 AUGUSTA DR		SOLD
3521 SEABOARD AVE		SOLD
1205 W. COUNTY RD. 137	FACT ID #1049	$270,000
3213 N. I ST	FACT ID #1097	U/C
1506 MCDONALD ST	FACT ID #1077	SOLD
3 BEDROOM		
5710 LLANO CT	FACT ID #1059	U/C
35 LAFAYETTE PLACE	FACT ID #1070	$370,000
5515 LOS PATIOS	FACT ID#1077	U/C
3519 STANOLIND AVE		U/C
6413 SEQUOIA DR		SOLD
#3 LAFAYETTE PLACE		SOLD
908 NEELY AVE		U/C
11700 W. CO. RD. 40	FACT ID #1088	SOLD
3226 WHITTLE WAY	FACT ID #1046	$230,000
2818 DENGAR AVE	FACT ID #1097	$229,000
2906 EMERSON PLACE	FACT ID #1035	$215,000
4311 N. CO. RD. 1130		U/C
206 W. PARKER AVE	FACT ID #1068	$192,000
3222 DENGAR AVE		SOLD
106 N. BENTWOOD DR	FAC ID #1084	$152,900
303 PYLANT ST		SOLD
3310 PARK LANE	FACT ID #1083	U/C
407 E. DENGAR AVE		SOLD
311 E. PINE	FACT ID#1099	$119,900
2 BEDROOM		
2806 ROOSEVELT AVE	FACT ID #1072	$110,000
3226 SYCAMORE AVE	FACT ID #1033	U/C
6201 E. CO. RD. 86		U/C
COMMERCIAL		
6203 E. CO. RD. 67	FACT ID #1029	$300,000
6000 N. CO. RD. 1246		SOLD
ODESSA		
3812 HYDEN		U/C
2621 SAN FERNANDO		U/C
1546 E. 50TH ST	FACT ID #1086	U/C
533 BOWDEN		U/C
STANTON		
2508 WESTSIDE DR	FACT ID #1037	$305,000

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4114 TANFORAN AVE. - $699,500
IMPRESSIVE!
Extraordinary! Tons of trees reside this fabulous house! Tons of living & entertaining space! Cozy living rm w/fireplace! Formal dining/Kitchen w/granite & island! Breakfast nook! Master bedroom w/dbl fireplace to bath! Wonderful backyard w/huge outdoor kitchen, firepit+extended patio! Each bdrm upstairs has private bath+study/playroom! Gameroom! 3 Cg + rv garage! Charming touches thru-out! Must see!

6212 ORIOLE - $675,000
WONDERFUL 5 BEDROOM ON THE COURSE AT GTCC!
Tons of space here! Formal dining! Living room w/high ceilings & fireplace! Study w/tons of built-ins! Cozy den w/fireplace! Large kitchen has granite, island, tons of cabinetry! Breakfast nook w/course views! Large utility rm! Master & guest bdrm downstairs-3 bdrms up(1 w/private bath!) Hardwood floors! Courtyard off den! Flagstone patio! Beautiful views! Golf cart gar!

5312 BELLA PLACE - $599,900
REMARKABLE & BEAUTIFUL!
Builders custom home! Incredible living rm w/high ceiling, fireplace & walls of windows overlooking patio is also open to the gorgeous kitchen & dining area! Breakfast bar! Viking appliances! Marble countertops! Spectacular master suite w/amazing bathroom & closet area!In-law pan! Great utility rm! 2Nd living rm upstairs! 2 Bedrooms up each w/private baths! Unbelievable storage! Wow!

2104 N. 1ST. - $575,000
UNBELIEVABLE SPACE IN THIS CLASSIC HOME!
Formal dining! Formal living w/views of pool! Cozy den w/fireplace is open to the kitchen/breakfast bar! Glass sundroom! 2 Roomy bedrooms w/hall bath downstairs! Master bedroom w/private bath & great closet on mezz-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!!!

5422 BASSWOOD CIRCLE - $575,0000
SPECTACULAR COURSE VIEWS!
Amazing living spaces! Great room is breathtaking w/walls of windows overlooking backyard & course! Dining room also has views! Kitchen w/ island is loaded w/cabinets! Master bedroom is spacious & offers course views as well! Master bath w/jetted tub & sep shower,2 closets,2 sinks! Upstairs bdrm is large! Media rm/fu rm plus loft! Fabulous patio w/firepit! Lush landscaping!

5416 BASSWOOD CIRCLE - $550,000
WONDERFUL PROPERTY ON THE COURSE BOASTS BEAUTIFUL OLD WORLD CHARM!!!
Gourmet kitchen w/island, breakfast bar, pantry, granite! Huge formal dining! Living rm w/sautillo tile, fireplace, wet bar & access to backyard! Media room! Weight room/gym!2 Bedrooms/2.5 Baths downstairs! 2 Complete master suites upstairs w/balcony access! Gorgeous golf course views! Great outdoor living space! Covered patios & open patios! 3Cg!

1913 GLADEWOOD - $550,000
GRASSLAND WEST W/TONS OF LIVING SPACE!
Formal dining! Large formal/family room! Den is open to large kitchen w/island, granite, tons of cabinetry & countersapce plus pantry! Sep master w/nice bath & closet space! Sep in-law plan!! Live outdoors too w/great patio & beautiful pool! Roomy bedrooms w/jack&jill bath! Awesome utility rm! High ceilings! Circle drive! 4 Car garage!

6516 GLADIOLA - $500,000
COUNTRY LIVING CLOSE TO CITY!
Beautiful design!Huge living room w/high ceilings,beams & fireplace & space for formal dining/Kitchen w/island,breakfast bar,stainless appliances!Granite thru-out!Spacious seq master suite w/fabulous master bath has dual sinks,sep tub/shower & great closet!Each guest bdrm has private bath access!Fantastic workshop w/full bath & mini kitchen,large rv door!5 Car garage!!

1002 ECR 127 - $390,000
4BR/3BA/2 STORY HOME ON OVER AN ACRE OF LAND!
Features: 3 car garage, 2living areas, balcony w/hot tub, hvac zoned, recent interior/exterior paint, bathroom remodels & upstairs jetted tub, recent windows, interior doors-4/14, roof-09! Portable arena panels, left & right bucking chute w/cat walk across & alley ways behind pens! 2-20X40&1-20X60 covered stalls, 2-10x10 covered stalls, 30x40 covered hay/tractor storage! Wow!

OPEN 3:30-4:30

2810 CALDERA - $325,000
BEAUTIFUL! THIS HOME SHINES W/PRIDE OF OWNERSHIP!
Large kitchen w/tons & tons of cabinetry & countersapce +pantry offers spacious eat-in dining plus island w/breakfast bar that opens into the living room! Stone fireplace! Seq master w/gorgeous bath! Jetted tub, nice shower, dual vanities & great closets! Other bedrooms w/walk in closets!H alf bath! Great utility rm! Covered patio! 3 Cg + lots of parking!

809 CHUKAR - $255,000
WONDERFULLY UPDATED HOME ON 1.25 ACRE LOT!
Fenced & close to downtown! Wood floors! Granite countertops! Crown moulding! Tons of windows! Roomy bedrooms & great baths! Garage has been converted for a wonderful gameroom/2nd living room! High efficiency windows, hvac & tankless water heater! Low-e vinyl insulated windows! City utilities!

OPEN 1:30-2:30

2104 HUGHES - $232,500
GREAT HOME IN FANTASTIC NEIGHBORHOOD!
Close to midland christian school! 3 Bedrooms/2 baths with 2 living areas and a pool! The front room is perfect for a study or play room! Main living area has a fireplace and is open to the dining area! Roomy bedrooms! Nice closets! Backyard w/covered patio & open patio! Grassy yard for pups & play! Outbuilding has a bathroom in it for use with the pool! 2 Car garage!

OPEN 1:30-2:30

3611 SINCLAIR AVE. - $215,000
SPACIOUS ONE OWNER HOME CLOSE TO SCHOOLS!
Formal living plus huge den with fireplace! Kitchen is loaded with cabinetry & countersapce! Breakfast nook! Great utility room! Roomy bedrooms! Two full baths! Covered patio! Storage building! Nice yards! 2 Car garage!

710 BURLESON, STANTON TX $199,000
WOW! EXPECT TO BE IMPRESSED INSIDE & OUT!
Gorgeous landscaping!!4 Bedroom 2 bath home with Sequestered master, separate vanities in master bath Open living/ dining/kitchen! Nice sized bedrooms! Utility room! Move-in ready!!!!

1221 MARY ST., CRANE, TX $150,000
GREAT SPACIOUS HOME IN CRANE!
Formal living room! Kitchen has abundant countertops, breakfast bar & breakfast nook! Cozy den with fireplace! Study/office too! 3 Roomy bedrooms! 2 Full baths! 4 Carports (2 on front & 2 on side) storage bldg! Cinder block fence! Patio! Corner lot! Nice front porch!

2609 DELANO - $99,900
UPDATED!!
Hardwood flooring! Nice open kitchen with recent cabinetry & countertops! Stove, microwave & refrigerator stay! Recent carpet! Nice bathroom! Huuggginess backyard with recent metal fence! Central heat & air! Darling & move in ready!

QUAIL RIDGE SUBDIVISION
ATTENTION BUILDERS!!!
WONDERFUL NEW AREA READY TO DEVELOP! 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!
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NEW CONSTRUCTION

Houston Chalmers HOMES

4304 Saltillo Court
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $389,900

ASHINGDON HOMES

6413 Saddle Horn Lane
4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 4 car garage, priced @ $949,500

Walter Pate's TEXAS CLASSIC HOMES
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SOLD

5007 Crista Lane
4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $437,000

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FEATURED HOME

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U/C

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Carrasco Homes

SOLD

5707 Camino Reale
3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $369,500

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

401 Pecos	Odessa/3 Bdrm/1 Ba	$40,000
2408 W. 8th St	Odessa/3 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Carport	U/C
905 Golder	Odessa/2 Bdrm/1 Ba/1 Car Garage	$75,000
409 Peterson	Odessa/3 Brm/1 Ba/1 Carport	U/C
3011 Travis Ave.	2 Bdrm/1 Ba/Carport	$89,900
3915 Anetta Dr	3 Bdrm/3 Ba/Circle Drive	U/C
323 Rocky Lane	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
15425 Hollyhock Ave	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba	U/C
4409 Crenshaw Dr	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	$190,000
3214 Preston Dr	2 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	SOLD
4606 Floyd Court	2 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
5106 Rio Grande Ave	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
3903 Crestline Ave	5 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
3121 Patrick Pl	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
1701 Castleford Rd	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
6210 Olympic Ct	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	U/C
610 Oak Point Drive	Lakefront Property/3 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$425,000
7601 Trenton Drive	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$625,000

NEW CONSTRUCTION

1903 N. Fairgrounds Rd	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/1 Car Garage	SOLD
5515 San Clemente Dr	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5517 San Clemente Dr	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
4408 Llano Ct	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
5705 Camino Reale	Carrasco Homes/ 4 Bdrm/2Ba/3 car garage	U/C
5521 San Clemente Dr	Diamond Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	$369,000
5709 Camino Reale	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
5711 Camino Reale	Carrasco Homes/4 Bdrm/ 2 Ba/3 car garage	U/C
4304 Saltillo Ct	Chalmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$389,900
4309 Saltillo Ct	Chalmers Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
4306 Coronado Ct	Saenz Signature Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$414,000
4410 Llano Ct	Ashingdon Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/3 Car Garage	SOLD
6607 E. Co. Rd. 110	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/2 Ba/Greenwood	$469,000
5214 Brown Heart Ln	Reese Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$479,850
2511 Regency Oaks	Saenz Signature Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	U/C
6605 E. Co. Rd. 107	Midland Gallery Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$595,000
6413 Saddle Horn Ln.	Ashingdon Homes/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$949,500

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7601 Trenton Drive	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$625,000
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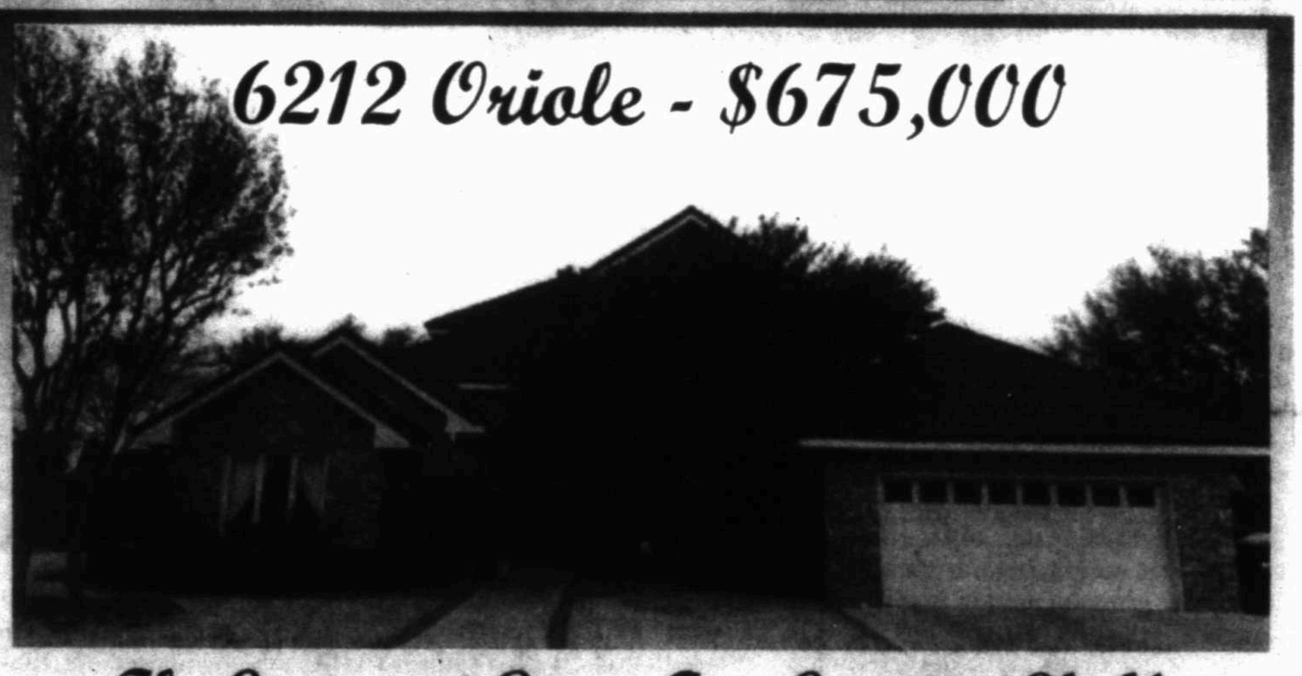
6212 Oriole - $675,000



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OPEN 3:00-4:00
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Glowing Strong: Retro Light Bulbs

By Marla R. Miller | CTW Features

Replicating the work of early electricity icons, exposed filaments and low wattage make vintage light bulbs a popular pick for ambient light – emulating the romantic look of candlelight – in restaurants and antique fixtures.

Also known as Edison-style bulbs, vintage bulbs have lit up the design world in recent years, debuting in trendy New York restaurants and making their way to the West Coast and now into homes. Other popular shapes include globe, tubular, radio, Victorian, and decorative chandelier.

"It's hot right now and will be hot for the next few years," says Gabi Libman, vice president of NostalgicBulbs.com, which launched in 2012 and joins several online distributors of antique, Edison-style light bulbs.

"The vintage bulb gives you a lot less light. It's more of a warm, yellow light. That is main reason a lot of bars and pubs and restaurants use them, or people who want to restore an old lamp and want it to look the way it did originally."

The small, clear bulbs feature the glowing filament and contact wires and compliment any lighting project in the most traditional to the most contemporary of spaces. The lights reflect a bit of Americana, a bit of nostalgia and are being used in many of the upscale restaurants, bars, hotels, and retail stores around the world.

From hipster hangouts to shabby chic wedding receptions to elegant eateries, the bulbs are popular because they provide beautiful incandescent light and flatter food and people. They create a warm glow and welcoming ambience at a relatively low cost.

Architects, lighting and interior designers for hotels and restaurants, along with event and wedding planners have created a large demand for the vintage bulbs in America, Libman says.

Another growing market is with homeowners and creative types who repurpose materials to make their own lamps and light fixtures, says Meggan Fadden Wynja, co-founder and design director of Color Cord Company.

Wynja, an interior designer who used to work with hotel chains such as Westin and Marriott, says the bulbs work well over dining room tables and bar tops, in wall sconces or to illuminate classic light fixtures.

Color Cord Company named its newest vintage light bulb offerings after the fathers of electricity: Thomas Edison, Ben Franklin, James Prescott Joule, Nikola Tesla, and Michael Faraday.

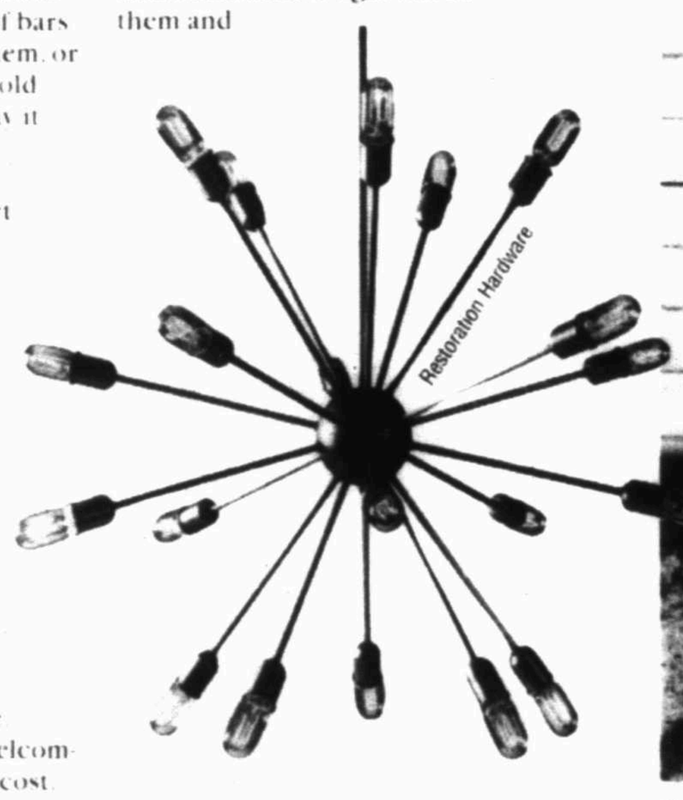
Besides the bulbs, many retailers such as Color Cord Company also offer antique sockets, cloth covered wire, porcelain cord sets, light cages, switches, and retro style pendants.

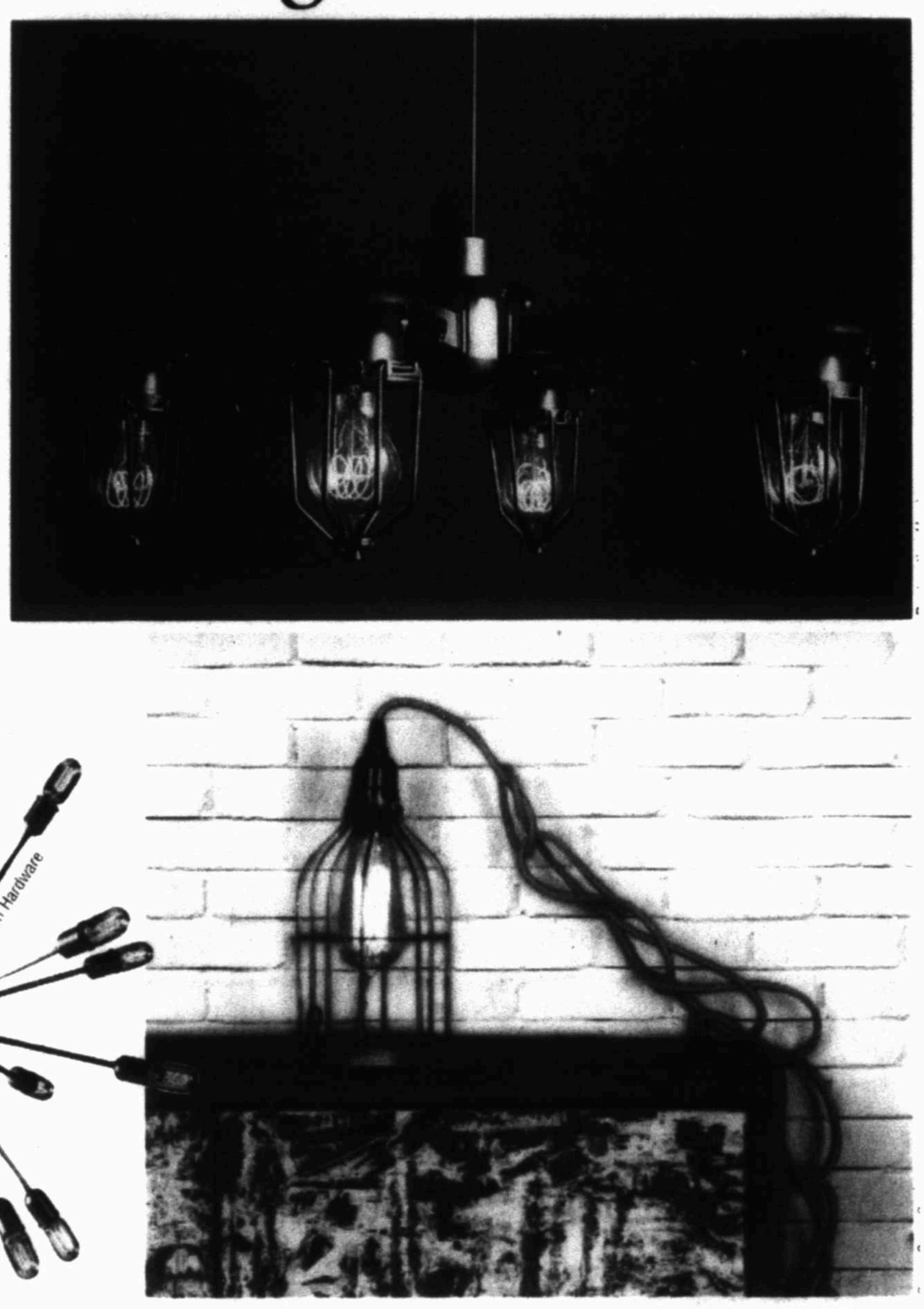
"We do offer the cord, socket and bulbs so you can make your own light fixture," Wynja says.

"Or you can buy the cord sets already done. The modern covers give it a contemporary look. It's a fun contrast, a fun a pop of color with this exposed bulb."

The Denver-based company sells to a lot of do-it-yourselfers as well as commercial customers.

"People are trying to find old, unique looking found items and make a light out of them and repurpose and reuse," Wynja says. "In doing that, the Edison bulb and all those fun old bulbs came back with a modern approach. We see some amazing light fixtures to pair with bulbs and fun cords."





Set the mood with vintage bulbs: quad pendant, top, modeled after a classic 1910 subway light; Sputnik chandelier, left, with Edison-style filament bulbs; pendant light with retro bulb and pink fabric covered cord, above.

Many customers post photos to the company's Facebook page. They have used Mason jars and other glass, metal brackets, steel and copper piping, among other things, to create unique lamps and hanging clusters.

"It's a fun look over a dining room table or a buffet," she says. "Most vintage light bulbs are 60 watts so they're easier on the eyes and it has good ambient light."

There are a few downfalls to using the bulbs. They produce more heat and have a higher price tag, plus a shorter lifespan. And they are not as energy efficient as LED and CFL bulbs.

While regular incandescent bulbs are being phased out, these exposed-filament bulbs fall under a different category of specialty bulb, Libman says.

As lighting manufacturers continue to add new styles of these old-fashioned bulbs, nostalgicbulbs.com continues to expand its inventory and lower prices. The website offers a large selection of shapes, styles and wattages for half the price of national retailers, Libman says.

Most chain stores carry one or two styles at a $10 to $20 price point. As a direct manufacturer, Nostalgicbulbs.com has been able to drop the price to $4 and $5 per bulb, Libman says.

Edison-style bulbs also work well in an aged, rustic, or antique lamp. It accents the lamp's features and character while capturing the way the lamp's original look.

The bulbs are meant for a light with a clear shade or exposed socket for full visibility of shape and detail. They are not intended to light an entire room because they are low wattage and emit heat.

"You use it as a secondary light," Libman says. "But you want to see the filament and the way the bulb looks."

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Here a bloom, there a bloom

Think a lanky orchid belongs on the table for your next dinner party? Well, think again

By Genevieve Knapp | CTW Features

The bathroom might not be the best place to stop and smell the roses, but that doesn't mean flowers don't belong in the john. "Flowers add life to a room," says Ardith Beveridge, the director of education at Koehler&Drammm's Institute of Floristry in Minneapolis. "Any time there are fresh flowers, there is movement in a room." Here's an expert's guide to choosing flowers for your home room by room.

Kitchen

Since the kitchen is such a utilitarian room, you don't want anything "too stuffy," says Tim Farrell, who owns Farrell's Florist in Drexel Hill, Pa. "Daisies have a casual ambience to them," he says. Gerber daisies, flat-faced flowers available in hot, fiery hues, add a perfect pick-me-up to a kitchen.

Bathroom

The high humidity levels in the bathroom make it perfect for tropical plants. "That steaming shower once a day keeps them happy and makes them last longer," Farrell says. Orchids, ginger lilies and bird of paradise flowers are low-maintenance flowers that work well in bathrooms.

Dining room

"Make the flowers proportional to the space and to the event," Beveridge says. If two glasses, five utensils and three plates are piled all over a table set for 10 guests, go with something simple: A bud on a plate or a couple bud vases adds a sophisticated touch to a busy table, Beveridge says.

Bedroom

"Roses are probably the top choice for a bedroom," says Farrell. "A bedroom needs flowers with a romantic sense." And a flower's texture can help add to that ambiance. Pillow-like blossoms such as lilac stock can do the trick, he says.

Family room

Arrangements consisting of one type of flower, tulips, for example, are growing in popularity, Beveridge says. For a family room, a tall vase filled with pink tulips would complement two shorter vases of white tulips.

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A violet colored flower adds a romantic touch to a bedroom

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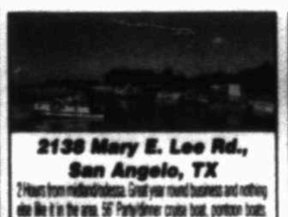

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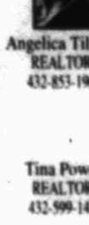

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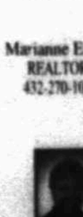

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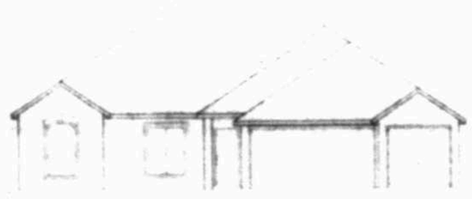
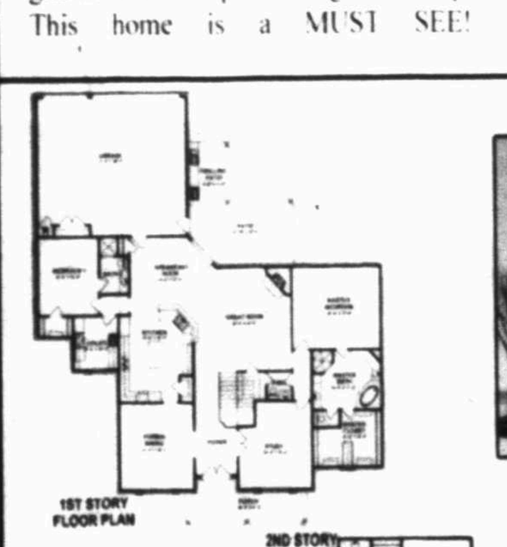


5919 Oak Creek
$365,500

This gorgeous home in Heritage Oaks includes 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, a study, game room & large utility room. Kitchen features custom built cabinetry, granite countertops and a gas cooktop. This home is a MUST SEE!



1ST STORY FLOOR PLAN

2ND STORY

1102 Silverton

The Aspens at Woodland Park

$910,000

Mark Payne Homes Available Homes

6001 Oak Creek- 3 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$368,500
6001 Rio Grande- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, 2 Car Garage	$337,500
6003 Rio Grande- 4 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage	UC
6006 Barton Springs- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 3 Car	$388,500
809 Trinidad- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, 3 Car Garage	$415,500
811 Trinidad- 3 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$456,500
1102 Castle Rock- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$612,500
1208 Silverton- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Study, Game Room, 3 Car Garage	$452,500

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NEW CONSTRUCTION IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
JC CHAVEZ CONSTRUCTION			
505 LINCOLN AVE	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #99909	$228,000
3110 ROOSEVELT AVE	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #99273	SALE PENDING
204 MITCHELL ST	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #98277	SALE PENDING
KEA HOMES			
2104 EVANS LANE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #95808	4BD/$359,900
PERMIAN BASIN COVENANT HOMES			
10201 E. CO. RD. 105	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #98289	$423,500
2701 S. CO. RD. 1087	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99350	$369,999
10212 E. CO. RD. 107	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #98291	SALE PENDING
CARROUSEL CONSTRUCTION			
2101 EVANS LANE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #99937	SALE PENDING
J.C. BUILDERS			
4305 LLANO	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #100147	$395,250
MICHAEL DAVIS HOMES			
2304 S. CO. RD. 1085	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99649	$349,900
MICHAEL FRIDAY HOMES			
5313 ELLEN JAYNE WAY		MLS #96147	$379,000
LANCE FRIDAY HOMES			
5211 ELLEN JAYNE WAY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #97704	$449,000
TRES M PROPERTIES, INC.			
5309 CASTLE PINE RD.	Pam Dodd 413-0780	MLS95988	$429,500
GOMEZ CONSTRUCTION			
1309 PINE AVE	Josie Rendon 889-8294	MLS #98157	SALE PENDING
MASTERS BUILDERS			
501 SIR BARTON PKWY	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97675	$1,150,000

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
2504 TEXLAND CIRCLE	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #97394	$1,250,000
501 SIR BARTON PKWY	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97675	$1,150,000
6020 HOMESTEAD BLVD	Peggy Spence 664-3011	MLS #96570	$850,000
4114 TANFORAN AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #100115	$699,500
6207 HOMESTEAD	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #98629	SALE PENDING
6212 ORIOLE CT	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97621	SALE PENDING
6827 ISLAND CIRCLE	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #98336	$606,500
3909 BAYBROOK CT	Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #100072	$599,900
1603 SEABOARD	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #99658	$599,900
5312 BELLA PL	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #96858	$599,900
2104 N. I ST	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99836	$575,000
5422 BASSWOOD CIRCLE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99834	$575,000
5806 HIGHLAND BLVD	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #99540	SALE PENDING
4109 E. CO. RD. 63	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #99043	SALE PENDING
1208 BRECKENRIDGE	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS 99207	SALE PENDING
1913 GLADEWOOD	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98776	$565,000
1710 COMMUNITY	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #99172	SALE PENDING
5416 BASSWOOD CIRCLE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97814	$550,000
3901 ARROYO DR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99165	SALE PENDING
5514 CYPRESS CT	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #92543	$515,000
10508 E. CO. RD. 103	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98701	SALE PENDING
1000 ALMONT	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #98577	$475,000
5709 DEVLIN	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #99845	$475,000
9917 S. CO. RD. 1214	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #99082	$474,900
1114 TELLURIDE CT	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99381	SALE PENDING
1303 DAVENTRY	Lisa Jansa 631-3389	MLS #99268	SALE PENDING
1114 TELLURIDE CT	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99381	SALE PENDING
4613 TATTENHAM	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #98706	SALE PENDING
3210 HAYNES	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #99701	$450,000
5007 LOS ALAMITOS	Martha Manulik 557-8744	MLS #99326	$436,500
5313 HILLTOP DR	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #99895	$429,900
3410 MEADOWRIDGE LANE	Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #99652	$415,000
3500 WOODHAVEN COURT	Maria Mallory 352-4021	MLS #100092	$399,900
4905 HILLTOP	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99440	SALE PENDING
1002 E. CO. RD. 127	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99536	$395,000
5601 RIDGEMONT	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #98899	SALE PENDING
5815 GRASSLAND	Larry Hatfield 349-4790	MLS #98662	SALE PENDING
6209 SEQUOIA DR	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #98326	$389,900
1609 MISSOURI	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #98627	SALE PENDING
5008 PIMLICO	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #99283	$379,500
2305 METZ PL	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #100051	$379,500
12 FAIRFAX	Martha Manulik 618-5049	MLS #99020	SALE PENDING
4906 HILLSBORO CT	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97651	$370,000
5911 OAK CREEK	Pam Dodd 413-0780		$370,000
2715 SAVOY	Call Martha Manulik 618-5049		$368,500
2403 METZ PLACE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99260	$349,000
3531 WADLEY AVE	Leah Watkins 599-2187	MLS #98929	$329,900
306 E. CO. RD. 140	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #98742	$329,900
4706 YEARWOOD	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #99608	SALE PENDING
2810 CALDERA BLVD	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #100078	$325,000
2414 MAXWELL DRIVE	Madison Shaw		$325,000
2304 SEABOARD	Lisa Jansa 618-5074	MLS #99203	$322,900
4102 STRATTON DR	Josie Alvarez 618-6513	MLS #98604	$319,900
#14 METZ	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #99881	$319,900
5615 HIGHLAND	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99667	$315,000
3602 SHANDON AVE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99322	$312,000
2817 STUTZ	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99140	SALE PENDING
2108 WHITNEY	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #99144	SALE PENDING
4609 TANFORAN AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98848	SALE PENDING
2820 W. DENGAR AVE	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #98160	$305,000
5408 LOS PATIOS	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #98797	$305,000
1410 W. MISSOURI	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #97421	$299,900
5113 BRIGHTON PL	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #100137	$289,000
2300 CIMMARON	Tracy Farrow 432-413-4412	MLS #99021	$289,000
6500 GLADIOLA	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #100057	$279,500
2810 METZ	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #99662	SALE PENDING
3003 N. PECOS	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #99403	$279,000
2 AUBURN CT	Madison Shaw 528-4640		SALE PENDING
4901 PLEASANT DR	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #98578	$275,000
4406 DALTON	Amanda Gunter 413-7330	MLS #98898	$274,900
3029 FREDNA	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #99232	$273,000
4011 WESTMINISTER	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #100130	$272,300
3606 HYDE PARK	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #100084	$269,900
4902 RIO GRANDE	Gina Reyes 553-6381	MLS #99505	$269,900
4607 #2 PINE MEADOW DR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98693	$255,000
3501 LOCKHEED	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #97658	$253,500
2609 FRONTIER	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #99379	$249,000
2602 CESSNA	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #100129	$245,000
3605 W. LOUISIANA	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #99664	$210,000
6500 SHAWNEE	Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #98905	SALE PENDING
1401 E. CO. RD. 145	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #98044	$190,000
1721 MAGNOLIA AVE	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #100024	$175,000
2811 W. CO. RD. 116	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93898	SALE PENDING

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
8600 N. CO. RD. 1150	Caleb Matott 349-3330	HUGE Shop, 208+ Acres	$2,950,000
1209 W. CUTHBERT	Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #99177	$1,585,000
3807 NORTHFIELD	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #97301	$889,900
3302 BLUEBIRD LANE	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #94206	5.13 Acres/$550,000
6516 GLADIOLA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95989	$500,000
4008 EDGEBROOK	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #99894	$449,900
5211 ELLEN JAYNE WAY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #97704	$449,000
910 ALMONT PL	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99931	$399,500
3403 FELDSPAR	Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #99714	$384,500
405 E. CO. RD. 127	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96749	$364,900
3225 PATRICK PLACE	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #98802	SALE PENDING
#6 OAKLAWN PABK	Martha Manulik 618-5049	MLS #98613	$330,000
3202 LOCKHEED	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #99968	SALE PENDING
1900 WINDRIFT	Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #99704	SALE PENDING
4604 MEADOWOOD COURT	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #99453	$315,000
2117 BRADFORD CT	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #99487	SALE PENDING
4504 LENNOX DR	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #99592	SALE PENDING
2807 MARMON DR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99067	$300,000
2805 EMERSON LANE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99294	$295,000
#6 METZ	Martha Manulik 557-8744	MLS #99918	$298,500
2810 DURANT	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #99124	$289,900
5113 BRIGHTON PL	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #100137	$289,000
801 MOGFORD ST	Leah Watkins 599-2187	MLS #98897	$275,000
5130 ASHDOWN	Amy Brasher Barnett 352-6714	MLS #98919	SALE PENDING
4906 SUNDOWN	Maria Mallory	MLS #100146	$255000
809 CHUKAR LANE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98697	$255,000
3213 MARK LANE	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #100003	$247,000
3201 HIGHSKY DR	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #99405	SALE PENDING
2003 HUGHES ST	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99539	$240,000
3300 PROVIDENCE DR	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #99771	$239,900
1810 PUEBLO	Susan Palmer 978-7816		$239,900
2104 HUGHES	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99955	$232,500
3204 APPERSON	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #98935	$232,500
2502 FRONTIER	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #100054	$229,000
3617 STANOLIND	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99645	SALE PENDING
4902 FOXBORO CT	Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #99495	SALE PENDING
3605 PRINCETON AVE	Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS#99674	SALE PENDING
3213 APPERSON DR	Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS#99959	SALE PENDING
4201 ST. ANDREWS	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98998	SALE PENDING
5509 SAN SABA	Tracy Farrow 432-413-4412	MLS #99036	SALE PENDING
4506 STILLMEADOW	Maria Mallory 352-4021	MLS #98769	SALE PENDING
4706 NEELY	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #99965	$219,000
4903 BROOKDALE	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #98747	$218,000
3014 CARVER	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #99633	$215,000
3611 SINCLAIR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99946	$215,000
4507 BELTON PLACE	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #98304	SALE PENDING
4407 PASADENA	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #98308	SALE PENDING
3521 HYDE PARK AVE	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #99972	$205,000
5109 LAVACA	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #99409	$205,000
5100 SUNNYSIDE	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #99271	$199,900
3316 CIMMARON	Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #99698	$199,500
1504 N. C ST	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #99425	$195,000
2212 CULVER	Amanda Gunter 413-7330	MLS #99966	$195,000
3000 FREDNA PLACE	Ashley St John 352-6254		SALE PENDING
914 MAYS DR.	Lisa Jansa 661-3389		SALE PENDING
3618 W. MICHIGAN	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #100071	SALE PENDING
1202 STANOLIND AVE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #99509	SALE PENDING
3607 CRESTMONT DR	Darla Davis 260-8077	MLS #99282	$180,000
2802 S. CO. RD. 1082	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99419	SALE PENDING
1614 W. LOUISIANA	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99416	SALE PENDING
108 COTTONWOOD	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99013	SALE PENDING
5005 JOY	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99250	SALE PENDING
4508 CLOUDCROFT	Lavonne Johnson 770-3883	MLS #99952	$165,000
4723 PRINCETON	Lisa Jansa 618-5077	MLS #99145	$165,000
408 WOODCREST	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #99620	$165,000
4820 SHADY LANE DRIVE	Stephanie Rogers 978-975	MLS #99331	SALE PENDING
2606 W. CUTHBERT	Karen Foster 559-4806	MLS #99249	SALE PENDING
3319 LOUISIANA AVE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99515	SALE PENDING
4305 PARKDALE DR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99629	$145,000
300 TANGLEWOOD DR	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99887	$145,000
4405 ERIE DR	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #100066	$143,000
2608 N. MIDKIFF	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #97024	SALE PENDING
4725 LAURA	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #99676	$129,900
4207 ANETTA DR	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #95057	$119,000
107 S. MCDONALD	Martha Manulik 557-8744	MLS #99949	$65,000
4617 COMANCHE	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #99675	$40,900
803 SPRUCE AVE	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #91025	SALE PENDING
4725 CROCKETT	Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #99490	SALE PENDING

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
2313 CASTLEFORD	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #100056	$214,900
2100 W. WADLEY #68	Kay Bivens 934-5995	MLS #94465	$205,000
4525A FAIRGATE DR	Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #99549	$179,900
3830 NASSAU	Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #99484	$164,500
4705 TIMBER LANE	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #98719	SALE PENDING
2009 A&B W. LOUISIANA	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99450	SALE PENDING
202 COWDEN	Gina Reyes 553-6381	MLS #99110	$119,900
2609 DELANO	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #100110	$99,900
2303 CASTLEFORD RD	Martha Manulik 618-5049	MLS #99006	SALE PENDING

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Property	Agent	MLS	Price
9706 E. CO. RD. 127	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #98330	Roping Area/25 Acres/$950,000
5702 S. HWY. 349	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #100135-100131	$599,900
4109 E. CO. RD. 63	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #99043	4BD/$599,900
4109 E. CO. RD. 63	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #99043	SALE PENDING
901 E. CO. RD 125	Clemmiel Sorge	MLS #98997	4BD/$549,000
1312 E. CO. RD. 128	Melissa Williams 349-2812	MLS #95538	4BD/$539,000
6516 GLADIOLA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #95989	3BD/$500,000
2211 S. CO. RD. 1118, GREENWOOD	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #99851	SALE PENDING
9917 S. CO. RD. 1214	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #99082	$474,900
6600 FM 715	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96956	3BD/$439,900
3605 W. CO. RD. 145	Josie Alvarez	MLS #98906	$425,000
13105 E. CO. RD. 120	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #98767	SALE PENDING
2501 W. CO. RD. 130	Jennifer Martin 349-2632	MLS #96114	3BD/$375,000
405 E. CO. RD. 127	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #96749	3BD/$364,900
2804 ANN DRIVE	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99774	4BD/$342,000
306 E. CO. RD. 140	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #98742	4BD/$329,900
2501 W. CO. RD. 130	Jennifer Martin 349-2632	MLS #96114	3BD/$325,000
3700 S. CO. RD. 1178	Caleb Matott 349-3330		2+ Acres/$325,000
4206 N. CO. RD. 1130, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96528	1.5 Acres/$299,000
1707 E. CO. RD. 135	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #99463	10 Acres/$295,000
3500 WCR 182	Amanda Gunter	MLS #100101	4.1 Acres/$280,000
4704 S. CO. RD. 1200	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #99341	0.76 Acres/$270,000
3605 W. CO. RD. 145	Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #98995	4BD/$239,900
6204 CHICKASAW	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #99975	3BD/$215,000
1401 E. CO. RD. 145	Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #98044	$190,000
2802 S. CO. RD. 1082	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99419	SALE PENDING
3406 S. CO. RD. 1071	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #99377	$145,000
2811 W. CO. RD. 116	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93898	SALE PENDING
5001 S. CO. RD. 1137	Lisa Jansa 661-3389	MLS #97679	SALE PENDING

HOMES OUTSIDE OF MIDLAND COUNTY

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
8600 N. CO. RD. 1150	Caleb Matott 349-3330	HUGE Shop, 208+ Acres	$2,950,000
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94739	3BD/16+ Acres/$1,100,000
10310 S. CO. RD. 1210	Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #98671	4BD/$625,000
2211 S. CO. RD. 1118	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #99851	4BD/$579,000
5 BRISTOL CT., ODESSA	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #98987	SALE PENDING
105 OASIS, HORSESHOE BAY	Peggy Spence 664-3011	MLS #123919	4BD/$399,000
1002 E. CO. RD. 127	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99536	$395,000
4304 ROADRUNNER TRAIL	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #99961	$359,000
5416 ECTOR AVE., ODESSA	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #92866	5BD/$350,000
10 VIA PLAYA, ODESSA	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS #92571	2BD/$339,900
16121 HORSESHOE DR., GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97931	1+ Acres/$339,900
2916 SAN PEDRO DR	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #99491	SALE PENDING
441 W. CHAMBERS, GARDEN CITY		MLS #99390	SALE PENDING
3514 CO. RD. 145	Gina Reyes 553-6381	MLS #100010	SALE PENDING
1202 S. NELSON, MONAHANS	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #95441	3BD/$275,000
2822 MAXWELL	Madison Shaw 432-528-4640	MLS #99033	3BD/$269,900
2825 MERCEDES HOUSE	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #97748	3BD/$229,900
6000 BRIARWOOD AVE., ODESSA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #97723	$225,000
710 BURLESON, STANTON	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #99494	$204,700
207 SW 12TH, SEMINOLE	Danny Norwood 618-5012		$194,900
1524 SANDALWOOD LANE	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #91729	SALE PENDING
1812 CINDY PL., ODESSA	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #98967	SALE PENDING
302 9TH ST., IRAAN	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #92308	5BD/$179,000
7244 MANFORD LANE, ODESSA	Kay Bivens 934-5995	MLS #381981	SALE PENDING
2875 SE CO. RD. 5501, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89268	3BD/$169,900
1221 MARY ST., CRANE	DeLaura Gammage 288-3880		$160,000
900 NE 2ND, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #90362	3BD/$140,000
1211 NW 4TH ST., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89898	SALE PENDING
708 COLLIE WAY, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89681	SALE PENDING
109 GRAY ST., STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94344	3BD/$132,000
2102 ALLENDALE, BIG SPRING	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #95681	4BD/$130,900
711 ST. FRANCIS, STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #93473	SALE PENDING
2203 S. JOHNSON AVE., PECOS	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #89618	4BD/$106,000
10751 E. COLGATE AVE	Maria Mallory 352-4021	MLS #99101	3BD/$100,000
105 E. 21ST., CRANE	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #85747	SALE PENDING
1907 JOHNSON AVE., BIG SPRING	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #88348	SALE PENDING
1712 HACKBERRY ST., PECOS	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #88971	SALE PENDING
514 W. 83RD, ODESSA	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #92454	3BD/$79,000
2705 BAGLEY, ODESSA	Lydia Scudder 853-2200	MLS #86570	3BD/$78,000
2825 MERCEDES	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #97750	$69,900
1407 NW AVE. B., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89176	2BD/$38,000

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
W. CO. RD. 116	Caleb Matott 349-3330		12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94739	16+ Acres/$1,100,000
6701 FM 307	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #99120	SALE PENDING
5308 WALL ST	Gina Reyes 553-6381	MLS #99121	$999,900
5702 S. HWY. 349	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #100135-100131	$599,900
1002 S. MARIENFELD	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #97538	$580,000
810 WEST KENTUCKY AVE	Maria Mallory 352-4021	Commercial Catering Business/	$450,000
3207 W. FRONT	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #99573	0.98 Acres/$419,900
1915 S. CO. RD. 1083	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #97604	4.68 Acres/$375,000
9605 CO. RD. 307	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #96951	SALE PENDING
1707 E. CO. RD. 135	Wendy Waddell 638-9955	MLS #99463	10 Acres/$295,000
3102 CUTHBERT AVE	Jane Wolf 352-4808	MLS #99770	$215,000
1409 W. IDLEWILDE DR	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #99451	SALE PENDING
2703 S. CO. RD. 1180	Caleb Matott 349-3330		Commercial Yard/6 Available/5 Acres/$175,000
110 E. CO. RD. 114	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #97579	$150,000
608 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS#79313	$95,000
310 ST. PETER, STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #89966	$95,000
503 E. BROADWAY, ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89899	$75,000
2825 MERCEDES	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #97750	$69,900

LANDS AND LOTS

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
W. CO. RD. 116	Caleb Matott 349-3330		12.54 Acres/$4,000,000
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97407	SUPERB Land: Will Split, 640 Acres/$2,560,000
3021 E. I-20	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #96595	31.74 Acres/$2,500,000
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
CO. RD. 1110	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #96969	261.045 Acres/$1,435,500
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		SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 3100, STANTON	Michelle Kidd 894-1253	MLS #94070	185 Acres/$925,000
3201 CYNTHIA DR	Josie Rendon 889-8394	MLS #97539	11.4 Acres/$630,000
13105 E. CO. RD. 120	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #98768	22.48 Acres/$405,000
5401 E. CO. RD. 120	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #95128	31.22 Acres/$375,000
3700 W. CO. RD. 145	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #96344	10 Acres + a building!/$325,000
N. CO. RD. 1150/ELKINS RD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #95384	20 Acres/$299,900
CO. RD. 1130	Clemmie Sorge 618-5019	MLS #89518	29.1 Acres/$291,000
S. CO. RD. 1089 (CIELO VISTA)	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #97325	15.685 Acres/$289,700
1409 W. IDLEWILDE DR	Sue Lytle 661-5338	MLS #99451	Land Only/$280,000
S. CO. RD. 1135	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94205	14 Acres/$280,000
4700 TROBAUGH	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #96920	SALE PENDING
807 N. FAIRGROUNDS RD	Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #94740	1.75 Acres/$200,000
903 & 905 S. MAIN ST., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89500	1.08 Acres/$197,500
4219 S. HWY. 349	Caleb Matott 349-3330		SALE PENDING
2703 S. CO. RD. 1180	Caleb Matott 349-3330		Commercial Yard/6 Available/5 Acres/$175,000
SUNRIDGE RANCH ESTATES	Sandy Hanson 638-3819		3+ Acre Lots/$135,000
00 W I-20 SERVIC RD	Brian Sales 618-1818	MLS #97852	$130,000
0 W FM 1788	Pam Messer 349-3075	MLS #100052	$115,000
7408 E. CO. RD. 96	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #100047	4.58 Acres/$96,180
7411 E. CO. RD. 96	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #100044	1.458 Acres/$84,564
1202 S. CO. RD. 117	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #100043	1.408 Acres/$81,664
1006 S. CO. RD. 1072, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #96343	2.74 Acres/$79,900
1302 S. CO. RD. 1118	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #100045	1.279 Acres/$74,182
7316 E. CO. RD. 96	Clemmie Sorge 553-9136	MLS #100046	1.017 Acres/$58,986
2825 MERCEDES	Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #97750	SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 110	Mark Philliber 222-5071	MLS #93331	1 Acre Lots/$27,000
4921 N. CO. RD. 1147	Caleb Matott 349-3330		8+ Acres/$20,000/Acre
7103 ECR 90	Laura Sales 618-1818	MLS # 98868	SALE PENDING
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330		SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97405	GREAT Land, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
112 SW 2ND ST., ANDREWS	Cynthia Blocker 266-1448	MLS #89499	SALE PENDING
S. TYLER	Danny Norwood 618-5012	MLS #92810	SALE PENDING

FARMS AND RANCHES

Property	Agent	MLS	Price
8600 N. CO. RD. 1150	Caleb Matott 349-3330		Lush & Beautiful, 208+ Acres $2,950,000
CO. RD. 160 & 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
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330		SUPERB Land/320 Acres/$1,280,000
12278 W. HIGHWAY 158, GARDENDALE	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #94739	16+ Acres/$1,100,000
2211 S. CO. RD. 1118	Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #99851	4BD/$579,000
CHAVES COUNTY, NEW MEXICO	Caleb Matott 349-3330	Red Bluff Ranch. 35,100 Deeded. 23,040 BLM. 1,280 State Lease	SALE PENDING
S. CO. RD. 1050, GREENWOOD	Caleb Matott 349-3330		SALE PENDING
CO. RD. 160 & CO. RD. 1065	Caleb Matott 349-3330	MLS #97406	SUPERB Land - Will Split, 320 Acres/$4,000/Acre
PECOS COUNTY, FORT STOCKTON	Caleb Matott 349-3330	Superb Mule Deer & Bird Hunting	2006+ Acres/$550/Acre
ANDREWS/ECTOR COUNTY	Caleb Matott 349-3330	M Bar Ranch - Extremely good cattle/hunting ranch, SWD income	9,039+ Acres/$425/Acre

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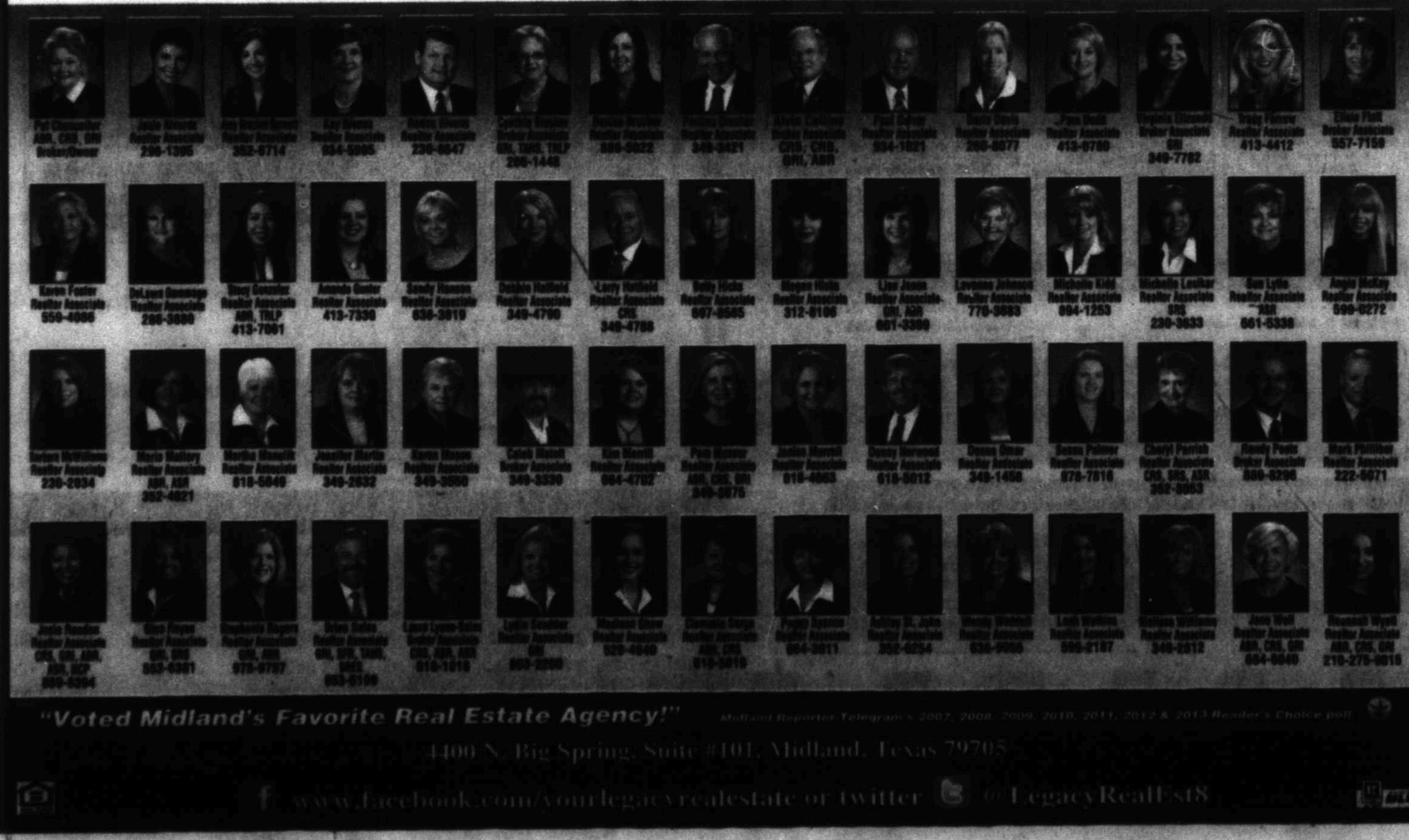
Property	Agent	MLS	Price
3309 EDGEMONT	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99922	$2,400/MONTH
5308 RIO GRANDE	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99989	$2,200/MONTH
2312 W. STOREY	Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #99981	$1,950/MONTH



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DANCE & ROMANCE

Midland couple finds mutual passion in style, technique, chemistry

Mary Jackson and Jorge Hernandez come from different backgrounds, but the two are in sync on the dance floor.

Jackson, 34, is a mother of one son and a native Midlander who teaches at the Rainey School of Montessori in Odessa.

Hernandez, 56, is a father of two who moved from Chihuahua, Mexico, about 30 years ago and owns Garden View Greenhouses in Midland.

But the two established a connection on the dance floor that budded into a relationship.

"Dancing is an amazing glue," Jackson said.

She caught the dancing bug at an early age to the sounds of swing music and has been dancing for nearly 20 years. She said the aerial, sometimes acrobatic, moves of swing dancing fascinated her.

Jackson picked up the skills needed to pull off those dance moves before eventually venturing off into other styles of dance.

"Dancing has always been the thing I go back to," she said. "It's my favorite hobby and passion."

Hernandez didn't begin dancing until later on in his life.

"I was the guy sitting at the party. Everybody was dancing and I was sitting there by myself," he said.

He decided to change that when he took up ballroom dancing classes in 1998 and discovered he had a knack for dance.

The more he danced, the better he got at it. And the better he got at it, the greater his confidence developed as a dancer.

When Jackson was looking in 2011 for a new partner, many people suggested Hernandez. She met him that year at an Odessa nightclub, and the two would see each other at

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Story and photos by Tyler White | twhite@mrt.com

Dancing the night away

Mary Jackson and Jorge Hernandez can be seen strutting their stuff at the Summer Sunday Lawn Concert Series held each Sunday at the Museum of the Southwest. Be sure to keep an eye out for their acrobatic dance moves.

Tessa Duvall/Reporter-Telegram

Getting into "The Pit" cenote meant carrying heavy gear down a slippery flight of stairs. From above, we could see dozens of feet into "The Pit" because of the great clarity of the water.

Cenote scuba diving offers glimpse into underwater world unlike that seen in reefs

TESSA DUVALL

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There's a certain kind of serenity I've come to associate with scuba diving.

Though each reef is different, the feeling and routine are the same, time after time.

The calm comes shortly after crashing into the water off the boat, but before dragging myself and my heavy gear back out of the ocean.

When it came time for my first cenote — or underwater cavern — dive last month while on vacation in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico, I had to take all those years of familiarity and throw them away.

This was going to be unlike anything I'd ever done before.

Replace the warm and sunny saltwater of the sea with a cool and dark freshwater system. Instead of a wide open ocean, there were confined cavern walls. There were no vibrant corals to be found, but there was an abundance of limestone stalactites and stalagmites.

As intimidating and different as that was, I couldn't wait.

Day 1: Reef dives

When I began scuba diving in June 2006 while vacationing in Maui, it was on a whim. The hotel my family stayed at offered open water certification courses, so my dad and I decided to go for it. Since then, I've been diving around the Hawaiian islands, throughout the Caribbean and at the Great Barrier Reef last December. That whim has turned into a hobby I jump at with every chance I get.

Diving in Playa Del Carmen at the Moc Che reef dive site wasn't totally unlike any reef I'd been to before. All it took was a short boat ride from the beach and our descent just under the surface for the dive guide, my dad and I to be surrounded by schools of colorful fish.

The most fun part of any given reef dive is playing "I Spy" and keeping an eye out for any interesting marine life that might be hanging out nearby. Hiding in the coral or along the sea floor our group spotted a flounder, a lionfish, eels, a barracuda and two sea turtles.

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Jennifer Forker/AP

Hope Clarke, 16, left, wraps yarn soaked in craft glue around a balloon July 3, while Hadley Hagemann, 16, works on a giant tissue pom-pom at a crafting night hosted at Clarke's house in Arvada, Colo. After the glue dried, Clarke popped and removed the balloon to reveal a colorful orb for hanging. Crafting encourages creativity, develops imagination and counters the many hours teens spend on their computers, phones and other "screens." Activities such as crafting allow parents to connect with their teens in a healthy way.

GETTING CRAFTY

Teen craft nights boost creativity, family ties, take away from screen time

By Jennifer Forker
Associated Press

A few months ago, I launched a diabolical plan to entice my teenage daughters to spend more time with me, and to semi-shelter them from the maddening world.

I started a Friday Crafting Night for my two girls and their friends.

Brad Sachs, a psychologist who works with adolescents and families, calls family crafting "a lovely metaphor for what parents need to do at this point in child development.

"We can't abdicate our authority; they still need us. On the other hand, we can't craft them. We need to supply them with the materials and the capacity to craft themselves."

Teenagers want to spend time with us — on their terms, said Sachs, of Columbia, Maryland.

For crafting nights, that means they pick the friends, the food and the crafts; I pull it all together and step back (but stick around — I'm here to connect and get crafty, too).

Teenagers also want (and need) to build independence and identities separate from their families, but our society places too much emphasis on that and not enough on their need to connect, said Sachs, author of "The Good Enough Teen: How to Raise Adolescents with Love and Acceptance (Despite How Impossible They Can Be)" (HarperCollins, 2005).

"Of course you don't want to suffocate them, but you also want to help them find ways to be with adults in healthy ways," he said.

Crafting nights are just one way. Hiking, playing games, sitting around a campfire — there are plenty of activities that foster family closeness.

I opened crafting nights to my high-school girls' friends — female and male — to gin up interest.

Deanna Kaylor Lenz, of Overland Park, Kansas, says her daughters are hooked on crafting just with her. Years ago, she introduced Sydney, now 20, and Elyssa, 14, to scrapbooking. It didn't take, but sewing, painting, photography, jewelry making, beadwork, knitting and upcycling used furniture did.

"They'll just sit with me and do whatever craft they're working on. I have weird daughters who like to be with me," Lenz said with a laugh.

Four teens attended my first crafting night last spring to glitter cheap papier-machi boxes. Since then, we've hosted several crafting nights.

Lenz suggests introducing teenagers to Pinterest, the online "pinning" site for inspirational ideas and images, and taking them shopping for supplies.

My crafting nights fumbled along until daughters Hope Clarke, 16, and Grace Clarke, 15, found Pinterest. Now they craft on their own and bring ideas to crafting night.

Recently, they wanted to make fake cupcakes by piping white caulk onto squatty mason jars and decorating them with glitter and faux gemstones. They also chose to make "Thought Bubbles" — glue-soaked yarn wrapped around balloons that create airy yarn orbs for hanging (after the balloons are popped). Both projects were found on Pinterest, the "bubbles" pinned by the youthful clothing store Free People.

Bottom line: Teenagers will craft with you if a project instills a sense of achievement and pride. "Being able to say, 'I made it,' especially after a friend asks about an item — I think that's a real inspiration," said Lenz.

My daughter Hope likes to make things for her bedroom. "I like to be creative," she said. "I like crafting and talking and listening to music with my friends."

Sachs notes teenagers spend a lot of time studying for school and college-entrance exams — not to mention keeping up on phones and other screens — and relatively little time developing their imaginations.

Advanced planning can help prevent vacation anxiety

By Marcia Norton

We could all use a vacation — a time to get away from everyday living, work and chores, responsibilities and even family and friends! You might envision sitting on a tropical beach, winning at a large casino, hiking through mountains or even turning off the phone for a few days just to relax. Whatever your plans may be, a vacation is supposed to be fun and enjoyable. So why are you stressing about it? Even though you might be planning a vacation, your everyday anxieties go with you. Here are some helpful hints to leave your worries at home:

1. Advanced planning. You have already planned a location, how to get there and back, and have an idea of what to take with you. For your own peace of mind, be sure to take along some important items: passports (if needed), emergency contact numbers, medications/medical information, maps, cellphones with charges (only if wanted) and any other items you think you might need. Just remember, wherever you go, I am sure they have stores, markets, hospitals or anything else you might need.

2. Bring something comforting from home. Whatever you do at home to unwind and relax, bring part of that with you on vacation. This might be a favorite pillow or blanket, special tea or favorite music. Having some comfort items can help you feel relaxed.

3. Plan some down time. On vacation, you might want to fill every available hour with activities, but remember to rest as well. If you travel to a distant location, do not feel pressured to see and do everything that place has to offer. Choose the highlights to really enjoy and take time to do things. Do not get in a rush or you will need a vacation to get over your vacation.

4. Eat right. We all have a tendency to be bad with our diets while on vacation. A few indulgences are fine, but not on a daily basis. If possible, check out local cuisine before your trip, so you can better plan your meals. Also, look for a local grocery or market to visit and get healthy snacks. I always love to have some fruit and crackers available when I travel.

5. Be your own friend. Think of yourself as your best friend. Practice self-compassion and be forgiving. Refuse to feel guilty if things do not go perfectly. There are some things beyond your control like the weather, airlines/bus routes, accommodations. Learn to go with the flow and stay calm.

6. Stop and be thankful. Start each morning with thanks. Think of at least one thing you are thankful for that day. You can be thankful for little things like getting out of bed, getting to your destination safely or even that the sun is shining. End your day the same way. Most of all, have fun!

Marcia Norton is a registered nurse and licensed professional counselor who has been with Centers for Children and Families since 2008.

Man's stare disrupts woman's morning walk in park

DEAR ABBY: I am a woman in my 30s. Every morning I walk my dog in the park near my house. Each morning I see the same maintenance man in the park and he stares at me in a way that makes me uncomfortable. I have tried saying "Good morning," but he doesn't reply and just continues to stare.

I don't think I should have to stop frequenting the park because this creepy man works there. Is there a way I can confront him about his staring without making the situation more uncomfortable? — DOG WALKER IN SAN FRANCISCO

DEAR DOG WALKER: Has it occurred to you that the man may be mute, or perhaps doesn't speak English? Talk to some of the other women who frequent the park and ask if this happens with them, too. There may be an explanation for his behavior, and he may be perfectly harmless.

If you are still uneasy after that, contact the parks department. But I'd hate to see someone lose his job who might be concerned only about whether you're picking up after your dog.

DEAR ABBY: When my son visits me, he stays in a hotel with his family instead of in our home. When he visits his parents-in-law, he stays in their home. His in-laws would consider it disrespectful if he didn't.

He used to stay here before he got married. His siblings and I feel hurt and disrespected, and we also think it is inappropriate. When his siblings visit, they stay at our home.

My wife died 19 months ago. I know if she were here, he wouldn't even think of staying anywhere else. How should I (and my other children) handle this? — PROUD DAD IN NEVADA

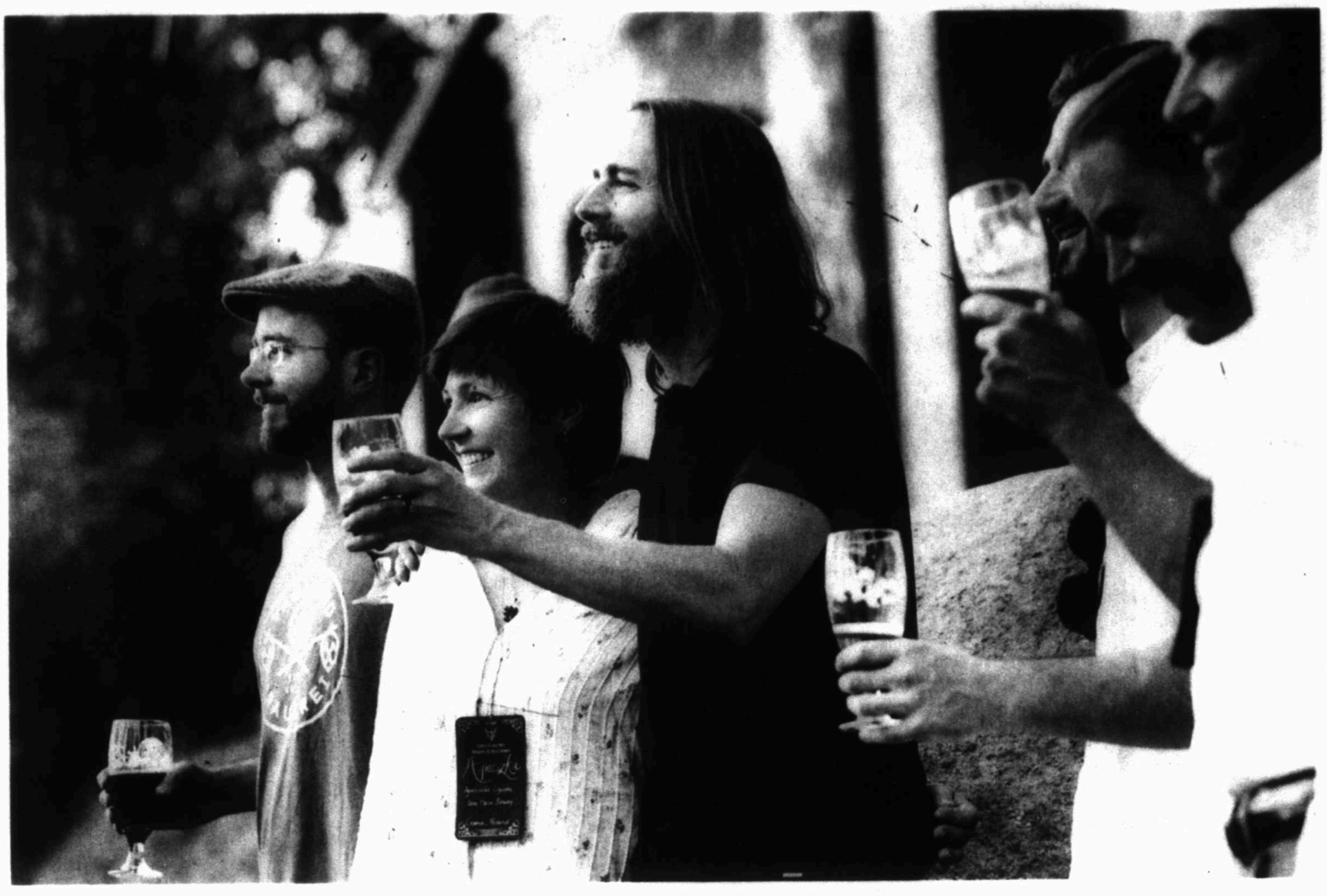
DEAR ABBY
Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR PROUD DAD: The important thing is that they are visiting and sharing good times with you, not where they stay. I'm sure they have their reasons for wanting to sleep at the hotel. At the end of the evening, they may crave some private conversation. Or, your daughter-in-law may feel uncomfortable now that your wife is gone. The way I would handle it is to simply ask them why, without being confrontational.

DEAR ABBY: When I attended the recent funeral of a family member, I saw someone walk up to the open casket and begin taking photos of the deceased. Then, if that wasn't enough, the person asked the deceased's caregivers to pose by the body!

I feel it was in extremely poor taste. Am I wrong? I know I'll see the "photographer" again at future funerals. — BAFFLED IN SOUTH CAROLINA

DEAR BAFFLED: In some cultures it is not offensive to take photos of people in their coffins; it is accepted, and relatives cherish these last mementos of their loved one. If you follow that logic, then it's understandable that having a photo of the deceased with the people who cared for him or her at the end would not only not be in poor taste, but would be desirable. I don't advise challenging the photographer unless you're sure everyone else feels as you do.



AMERICAN CRAFT

Thirst for US craft beer grows in overseas markets

By Michael Felberbaum
Associated Press

RICHMOND, Va. — Helping to quench a growing thirst for American craft beer overseas, some of the United States' largest craft breweries are setting up shop in Europe, challenging on their home turfs the very beers that inspired them.

It's the latest phenomenon in the flourishing craft beer industry, which got its start emulating the European brews that defined many of the beer styles we drink today. The move also marks a continuing departure from the status quo of mass market lagers or stouts, demonstrating a willingness of American breweries to explore — and innovate — old world beer styles from Belgium, Germany and the United Kingdom.

The U.S. craft beer scene is so fresh and dynamic, Europeans are becoming as excited about it as Americans, said Mike Hinkley, co-founder of San Diego-based Green Flash Brewing Co. "Even though they're used to all these amazing European beers, now there's just more variety."

U.S. craft beer exports grew six-fold during the past five years, jumping from about 46,000 barrels in 2009 to more than 282,500 barrels in 2013, worth an estimated $73 million, according to the Brewers Association, the Colorado-based trade group for the majority of the 3,000 brewing companies in the United States. Of course, it's still a fraction of overall production; U.S. craft brewers produced a total of 15.6 million barrels last year.

Recently, Green Flash became the first U.S. craft brewery to begin making and selling fresh beer in the European market under a deal with Brasserie St-Feuillien, a Belgian brewery founded in 1873. Under the watchful eye of Green Flash brewmaster Chuck Silva, the brewery is making and selling fresh West Coast IPA for distribution in the U.K., Belgium, France, the Netherlands and Italy.

Meanwhile, 500 miles away in Berlin, Stone Brewing Co. is taking a different approach to meeting overseas demand — spending about $25 million to renovate a historic gas works building into a brewery, packaging and distribution center, restaurant and garden set to open late next year or early 2016. Escondido, California-based Stone — one of the top 10 biggest craft breweries in the U.S. — will make beer for its bistro and distribution throughout Germany and Europe.

"The idea that we're going to go across the pond as it were to brew our style of beers fresh in Europe is an exciting prospect for us," said Stone CEO and co-founder Greg Koch, who announced the overseas expansion plans last weekend. "When we started out at Stone 18 years ago, we were inspired by a lot of the European brewers ... and now to see an inspiration bounce back around the world, that's amazing."

Brooklyn Brewery's brewmaster Garrett Oliver agreed, saying what used to be a one-way street in the beer world is coming full-circle. "The creative spirit and ideas that have been developing in the U.S. are flowing back in that direction. Now it's a two-way street and we all have something to offer."

In the spring, New York's Brooklyn Brewery and Carlsberg Sweden opened a craft brewery and restaurant making new beers that are being distributed throughout Scandinavia. The staff of Nya Carnegie in Stockholm was hired by Brooklyn Brewery and trained by its brewmaster. Brooklyn Brewery is still exporting its own beers to more than 20 countries in addition to its joint venture and also is looking at similar projects in other European capitals. South America and Asia. Around 30 percent of its business is exports.

But the thirst for American craft beer hasn't always been there.

When the Brewers Association first gave presentations overseas about the American craft beer scene about 10 years ago, people would laugh aloud. They'd even quote a Monty Python skit comparing American beer to water.

"They're not laughing anymore," said Bob Pease, chief operating officer for the U.S. beer trade group.

AP photos

Stone Brewing Co. CEO and co-founder Greg Koch, center in top photo, toasts the crowd July 19, after announcing the Escondido, Calif., brewery's plan to build a brewery and bistro in Berlin. Stone Brewing Co. is spending about $25 million to renovate a historic gas works building into a brewery, packaging and distribution center, restaurant and garden set to open late next year. ABOVE: Alexis Briol of Brasserie St-Feuillien in Belgium, left, and Green Flash brewmaster Chuck Silva, inspect a bag of malted barley before brewing beer. San Diego-based Green Flash is making and selling fresh beer in the European market under a handshake deal with Brasserie St-Feuillien.

Soap container, empty cup can show whether dishwasher has run

HINTS FROM HELOISE
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Dear Heloise: We read your column every day in the Ventura County (California) Star. My family has come up with a hint that may help others who never know if the dishes in the dishwasher are clean or dirty.

When the dishwasher is emptied, we immediately fill the dishwasher soap container and close it. That way, anyone who has a question about whether the dishes are clean or dirty needs only to look to see if the container is closed or open. If it is open, the dishes are clean. If the container is closed, put your dirty dishes in. — Diana L. in California

This is a good hint, especially if the dishwasher is used every day or two. Most people do run it at night, when dinner is over and the kitchen is closed.

For other readers who don't use the dishwasher daily, please note: Powdered detergent (and some of the new packets) can be affected by moisture. — Heloise

P.S.: Here's another hint: Put a coffee cup (open end facing up) on the top rack. If there's water in there, the dishes are clean!

Keeping corners down

Dear Readers: Many of you shared your hints about keeping parchment paper on pans. Here are two of them:

Traci A. in Washington wrote: "I love reading your column in The Spokesman-Review every day. I spritz cooking spray on each corner of the cookie sheet to hold the parchment down. You don't need a lot. Just a dab."

Linda S., via email, said: "Here's a trick I learned when working in our local grade-school cafeteria: Tear off the desired length of paper, crumple it up as if you were going to throw it away, then simply smooth it out on your cookie sheet with your hand. Spritz with a little water if it is still unruly."

— Heloise

No-mess cleanup

Dear Heloise: I tend to be a messy cook, especially when baking. I now start my preparation by placing a large piece of waxed paper on the counter. When I measure flour, separate eggs, etc., if anything spills, it goes on the waxed paper. When I'm done, I just pick up the waxed paper and put it in the trash. — Rebecca S. in Colorado

Timesaver

Dear Heloise: To save time washing and rinsing dishes after I have cooked or baked, I fill the sink with warm, soapy water. When I'm done with a utensil or a dish, I slip it into the water. When I am finished cooking, all I do is rinse the dishes and put them in the dishwasher. No more scrubbing! — Sandy, via email

A good way to speed up cleanup! Just be sure there are no sharp knives to cause a mishap. — Heloise

Peeling onions

Dear Heloise: I use an orange peeler to score onions when making shish kebabs. It seems to work much better than a knife, as it doesn't score more than one layer at a time. — Carol Y. in Indiana

Zucchini works in variety of recipes

By J.M. Hirsch
AP Food Editor

Zucchini bread is fine and all, but when you're staring down a mountain of summer abundance, how much of it can you really eat?

Convinced we could find more — and more creative — ways to use up a bounty of zucchini, we decided to explore out-of-the-box ideas for summer's most notorious love-hate vegetable. The result? Some delicious ideas that will have you if not embracing then at least better tolerating your zucchini.

■ Pasta: Grab yourself one of those veggie spiral cutting gizmos, which let you render produce into pasta-like ribbons. Zucchini does particularly well. Toss the zucchini spirals in a hot skillet with a splash of oil for a minute or two, then dress with sauce and cheese as you would pasta. Or boil up real pasta, then add the zucchini for the last minute. Drain and dress.

■ Dip: Slice a zucchini in half and toss it on a medium hot grill. Cook until lightly browned and tender, then pop it into a food processor. Add tahini, garlic, salt, pepper and a splash of lemon juice, then process until very smooth. Use as a dip for vegetables and chips, or as a sandwich spread.

■ Salsa: Dice and toss together 1 medium zucchini, 1 large tomatillo and 1/2 red or orange bell pepper. Add 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar, a pinch of red pepper flakes, 1 tablespoon chopped pickled jalapenos and a splash of hot sauce. Season with salt and pepper.

■ Fries: Cut the zucchini into 1/2-inch-thick sticks, then toss them first in a beaten egg, then in seasoned breadcrumbs. Arrange in a single layer on a baking sheet, then bake until crisp outside and just tender inside. As soon as they come out of the oven, sprinkle them with grated Parmesan cheese.

Tyler White/Reporter-Telegram

Mary Jackson and Jorge Hernandez dance at a recent Summer Sunday Lawn Concert at the Museum of the Southwest.

DANCERS

From 1E

various dancing events and clubs before they started seeing each other as a couple in November 2012.

By February 2013, Jackson and Hernandez were dancing on a regular basis.

This duo is well-versed in the art of dance.

Polka. Rumba. Salsa. Cumbia. Bachata. Merengue.

Jackson and Hernandez love numerous dancing styles, but enjoy swing, cha-cha and waltz the most.

Luckily, they can match each other's endurance, as Jackson said they may go to three different dances in a night for around six hours of dancing.

"We can dance the whole night," Jackson said. "We like that because some dances you go to it starts out one style and ends in another style and we like to go the whole night."

Both Jackson and Hernandez said there are numerous attributes necessary in an exceptional dancing partner. Chemistry between two dancers — along with a good sense of balance — is integral, while smaller details such as height and weight differences between partners affect the performance.

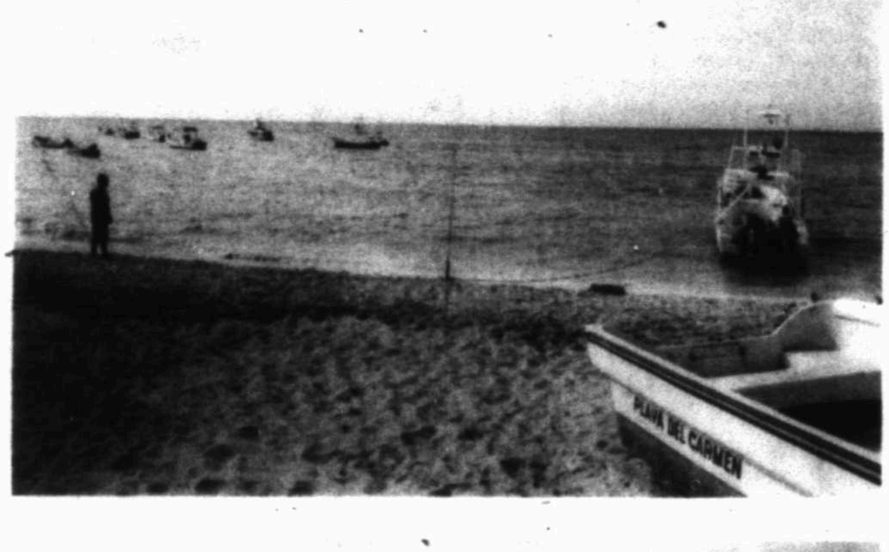
Jackson said Hernandez's physical strength comes in handy when pulling off aerial moves.

"With aerials, you've got to have the strength; you've got to be able to bench press a bit," she said.

Hernandez said Jackson is a quick learner who can mirror his technique.

He described them as an "action couple" that participates in sports and other activities.

"We live life. We camp together, we do a lot of things together," Hernandez said.



Tessa Duvall/Reporter-Telegram

The beach in Playa Del Carmen, top photos, from where the diving group went to Moc Che. The Great Maya Reef is the second-longest barrier reef in the world, second only to the Great Barrier Reef in Australia. ABOVE: The dive site of "The Pit" featured pickups instead of boats to take divers to the destination.

DUVALL

From 1E

There's something about having the wildlife just an arm's length away that makes it all that much more exciting. It's an experience the Discovery Channel can't replicate, and snorkeling doesn't even come close. To paraphrase my dad, snorkeling is like watching TV, but diving is like being on the show.

After not being in the water for six months, Moc Che offered a perfect opportunity to get reacquainted with diving before heading into the unfamiliar cenotes.

Day 2: Cenote dives

While the Riviera Maya is famous for the Great Maya Reef, the second-longest barrier reef in the world, it is also the location of dozens of freshwater cenotes, which are popular diving and snorkeling attractions. Once the trip to Playa Del Carmen was booked, my dad and I knew we had to get in a cenote at least once.

During our second day of diving, we went to two cenotes: Dos Ojos first, and then, a super-ominous-sounding cenote called The Pit.

Pulling up to the first dive site, it immediately became clear how different this day of cenote diving would be from anything we'd ever done before. There were no sandy beaches or boats in sight; instead, there were pickups and lots of trees. Oh, and a giant hole in the ground.

Dos Ojos is one of the most popular cenotes to dive in the area, and for good reason. There are two lines — the Barbie Line and the Bat Cave — divers can follow to see the best of Dos Ojos' spectacular features.

As I descended beneath the chilly water, I could see the entrance to the cavern. And off I went with my group in a single-file line, underwater flashlight in one hand, camera in the other.

Immediately I was awestruck by Dos Ojos' formations. A few minutes into the dive and I was surrounded by stalactites and stalagmites on all sides and of all sizes. I grew up in Kentucky near Mammoth Cave, the world's longest known cave system, so I'm familiar with what caves look like, but seeing them underwater made the ancient formations look brand new to me.

Dos Ojos also brought an immediate awareness of how confined the space is. Ocean dives feel wide open and divers have all the space they need to avoid bumping into one another and the reef. In the cenote, I felt giant and bulky, like my tank would graze the rock or I might kick the diver behind me.

In contrast to Dos Ojos, The Pit is less of a system of caves and more of, well, a pit. It's a cylindrical cenote, with a depth of more than 100 feet. From above, it's absolutely stunning. Our dive was scheduled for midday when the sun's rays hit the water just right, allowing us to see deep into The Pit.

Feeling intimidated by both the size and name of the cenote, I opted to leave my camera on dry land so I had one less thing to worry about. The group descended to near the bottom, and then slowly circled the edges of the cenote as we came back up. About midway down, we passed through the halocline, which is the area where the salt water at the bottom of The Pit and the fresh water above meet. Our guide warned us beforehand that it would limit visibility, almost like we were diving in oil, but that still didn't prepare me for how disorienting that would be.

The first time we passed through the halocline I rubbed my mask, as if trying to clear the murkiness away, even though I knew it wouldn't help. The second and third times I swam a little closer to the guide than necessary, not wanting to lose sight of his purple fins. Even though I knew he was only a few feet in front of me, it was unsettling to not have a clear view of the man responsible for my safety.

One of my favorite parts of diving is being soothed by the steady rhythm of my own breath and being alone with my thoughts.

In The Pit, though, being alone with my thoughts was the worst part. It's hard to focus on breathing calmly when all your inner monologue is screaming, 'Oh my gosh! Will this ever end? Why isn't the sunlight getting closer? Can we go up already!?"

Cenote diving has none of the serenity I had felt before, but I think that's what made it so exciting. It was disorienting, dramatically different and made my heart race. There were new sights to see and different challenges to overcome. While it felt overwhelming at the time, I appreciate it much more with a month of hindsight. The reason I took up diving in the first place was to push myself to see places I had never been before, and the cenotes absolutely provided that experience.

If you go

- Research your dive company. Our dives were booked with Blue Life (bluelife.com), which provided well-maintained equipment and small group sizes. The last thing you want when you're diving is a leaky mask and a big group of newbie divers bumping into you.
- The reef dives are easily accessible from Playa Del Carmen, or you can easily take a boat to Cozumel for further reef diving.
- Know what to expect with the cenotes. If you're claustrophobic, this probably isn't for you. I really enjoyed the winding, narrow caverns of Dos Ojos. Even though The Pit was less cramped, the depth and the halocline threw me off my "A game." Had I not known what I was getting into, it would have been that much more overwhelming.

BESTSELLERS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Hardcover fiction

1. "Act of War" by Brad Thor (Atria Books)
2. "Invisible" by Patterson/Ellis (Little, Brown)
3. "Top Secret Twenty-One" by Janet Evanovich (Bantam)
4. "Power Play" by Catherine Coulter (G.P. Putnam's Sons)
5. "Silkworm" by Robert Galbraith (LB/Mulholland)
6. "Mr. Mercedes" by Stephen King (Scribner)
7. "The City" by Dean Koontz (Bantam)
8. "The Goldfinch" Donna Tartt (Little,Brown)
9. "Written in My Own Heart's Blood" by Diana Gabaldon (Delacorte Press)
10. "All Fall Down" by Jennifer Weiner (Atria)
11. "The Girls of August" by Anne Rivers Siddons (Grand Central Publishing)
12. "Landline" by Rainbow Rowell (St. Martin's Press)
13. "All the Light We Cannot See" By Anthony Doerr (Scribner)
14. "The High Druid's Blade" by Terry Brooks (Del Ray)
15. "The Matchmaker" by Elin Hilderbrand (Little, Brown)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "America" by Dinesh D'Souza (Regnery)
2. "Blood Feud: The Clintons vs. The Obamas" by Edward Klein (Regnery)
3. "Hard Choices" by Hillary Rodham Clinton (Simon & Schuster)
4. "One Nation" by Ben Carson (Penguin/Sentinel)
5. "Everything I Need to Know I Learned From a Little Golden Book" by Diane Muldrow (Golden Books)
6. "Capital in the Twenty-First Century" by Thomas Piketty (Harvard/Belknap)
7. "David and Goliath" by Malcolm Gladwell (Little, Brown)
8. "Think Like a Freak" by Steven D. Levitt and Stephen J. Dubner (William Morrow)
9. "Instinct" by T.D. Jakes (FaithWords)
10. "The Family of Jesus" by Karen Kingsbury (Howard Books)
11. "Good Call" by Jase Robertson (Howard Books)
12. "Diary of a Mad Diva" by Joan Rivers (Berkley)
13. "Grain Brain" by David Perlmutter (Little, Brown)
14. "I Am Malala" by Malala Yousafzai (Little, Brown)
15. "The Doctor's Diet" by Travis Stork (Bird Street Books)

Mass market paperbacks

1. "Deadline" by Sandra Brown (Vision)
2. "The Promise" by Robyn Carr (Mira)
3. "Bombshell" by Catherine Coulter (Jove)
4. "The Perfect Hope" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
5. "The Promise" by Robyn Carr (Mira)
6. "Second Honeymoon" by Patterson/Roughan (Vision)
7. "Hotshot" by Julie Garwood (Signet)
8. "Kiss and Tell" by Fern Michaels (Kensington/Zebra)
9. "Inferno" by Dan Brown (Anchor)
10. "The Escape" by Mary Balogh (Dell)
11. "Until we Touch" by Susan Mallery (Harlequin)
12. "Luke Jensen Bounty Hunter: Bloody Sunday" by William W. Johnstone (Pinnacle)
13. "The Last Boyfriend" by Nora Roberts (Jove)
14. "The 9th Girl" by Tami Hoag (Signet)
15. "Robert Ludlam's The Bourne Retribution" by Eric Van Lustbader (Grand Central Publishing)

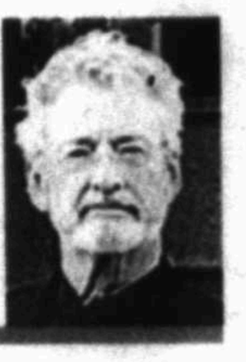
Trade paperbacks

1. "Gone Girl" by Gillian Flynn (Broadway Books)
2. "The Boys in the Boat" by Daniel James Brown (Penguin)
3. "And the Mountains Echoed" by Khaled Hosseini (Riverhead)
4. "Private L.A." by James Patterson and Mark Sullivan (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Heaven Is for Real (movie tie-in)" by Todd Burpo (Thomas Nelson)
6. "The Signature of All Things" by Elizabeth Gilbert (Penguin)
7. "The Longest Ride" by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
8. "The Cuckoo's Calling" by Robert Galbraith (LB/Mulholland)
9. "Doctor Sleep" by Stephen King (S&S/Gallery)
10. "How to Read Literature Like a Professor" by Thomas C. Foster (Harper Perennial)
11. "The Silver Star" by Jeannette Walls (Scribner)
12. "The Villa" by Nora Roberts (Berkley)
13. "The Ocean at the End of the Lane" by Neil Gaiman (William Morrow)
14. "10-Day Green Smoothie Cleanse" by J.J. Smith (Adiva)
15. "Me Before You" by Jojo Moyes (Penguin)

Source: Publisher's Weekly

Retired firefighter brings readers to mid-century West Texas in debut novel 'Slump Monkey'

GLEN AARON



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Once in a while, you pick up a book, read it and think, "That should be on the New York Times' best seller list." "Slump Monkey," by retired firefighter Jimmie Odom, is one of those books. Of course, getting on the best seller list is about marketing, not quality. Many of the best books written simply didn't have the East Coast marketing connections to be found by a broader readership.

"Slump Monkey" is written in the West Texas vernacular. Set between Big Lake and San Angelo, a young Ronnie Gene ("just call me Ronnie") Harris, son of an oil field worker, tells his intriguing life story. While he "talks" in the ordinary, everyday language of West Texans, his soliloquies — and dialogue with others — are engaging and well-written.

For those of us who grew up in West Texas during this mid-century period, much of Ronnie's story is our story as well, with similar experiences, the same kind of people and the same kind of conversations. The tale spans pubescence to adulthood, sexual fantasies to adult mysteries, close relationships to Ronnie's certain loneliness and, periodically, the tragedies of life.

Much of the story is built around the mystical, outstandingly beautiful Jodi Lynette McGregor. Where she came from nobody knows. Without her, what would have come of Ronnie Gene? A certain soulfulness permeates Ronnie's character and even intensifies as he thinks about Jodi.

The relationships that enter Ronnie's life from childhood through high school last a lifetime. Commitment and dedication never vary, but the reader's subliminal take from page to page not only gives suspense to what is going to happen but the realization of how it could have happened so differently. The plot toys with that tantalizing possibility that exists in life.

It seems odd that Odom has written only one book. In fact, it is disappointing. He writes as a seasoned fiction writer, bringing out the good and bad of human nature, lifting the reader's emotion to happiness and satisfaction, only to come crashing down with sadness and tragedy. In the end, there is a feeling of wholeness that, yes, this is the way life is.

"Slump Monkey" captures the very essence of life in West Texas in the mid-20th century. "Slump Monkey" is filled with life and West Texas common sense — from the struggles of where the next meal will come from to the frustrations of wealth, from the mean banker to the ultimate revelation that he wasn't so mean, from the sexual guru the same age as Ronnie ("He was always more than willing to discuss any sexual question, regardless of the place or time.") to the sage advice of Dr. Castleberry telling Ronnie to stay in school, make his grades and go to medical school.

As the novel deals with the crossroads of life, it not only entertains, it brings readers to introspective thoughts of their own lives. Ronnie is one of us and the parallels between his life experiences and ours bring out the feeling of a warm friendship.

"Slump Monkey" can be ordered through our local book stores or online at Amazon.com.

BOOKBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW YORK

Another author boosted by 'Colbert Bump'

The "Colbert Bump" is becoming contagious.

Edan Lepucki, whose novel "California" became a best-seller thanks to a plug from Stephen Colbert, has in turn helped another book catch on.

During an interview on Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report" that aired Monday night, Lepucki recommended Stephan Eirik Clark's "Sweetness (hash)9." By Tuesday morning, the novel was in the top 300 on Barnes & Noble.com and in the top five for Powell's Books, an independent store based in Portland, Oregon, that has been a leading seller of Lepucki's book.

Both "California" and "Sweetness (hash)9" are part of Colbert's campaign to help works published by Hachette Book Group USA, which is in tense contract negotiations with Amazon.com. The online retailer is not accepting pre-orders for "Sweetness," an August release, and other Hachette books.

NEW YORK

Starbucks chair co-writing book on military vets

Starbucks chairman Howard Schultz is collaborating on a book about veterans of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"For Love of Country: What Our Veterans Can Teach Us About Citizenship, Heroism, and Sacrifice" will be released by Alfred A. Knopf on Nov. 4. The book will be co-written by Washington Post correspondent and editor Rajiv Chandrasekaran.

"Given that less than 1 percent of our country has served in the military conflicts of the last decade, this is a time in America when it's crucial to bridge the divide in our society between our civilian and military populations," Schultz said in a statement issued Monday by the publisher.

The book will tell of deeds both on the battlefield and back home, whether an orthopedic surgeon who enlisted at age 60 and saved numerous lives or a military spouse helping wives of severely wounded soldiers.

Schultz has been a prominent advocate for veterans, saying too little has been done for them once their service was completed. He has pledged to hire 10,000 veterans and military spouses and earlier this year donated $30 million for research into post-traumatic stress syndrome and brain trauma.

According to Knopf, a "majority" of author proceeds will be donated to veteran services organizations.

MOVIE CAMP

The Permian Basin Petroleum Museum's Movie Camp will screen "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2," at 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tuesday. Children age 5 and older are can watch a movie at the museum for $5. Includes popcorn and lemonade. petroleummuseum.org.

James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

CALENDAR

Compiled from staff reports and from the Arts Council of Midland | acmidland.org

SUNDAY

Tall City Blues Fest Gospel Brunch, 10:30 a.m. at the DoubleTree by Hilton Midland Plaza. tallcitybluesfest.com.

Ringling Bros. Circus, 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. at Ector County Coliseum. ectorcountycoliseum.org.

Cory Yeager Band, 7:30 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org/lawn-concerts.

Free Admission Sunday made possible by Cimarex Energy Co. 2-5 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

MONDAY

Summer Art Camp - Paper Madness/Ceramics, 9:15 a.m.-noon through Friday at Ellen Noel Art Museum. noelartmuseum.org

Tall City Cloggers dances, every Monday at M-Squarena. Call Lynn Myers at 697-6416 or danznfool@grandecom.net.

TUESDAY

Movie camp: "Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2," 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. at Permian Basin Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

Brown Bag Lunch and Lecture with Stephen Nelson, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.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.

Marfa Public Radio's "Nature Notes," 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m. every Tuesday-Thursday. KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM.

Palette Club's painting time, 9 a.m.-noon. Meeting and demo scheduled on second Tuesday of the month. 664-3197.

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.

WEDNESDAY

Steve Martin and the Steep Canyon Rangers, 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

THURSDAY

RockHounds vs Corpus Christi and Thirsty Thursday, 7 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

Thomas Craig Elliott, 8 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgers.com.

"Into the Woods" produced by MRRRP Productions, 8 p.m. through Saturday at Genesis Center of the Permian Basin. mrrrpproductions@gmail.com.

West Texas Dance Club, 7:30-10 p.m. at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. 697-0281.

FRIDAY

Family Friday: So Long Summer, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at Museum of the Southwest. museumsw.org.

Mike Olsen, 8 p.m. at Basin Burger House. basinburgerhouse.com

Summer Science Class: Science is Sweet, 9 a.m.-noon at Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org

RockHounds vs Corpus Christi, 7 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

"Late Night Catechism," 8 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

Summer Mummer's "Desert of the Dead," through Aug. 30 at Yucca Theatre. summermummers.com.

SATURDAY

Midland Downtown Farmers Market, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at 501 W. Texas Ave. midlanddowntownfarmersmarket.com.

Work day in the Wildlife Viewing Garden, 9 a.m.-noon at Sibley Nature Center. 684-6827.

Silver Spur Gun & Blade Show, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Horseshoe. midlandgunshow.com.

Pervis Evans debut concert, 5 p.m. at True-Lite Christian Fellowship Church. pervisevans.com.

RockHounds vs Corpus Christi with fireworks, 7 p.m. at Security Bank Ballpark. milb.com.

Wagner Noel Comedy Night, 7 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center. wagnernoel.com.

SAVE THE DATE

Summer Art Camp, June 16-Aug. 1 at Ellen Noel Art Museum. Register now. noelartmuseum.org.

Summer Science Classes, June 13-Aug. 1 at Petroleum Museum. petroleummuseum.org.

Summer Bug Camp and Mini Day Camp, June through August at Sibley Nature Center. Register now. 684-6827.

ON DISPLAY

ArtQuest Studios' works of Rachel Long on display through Sept. 1. Reserved Studio Time, $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's "Healing Blade" through Aug. 24. "In the Making: The Art of Tracy Krumm" through Aug. 24. "Teen Artist in Residency: Yarn Bombiming" through Aug. 24. 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 "Galactic Golf" through Sept. 21. 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, 510 S. Big Spring St. 230-0256. Facebook.com/kamiposi.

Midland Arts Association presents the artwork of Mary Tucci in the Community National Bank Lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave. during July.

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.

"Wilderness and Wildflowers: The Legacy of Lady Bird Johnson" through Sept. 15 at Midland County Public Library downtown location. www.co.midland.tx.us/lib

Museum of the Southwest's exhibits West Texas Triangle: Ken Little through Aug. 24. "Our People, Our Land, Our Images" through Aug. 10. Edward Curtis in the Southwest through Aug. 31. Katie Maratta through Aug. 24.

Permanent exhibits: 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.

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.

Scarborough-Linebery House is open by appointment and available for rental for weddings and other special occasions. 802 S. Main St. 685-7368.

Arts Council of Midland maintains a calendar of all submitted arts-related activities. To submit events see use form from www.acmidland.org.

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"DOUBLE TALK"
By ED SESSA

ACROSS

1 Be a slacker
6 Soft-bodied swimmers
12 Kin of raspberries
20 One may be seen with glasses
21 Forgoes
22 Like sloths
23 "Uh-oh, there's a ball and glass shards under the window"?
25 "No sweat"
26 Prohibited
27 Organ with a drum
28 Small strings on the Big Island
30 Presages
31 Destroys, as illusions
33 Forced with a crowbar
35 68-Down maker
36 ___ Kosh B'Gosh
37 Rhone feeder
38 "The Great Schnozzola"
41 Taj Mahal setting
45 "Give 20% for great service"?
48 St. leader
49 Dull-edged
51 Trekkie, to some
52 Get into
53 "___ se habla español"
54 Wrigley's Big Red flavoring
56 Silver lining
59 Pitch
60 RR stop
61 "You shoulda seen the one that got away"?
64 Composer Camille Saint-___
65 Link up with
67 "The Dark Knight" director Christopher
68 Brazilian dance opener
69 Jamboree quarters
70 "The children were angels and in bed by eight"?
74 "Enough already!"
76 Therefore
77 Like this answer
78 Things
80 Indian flatbread
81 Mauna ___
82 Part of a family business name
84 Unmanaged flier
85 Copier size: Abbr.
86 "Hooray, you're up!"?
91 Hold 'em opener
92 Most monumental
94 Aloe targets
95 Batt. terminal
97 Sources in a modern bibliog.
98 Playwright Chekhov
99 Mason
104 '50s first lady
106 Cocktail hour spread
107 Hieroglyphic serpent
109 Wisconsin city on Lake Michigan
110 Mass approval
112 "Here's a good way to use your comb"?
115 Beltway ___
116 Each
117 Like a good watchdog
118 Chant
119 Headed for the Styx
120 Helps through difficulty, with "over"

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1 Lou of Fox Business Network
2 TV book club creator
3 Actress Davis
4 "___ Therefore I Am": Dennis Miller book
5 Become fond of
6 Possess
7 Cockatoo quarters
8 '90s "New Yorker" editor Brown
9 Didn't shop around, maybe
10 Benchlike seat
11 Distributing
12 Liked, with "for"
13 Greek war god
14 Not decided, in skeds
15 Comic with a satiric news show
16 Colorful ring
17 "Who's ahead?"?
18 Zap
19 Stone and others
24 Caesar's "that is"
29 Maintain
32 Endangered Sumatrans
34 Kim Possible's sidekick ___ Stoppable
35 "An Inconvenient Woman" novelist
37 Three-mo. period
38 LED component
39 Open, for one
40 Bad things
41 Kindergarten basics
42 People people
43 "A dairy jog is good for you"?
44 Gothic novelist Radcliffe
46 Phnom ___
47 God in both Eddas
50 Political family spanning three centuries
53 Cries of discovery
55 Mine, in Milan
56 Citrus hybrids
57 It may contain steps
58 Perform, in a way
62 Digging
63 Have-disadvantaged ones
64 Reliable, as a citizen
66 Prince William's alma mater
68 35-Across order
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73 Not posted yet
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79 La-la lead-in
82 Script outline
83 Aptly named Quaker cereal
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87 Ain't good?
88 Place for a to-do list
89 Garden product word
90 Bankruptcy result, briefly
93 "___ Viejo": Carlos Fuentes novel
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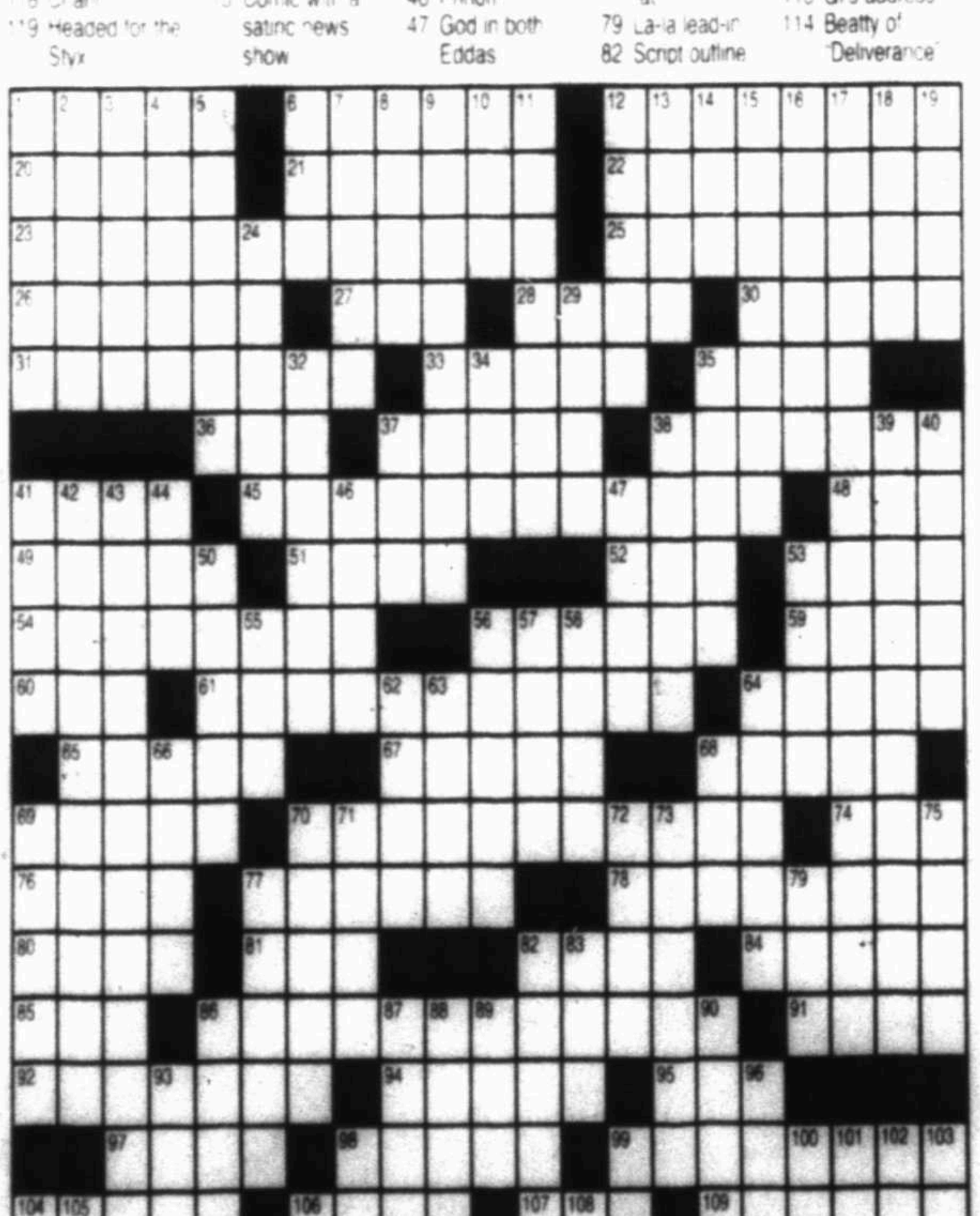

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GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

Can you spot it?

Both vulnerable. South deals.

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10 7 6 3
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WEST
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The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
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2NT	Pass	3 *	Pass
3♠	Pass	3NT	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

*Transfer, five or more spades

Opening lead: 10 of ♠

South won the opening spade lead in hand and cashed two more high trumps, noting the poor split. He reasoned that, if he ruffed a heart to draw the last trump, the opponents would be able to cash enough hearts to defeat him when they won the ace of clubs.

Declarer decided to play on clubs immediately. East ducked the first club, won the second, and gave West a club ruff. West exited with a heart and South had to rely on the diamond finesse. Down one.

Declarer was certainly unlucky, but he could have made his contract. Can you spot how?

South could have prevailed by leading a low heart from his hand at trick four! East can win and shift to a diamond, but South ducks and allows West to win his jack. No return by West matters, but say he shifts to a heart. South ruffs in dummy and draws the last trump, discarding the queen of diamonds from hand. Declarer is now out of trumps but he has retained first-round control in both red suits. He can safely knock out the ace of clubs at this point and claim his contract!

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, July 27, 2014:

This year you start a new 12-year life and luck cycle. The first year will be the most fortunate. Wish upon a star. Many doors will open.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ Your instincts will guide you as an older person or friend tries to manipulate a situation. Tonight: A must appearance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ You might opt to stay close to home, where you feel more comfortable. Your sweetie could start to pull away. Tonight: Stay away from someone controlling.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Your communication excels, and if someone still doesn't get your message, it is probably because he or she doesn't want to. Tonight: Opt for togetherness.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ You might be noticing how much a partner is changing in front of your eyes. Don't make it a big deal; instead, accept that everyone changes. Tonight: Make nice.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★★ Your personality melts barriers. You might not be sure how to handle a cold or difficult family member. Tonight: Go with the moment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Know when to disappear and be your own company. A call from a child or loved one might energize you. Tonight: Full of fun and excitement.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ You might have pushed a friend into a niche where he or she would prefer not to be. This person is likely to head in a new direction as a result. Tonight: Go for something fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★ You seem to be more volatile and expressive than you have been in a while. Tonight: Noticed wherever you are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★ You might need to sort through many invitations before deciding where to go. Tonight: Do not feel constrained.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ You could be exhausted. Don't let your need to control take over; go with the flow. Tonight: Let someone else decide.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ You might want to identify what is going on with loved ones. An older person could cop an attitude. Tonight: Go along with someone else's wishes.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Pace yourself to ensure that at least part of your day is relaxing. Schedule a massage if you can. Tonight: Play it easy.

BORN TODAY
Novelist Jack Higgins (1929), singer/songwriter Bobbie Gentry (1944), Olympic figure skater Peggy Fleming (1948)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

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AP file photo

Polish-French film director Roman Polanski holds his best director award Feb. 28, during the 39th French Cesar Awards Ceremony in Paris. Hollywood may be an industry driven by youth, but this summer has brought a rush of releases from directors working well into their late 70s and early 80s.

Older directors see no need to say 'cut'

This summer brings films from directors in their 70s and 80s

Associated Press

Visiting a retired Frank Capra at his Sierra Nevada hideaway, Clint Eastwood was baffled.

"I always thought: 'He could be making a film right now. He's as lucid as could be. Here's the great Frank Capra not doing it,'" Eastwood recalled of the famed director, who died in 1991 at 94, three decades after his last film. "I always thought, 'I wonder why that is?'"

Eastwood, who at 84 just released the musical "Jersey Boys" and wrapped shooting on the Navy SEAL drama "American Sniper," isn't the only filmmaker blowing past conventional retirement age. Woody Allen, 78, just released his latest, the French Riviera romantic comedy "Magic in the Moonlight." He's also already on to the next one, shooting in Rhode Island this summer.

In June came "Venus in Fur," from 80-year-old Roman Polanski. And in May, 83-year-old Jean-Luc Godard, the perpetual enfant terrible, premiered his 3-D "Goodbye to Language" at the Cannes Film Festival.

Both European iconoclasts remain as mischievous in old age as Allen and Eastwood have been steadfast. Polanski's film is a gloriously comic, self-referential gender play. Godard's film — in which his dog played a starring role — was more experimental than most 25-year-olds would dare. It was greeted in Cannes by an audience member's cry "Godard forever!"

At a time when literary giants like Philip Roth, 81, and Alice Munro, 83, have quit their craft, many of cinema's auteurs have stubbornly persisted, while at the same time churning out frequently acclaimed, often vibrant films in a youth-driven industry.

"In Hollywood there is that kind of hackneyed, commercial thinking where they think, 'Oh, this guy is over the hill, this guy can't direct that kind of picture,'" said Allen. "But the truth of the matter is that in my lifetime, there have been many directors like John Ford, John Huston, Billy Wilder who were wonderful as they got older and they made sometimes better pictures than they made when they were younger."

Certainly, film history is littered with directors who worked well past retirement age. Akira Kurosawa, Sidney Lumet and Robert Altman all worked into their 80s, producing some fine films: Altman's "Gosford Park," Kurosawa's "Dreams," Lumet's "Before the Devil Knows You're Dead." Huston died at 81, months after the release of "The Dead," his Oscar-nominated adaptation of the James Joyce story. The French film director Alain Resnais was active right up to his passing, at 91, in March.

Such longevity would only be possible for widely admired filmmakers who still have the drive to tell a story and the industry weight to attract financing. Because of tight-fisted studios, it's arguably harder today to get a movie made than ever before, adding to what's already a hugely taxing profession.

Toronto Film Festival unveils star-studded lineup for fall event

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The Toronto International Film Festival unveiled a star-heavy lineup amid increased festival jockeying for the most plum premieres of Hollywood's fall season.

Toronto's slate for Sept. 4-14, announced in a press conference Tuesday, features anticipated performances from Denzel Washington, Reese Witherspoon, Robert Downey Jr. and Benedict Cumberbatch, as well as films from directors including Chris Rock, Noah Baumbach and Jon Stewart, making his debut behind the camera.

But much of the drama to this fall festival season is about the competition for that most sought-after label: "world premiere."

Toronto, now in its 39th year, has long been a sprawling annual event that helps set much of the agenda for Hollywood's award season. It's where recent best-picture winners like "12 Years a Slave" and "Argo" were effectively introduced, although both of those films sneak-peaked first at the smaller Telluride Film Festival days earlier.

As a result, Toronto earlier announced a new mandate that only true world premieres will play during the festival's first four days, during its most desirable first weekend.

"There needed to be clarity," said festival director Piers Handling on Tuesday.

This year's Toronto still boasts an incredible breadth of selection. Handling expects as many as 300 features at the festival, for which more films will later be added to the 59 galas and special presentations announced Tuesday.

Among the highlights are: "The Equalizer," a crime film that reteams Washington with "Training Day" director Antoine Fuqua; Mike Binder's "Black and White," a custody battle drama with Kevin Costner; "The Judge," starring Downey as a big city lawyer; Jason Reitman's Los Angeles crime journalism drama "Nightcrawler," with Jake Gyllenhaal; and "The Imitation Game," with Cumberbatch as World War II code-breaker Alan Turing.

While festival programmers have yet to name an opening night film, Alan Rickman's "A Little Chaos," starring Kate Winslet as a Palace of Versailles landscaper, will close the festival.

The festival will also feature the directorial debut of "Daily Show" host Stewart, "Rosewater," a drama about the imprisonment of Iranian journalist Maziar Bahari. Other notables include two films for Witherspoon (the addiction recovery drama "Wild" and the Sudanese Lost Boys drama "The Good Lie"), two for Al Pacino ("Manglehorn" and "The Humbling"), as well as films starring Jennifer Aniston ("Cake") and Jessica Chastain ("Miss Julie").

Rock will premiere his "Top Five," about a comic-turned-movie star Baubach will present his "While We're Young," with Ben Stiller.

Handling said Toronto's new premiere policy will only impact scheduling, not selection.

Several of the biggest movies this fall have already gone to other festivals.

Courtesy photo

Katie Maratta's "Line of Sight" exhibit is on display through Aug. 24 at the Museum of the Southwest

EXHIBIT

From 8E

And while the West Texas backdrop is naturally large, that is the complete opposite in works like "Tattoo" or "Downtown."

Perhaps like her cartooning, the black and white strips can be boiled down to geometry.

"I love the circles of the hay bales and the triangles of the roofs, the cylinders of the silos and the angles of the pumpjacks. These basic geometric shapes we all learned in grade school are evoked in these pieces," she said.

Deciding to get out of the newspaper business because of the unpredictable future of the industry, she devoted her time to art. And a trip to Home Depot gave her an "a-ha" moment.

"There were these scraps of these long strips of material and it was a thrill for me to make that discovery. And doing this has just been so satisfying," she said.

The same can likely be said for visitors to "Line of Sight" at the museum.

Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Through Aug. 24. museumsw.org.

MOORE

From 8E

MRT: What inspires your designs?

Moore: For my artwork, I am mostly inspired by other artists I've viewed at the museums close to home. The most recent was the work of Margarete Bagshaw at the Ellen Noel Art Museum. Her abstract/modern/just-incredible work lit a fire in me to start painting again. My jewelry is inspired by what I see women wearing either on TV, in stores or on the street. And sometimes I will pick up a string of beads and I can visualize exactly what I want to make with them.

MRT: Describe your ideal last meal.

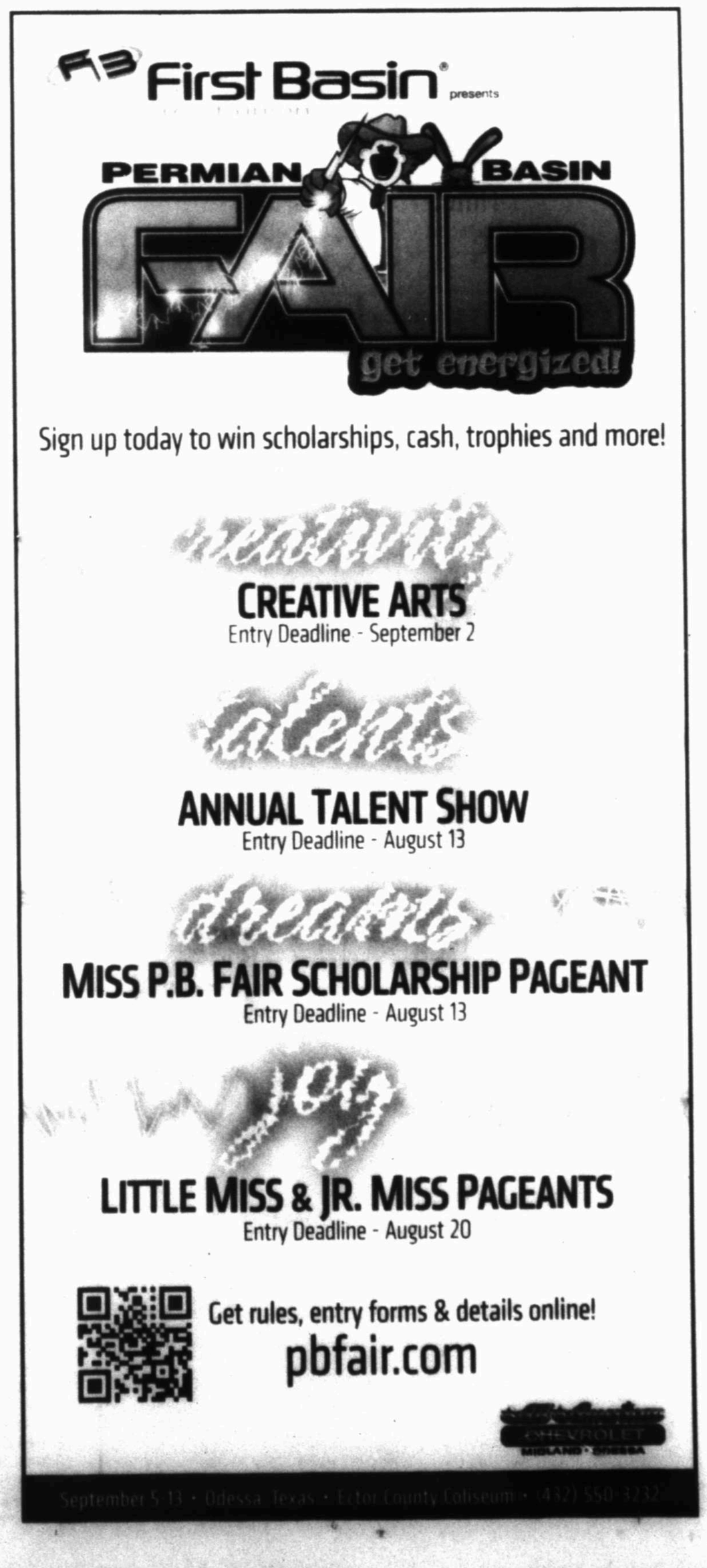
Moore: I would keep it simple since I'm not much of a foodie. I do love pasta! A nice big bowl of the best fettuccine alfredo with lots of parmesan cheese and a couple pieces of really good garlic bread would be perfect. On the other hand, I have an enormous sweet tooth — in particular, chocolate. I would have chocolate chip cookies, brownies, chocolate angel food cake with chocolate whipped cream (of course), just to name a few things. It wouldn't all be chocolate, though. One of my favorites is pumpkin pie.

MRT: Your not-so-secret indulgence (other than chocolate).

Moore: I have not one, not two, but three indulgences that prove just how sophisticated my taste in food is. All three are cheese flavored snacks: Cheez-Its, Cheddar Goldfish and Cheetos. I mostly have the self-control not to do so, but those snacks are in the category of "finishing the box or bag and never looking back."

MRT: What's in your car/home music player right now?

Moore: My music collection is a true study of eclecticism. Right now I have Swedish super-group ABBA in my car. Yes, I sing "Dancing Queen" at almost the top of my lungs on my way to work. To contrast that, I have country legend Crystal Gayle in the CD player at home.



LINE OF SIGHT

Artist's 1-inch works come with huge dramatic punch

By Rich Lopez
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With mere scraps from the hardware store, Austin artist Katie Maratta has turned throwaways into gems featured in her exhibition "Line of Sight," now on view at the Museum of the Southwest through Aug. 24.

She creates vast landscapes that evoke dramatic effect and nostalgia. The scenes of vistas are punctuated with West Texas familiarity, be it a pumpjack or a Whataburger. Maratta said it is like the view from a moving car.

And she does it all on a 1-inch tall canvas.

"I love this idea that there is a whole world you can hold in your hand," she said at the exhibition opening.

Although 1-inch high, her scenes elongate to as large as 28 feet across as in her work "The long horizon." The piece must be looked at in a slight stroll and whether from the left or right, Maratta's tension in the piece is stuff of magic. There is almost a subtle cinematic frisson as one end far differs from the other.

"It does mimic the experience of driving down a highway and seeing the landscape," she said. "You can't see it all at once and with my work, you have to travel in order to appreciate the scene."

Maratta spent previous years as a cartoonist with her work featured in the Austin-American Statesman and other papers. And yet her work here with sketches of narratives along a strip is hardly different in nature, just in intention.

In her artist's statement, Maratta suggests the notion of reversal is expressed.

"Seeing landscapes from a moving car is a passive experience but the viewer of her work chooses to travel (walk) to take in her scope.

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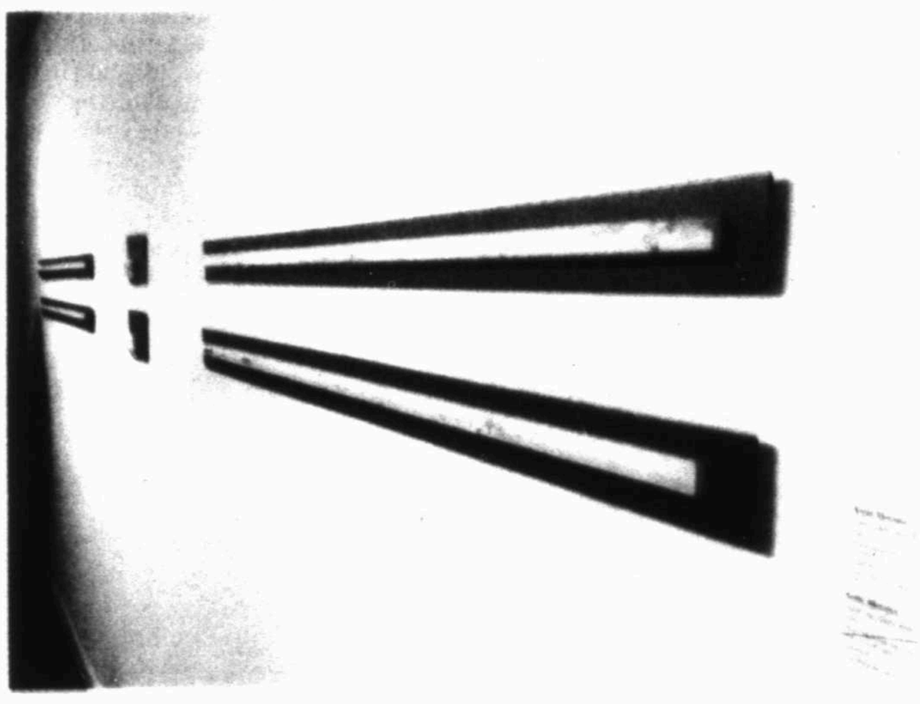

The "Line of Sight" exhibit featuring works by Katie Maratta is on display at the Museum of the Southwest. ABOVE: Members gather at the exhibit's opening reception July 11 at the Museum of the Southwest.

Photos courtesy of Museum of the Southwest

Meet the Artist

5 questions with Beau Moore

Beau Moore is a familiar face at the Museum of the Southwest. He has worked in Visitor Services for close to five years. But he's on a quest to become a fully rounded artist. When he's not greeting the public at the museum, he creates art and designs jewelry. If that's not enough, he's adding to his artistic repertoire with ceramic classes at Midland College and art lessons at ArtQuest.

MRT: What's your proudest achievement as a creative artist?

Moore: For many years, I went to numerous exhibits in the McCormick Gallery at Midland College and admired the artwork. And in the spring semester of 2012, I took a sculpture class as my first college credit. I really enjoyed that and at the student art show at the semester's end, I was proud to see two of my sculptures in the gallery. It was the first time I had been displayed in a gallery since junior high and I felt a little more like a professional artist from then on.

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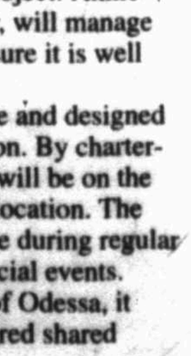
Ellen Noel Art Musuem launches 'Little Free Library' program

With children's programing, partnerships with area schools and the children's Art Haus, the Ellen Noël Art Museum serves thousands of Permian Basin kids each year.

Story Time has been a long-term program of the museum and has grown in popularity. Two classes will be added to the Story Time schedule because of high demand and requests from parents. The museum would like to extend this type of programming that emphasizes art and literacy by offering a Little Free Library to its younger visitors. The Little Free Library is a worldwide program that makes reading more accessible to the community by providing a carefully curated collection of books stored in a decorated and waterproof receptacle. The museum's Little Free Library will be placed in the George and Milly Rhodus Sculpture and Sensory Garden and will be stocked with books appropriate for children and young adults. Visitors can take a book from the library and return it, keep it or replace it with a different book. The museum believes children will be excited by the uniqueness of this program and it will encourage them to read more often by participating in the project. Annie Stanley, education coordinator, will manage the Little Free Library and ensure it is well stocked and maintained.



GEORGE JACOB
executive director of the Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin

Each Little Library is unique and designed to fit the chartering organization. By chartering the Little Library, Odessa will be on the worldwide map as an official location. The library will be available for use during regular museum hours and during special events. Sponsored by Junior League of Odessa, it promotes family life and inspired shared solutions.

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MILD CLIMATE MAJOR BENEFIT

Midland's weather eases burden on residents' wallets

By Mella McEwen
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Some Midlanders have a vague awareness that the weather plays a role in how much insurance premiums they pay and its impact on energy bills, infrastructure costs, even productivity and moods. But most primarily watch the weather to help decide what to wear or what activities to plan for the day, or if threatening weather approaches, how to stay safe.

Analysts at WalletHub point out that routine weather events such as rain and colder-than-average temperatures can cost the economy as much as $485 billion annually. An inch of snow in Washington, D.C., for instance, will force the federal government to shut down all nonessential operations. And those effects are just from small weather changes, analysts said.

Analysts examined 600 of the nation's largest cities, including Midland and Odessa, to gauge the economic impact of weather and help consumers "forecast the potential effects their location could have on their wallets and adequately weatherproof their finances against the elements."

"To gauge the economic impact of severe weather, let's examine how Hurricane Sandy reshaped employment in New Jersey. In the fourth quarter of 2012, the storm contributed to a 7.3 percent reduction in total jobs. That November, 138,000 people filed for unemployment, a remarkable increase from only 54,000 in November 2011," analysts wrote.

WalletHub analysts ranked 600 cities based on two sets of weather conditions: one for lovers of mild weather year-round, and the second for lovers of individual seasons. Nine key metrics were used, including humidity, precipitation and snowfall as well as odds of poor and extreme weather.

Each city was assigned a percentile rank. For instance, a value of 10 means that city belongs in the top 10 percent of cities in a particular category.

In terms of mild weather overall, Midland ranked in the 13th percentile. In terms of the four seasons, Midland ranked 11th for winter, 18th for spring, 15th for summer and 14th for fall weather.

Digging into Midland's sub-rankings, WalletHub ranked Midland in the 24th percentile for precipitation, 53rd for chance of a snow day, 58th for humidity, 37th for difference in average and ideal temperatures, 83rd in chance of a windy day and 4th in sky conditions.

Those rankings are good for Midland homeowners and property owners, said Mark Hanna manager of public relations and membership at the Insurance Council of Texas.

"Weather plays a huge role in property insurance in Texas," he said. "Texas has tornado alley, it has the hail belt, and fortunately for Midland and Odessa, you've escaped both of those. That plays a big role in (WalletHub's) rankings."

Midland is able to escape most of the state's damaging hail storms, he said, and most of the severe wind storms are experienced elsewhere, such as Dallas-Fort Worth.

Midland and Odessa are less expensive places to live and less expensive places to own a business than Dallas-Fort Worth because of the fewer storms, Hanna said.

North Texas has had windstorms that cost hundreds of millions dollars in insurance claims, Hanna said. There was a $700 million dollar hail storm, followed two months later by a $900 million dollar hail storm Fort Worth has the record: a $1 billion hail storm in 1995, Hanna said. Denton this year has suffered a $400 million hail storm.

The cost of replacing thousands of roofs and thousands of windows on thousands of vehicles, or replacing hail-damaged vehicles have to be recouped by insurers, he said, that that is done through higher premiums.

Though Midland and Odessa do see extreme weather from time to time, "the good news is Midland and Odessa are escaping a lot of that wrath and that's good news for homeowners and property owners," he said.

Basin Business roundup

Conn's arrives in Midland-Odessa

Specialty retailer Conn's will open its 59th Texas location between Midland and Odessa at 6976 E. Highway 191 in the East Town Plaza shopping center.

The store, which will employ about 30 people, will open Aug. 2. The first 100 visitors will receive $100 Conn's gift cards, and the retailer is offering a $10,000 shopping spree sweepstakes within the first 90 days of opening.

Conn's, which offers affordably priced furniture and mattresses, home appliances, consumer electronics and home office products, currently has 80 retail locations in Arizona, Colorado, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas.

The company expects to add 17 to 20 new stores in fiscal year 2015, including those already opened since April.

Midlander named to AAPL Executive Committee

Midlander **William L. Porter**, land manager at McClure Oil Company Inc. has been elected third vice president of the American Association of Professional Landmen as part of the organization's 2014-15 Executive Committee.

Other committee members include Roger A Soape, founder and president of Roger A. Soape Inc. in Houston, president; Marc R. Strahn, president of he Wolf Haven Corp. and High Story Ventures Inc. in Story, Wyoming, first vice president; Tom J. Havenstrite, president, T.S. Dudley Land Company Inc. in Oklahoma City, second vice president; Mark Eppes, independent petroleum landman in Madison, Mississippi; Bill Justice, founder and president of TotalLand Technologies in Lafayette, treasurer; and M. Don Key, Senior Staff Landman of Continental Resources Inc. in Oklahoma City, immediate past president.

Parsley Energy appoints board member

Hemang Desai has been appointed to the board of directors of Parsley Energy Inc. He will serve on the board's Audit and Compensation Committees.

Desai is Chair of the Accounting Department and Robert B. Cullum Professor of Accounting at Southern Methodist University in Dallas.

"Dr. Desai's expertise on financial reporting and corporate governance, as well as his experience applying this knowledge in a variety of company contexts, complement the expertise and experience currently represented on the Board," said Bryan Sheffield, Parsley Energy's president, chief executive officer and chairman of the board. "We look forward to learning from his perspectives."

From staff reports

Improving STEM graduation rates will boost Texas economy

THE ECONOMIST
By M. Ray Perryman

For sustained economic growth, a strong presence in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields is essential. Industries and occupations focused in these areas generate many of the innovations which improve productivity across the workforce. They are essential to the modern business complex.

The types of occupations classified as STEM include computer and mathematical occupations, engineers, engineering technicians, life scientists, physical scientists, social scientists, science technicians, and STEM managers. There are also STEM-related occupations: architects, health care practitioners, health care managers, and health care technicians.

The U.S. Census Bureau released a new report with data related to STEM education and employment based on the 2012 American Community Survey. Looking at civilian employment for persons aged 25 to 64 with a bachelor's degree or higher level of education, the report segmented out fields of degrees and occupations, with particular emphasis on STEM. A total of almost 5.2 million persons (12.4 percent of the total) were found to be working in STEM occupations, with 4.7 million (11.3 percent) in STEM-related and 31.8 million (76.3 percent) in non-STEM jobs. Most people in STEM jobs have science or engineering degrees (73.5 percent of them), but STEM jobs are also filled with business graduates (591,560) or arts, humanities, and other grads (459,870) or even education majors (81,330).

The headline for the Census Bureau's press release noted that the majority of STEM college graduates do not work in STEM occupations. In fact, 74 percent of persons with a bachelor's degree in a STEM field are working in a non-STEM occupation. There is significant variation across particular fields. Most engineers work in engineering jobs, for example, whereas psychology majors work in a variety of jobs. In fact, only 10 percent of psychology majors work in a STEM field, with even lower percentages for social science majors.

STEM graduates tend to have lower unemployment, and some STEM fields offer among the highest median earnings. Engineers and computers/math/statistics majors were at the top, with $92,883 and $80,985 in median annual earnings, respectively (for full-time civilian employees aged 25 to 64 with at least a bachelor's degree). Physical and related science majors earn about $78,458, and several other science fields come in at $70,000 per year or close to it. By comparison, employed visual and performing arts majors earned a median $50,684, and education majors earned $51,068.

Over the past few years, there has been a concerted effort to encourage young people to choose STEM educational and career paths, partly due to fears that there will be a shortage of workers in these essential fields in the future. Even in 2012 when hiring was frustratingly slow, the unemployment rates in key STEM fields were low. In addition, certain changes in the economy are increasing the need for people in STEM occupations. Another key aspect of the issue is that women remain very under-represented in fields such as engineering, where only 14.1 percent of workers are female.

On the other side of the potential shortage issue are those who argue that the fact that such a high percentage of STEM graduates are working in non-STEM fields is evidence that there are plenty of people with STEM training/education.

They also point to relatively stable earnings patterns to show that wages are not being bid up. While there is some truth to these arguments, it is essential to turn out a steady supply of new STEM graduates because they are essential to growing industries and productivity enhancement across the economy. The relatively high median earnings are a sign of the value of these workers to employers.

The Census data also breaks down the numbers of college graduates working in STEM occupations by state. At 13.1 percent, Texas has a slightly higher concentration in STEM occupations than the national average (12.4 percent). However, this proportion is well below that of the top-ranked state, Maryland, with 18.8 percent of jobs in STEM occupa-

Please see ECONOMIST/4F

Ask the Fool

Taken Private

Q What does it mean when a company is taken private? — *L.J., Shenandoah, Iowa*

A Think of how a company "goes public" via an initial public offering (IPO), selling a chunk of itself in shares on the stock market. Companies can go in the opposite direction, too, becoming private again if their shares are bought back and no longer trade publicly.

In 2011, Hugh Hefner took his company, Playboy Enterprises, private in a $207 million deal. In an effort to regain control over the company, and presumably because he thought its stock was undervalued, Hefner offered shareholders a premium over the going price. He had to raise his bid, too, to deflect other bidders.

Last year, Michael Dell, in partnership with a private equity firm, took his struggling computer company, Dell, private in a far-bigger, $25 billion deal. And right now, lululemon athletica founder Chip Wilson is looking into taking his company private, as well.

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Q Is "buy and hold" the best investment strategy? — *K.V., Greenville, North Carolina*

A Super-investor Warren Buffett has said that his favorite time to sell is "never."

But successful investing isn't as simple as just never selling. Many have made millions by holding shares of great companies for decades, through ups and downs.

Think of it as buying *to* hold. In other words, don't buy a stock and then just blindly hold it for years. You need to check up on your holdings regularly. Fortunes can change, even for the best companies.

So carefully select promising companies, intending to hang on for the long term — as long as they remain healthy and growing.

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Credit Card Balance Transfers 101

By transferring a balance from a high-interest-rate credit card to a low-interest-rate card, you can save hundreds, or thousands, of dollars. There are some things to know before you proceed, though:

• Read the fine print and crunch some numbers. A "0 percent" credit card will indeed charge you no interest on your debt, but typically only for a limited time. So if you transfer a big debt to such a card, aim to pay it off as soon as possible. Otherwise, a rate much higher than 0 percent will kick in after a while (usually six months to a year or more).

• Learn exactly how long you will enjoy the 0 percent rate, and what the rate will be when charges start applying. Some cards might charge you just 12 percent or less, while others might charge upward of 20 percent. The fine print can alert you to possible problems, such as if a single late payment will trigger the card's highest rate taking effect, or whether new purchases will face regular (or steep) interest charges while only the transferred balance enjoys the 0 percent rate.

• Be sure to consider all the costs involved in transferring a balance. Your new card may feature 0 percent interest, but it might also charge a balance transfer fee of between 3 percent and 5 percent. If you're transferring $25,000 and are being charged a 4 percent fee, that's a $1,000 charge. Make sure that your interest savings will make that cost worthwhile.

Note, too, that you may need to have a good credit rating in order to qualify for a good balance-transfer deal. If you qualify and go for it, consider consolidating debt from several cards onto one low-rate card in order to simplify your financial life. Check with your current lender, too — if you have a good record with them, you might get a lower interest rate just by asking.

Learn much more about debt and credit at **fool.com/how-to-invest** and review some available cards at sites such as **indexcreditcards.com** and **cardhub.com**.

My Dumbest Investment

Shouldn't Have Bought — or Sold

My dumbest investment was when I listened to my husband, who doesn't know jack about stocks. He wanted to get in on Facebook when it had its initial public offering (IPO). So instead of listening to the buzz about the inflated IPO price, I bought and lost and … the second-dumbest investment was selling it! Live and learn. — *S.C.S.*

The Fool Responds: Financial differences can sink many relationships, so it's great to talk about money frequently and to get on the same page. Like many IPOs, Facebook shares opened high and then rose, before falling back to earth a bit later. The shares touched $45 on their first day, closing near $32 a week later and near $18 a few months after that. Of course, they're above $60 now.

It is indeed risky to jump into IPOs in their first year or so, when they can be extra-volatile. There's usually plenty of time to invest in great companies. With Facebook, you needed to study the company to determine what you thought the shares were worth. Selling was right — if you no longer had faith in its future.

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

Profits Brewing

Starbucks' global empire features more than 20,000 stores, and its business is firing on all cylinders, offering little sign of market saturation or damage from competition. Even in the U.S., where Starbucks has reached a significant level of market penetration, same-store sales increased by a vigorous 6 percent during the quarter that ended March 30.

Total sales in the China/Asia-Pacific region jumped 24 percent in the quarter, with 174 net new store openings. China is on track to become Starbucks' largest market outside of the U.S., and the company's international growth is just getting started.

Starbucks is the leading mobile-payments retailer, with 14 percent of purchases now made with mobile phones. Recent acquisitions such as Teavana (teas), Evolution Fresh (juices, smoothies, soups and salads) and La Boulange (baked goods) provide a deep pipeline for innovation in coming years, as the company aims to become a lunch and dinner destination. Management is optimistic about an evening menu featuring wine, beer and more sophisticated food items.

Starbucks is also venturing into specialized sodas. Packaged products have proven to be another smart way to leverage the brand and expand into different sales channels and product categories.

Starbucks' stock isn't a screaming bargain right now, but the company has many growth drivers at work, and its stock can still reward long-term investors. (The Motley Fool owns and has recommended shares of Starbucks.)

FOOLISH TRIVIA

Name That Company

I trace my roots back to 1927 and the Hot Shoppes restaurants. Today, based in Maryland, I'm a hospitality giant with about 4,000 lodging properties and nearly 700,000 rooms in 72 countries and territories. My brands include my own flagship name, along with Renaissance Hotels, Residence Inn, SpringHill Suites, Gaylord Hotels and The Ritz-Carlton. I was a pioneer in airline catering in the 1930s and the extended-stay lodging business in the 1980s, and even entered the cruise business in 1972. In 1957 I opened the world's first motor hotel. I rake in about $13 billion annually. Who am I?

Know the answer? Send it to us with Foolish Trivia on the top and you'll be entered into a drawing for a nifty prize!

LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA ANSWER

I trace my roots back to 1887 when a watchmaker at the Nippon Gakki company began making reed organs. I'm now the world's largest maker of a full line of musical instruments – as well as sports equipment, semiconductors, robots, furniture, appliances, audio/visual products, machine tools and much more. (I even own and run some Japanese resorts.) In addition, I encompass the separately managed vehicle company that is now the world's second-largest motorcycle maker and also makes golf carts, outboard engines, snowmobiles, water vehicles and more. At some point, I have even offered fiberglass-reinforced bathtubs. Who am I? (Answer: Yamaha)

Write to Us! Send questions for Ask the Fool, Dumbest (or Smartest) Investments (up to 100 words), and your Trivia entries to Fool@fool.com or via regular mail c/o this newspaper, attn: The Motley Fool. *Sorry, we can't provide individual financial advice.*

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5 tips for selling your home for the best price

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The rebound in U.S. home values over the past couple of years has placed many homeowners in a better position to sell their home for a profit.

Still, getting a home sold can be challenging, even in markets where tight supply favors sellers.

Here are five tips on how to get your home sold for the best price:

Study the market

Most homeowners enlist the services of a real estate agent to market their home and perform a variety of tasks, including reaching out to a network of buyers' agents, preparing the home for viewing and dealing directly with prospective buyers.

That shouldn't preclude sellers from being knowledgeable about the process, however.

"The most important thing in pricing and getting your house sold fast is to do your homework," said Michael Corbett, a real estate expert at Trulia, a housing information and listing website.

Trulia and other online real estate sites, such as Redfin.com and Zillow.com feature searchable maps and home sales data.

Be patient

Some sellers may be tempted to press their agent to list their home well above comparable sales. Others may want to briefly test the market with a high price only to relist the home later. This strategy can backfire.

Set a deadline

One strategy that can help create competing bids among potential buyers is to require that any offers be made within the first week or two that the home is on the market.

The approach, coupled with hosting an open house as soon as the home goes on sale, works best on homes that are priced competitively, said Karen Krupsaw, vice president of real estate operations for Redfin.

Use local agents

When it comes to selling your home, the ideal agent should be an expert on your neighborhood. They will be in position to know even which transactions might be in the works but not yet available on public records — key to gauging how to price your home.

When evaluating prospective agents, find out the pricing of their recent sales to see whether the homes sold for less or more than initially priced.

"You want to get their track record, you want to understand their philosophy and what that listing agent has done in the past, because it's highly likely they're going to repeat that same success or failure," Krupsaw said.

Weigh options

Traditionally, listing agents will charge sellers a 5 or 6 percent commission on the sale price of the home. This commission is typically split equally between the selling agent and the buyer's agent, although many listing agents often split their own share with their brokerage.

Sellers can negotiate for a lower commission, but it could make their home less of a priority for the agent than the other properties they may be working to sell.

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BUILDING PERMITS

Building permits July 14-July 18

5303 Deer Run Ave	New Residence	$235,530	6804 Island Circle	Swimming Pool	$68,000
600 E. Estes Ave	New Residence	$141,300	4506 Leddy Drive	Residential Addition	$54,000
100 N. Main St	Swimming Pool	$120,000	3402 Limestone Lane	Swimming Pool	$29,000
1405 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$181,080	2106 Rosita Drive	Swimming Pool	$40,000
1404 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$217,890	5518 Starboard Drive	New Commercial	$8,000,000
1403 Cerrillos Ave	New Residence	$180,405	3500 W. Wadley Ave	Commercial Alteration	$180,000
512 Brownwood Drive	Residential Addition	$8,500	1100 N. Highway 349	Residence-Detached	$2,500
1413 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$142,830	223 W. Wall St	Commercial Alteration	$188,695
1411 Cerrillos Ave	New Residence	$235,260	6205 Mile High Lane	Fence	$175,836
1414 Cerrillos Ave	New Residence	$154,620	6204 Mile High Lane	Commercial Alteration	$118,000
1414 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$161,100	6006 Allandale Court	New Residence	$148,000
1407 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$154,620	6203 Mile High Lane	New Residence	$182,000
1402 Cerrillos Ave	New Residence	$154,620	4958 Rustic Trail	Swimming Pool	$50,000
1411 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$216,045	4003 Compton Drive	New Residence	$162,000
1415 San Francisco	New Residence	$270,000	6202 Mile High Lane	Swimming Pool	$70,000
1405 Cerrillos Ave	New Residence	$168,480	400 W. Illinois Ave	Swimming Pool	$50,000
1406 San Francisco	New Residence	$181,080	5200 Briarwood Ave	Commercial Alteration	$195,000
1417 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$154,620	1106 Cerrillos Ave	Swimming Pool	$91,000
1403 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$216,171	6200 Mile High Lane	Swimming Pool	$177,000
5621 Rodeo St	New Residence	$159,390	6111 Spahn St	New Residence	$48,250
5619 Rodeo St	New Residence	$154,620	6109 Spahn St	New Residence	$181,000
5603 Rodeo St	New Residence	$154,620	6107 Spahn St	New Residence	$184,000
5605 Rodeo St	New Residence	$158,120	409 S. Main St	New Residence	$158,000
1407 San Francisco	New Residence	$216,045	4005 Roadrunner Trail	New Residence	$172,000
5604 Rodeo St	New Residence	$217,890	2110 Butternut Lane	Commercial Alteration	$70,000
5611 Rodeo St	New Residence	$142,830	6652 Mosswood Drive	Residential Addition	$266,580
1305 Cerrillos Ave	New Residence	$217,890	1800 Bates St	New Residence	$1,200
5610 Rodeo St	New Residence	$216,171	3214 Thomas Ave	New Residence	$289,100
5614 Rodeo St	New Residence	$217,080	4400 Tarlton Ave	Residential Addition	$187,740
1406 San Miguel Ct	New Residence	$159,390	2607 Keswick Cove	Residential Alteration	$40,000
5805 Trenton Place	New Residence	$347,130	2000 Rankin Highway	Residential Addition	$60,460
12 Lafayette Place	New Residence	$337,770	8200 Glasgow	Commercial Alteration	$4,900
501 Sir Barton Pkwy	Swimming Pool	$55,000	2817 W. Loop 250 N.	Swimming Pool	$80,000
4202 Pasadena Drive	Residence-Detached	$6,000	4604 Anetta Drive	Commercial Alteration	$185,000
1508 Cherry Lane	Residence-Detached	$2,500	502 Aberdeen Drive	Residence-Detached	$4,612
2503 W. Kentucky Ave	Residential Alteration	$12,000	9700 Airways Drive	Residential Alteration	$10,000
1200 S. Midland Drive	Commercial Addition	$98,500		New Commercial	$1,200,000

Source: City of Midland

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FACECLOTH + O

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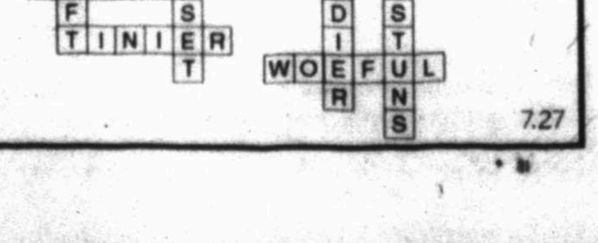

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FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Giada	Barefoot	Ray's... "Slow Ride"		Pioneer	Southern	Barefoot	Giada	BBQ (N)	Big Bite	The Kitchen	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Outdoors	Outdoors	Golf Life	Training	Paid	Paid	18 Holes	Swing (N)	Dumbest	Game365	Polaris	Insider
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HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Puppy Love (2012, Family) Victor Webster.			
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KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	The Assets (N)		The Assets (N)		News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Sports Gone Wild		PGA of America		PGA Golf Canadian Open Site: The Royal Montreal Golf Club (L)						FaceNat.	News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	The Love Boat		Remington Steele		Streets Francisco		Cannon		The Rockford Files	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	★★ Baby Boy ('01, Dra) Omar Gooding, Tyrese Gibson.					★★ The Tempest ('10, Com/Dra) Felicity Jones.					Consumer	Consumer
KMLM IND	11	11	12	11	11	Biblical	Mani Erfan	Dr. Will	Sal.	Light of the Southwest Best of Week				J.McGee	Dollars	House Call	Dr. R.B.
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	W.America	Paid	Cycling Tour de France			Beach Volleyball World Series			Horse Racing		Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Cyberch.	Eurómaxx	Get Away	BioCent	F&Porter	Beads	Sewing	Knitting	Sew It All	Drexel	News. (N)	W.Week
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	(11:50) MFL Fútbol Guadalajara vs Pumas (L)				Tras la Verdad		Chavo	Cita Con	Como dice el dicho		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Paid	Paid	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	The FBI Files		R.Carpet	Insider	Access Hollywood	
PREMIUM																	
FLIX	340	65		165		(11:00) The Yards		★★★ Happy Accidents Marisa Tomei.				★ Shadow Conspiracy			(:45) ★★★★ Ed Wood		
HBO	300	68	14	14		Making	★★ The Internship Vince Vaughn.				The Newburgh Sting			Movie /(:20) ★ Getaway Ethan Hawke.			
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Movie	(:25) Real Sports		(:25) ★★★ Gravity			Boxing World Class (L)				1stLook	LastWeek
HBOS	304	70	16	102		(11:30) The Last Kiss		(:15) The Leftovers		(:15) The Best Man Holiday Monica Calhoun.					(:25) ★★ Taken 2		
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	★★★ Man of Steel ('13, Act) Amy Adams, Henry Cavill.					★★ The Devil's Advocate ('97, Susp) Keanu Reeves.					Runner Runner	
MAX2	382	72	18	122		★★★ Pitch Perfect Anna Kendrick.				(:55) ★★★ Fight Club ('99, Psy) Brad Pitt.				(:15) ★★ Doom ('05, Sci-Fi) Karl Urban			
PLEX			96			Movie	(:35) ★★ Free of Eden			(:15) Hercules & the Amaz...			(:50) Hercules in the Maze of the Mino...			Movie	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	60 Minutes Sports		★★ Foolproof Ryan Reynolds.			(:45) ★★ The Double Richard Gere.				(:25) ★★ Legally Blonde		
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	State of Emergency			Scary MoVie Ashley Tisdale.			★★★ Gosford Park Michael Gambon.				(:20) Dark Skies	
CABLE																	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	★★★ Gladiator ('00, Epic) Joaquin Phoenix, Russell Crowe.						Big Smo	Big Smo	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	★★★ Shooter ('07, Act) Michael Peña, Mark Wahlberg.						★★★ Ocean's Eleven ('01, Cri) George Clooney.					Movie
BET	58	26		40		(10:30) The Five Heartbeats			★★ Barbershop ('02, Com) Ice Cube.					★★ Just Wright ('10, Com) Queen Latifah.			
BRAVO	65	63		41		Below Deck		Below Deck		Real Housewives		Real Housewives		Tardy...	Tardy (N)	Housewives NJ	
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	To Be Announced		To Be Announced		To Be Announced		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	GoodLuck	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Liv/Mad	Liv/Mad	Austin	Austin	Austin	Austin	Austin
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	NASCAR Auto Racing Brickyard 400 Site: Indianapolis Motor Speedway (L)							SportsCenter			SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(11:00) CHAMPS Golf		Fitness CrossFit Games				ATP Tennis Atlanta Open (L)				WTT Tennis (L)	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(11:30) ★★ The Prince and Me Julia Stiles.				★★ The Parent Trap ('98, Fam) Dennis Quaid, Lindsay Lohan.						★★★ Mean Girls	
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	America's News HQ		Fox News Sunday		Journal E.	News HQ	Healthy	Housecall	Media Buzz		Fox News Sunday	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Southern	Pioneer	Iron Chef America		M. Diners	M. Diners	M. Diners	M. Diners	M. Diners	M. Diners	Food Network Star	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	Lunch Rangers (N)		FIA Rally		Champions Tennis				Car Warriors (N)		Stars	Pre-game
FX	31	31	59	64	69	(10:10) X-Men: Fir...		(:15) ★★★ Iron Man 2 ('10, Act) Robert Downey Jr.					(:50) ★★★ Thor ('11, Act) Chris Hemsworth.				
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	★★ The Wishing Well Jordan Ladd.				The Sweeter Side of Life Kathryn Morris.				Taste of Romance ('11, Fam) Teri Polo.			
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		Love It or List It		HouseH	House
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	Pickers "Pandoras Box"		American Pickers		American Pickers		American Pickers		Pickers "Cheap Pick"		American Pickers	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	(11:00) To Be Ann...		To Be Announced		To Be Announced				To Be Announced			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Taking the Hill		Meet the Press		MSNBC News Live		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	39				(8:00) Cycling		F1 Auto Racing Hungarian Grand Prix Site: Hungaroring					F1 Extra	F. Drift	Racer TV	Cycling Tour de France	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Henry Danger		iCarly	iCarly	iCarly	Sam, Cat	Sam, Cat	Sam, Cat	Thunder.	Thunder
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Hungry Investors		Hungry Investors		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	2-Headed Shark Attack ('12, Sci-Fi)				★★ Mega Shark vs. Giant Octopus				Dinoshark ('10, Sci-Fi) Eric Balfour			
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	MLB Baseball Toronto Blue Jays at New York Yankees (L)						★★ Zoolander ('01, Com) Ben Stiller				★★ Due Date	
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(11:15) The Ladyk...		★★★★ Blackboard Jungle Glenn Ford.				★★★ Rebel Without a Cause				Magnificent O...	
TELE	20	8	10	20		El Libro de la Selva 2 (2003, Animated)					Revolver ('05, Act) Jason Statham.				Op. Repo	Videos asombrosos	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Say Yes	Say Yes to	Sister Wives		Sister Wives		Sister W	Sister W	Sister Wives		Sister Wives	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	★★★ Terminator Salvation ('09, Act) Christian Bale.					★★★ The Book of Eli ('09, Adv) Denzel Washington.					Independence D...	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	3's Co.	3's Comp.	3's Co.	3's Co.	3's Co.	3's Co.	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby	Cosby
USA	26	30	42	27	49	SVU "Identity"		Law&O.:SVU "Doubt"		SVU "Outcry"		SVU "Taboo"		SVU "Rockabye"		SVU "Informed"	
WGN	19	18				(11:00) Shanghai K...		★★ The Matrix Reloaded ('03, Sci-Fi) Keanu Reeves.					★★ The Matrix Revolutions Keanu Reeves.				

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — JULY 27, 2014

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
BROADCAST																	
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Wipeout "Blind Date: Falling for You" (N)				Rising Star (N)		Castle "Dressed to Kill"		KMID News	(:35) White Collar		(:35) Paid Program
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		Big Brother (N)		Unforgettable "A Moveable Feast" (N)		Reckless "Bloodstone" (N)		CBS 7 News	(:35) The Wire	(:05) The Closer	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	Kojak "Therapy in Dynamite"		Columbo "Ransom for a Dead Man"				Thriller		The Alfred Hitchcock Hour		The Fugitive	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	American Dad	BobB "Two for Tina"	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	Family Guy	American Dad	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	Dr. Rik Wadge	Light of the Southwest				Zola Levitt	Update News	Day of Discovery	Dollars & Sense
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	American Ninja Warrior "Dallas Finals"				Chicago Fire "A Dark Day" 1/2 cont'd next		Chicago P.D. "8:30" 2/2		News West 9	Country Reporter	Paid Program	Whacked Out
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Evan Smith	America and World	Last Tango in Halifax (N)		Masterpiece Mystery! "Poirot: The Big Four" (N)			Vicious (N)	Austin City Limits "Phoenix"		Backstage Pass "Mustard Plug"	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y Ahora		Bailando por un Sueño				Sal y pimienta		Familia P Luche	Noticiero Univision	Tras la Verdad	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Ent. Tonight		Burn Notice		The Closer		Private Practice		30 Rock	Sunny	Office	Trobador
PREMIUM																	
FLIX	340	65		165		(4:45) Ed Wood		★★★ Deep Impact ('98, Act) Elijah Wood.				(:05) ★★ Judge Dredd			(:45) ★★★ Jarhead		
HBO	300	68	14	14		(4:20) ★ Getaway ('13, Act) Ethan Hawke.				TruBlood "Karma" (N)		Leftover "Gladys" (N)		LastWeek	True Blood "Karma"		Leftovers
HBO2	302	69	15	101	23	Bill Maher		True Blood		★★★ Gravity Sandra Bullock.			★★ Admission Tina Fey.			(:20) The Purge	
HBOS	304	70	16	102		★★★ We're the Millers Jason Sudeikis.				42 ('13, Bio) Chadwick Boseman.				(:15) The Best Man Holiday			
MAX	380	71	17	120	24	Movie	(:40) ★★★ The Rock ('96, Act) Sean Connery.					★★★ Man of Steel ('13, Act) Henry Cavill.					Topless
MAX2	382	72	18	122		★★ The Heat ('13, Com) Sandra Bullock.				★★ The Great Gatsby ('13, Dra) Leonardo DiCaprio.					Life Top	Identity Thief	
PLEX			96			(5:25) Hercules & ...		★★ Waterworld ('95, Act) Kevin Costner.				(:20) The Bumblebee Flies Anyway				The Yearling	
SHOW	320	66	19	140	25	Masters of Sex		Donovan "Uber Ray"		Ray Donovan (N)		Masters/ Sex "Fight"		Ray Donovan		Masters/ Sex "Fight"	
TMC	336	67	22	155	26	(5:20) Dark Skies		★★ Barbershop 2: Back in Business				Scary MoVie Ashley Tisdale.			Blitz ('11, Cri) Jason Statham.		
CABLE																	
A&E	27	32	28	35	47	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy	Duck Dy
AMC	40	21	23	42	51	(5:30) ★★ The Curious Case of Benjamin Button Cate Blanchett.						Halt "Up Helly Aa" (N)		Halt "Up Helly Aa"		The Fugitive	
BET	58	26		40		(4:00) Just Wright		Sunday Best (N)		Sunday Best		Vindicat	Vindicat	Vindicat	Vindicat	BET Inspiration	
BRAVO	65	63		41		New Jersey Social (N)		Housewives NJ (N)		Tardy (N)	BDeck (N)	Game of Crowns (N)		Watch (N)	Housewives NJ		Tardy...
CNBC	46	45		39	72	'Til Debt	Money	60 Mins "Hard Times"		60 Minutes		Cocaine Cowbo...		Marijuana USA		Mob Money	
CNN	43	24	51	30	56	Weed 2: Cannabis		The Hunt		The Hunt (N)		Death Row (N)		The Hunt		The Hunt	
DISC	50	20	31	24	42	Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid		Naked and Afraid (N)		Naked and Afraid (N)		Naked "Jungle Love"		Naked and Afraid	
DISNEY	56	27	36	25	36	Dog Blog	Jessie	Liv/Mad	I Didn't	Austin (N)	Girl	Phineas and Ferb		Liv/Mad	Liv/Mad	GoodLuck	GoodLuck
ESPN	32	29	48	31	30	Baseball Tonight		MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at San Francisco Giants (L)						SportsCenter			SportsC.
ESPN2	34	28	49	32	31	(5:00) WTT Tennis (L)		Fitness		NHRA Drag Racing Sonoma Nationals Site: Sonoma Raceway						ESPN FC	
FAMILY	53	54	34	42	33	(5:00) Mean Girls		★★★ Bridesmaids ('11, Com) Kristen Wiig.					YngHngry	Chasing Life		J.Osteen	Paid
FNC	45	58	53	23	55	FOX Report Sunday		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Fox News Reporting		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File	
FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Chopped		Guy's Game (N)		Food Star (N)		Cuthroat (N)		Cuthroat "Tso Good"		Food Network Star	
FSSW	37	43	50	45	29	MLB Baseball Oakland Athletics at Texas Rangers (L)						Rangers	Training	Training	School (N)	World Poker Tour (N)	
FX	31	31	59	64	69	Movie	(:25) ★★★★ Captain America: The First Avenger					The Strain (N)		Strain "Gone Smooth"		The Strain "The Box"	
HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Just Desserts ('03, Rom) Lauren Holly.				Puppy Love (2012, Family) Victor Webster.				G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls
HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	HouseH	House	Bargain	Bargain	Flip/ Block (N)		HouseH	House (N)	HouseH	House	Flipping the Block	
HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		Mountain Men		Mountain Men (N)		The Hunt (N)		(:05) Pickers		Mountain Men	
LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	To Be Announced				Witches East End (N)		The Lottery (N)		To Be Announced			
MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Caught on Camera		Sex Slaves "Oakland"		Sex Slaves		Sex Slaves		Lockup		Lockup	
NBCSN	38	39				(5:00) Cycling		Cycling Tour de France Stage 21 Every - Paris (Champs-Élysées)						Adventure Sports		Cycling Tour de France	
NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Henry Danger		F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Franken	Franken	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	★ Mega Shark vs. Mecha Shark				Sharkmania (N)				Sharkmania			
TBS	25	11	44	66	41	(5:00) Due Date		★★★ The Hangover ('09, Com) Ed Helms.				(:15) ★★ The Heartbreak Kid ('07, Com) Ben Stiller.					Movie
TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:00) Magnificent...		★★★ Cat People			The Curse of th...		(:45) Man in the Shadows			(:15) Pandora's B...	
TELE	20	8	10	20		Toy Story 3 (2010, Animated)			Thor ('11, Act) Anthony Hopkins, Chris Hemsworth.					Titulares	Op. Repo	Hunted by Night	
TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Sister Wives		Sister Wives		Sister W "Tell All" (N)		Escaping Alaska (N)		Sister W "Tell All"		Escaping Alaska	
TNT	24	23	40	26	50	(5:00) ★★★ Independence Day Will Smith.				The Last Ship (N)		Falling Skies (N)		Last Ship "Lockdown"		(:05) Falling Skies	
TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	(:05) Cosby	(:45) Cosby	(:20) The Cosby Show		Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Jennifer	Hot In
USA	26	30	42	27	49	SVU "Stranger"		SVU "Shadow"		SVU "Savior"		SVU "Burned"		Satisfaction		SVU "Chameleon"	
WGN	19	18				★★★ The Bourne Ultimatum Julia Stiles.				Manhattan (N)		(:10) Manhattan		(:20) Bones		Manhattan	

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Raiding son's 529 plan won't solve debt problem

DEAR DAVE
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DEAR DAVE: My wife and I have $25,000 in credit card debt, $2,500 in medical bills and $89,000 each in student loan debt from when we each got our masters' degrees. We make about $100,000 combined. Our son is 6 years old, and we have $18,000 in a 529 plan for him. Should we use that money to pay off debt instead? — Sean

DEAR SEAN: I wouldn't do that if I were you. You'll get destroyed with penalties, because if you take money out of a 529 for anything other than college, you'll be taxed at your current tax rate and hit with a 20 percent penalty. The other thing is you'll have this weird feeling that you took money away from your kid.

Technically, it's your money. You put it there. But when you did, it was in your child's name. Plus, that doesn't really solve your problem. You've got a ridiculous amount of debt, and that little bit won't move the needle very much. Having more money in your hands isn't the big answer here. What you both need is a behavior change when it comes to money.

My advice is to leave the 529 alone. Stop adding to it for the time being. Put any retirement saving you're currently doing on hold, too. You guys need to start living on a budget, working a debt snowball plan and looking for extra income. Even tutoring would bring in some additional cash. I've got a feeling, too, that those masters' degrees can provide you with more money than you're currently making.

It can be done, Sean, but it's going to take a lot of hard work and discipline. It may even take four or five years to get this mess cleaned up, but you can't keep living without a plan!

DEAR DAVE: Where can I find mutual funds with a 12 percent rate of return? — Jason

DEAR JASON: There aren't a lot of them, but they are out there. Currently, there are about 8,000 different mutual funds floating around. You have to get online and do some serious research, or talk with an investing professional with the heart of a teacher, but I own several mutual funds that have an average annual return in excess of 12 percent over the lifetime of the fund.

Now, do they make that every single year? Of course not. The figure I'm talking about is an average. I own one in particular that has done that for about 70 years. But the stock market in general has averaged just under 12 percent a year since its inception. So yes, with solid research and due diligence on the part of the investor, it is possible to get that as an average annual rate of return!

Dave Ramsey is America's trusted voice on money and business. He has authored five New York Times best-selling books: Financial Peace, More Than Enough, The Total Money Makeover, EntreLeadership and Smart Money Smart Kids. The Dave Ramsey Show is heard by more than 8 million listeners each week on more than 500 radio stations. Follow Dave on Twitter at @DaveRamsey and on the web at daveramsey.com.

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tions. Next is Washington, with 18.3 percent, then Virginia (16.5 percent), Colorado (15.1 percent), California (15 percent), and several other states in the range of 14 percent. In addition, the Lone Star State's 10.4 percent for STEM-related (largely health care) occupations is lower than the U.S. as a whole (11.3 percent).

The Texas economy is currently less STEM-intensive than some competing states; enhancing our presence in these industries could increase future economic health. In the decades to come, it is crucial that young Texans continue to pursue degrees and careers in engineering, science, technology, and math. Both traditional and emerging industries rely on workers in STEM occupations, and a steady supply will help ensure future success.

Dr. M. Ray Perryman is President and Chief Executive Officer of The Perryman Group (www.perrymangroup.com). He also serves as Institute Distinguished Professor of Economic Theory and Method at the International Institute for Advanced Studies.

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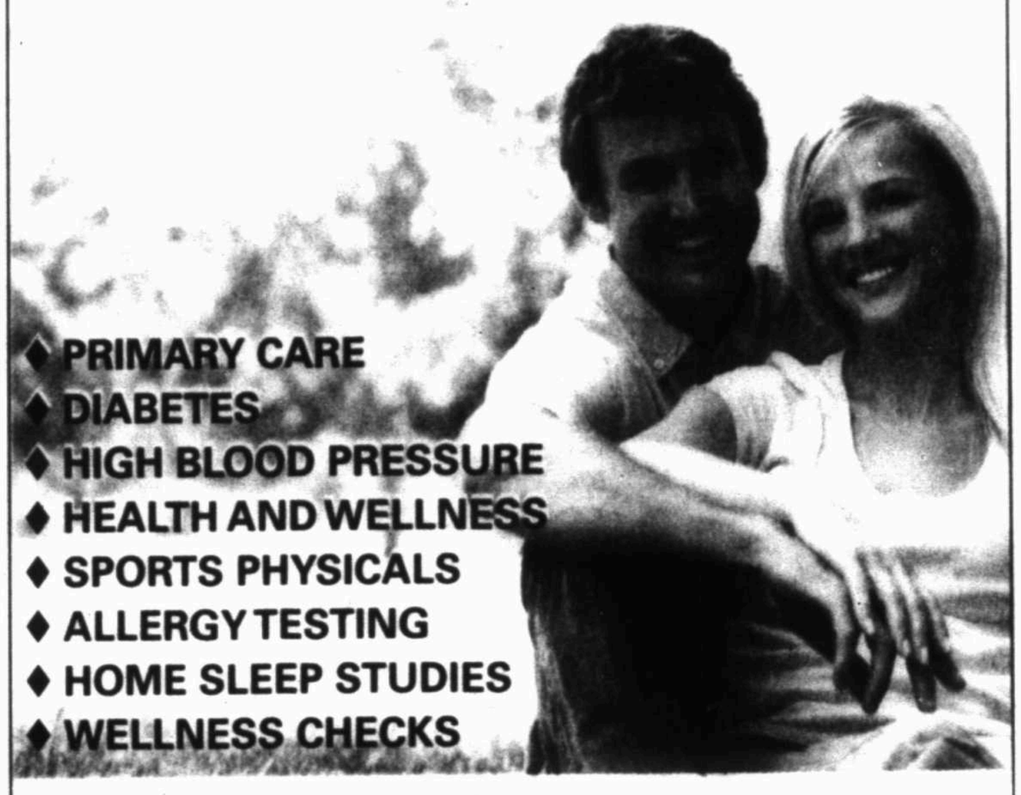

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Nola Damon, FNP

Family Care Clinic is pleased to introduce Family Nurse Practitioner, Nola Damon.

Damon, MSN, FNP has 27 years of healthcare experience and joins Family Care Clinic from Alpine, where she worked for Pearce Clinic.

"Nola is filling a much needed role and I feel confident that she is taking good care of all existing and new patients," said owner and supervising physician, Mohsin Syed, MD FACP.

Damon holds an Undergraduate Degree in Nursing from Texas Woman's University and a master's degree from the University of Texas at Arlington. Prior to working for the Pearce Clinic, Damon worked 20 years in an emergency department.

"I've enjoyed my time at Family Care Clinic thus far. I like the people I work with and have met some very nice patients," said Damon, who started on May 9.

Damon is currently accepting new patients ages three and above for her Primary Care Family Practice. Walk-ins are welcome at Family Care Clinic, 4506 Briarwood Avenue.

When not seeing patients, Damon spends time with her 3-year-old granddaughter.

Dr. Syed started working at the clinic in 1997, prior to purchasing the practice later that year. He believes in promoting health and wellness to all patients.

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Ref-Chem, L.P. Announces Recent Re-Organizations and Promotions that are contributing to Company's Success and Growth.

Odessa, TX - S C "Trey" Myers III, President and Chief Executive Officer of Ref-Chem, L.P announced and recognized with great pleasure the strong leadership and expertise of Ref-Chem's management team and those who were recently promoted. Each of these individuals have the talent, experience, professionalism and leadership qualities essential for our company's continued success and growth.

Jeff Rashall has been promoted to the key role of Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Rashall provides the company the operational leadership required to produce top quality services for our customers. Mr. Rashall has extensive project management, project controls, estimating and logistical experience within the industries construction and engineering services. Mr. Rashall holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Texas A & M University.

Jeff Havens has been promoted as well to a vital new role as Chief Marketing Officer. Mr. Havens is responsible for the overall leadership of the company's marketing, estimating and business development groups. His expertise includes sales, business development, contract negotiations, project management, forecasting and planning. Prior to beginning his business career Mr. Havens spent four seasons as a pitcher for the minor league affiliates of the Chicago Cubs and Pittsburgh Pirates. Mr. Havens received his Bachelor of Science in Industrial Technologies with a minor in Business Administration from Lamar University in Beaumont, TX.

Jeremy Huntley's recent promotion to Vice President of Construction provides the additional direction and assistance to Ref-Chem's Construction and EPC groups; assuring successful project management execution, proper work construction practices and procedures as well as client interface and ultimately customer satisfaction are maintained. Mr. Huntley received his Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering Technology and Construction Management from the University of Houston.

Ref-Chem, as part of the strategic growth plan has welcomed Alan Hill as Director of Projects. Mr. Hill brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in EPC Project Management, Engineering and QA/QC Management to the Company that has made him an immediate key addition to the Ref-Chem team.
Mr. Hill has the responsibility of overseeing all operational aspects of the projects including safety, scheduling, materials and equipment scheduling, employment, sub-contractor selection, cost reporting and onsite management/client relationships. Mr. Hill received his Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from Texas Tech University in Lubbock, TX.

John Oleyar, P.E., has been promoted to Ref-Chem's Director of Engineering where he will oversee the Company's engineering and design groups. Mr. Oleyar provides the key leadership and organizational skills to ensure the highest level of engineering services to be delivered to our internal and external clients. Mr. Oleyar received his Master in Business Administration and a Bachelor in Mechanical Engineering from Texas Tech University.

Jeron Quincy recently joined Ref-Chem as Director of Health, Safety and Environmental (HSE). Mr. Quincy provides the leadership and dedication to drive home one of our most important core values, "Safety", which is essential to our company's success. He is responsible for the development, implementation and administration of our company's HSE programs and has extensive experience in Behavioral Management, Program Development, Audits, OSHA, Strategic Planning, and Training Development. His experience also includes all Health & Safety functions including OSHA PSM compliance; conducting or coordinating OSHA required training; development of safety compliance programs; development of various safety execution plans, conducting accident investigations; providing record keeping required by OSHA; and supervising hazardous operations. Mr. Quincy holds a Master of Science in Occupational Safety and Health Management and a Bachelors in Industrial Safety and Health Management from University of Central Missouri, Warrensburg, MO. He is also a Certified Safety Professional.

As part of Ref-Chem's strategic growth and diversity, Ray Farmer was added as President of our Alliance Field Services group. Mr. Farmer has extensive experience in all aspects of operational and sales management with a proven track record of operating safe, profitable and reliable business units throughout the West TX region. Mr. Farmer has focused his education on Business Management, Administration and Accounting while attending Sul Ross State University, Alpine, TX, The University of South Carolina, Beaufort, SC and New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, NM.

THE CASE FOR CRUDE EXPORTS

Industry continues to press for lifting ban

By Mella McEwen
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Permian Basin oil and gas operators continue making the case for ending the nation's four decadelong ban on exporting domestic crude.

They say decisions made over 40 years ago during an oil crisis have no place in today's world of rising U.S. crude production, primarily from unconventional shale plays.

During the annual shareholders' meeting in Midland in May, Chevron Chairman and Chief Executive Officer John Watson said the company is a "strong supporter" of allowing exports of both crude and natural gas.

"The U.S. is a free trade nation, and we shouldn't be seen as hoarding resources," he explained, adding that exports would promote economic development.

Like Watson, Scott Sheffield, chairman and chief executive officer of Pioneer Natural Resources, said lifting the ban on crude exports would underscore the nation's support for free trade. He cited a report from Tim Boersma and Charles K. Ebinger of the Brookings Institute that said Republicans and Democrats alike, including President Barack Obama, express support for boosting U.S. exports in general and that crude should be no exception. Lifting the ban, the pair wrote to President Obama, would lend more credibility to U.S. arguments for free trade in the global economy.

He pointed out that U.S. gasoline is already freely traded globally, exporting gasoline from the Gulf Coast and importing it on the East Coast because it's less expensive to import surplus gasoline from Europe than ship it by tanker from the Texas Gulf Coast to the East Coast. Such global trading means the nation's gasoline prices are set by global gasoline prices, not domestic crude oil prices, he said.

Sheffield warned that continuing the ban would lead to lower commodity prices and, ultimately, a loss of jobs.

Explaining that all crudes are not the same, Sheffield noted that refineries are, as a rule, set up to handle certain crudes more efficiently than others and, thus, some crudes can only be handled by specialized refineries.

Domestic producers have used technological advances to unlock crude and natural gas deposits in the Permian Basin, Eagle Ford, Bakken, Marcellus and other basins, sending domestic crude production higher and helping the U.S. surpass Saudi Arabia and Russia as the world's largest producer in just a year's time. For the first time in over 60 years, the nation has become a net exporter of refined petroleum products.

But Sheffield said many of the nation's refineries in the Midwest and along the Gulf Coast are not equipped to handle that new crude, much of it "light tight oil." He noted that many refining companies had invested infrastructure to handle heavier, higher-sulfur crudes, whereas older

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University Lands advisory board set

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Jim Benson, University Lands

With the Permanent University Fund benefiting from revenues from wells drilled on its 2.1 million acres of land, a new board has been created to advise on the operations of its University Lands office.

The University Lands Advisory Board came out of a study of the office's operations, said Jim Benson, executive director of the Midland-based office. He said the study "recommended a full-time board comprised of regents and people with oil and gas expertise."

Benson said the board's goal is "simply to help the University of Texas System Board of Regents understand what's going on, to act as an interface between the office and the regents."

"We think it's a great thing," he said. It will give his organization a connection to the board of regents "we haven't had in awhile."

He said it's an especially positive development as revenues from University Lands are expected to break the $1 billion barrier, approaching $1.25 billion, by the end of the fiscal year Aug. 31.

Several years ago, the twice-yearly oil and gas lease sales held by the Board for Lease set records for bonus payments made by companies leasing University Lands-owned acreage, exceed $250 million and $310 million in 2011. Benson said royalties paid on oil and gas production has surpassed those bonus payments. In fact, he said royalties this year are up $230 million compared to the previous year.

And he expects more growth. "We're just in the really early stages of high-level development of some of the acreage we leased four, five years ago," he said. "Production from 2008 to now has more than doubled, from 1.5 million gross barrels a month in 2008 to 4.1 million gross barrels a month."

University Lands holdings comprise about 4 percent of Permian Basin land and 16 percent of the drilling rigs operating in the Permian Basin are drilling on university-owned lands, he said.

"That's kind of the reason behind the new board," Benson said, explaining that its purpose will be to provide policy advice, with members who have oil and gas and other backgrounds able to advise on lease terms or other uses for the land that might generate revenues for the Permanent University Fund, which benefits the University of Texas and Texas A&M systems.

In announcing the board, UT System Chancellor Francisco G. Cigarroa said, "The Permanent University Fund has been of growing importance, particularly in a period when virtually all higher educational institutions around the nation, whether public or private, are experiencing curtailed revenue streams."

The University Lands Advisory Board will include:

- Alex M. Cranberg of Houston, a UT System regent and chairman of Aspect Holdings LLC.
- Jeffrey D. Hildebrand, also of Houston and a UT regent and founder, chairman and chief executive officer of Hilcorp Energy Co.
- Morris E. Foster of Houston, an A&M System regent and former president of ExxonMobil Production Co.
- Scott C. Kelley, UT System executive vice chancellor for business affairs and chief business officer for the UT System.
- Frank D. Tsuru of Houston, president and chief executive officer of M3 Midstream LLC.
- Thomas L. Carter of Houston, chairman and CEO of Houston-based Black Stone Minerals Co. LP.

Benson said an organizational meeting, most likely by telephone, will be held in the next week, to be followed by in-person meetings.

The board can make not only recommendations about such items as lease terms, but staffing for University Lands, he said.

University Lands was the vision of Republic of Texas President Mirabeau B. Lamar, who in 1838 urged the Texas Congress to establish the foundation for a vast system of public education.

Today, the PUF is valued at over $17 billion.

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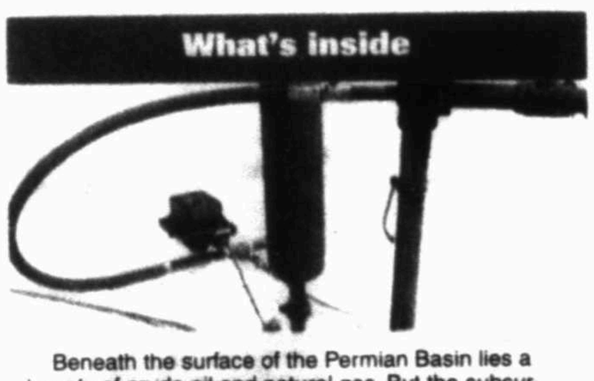

Beneath the surface of the Permian Basin lies a bounty of crude oil and natural gas. But the subsurface doesn't give up its bounty without a fight. ACTS thinks it has a solution.

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Americans want the U.S. to produce more domestic oil and natural gas, but few believe the federal government is doing enough to encourage such activity, according to a survey released Wednesday.

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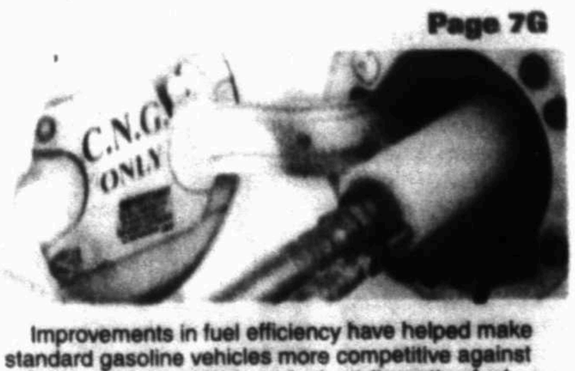

Improvements in fuel efficiency have helped make standard gasoline vehicles more competitive against hybrids, electric vehicles and other alternative-fuel vehicles, a new report finds.

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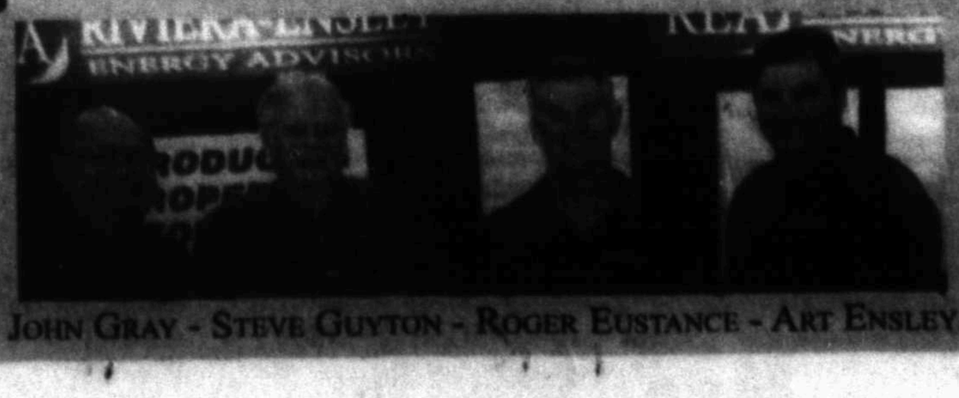

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ACTS promotes automatic chemical treatment

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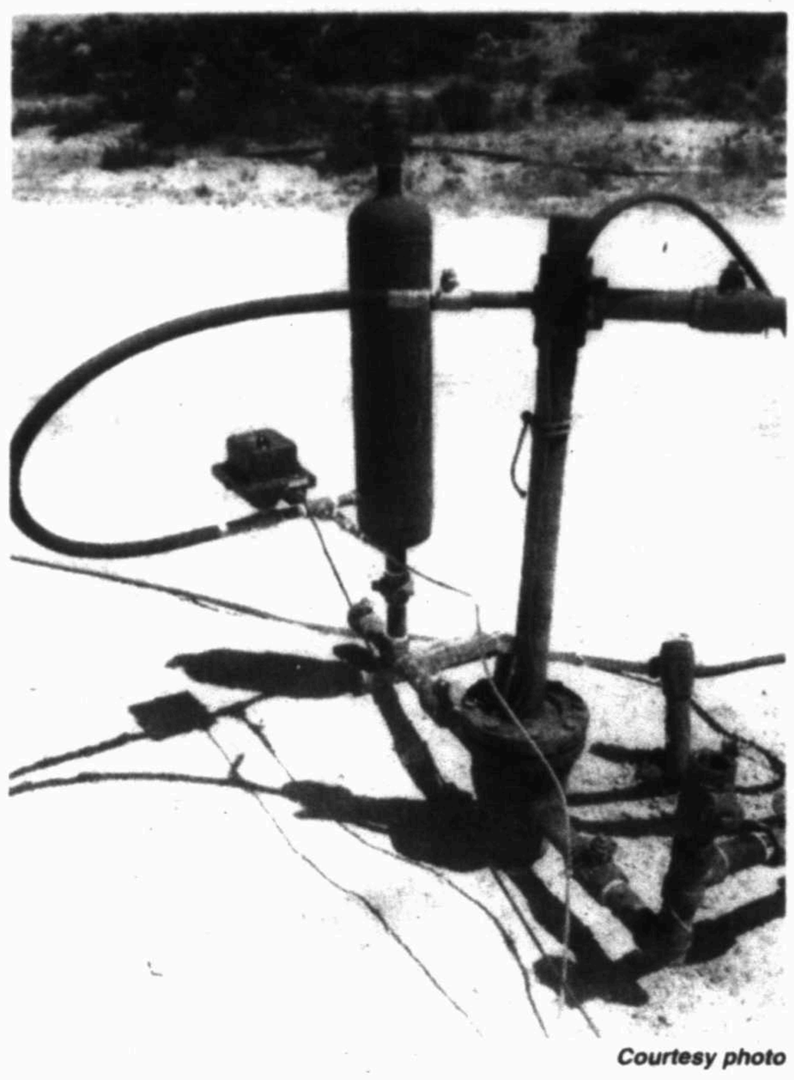


Courtesy photo

Beneath the surface of the Permian Basin lies a bounty of crude oil and natural gas. But the subsurface doesn't give up its bounty without a fight.

The subsurface challenges producers with issues like paraffin and corrosion, frequently requiring costly treatments and equipment replacement.

One cost-effective and efficient method to addressing those challenges is an automated chemical treating system.

"This is not a new idea, but this is the first time it's being marketed to make a commercial venture out of it," said Kevin Sipes of ACTS LLC.

The patented design is comprised of a mixing vessel, a stainless steel valve and timing device. When the system is initially set up, produced fluids are placed in the mixing vessel and then chemicals are added to the mixing vessel at a pre-set rate. When the timing device opens the valve, the fluids are sent downhole. The pressure differential between tubing and casing allows the chemical mixture to be sent downhole along with produced fluids for flush.

The amount of chemicals and flush volumes can be customized for each individual well and treating cycles can be set for multiple times per day to as little as once a week. Lease operators or chemical treating companies can made adjustments on location as needed.

Sipes said the system is particularly effective for high-volume production wells, such as the shale wells currently coming online throughout the Permian Basin, and can work with rod or submersible pumped wells.

"It's precise control over chemical treatments," he said, adding that fewer personnel are involved than in traditional batch treating of wells. Less production is lost than traditional treatments, which require circulating or slip streaming to treat the well; Sipes estimated lost production could cost producers as much as $100,000 per well. The system also offers more precise use of chemicals, reducing the risk of over-treatment.

He estimated the system can cost about $6,000.

As a field supervisor, Sipes said he has experienced the benefits of an automated system. He offered multiple case studies detailing different challenges and how the ACT system benefited the client.

In one Pecos County well producing from the Yates formation, equipment failures were experienced about every 60 days because of high corrosion despite continuous application of a proven water-based corrosion inhibitor.

An ACT system was installed and set to provide four treatments per day, with a flush volume of five barrels per cycle. Further monitoring allowed the number of treatments to be lowered to three per day. As a result, the well has not experienced a failure in over 10 months, corrosion rates have been significantly lowered and stabilized and the operator has not lost the more than 100 barrels of production routinely lost while slip steaming the well during treatment.

In a second case study, multiple wells in several fields in New Mexico's Lea and Eddy counties, producing from the Delaware, Bone Spring and Wolfcamp formations, were prone to paraffin buildup. A chemical company installed a complex automated system to batch treat the wells with small amounts of chemicals several times a day, with the company's technicians customizing and tuning the treating systems to the characteristics of each well. The cost of this system was over $5,000 per well and required service technicians to be dispatched to make any operational changes, at additional costs.

ACT installed a simpler, less expensive system that offered identical treating rates resulting in similar control of paraffin buildup. As a result, production has increased in many of these wells and the decline curve in other wells has flattened, extending the life of the field. The operator subsequently installed 35 ACT units in its field.

A third case found a Howard County San Andres well, on waterflood, having problems with iron sulfide clogging the rod pump. Treatment began with continuous injection of a wetting agent flushed with produced fluids, with chemical usage averaging a gallon a day. Then the producer initiated truck treating on an as-needed basis, with a service company truck dispatched when the pump stuck in place. This involved mixing five to eight gallons of chemical with water from the treating truck, freeing the pump and allowing operations to resume. The pump would stick 10 to 12 times a month, requiring an average of 70 gallons of chemicals per month for treatment.

An ACT system was installed and set to treat the well for one hour twice a day using two gallons of chemicals per day. Over the next month, chemical usage was cut to three quarters per day on the same flush cycle; no further problems with pump sticking were experienced.

The 67 percent drop in chemicals saved the operator $695 per month and, because the well was able to continuously produce, the operator gained additional revenue.

The system can be tied into a SCADA system, allowing the treatment cycle to be monitored. For remote wells, solar panels can be added to power the system.

There are two models. The first is not explosion proof, where the mixing vessel is set away from the wellhead and is designed for use primarily near irrigation systems.

The second model is explosion and waterproof and can be set near the wellhead and tied directly into the casing.

Alex Mills

Texas Alliance of Energy Producers

Federal government continues to add oil and gas regulations

Regulation of the oil and gas industry is nothing new. State and federal agencies have had their regulatory fingers in petroleum virtually since the first barrel of oil was extracted from the ground.

The Obama administration, however, has taken the art of regulatory oversight to new levels never witnessed before.

Just a few examples are:

■ U.S. Fish and Wildlife has designated the Lesser Prairie Chicken as "threatened."

■ The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has implemented a multi-year study of hydraulic fracturing.

■ New air regulations have been established for drilling and production techniques.

■ The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has new rules regarding drilling on federal lands.

■ National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee proclaim climate change is here and it is bad for human life.

■ EPA redefined "pollutants" under the Clean Air Act to include carbon dioxide.

■ EPA has redefined "waters of the United States," which makes for some big changes in current regulations. Congressman Lamar Smith (R-Texas), chairman of the House Science Committee, said "EPA's rule is so vague that it does little more than extend an open invitation to trial lawyers and government drones."

Overall, some 13 federal agencies have their eyes on oil and gas operations, and that doesn't count the more than 100 regulations enacted by the Texas Railroad Commission and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

The oil and gas industry is just one of many sectors of the economy that is being touched by federal regulators. Last year, the federal government issued 26,417 pages of rules in the Federal Register — a new record, according to the Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI).

CEI does an annual review and oversight of federal regulations and 2013 had 3,659 final rules and 2,594 proposed rules.

Of course, no one can read, much less comprehend, all of these new requirements. So, industry has to hire consultants, lawyers and other experts to read, decipher and educate those who are regulated about the new "do's" and "don'ts."

CEI estimates that the cost for Americans to comply with federal regulations reached $1.863 billion in 2013, which is more than the gross domestic product (GDP) of Canada.

The $1.8 billion price tag is an extra cost of business in the U.S., which makes them less competitive than businesses in other countries.

The Rules Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives held a hearing on July 16 regarding a legal action filed by the House against President Obama because of overreach by the executive branch.

One of the witnesses, Professor of Public Interest Law at The George Washington University Law School, Jonathan Turley, a nationally recognized legal scholar, highlighted the importance of the House taking action. "Today's hearing is a historic step to address the growing crisis in our constitutional system," said Turley. "After years of eroding legislative authority, the decision of this body to take a stand and seek judicial review is a welcome change ... (We) remain a nation of laws and we have a court system designed to resolve such controversies. That is precisely where this authorization would take us and it is where these questions should be answered."

Professor Turley said that the federal bureaucracy has grown so much that he believes that it has become the fourth branch of government in addition to the legislative, executive and legal branches.

Alex Mills is President of the Texas Alliance of Energy Producers. The opinions expressed are solely of the author.

WHEELING&DEALING

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

Horizon Mud acquires specialty drilling fluids company

Horizon Mud Company Inc. of Midland, a full-service drilling fluids company, has acquired The Mud Masters Group LLC, a high-performance specialty drilling fluid product company.

"This alliance reflects Horizon's commitment to our customers to meet their toughest drilling challenges with cutting edge products and technology while continuing to provide best in class service and value," said Tony Farish, president and chief executive officer of Horizon Mud Company.

The acquisition grants Horizon Mud Company ownership of several patented proprietary products that will allow the company to broaden its service offerings within the drilling fluids sector. Horizon also intends to expand its footprint through manufacturing capabilities with the attainment of Mud Masters' blending, packaging and distribution facilities located in Bell Chasse, Louisiana and McComb, Mississippi.

DALLAS

OWL acquires AggieTech saltwater disposal infrastructure

Oilfield Water Logistics (OWL), a Natural Gas Partners (NGP) portfolio company providing fluid management services to the energy industry, has acquired the saltwater disposal well and pipeline infrastructure of Midland-based AggieTech Operating LLC.

This acquisition expands OWL's footprint in the Permian Basin, establishes a company office in Midland and signals the company's commitment to growth through acquisition. The transaction adds eight saltwater disposal wells and a network of water pipelines with producer contracts to OWL's assets.

AggieTech's water management team, including Toben Scott, Michael Brandon and Steve Berrones, will join OWL.

With the purchase, OWL owns 12 saltwater disposal wells and a network of water pipelines with producer contracts, in addition to significant exclusive surface-use agreements in the Permian Basin.

AggieTech Operating was the saltwater disposal affiliate of Big BearAggieTech, the largest independent pumping unit service company in the Permian Basin.

HOUSTON

Breitburn will buy QR Energy in $1.46 billion deal

Breitburn Energy of Los Angeles is buying Houston's QR Energy LP in a deal worth about $1.46 billion. Both companies have operations in the Permian Basin.

QR unitholders will receive approximately 72 million common units of Breitburn Energy Partners LP, or 0.9856 of a Breitburn unit, for each unit of QR Energy that they own. The consideration to be received by QR unitholders is valued at $22.48 per unit, a 19 percent premium to Wednesday's closing price of $18.87.

The companies put the transaction's value at approximately $3 billion, including QR's existing debt and outstanding convertible preferred units.

The senior management team at Breitburn Energy Partners LP will lead the combined business. Once the transaction closes, Breitburn will add a new director to its board that is mutually agreed upon by both companies.

The boards of both companies unanimously approved the deal, which is targeted to close later this year or in early 2015. It still needs approval from QR unitholders.

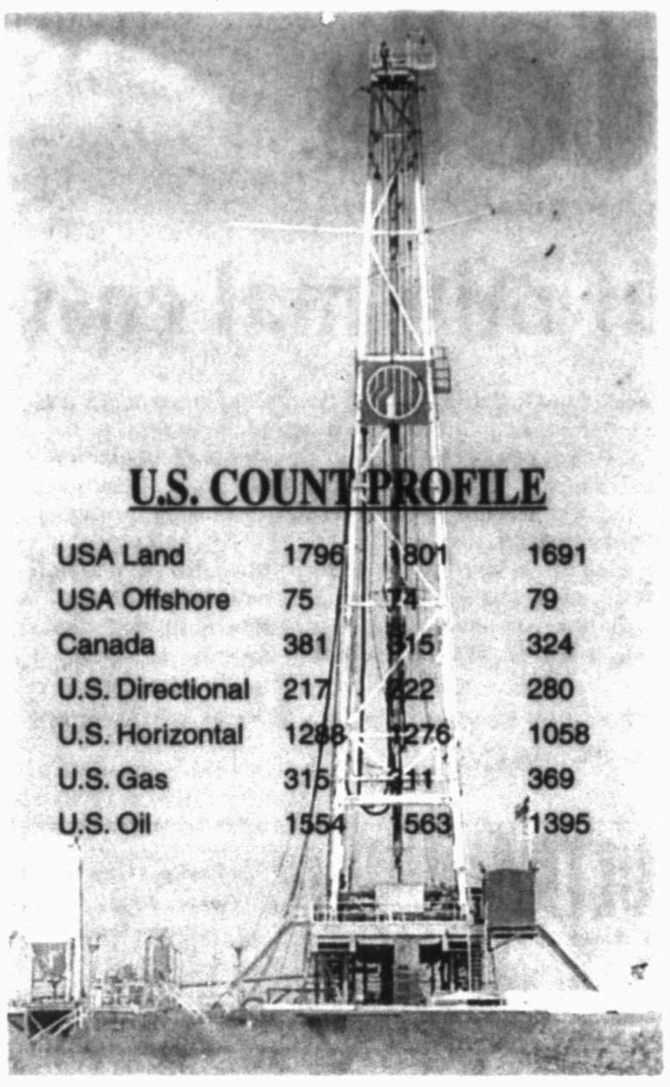
DALLAS

Bankrupt Energy Future to auction stake in Oncor

Bankrupt power giant Energy Future Holdings terminated its restructuring agreement and announced plans to auction its stake in the profitable power transmission business Oncor Electric Delivery Co., according to a filing Thursday with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

The company and its creditors "believe that the (restructuring agreement) has provided significant benefit," including obtaining billions of dollars in new financing, the filing said.

In a letter to employees Thursday, Energy Future said it would maintain its approach to reorganizing the company, which centers on a tax-free spinoff of the unprofitable side, including Luminant, the state's largest power generator, and TXU Energy, the state's largest electricity retailer.



U.S. COUNT PROFILE

USA Land	1796	1801	1691
USA Offshore	75	74	79
Canada	381	315	324
U.S. Directional	217	222	280
U.S. Horizontal	1268	1276	1058
U.S. Gas	315	311	369
U.S. Oil	1554	1563	1395

PERMIAN BASIN RIG COUNTS

Texas

DIST. #7C	
Coke	1
Concho	0
Crockett	8
Irion	19
Kimble	0
McCulloch	0
Menard	0
Reagan	33
Runnels	0
Schleicher	0
Sutton	0
Terrell	2
Tom Green	1
Upton	34

DIST. #8	
Andrews	30
Brewster	0
Crane	3
Culberson	10
Ector	20
Glasscock	40
Howard	16
Hudspeth	0
Jeff Davis	0
Loving	20
Martin	51
Midland	31
Mitchell	4
Pecos	14
Presidio	0
Reeves	54
Sterling	0
Ward	19
Winkler	1

DIST. #8A	
Bailey	0
Borden	2
Cochran	0
Cottle	0
Crosby	1
Dawson	3
Dickens	0
Floyd	0
Gaines	12
Garza	2
Hale	0
Hockley	2
Kent	2
King	1
Lamb	0
Lubbock	0
Lynn	2
Motley	0
Scurry	9
Terry	1
Yoakum	6
TEXAS TOTAL	454

New Mexico

Chaves	1
Eddy	41
Lea	38
Roosevelt	1
NEW MEXICO TOTAL	81

MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	**$100.10**
Flint Hills Resources*	**$99.50**
Phillips 66*	**$99.74**
Plains*	**$99.50**
Shell Trading	**$99.70**
Sun*	**$99.50**
Nymex futures	**$103.69***

Net price without transportation charge
Note: Posted prices as of July 23, 2014

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price 7/16/14	Same period one year ago
Nymex future price	$4.400	$3.762	$3.743
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$4.400	$3.785	$3.640
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$4.387	$3.763	$3.508
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$4.380	$3.765	$3.605
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$4.420	$3.805	$3.575
CompositeField Prices For Midcontinent	$4.278	$3.717	$3.593
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$4.396	$3.779	$3.635

Natural gas vote leaves fueling stations without a standard

By Ryan Holeywell
Houston Chronicle

HOUSTON — The failure of a group of state officials to make a key decision about how to measure natural gas as a transportation fuel leaves the industry without a standard, industry advocates said Monday.

Last week in Detroit, a national conference of state regulators met to decide how fueling stations should measure liquefied natural gas.

Natural gas advocates promote the fuel as a cheaper, cleaner alternative to gasoline and diesel. While compressed natural gas has been used in consumer and light-duty vehicles for years, liquefied natural gas or LNG is gaining traction in heavy-duty and long-haul trucks.

The growing use of natural gas as a motor fuel prompted the National Conference on Weights and Measures, comprising state government officials who set standards affecting fueling stations, to take a look at how LNG is measured and dispensed.

Unlike gasoline and diesel, natural gas can't be measured in gallons because it isn't naturally a liquid.

Twenty years ago, the conference agreed that because Americans are familiar with measuring fuel by the gallon, compressed natural gas could be priced and sold by "gasoline gallons equivalent," even though the calculation isn't perfect. The group set the standard that a gallon of gasoline is comparable to 5.66 pounds of compressed natural gas.

Last week, the conference was poised to vote on a a similar model for liquefied natural gas, since no standard exists now for measuring and pricing LNG.

Those who work in the natural gas fueling industry had hoped the conference would approve such a standard. The idea is that consumers would be better able to understand the volume and price of LNG if it were measured in diesel gallon equivalents.

They didn't get their way. The conference — essentially a two-chamber legislature — split its decision, with one of its voting bodies approving the standard and the other rejecting it.

"It's very disappointing for the industry," said Richard Kolodziej, president of Natural Gas Vehicles for America. "Everybody who was affected by this thing thing was behind it. It's just a handful of people who are opposed to it who were able to keep it from happening."

Those who opposed pricing natural gas relative to diesel or gasoline gallons argue that the method is imprecise and not transparent. They prefer measuring natural gas by pounds or kilograms, even though consumers aren't used to purchasing fuel or evaluating its price that way.

Natural gas fuel industry officials were glad that the pendulum didn't swing in that direction, even though they were disappointed by the failure to approve gallon-equivalent standards.

They had feared that policymakers could adopt a standard in which CNG and LNG would be dispensed by mass, and consumers driving natural gas vehicles might suddenly find themselves paying for the fuel in terms of pounds or kilograms.

"It's much harder to overturn a bad decision than prevent one," said Kathryn Clay, vice president for policy strategy at the American Gas Association. "In that sense we're pleased with where we are."

As it stands, fuel retailers can still sell LNG and CNG in terms of diesel and gasoline gallon equivalents. But there isn't always consistency among states as to what that means. Someone buying a diesel gallon equivalent of LNG will get slightly different volume of fuel from state to state, Clay said.

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HOUSTON

Case shows perils of standard language in non-binding deals

A Dallas judge is considering a case that could force companies to use legal language that more explicitly states preliminary agreements are non-binding.

The issue arose over an agreement between Houston's Enterprise Products Partners and Dallas' Energy Transfer Partners to build a pipeline from Cushing, Okla. to the Gulf Coast. Enterprise later backed out of the deal, and Energy Transfer sued, alleging their preliminary arrangement constituted a legally binding partnership.

In March, a jury sided with Energy Transfer and awarded damages of $319 million. Energy Transfer also wants a the judge to order Enterprise Products Partners to disgorge another $718 million in profits and interest.

State District Judge Emily Tobolowsky is considering whether to agree to the big payout or toss the jury verdict.

Lawyers say the preliminary agreement between the two companies contained standard boilerplate language, and now companies are likely to choose their words more carefully in drafting and announcing preliminary deals.

HOUSTON

Report: Pipeline industry creating windfall for Texas

A new industry-commissioned study finds the pipeline industry has been an economic boon for Texas.

The pipeline industry created a windfall for Texas' economy in 2013, fueled by an oil and gas boom that's driving demand for more infrastructure, according to a report for a trade group.

The industry provided $18.7 billion in gross state revenue and sustained more than 165,000 jobs, according to a study commissioned by the Texas Pipeline Association conducted at Texas Tech University.

Technological advances in drilling and well completion have unlocked more hydrocarbons from dense rock formations, causing a surge in Texas production and driving a need for additional infrastructure to transport the hydrocarbons from wells to refineries.

"Without pipelines, our energy production will decline ... that production would go somewhere else," Thure Cannon, president of the Texas Pipeline Association, said in an interview with FuelFix Thursday.

The report draws attention to the midstream industry, underscoring the critical role pipelines play in maintaining the substantial oil and gas investments that have strengthened the state's economy, Cannon said.

Ongoing operations and construction of new pipeline provided an estimated economic impact of $33 billion last year alone, the study found. Increased tax revenue helped inject an additional $1.6 billion in state and local government revenues, bolstering the economies of communities that are home to such projects.

And the future growth potential looks bright in Texas, which has the nation's highest rig count and is home to several confirmed shale plays and reservoirs that are expected to result in decades of drilling activity and production, the study noted.

According to the study's conservative estimates, pipeline operations and construction will contribute $212 billion in additional gross state product and $19.5 billion in state and local government revenues by 2024.

WASHINGTON

Feds roll out details on Western Gulf lease sale

The Obama administration on Thursday released final details for its planned Aug. 20 sale of oil and gas drilling rights in the western Gulf of Mexico, including its plan to auction off acreage near the United States' war time border with Mexico.

Some 21.6 million acres will be up for grabs during the sale, though oil and gas companies' interest is likely to be concentrated on just a few hot areas.

The sale will include blocks within a 1.4 nautical mile buffer along the border between the United States and Mexico, an area that had been barred from development to allow time for the two countries to ratify a treaty governing oil and gas activities in the region.

"With expiration of this treaty provision, the United States has decided to lease the whole and partial blocks in the 1.4-nautical mile buffer area," the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management said in its sale package.

This sale is set to be the sixth auction of offshore drilling rights in the administration's five-year plan for leasing the outer continental shelf from 2012 to 2017.

The ocean energy bureau has already taken the first steps toward assembling the next leasing blueprint, which would schedule sales through late 2022.

Western Gulf sales tend to draw relatively slim interest, in part because the region is dominated by shallow-water offerings.

Most of the territory — 2,573 of the 4,026 available blocks — is in water depths less than 1,300 feet. Just a dozen companies participated in the last western Gulf auction in August 2013, with the government ultimately selling 53 lease blocks for about $102 million.

Walter Cruickshank, the acting director of the ocean energy bureau, said that the auction comes after "extensive environmental analysis, public input and consideration of the best scientific information available."

HOUSTON

Apache attempts to reassure investors about focus

HOUSTON — Apache Corp., a Houston-based oil and gas independent, responded to a letter from an activist investor, saying it will continue to try to re-balance its portfolio to focus more closely on North America.

Jana Partners LLC said in a letter to investors Monday that it has built up a $1 billion stake in the company and wants it to drill exclusively in the United States, the Wall Street Journal reported.

The hedge fund has not responded to requests from FuelFix for the letter.

Apache is in the midst of a massive effort to reduce its footprint abroad and focus more closely on North American onshore operations.

The company has earned more than $10 billion from a series of sales and divestitures it began announcing in late 2012. The company has sold its operations in Argentina and its assets in the shallow-water Gulf of Mexico and reduced its stake in Egypt, among other deals.

But Jana Partners contends that isn't enough.

"Investors are unimpressed by [Apache]'s global diversification and have voted with their feet," the letter said, according to the newspaper.

Jana wants Apache to exit liquefied natural gas projects in Canada and Australia, among other moves Jana contends will increase shareholder value. Otherwise, Jana said, Apache should consider selling itself, the Wall Street Journal said.

Apache spokesman Patrick Cassidy said the company's management and board of directors value input from shareholders.

"We are focused on continuing to execute our strategic plan to rebalance our portfolio and to focus our strategy on more predictable and profitable production growth in our North American onshore assets," Cassidy said in a statement.

"We will continue to take actions to enhance shareholder value," he added.

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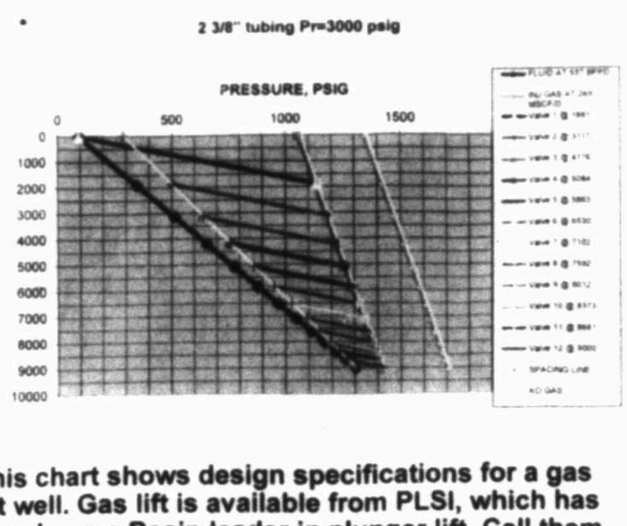

This chart shows design specifications for a gas lift well. Gas lift is available from PLSI, which has long been a Basin leader in plunger lift. Call them at 699-1200 for more information.

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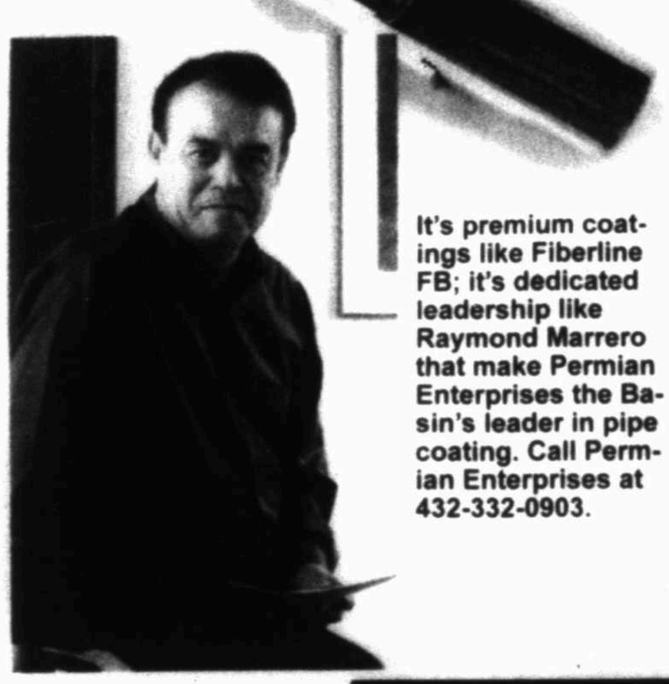

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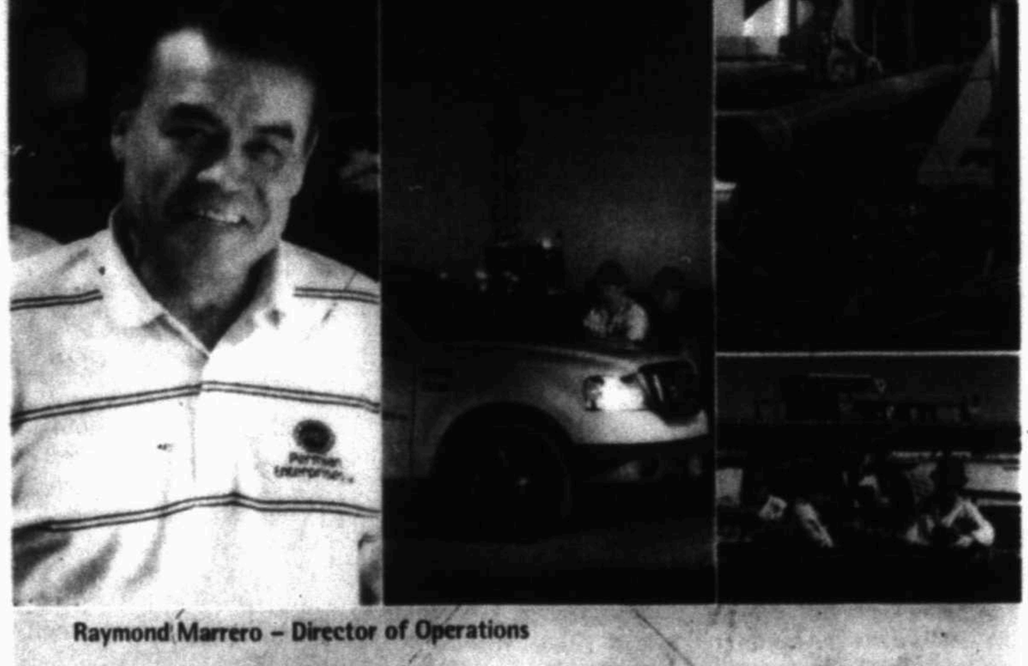

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Victaulic HDPE pipe joining system beats heat fusing

When installing HDPE pipe, the top priorities are to do it in a timely manner and to get secure connections. The Victaulic plain end HDPE pipe joining system excels at both.

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Traditional heat fusing involves these seven steps: Order pipe; deliver to job site; procure equipment for heat fusion and pull-through; position pipe in fusing machine; prepare and heat the pipe; cool the pipe; pull pipe through the machine. Not only does Victaulic save you all those time-consuming steps, it eliminates the cost of buying or renting the heat fusion equipment.

Instead, the Victaulic system involves a series of mechanical couplings, flange adapters, HDPE-to-metal transition couplings, outlets and fittings. Products are designed to mechanically (and quickly) join HDPE pipe conforming to ASTM D-2447, D-3000, D-3035 or F-714 (at ambient temperatures) in thicknesses of SDR 32.5 to 7.3 (depending on size and pipe material). Victaulic HDPE couplings and fittings have integral rows of teeth that grip the HDPE pipe, eliminating the need for heat fusion or special adapters.

The Victaulic method has been used successfully for over 80 years, combining the advantages of fast installation, design integrity and reliable operation. Disassembly is just as fast as assembly, facilitating rapid pipe rotation and redeployment time.

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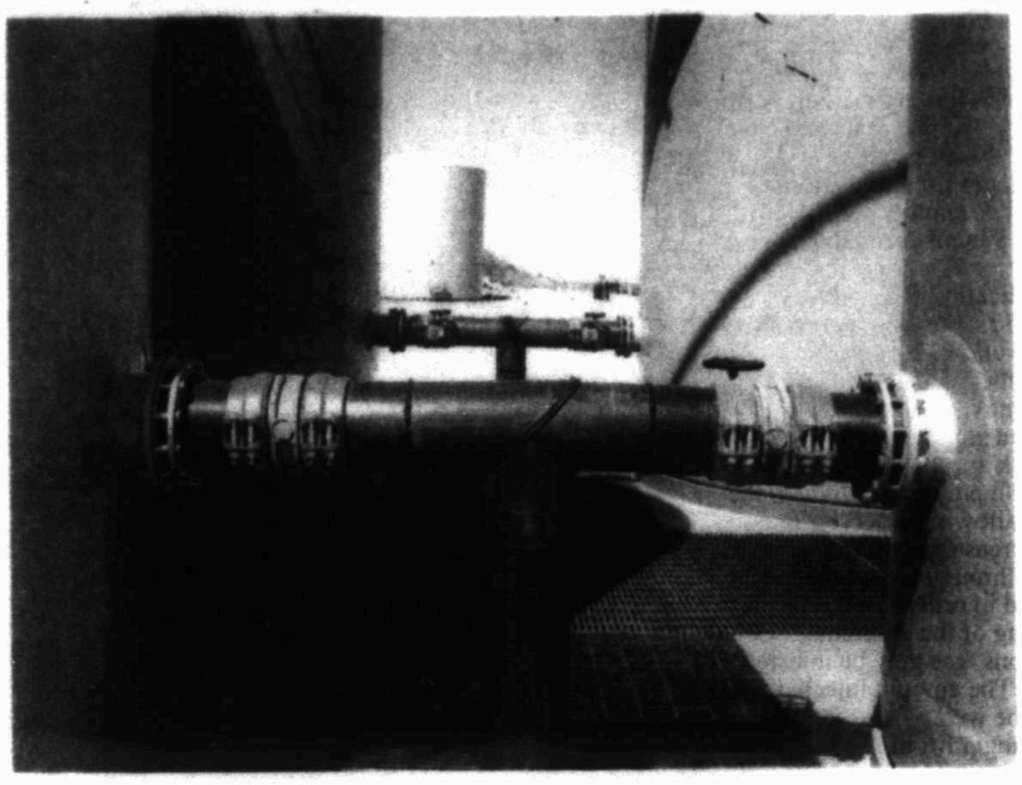

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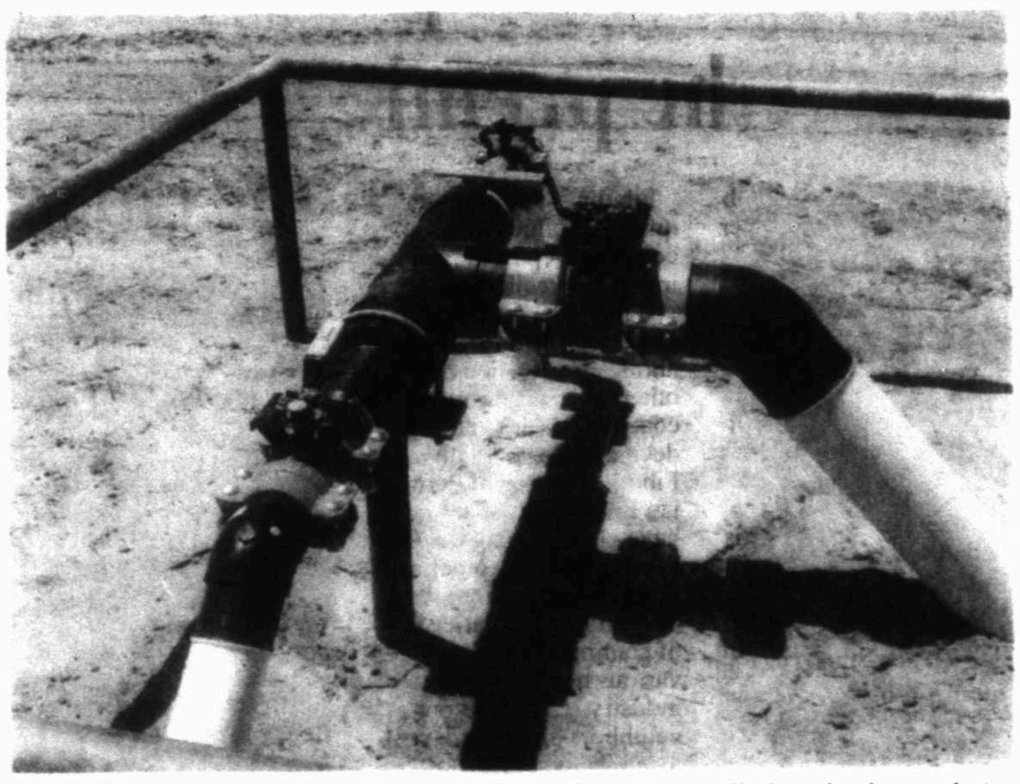

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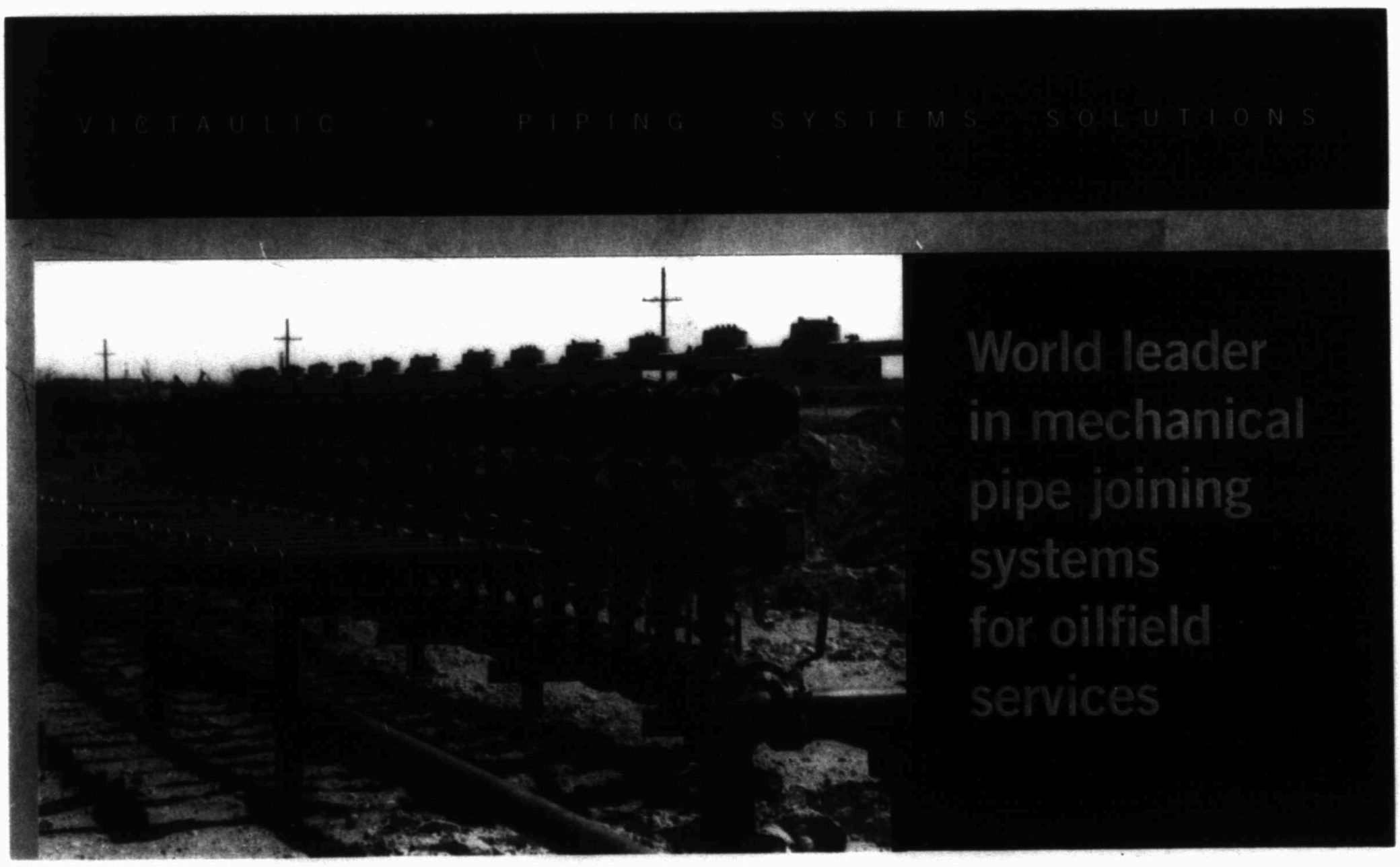

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refineries overseas are better equipped to handle the lighter crudes.

He cited a study from IHS that said this mismatch is causing the nation to approach "gridlock," with the inability of the nation's refineries to process the growing volume of light crude to result in a widening price discount that will reduce drilling investment, jobs and hurt the economy.

A late June editorial in the Washington Post, Sheffield noted, pointed out that allowing exports would give domestic producers incentive to increase production and create jobs.

He cites studies that find allowing exports could result in increased domestic production from as much as 500,000 barrels a day by 2020 to 2.3 million barrels a day over the next 15 years, along with new investments approaching $1 trillion. Studies show allowing exports could result in an additional 300,000 to 1 million jobs.

At the same time, the editorial noted that global supplies would increase, resulting in lower prices for the heavier crudes that U.S. refineries turn into gasoline and other refined products.

In the meantime, Sheffield said there are options to ease the gridlock. He called on the president to use his executive authority to waive export restrictions to serve the national interest and for Congress to amend the laws to permit greater flexibility while preserving the authority to limit exports for particular national security reasons. The Department of Commerce could also enact regulations to expand the available licensing exceptions, consistent with the national interest.

Not only would allowing exports of domestic crude result in more efficient distribution of crudes but a better use of refinery activity would result in better supplies of refined products at better prices and benefit the economy, he said, but it would improve national security.

Exporting U.S.-produced crude will reduce the influence of members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries as well as Russia. It would also reverse the transfer of U.S. wealth to OPEC nations that has been ongoing since the 1970s. In 2008 alone, Sheffield noted, the U.S. sent $400 billion to OPEC producers.

"Continuing to ban crude oil exports will not reduce either global demand or production of crude oil," he said. "Eliminating the ban, however, will help ensure that more of global production will occur in the U.S., fully subject to U.S. safety and environmental regulations."

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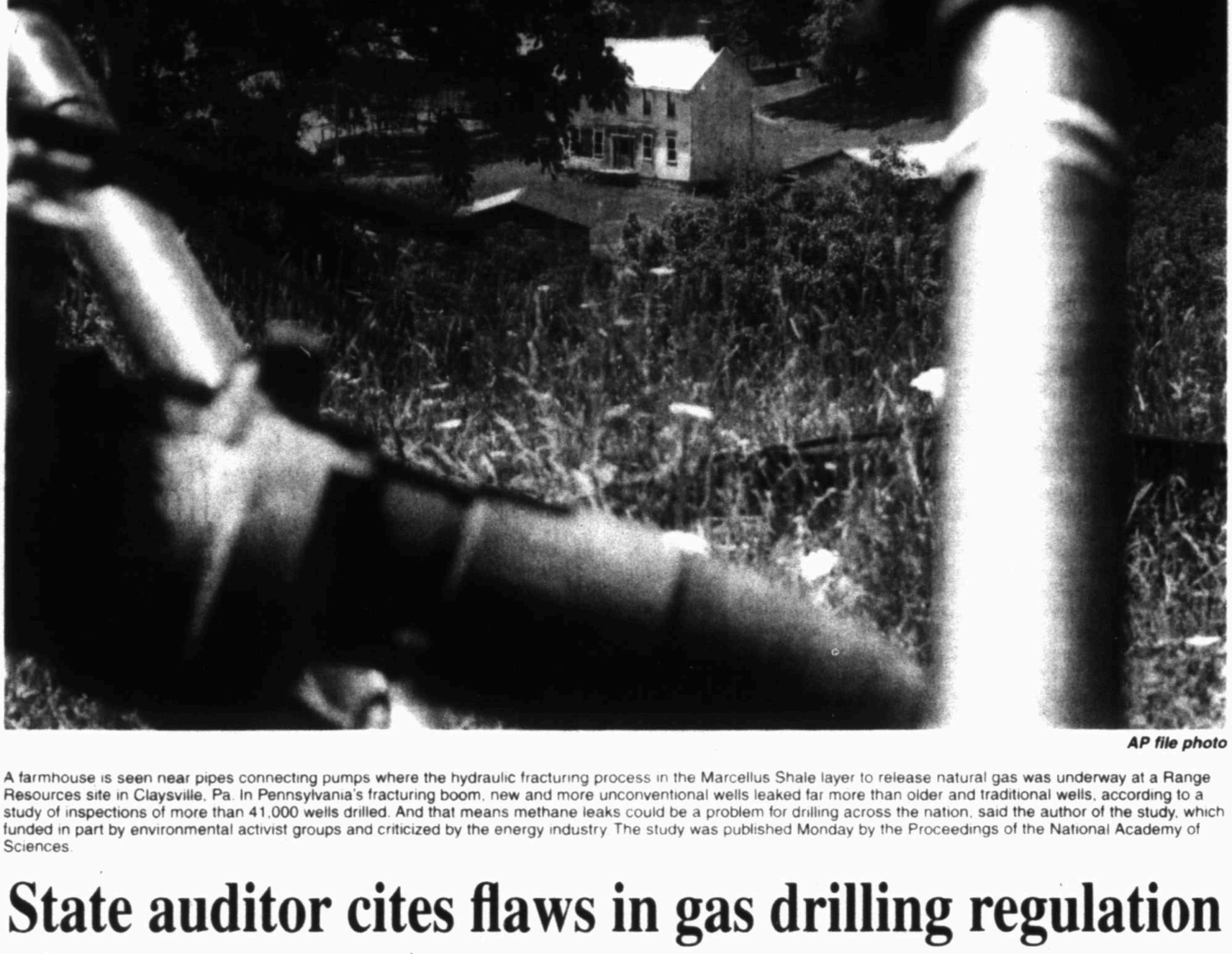

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A farmhouse is seen near pipes connecting pumps where the hydraulic fracturing process in the Marcellus Shale layer to release natural gas was underway at a Range Resources site in Claysville, Pa. In Pennsylvania's fracturing boom, new and more unconventional wells leaked far more than older and traditional wells, according to a study of inspections of more than 41,000 wells drilled. And that means methane leaks could be a problem for drilling across the nation, said the author of the study, which funded in part by environmental activist groups and criticized by the energy industry. The study was published Monday by the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

State auditor cites flaws in gas drilling regulation

Associated Press

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Strained by limited resources and the rapid expansion of natural gas drilling in Pennsylvania, environmental regulators have failed to adequately monitor well safety or to provide clear and timely information to citizens, the state auditor general said Tuesday.

Eugene DePasquale released a performance audit report that says the Department of Environmental Protection lacks a clear policy on the timeliness and frequency of inspections of the thousands of wells and does not routinely verify information the industry provides about waste disposal.

The more than 150-page report, covering a four-year period ending in 2012, also says the DEP does a poor job of communicating with citizens who file complaints about drilling-related water problems and lacks a reliable system for tracking citizen complaints.

And it criticizes the DEP for its lack of transparency in making information about individual wells easily accessible to the public.

"There is no one place on the (department's) website where the public can look to see all the information DEP has made available," the report says.

Christopher Abruzzo, Corbett's DEP secretary, defended the department's performance in a written response that was included in DePasquale's report.

A 2012 law that represented the first overhaul of Pennsylvania's oil and gas laws in more than three decades took effect near the end of the audit period and made significant changes in the department's regulatory authority over the natural gas industry, Abruzzo said.

"To a great extent, the audit report reflects how the Oil and Gas Program formerly operated, not how the program currently functions," he said. "Many of the recommendations in the audit report have already been implemented" or are under consideration.

The audit report was released on the same day the Pittsburgh Post-Gazette published previously unreleased state statistics showing that gas and oil extraction has damaged Pennsylvania water supplies 209 times since the end of 2007.

The newspaper based its story on a Department of Environmental Protection spreadsheet obtained through a Right-to-Know Law request. DEP officials said they are planning to post the information on the department's website as part of ongoing efforts to make its activities more transparent.

The spreadsheet lists the water supplies by county, municipality and the date that DEP regulators determined that activities related to gas or oil extraction contaminated or diminished the flow to a water source.

The Marcellus Shale Coalition, a trade group, told the newspaper the figures show the vast majority of gas and oil wells are developed without any negative environmental impact. During the period, nearly 20,000 new wells were drilled in the state, according to the newspaper.

DePasquale, a Democrat and former legislator, was elected to a four-year term as Pennsylvania's fiscal watchdog in 2012. He vowed during his campaign to conduct an audit to check the state's ability to protect public water sources from pollution amid a boom in natural gas drilling in the Marcellus Shale region that Republican Gov. Tom Corbett encouraged.

City wants to sell truck scales

A northern West Virginia city is looking to sell road scales officials purchased in 2010 amid the gold rush for natural gas.

Moundsville purchased the scales to weigh trucks officials believed were carrying too much cargo. The hope was the weight checks would spare unnecessary damage to city streets from overloaded trucks, which has been a problem in some localities where natural gas is drilled in Marcellus Shale.

But Vice Mayor David Wood told the Intelligencer he does not believe the scales have ever been used.

Now, Moundsville is looking to sell the scales to Powhatan Point. The village across the Ohio River in Belmont County has to contend with potentially overweight vehicles associated with natural gas drilling and coal mining industries, according to Police Chief Jason West.

Drilling-related trucks driving throughout the upper Ohio Valley include so-called sand cans, which transport fracking sand to the gas well sites. There are also water trucks, equipment trucks, and tanker trucks that could carry natural gas liquids such as propane.

"We do have a lot of truck traffic. It is always a concern," Wood said. "Certainly, there is wear and tear on the streets from this."

Moundsville Police Chief Thomas Mitchell declined to say why Moundsville never used the scales, other than saying it's "hard to weigh trucks."

Wood said the city paid about $9,000 for the scales at the time of their purchase.

"We just don't have the manpower in our police department to handle it," Wood said. "There are so many ways in and out of Moundsville that for us to tie up officers' time weighing trucks, it just wouldn't make sense."

Roads leading to natural gas drilling sites or processing plants include W.Va. 2 and U.S. 250, among others. Stopping trucks along any of these routes could create traffic jams, Wood said.

Associated Press

Colorado fracturing ban struck down

Associated Press

LONGMONT, Colo. — A state district judge struck down Longmont's voter-approved ban on hydraulic fracturing Thursday but stayed her decision while the city considers an appeal.

Judge D.D. Mallard ruled the ban conflicts with state regulations and Colorado's interest in efficiently developing oil and gas deposits.

"While the Court appreciates the Longmont citizens' sincerely-held beliefs about risks to their health and safety, the Court does not find this is sufficient to completely devalue the State's interest," Mallard wrote.

Longmont voters passed an amendment to the city charter in November 2012 that banned hydraulic fracturing, which involves blasting underground rock formations with water, sand and chemicals so oil and natural gas can escape. The Colorado Oil and Gas Association, along with the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, sued to overturn the ban.

Mallard noted that the state's interest in developing oil and gas, and Longmont's interest in banning drilling create an "irreconcilable conflict" in which state rules take precedence. She also pointed to a 1992 Colorado Supreme Court ruling that said cities can't entirely ban drilling but can regulate oil and gas development.

Longmont officials said late Thursday they were reviewing the city's legal options.

"I am disappointed that the court has struck down Longmont's fracturing restrictions, which were initiated and approved by our citizens and became part of Longmont's home rule charter over a year and a half ago," Mayor Dennis Coombs said in a news release. "I have been pleased with our vigorous defense of Longmont's charter, and we are considering all our options moving forward."

"While the Court appreciates the Longmont citizens' sincerely-held beliefs about risks to their health and safety, the Court does not find this is sufficient to completely devalue the State's interest."

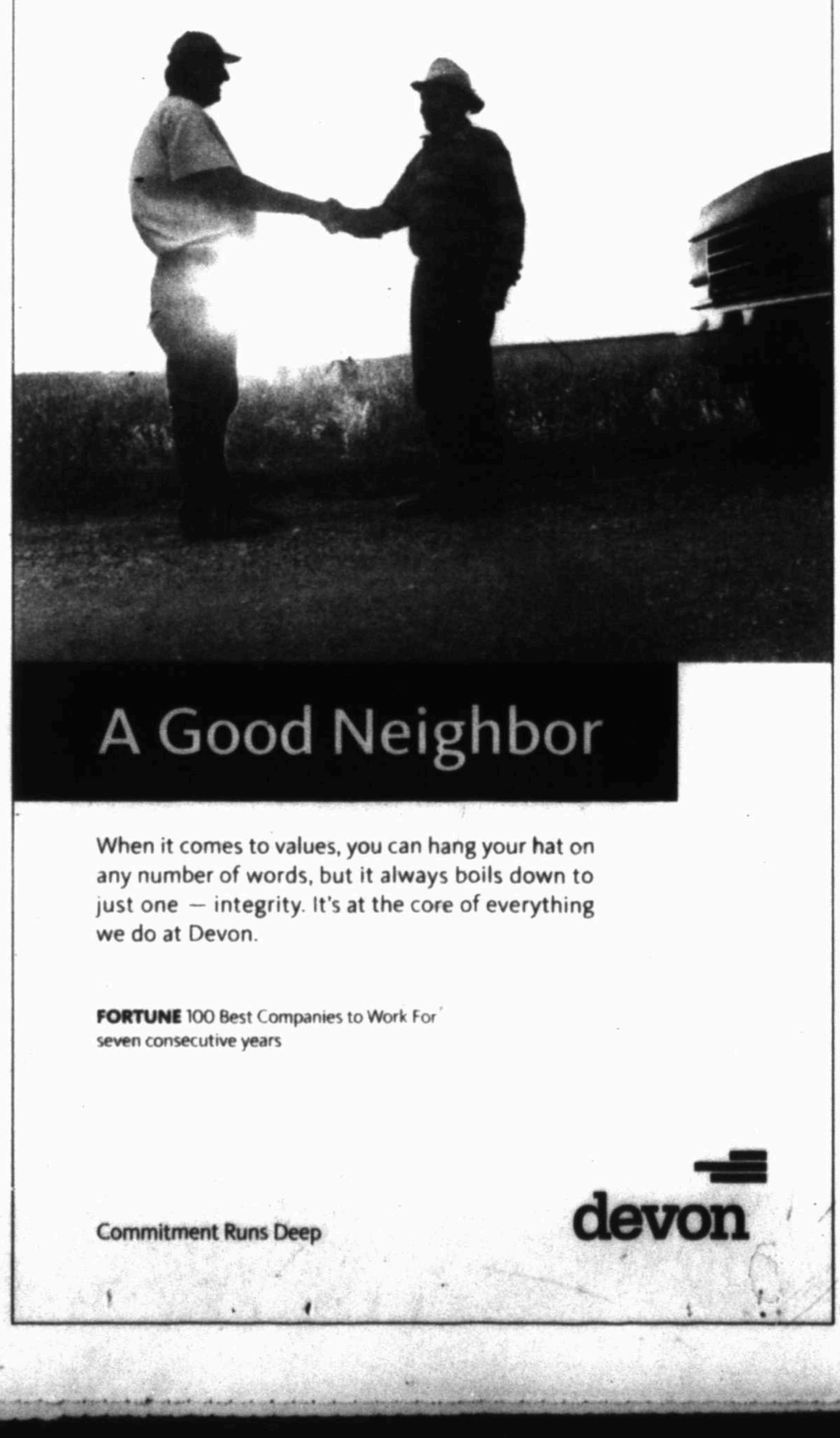
Judge D.D. Mallard

Meanwhile, Mike King, executive director of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources, said his agency would continue to collaborate with local governments "to ensure our energy resources can be developed carefully and thoughtfully, in a way that protects people, communities and our environment."

The Department of Natural Resources oversees the state's oil and gas commission.

Mallard's ruling comes amid two pending drilling-related statewide ballot measures — one that would require oil and gas drilling to be 2,000 feet away from homes and businesses, and another that would create an environmental bill of rights.

The oil and gas industry says those measures would ban drilling, though supporters of the ballot measures disagree. Supporters have until Aug. 4 to gather signatures to put the measures on the November ballot.



Poll: Americans want more oil production

By Rhiannon Meyers
Houston Chronicle

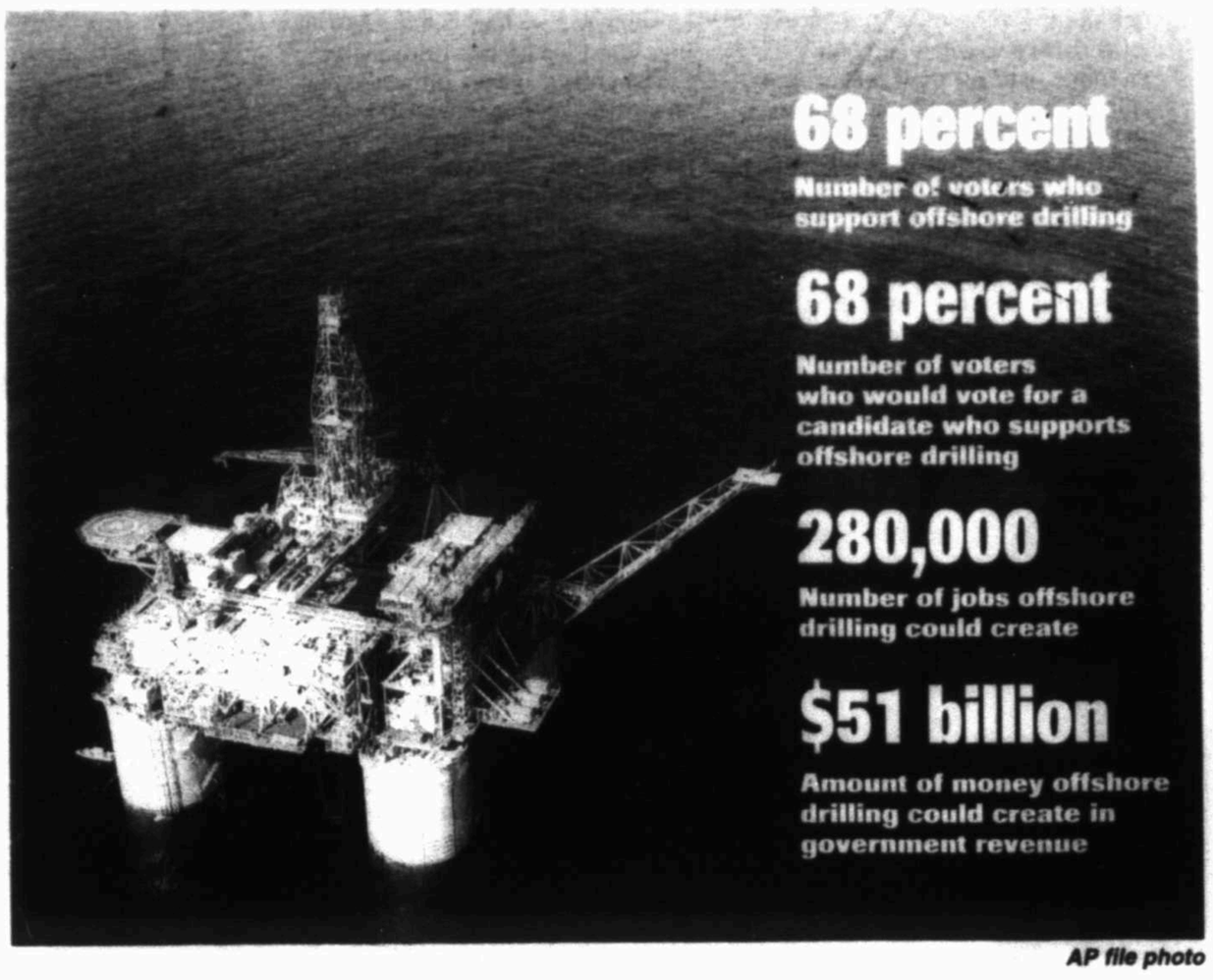
Americans overwhelmingly want the U.S. to produce more domestic oil and natural gas, but few believe the federal government is doing enough to encourage such activity, according to an industry-backed survey released Wednesday.

The poll, conducted by Harris Interactive for the American Petroleum Institute, shows that 68 percent of voters across the political spectrum support offshore drilling, and the same percentage say they would be more likely to vote for a candidate who supports offshore drilling in the U.S.

The Petroleum Institute released its survey of more than 1,000 registered voters as the Obama administration considers what federal waters should be opened up for offshore drilling in the coming years.

Industry trade groups, including the American Petroleum Institute, have pushed the administration to consider selling leases in the Atlantic, Pacific and the eastern Gulf of Mexico.

New offshore drilling would create thousands of new jobs, pump billions into government coffers and strengthen national security by reducing reliance on other nations that wield their oil and gas supplies as a "destabilizing weapon of diplomacy," API's upstream director Erik Milito said in a conference call with reporters.



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Olympus platform was towed into the Gulf of Mexico last year and started producing oil in February.

In the Atlantic alone, offshore drilling could generate 280,000 new jobs and $51 billion in government revenue, Milito said. Decisions made today affect the nation's future as an international energy superpower, he said.

Opponents of expanded oil and gas leasing in these areas argue that the risks of offshore drilling outweigh potential benefits. Fourteen congressional leaders from Oregon and Washington sent a letter Tuesday discouraging the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management from agreeing to offshore oil and gas lease sales off the Pacific Northwest coast.

The industry's assurances of safety and environmental protection are meaningless when once incident, like the 2010 Gulf of Mexico oil spill, can devastate a coastal ecosystem and economy, the lawmakers wrote.

Milito acknowledged that politics may complicate the industry's ability to obtain drilling rights in the Pacific Coast, but said overall, there is broad bipartisan support for removing government roadblocks and creating more opportunities for domestic offshore oil and gas production.

On July 18, the Obama administration approved the use of air guns and sonic sensors to search for possible oil and gas hidden beneath the Atlantic seafloor, paving the way for possible drilling off the East Coast and upsetting some environmental groups that contend the seismic testing can harm sea creatures.

While Milito continued to criticize constraints the administration placed on the testing, arguing the industry has done a good job of protecting marine mammals, he lauded the decision as a positive step forward in gaining a clearer picture of the reserves the Atlantic holds.

The government is unlikely to wait for the results of those surveys before deciding whether to sell oil and gas leases off the mid- and south Atlantic U.S. coasts. Seismic testing could begin as early as spring 2015, but that shouldn't prevent the government from including Atlantic blocks in a five-year lease plan for 2018-2022 that is under consideration now.

The Petroleum Institute plans to submit formal comments to the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management next week.

Feds OK oil studies off East Coast

By Jennifer A. Dlouhy
Houston Chronicle

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In this February 2009 photo provided by the New England Aquarium, a North Atlantic right whale swims with her calf in the Atlantic Ocean off the coast of the United States near the border between Florida and Georgia. The Obama Administration is opening the Eastern Seaboard to offshore oil exploration for the first time in decades. The announcement made July 18 also approved the use of sonic cannons to map the ocean floor identifying new oil and gas deposits in federal waters from Florida to Delaware. The sonic cannons pose real dangers for whales, fish and sea turtles.

WASHINGTON — The Obama administration recently gave the oil industry the green light to use air guns and sonic sensors to search for possible oil and gas under Atlantic waters, overriding environmentalists concerned that the seismic research can harm whales and other marine life.

Although geophysical research companies will still have to apply for individual permits to conduct seismic studies along the south- and mid-Atlantic coast — and undergo more rigorous environmental scrutiny of their specific plans — the Interior Department's formal decision opens the door for the activity.

The move, made July 18, also helps pave the way for possible drilling off the East Coast in the 2020s, by giving the industry a new chance to prove the oil and gas potential of the area right as the Obama administration is assembling a five-year plan for selling offshore energy leases beginning in late 2017.

Nine companies have told the Interior Department's Bureau of Ocean Energy Management they want to do the work, which would represent the first geophysical data collection along the East Coast in more than three decades.

Environmentalists accused the Obama administration of caving to the oil industry by formalizing an approach that would impose modest limitations on the seismic research instead of mandating more rigorous safeguards or barring the activity altogether.

"For more than 30 years, the Atlantic coast has been off-limits to offshore drilling," said Oceana campaign director Claire Douglass. "Today, our government appears to be folding to the pressure of Big Oil and its big money."

Michael Jasny, director of the Natural Resources Defense Council's Marine Mammal Protection Project, called seismic exploration "a gateway drug to offshore drilling."

But the oil industry isn't getting everything it wanted.

The American Petroleum Institute, the National Ocean Industries Association and other groups had unsuccessfully urged the Interior Department to scale back proposed timeouts to watch for animals before ramping up testing and possible requirements that companies shut down activities when dolphins and other animals are nearby.

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>
> **Erik Milito,** API

API officials have called the restrictions "arbitrary and unnecessary," asserting they were based on flawed projections about the number of animals that could be hurt.

"Operators already take great care to protect wildlife, and the best science and decades of experience prove that there is no danger to marine mammal populations," API's upstream director, Erik Milito, said July 18. "Restrictions that have no scientific basis can easily discourage exploration, private investment and job creation. Regulators should rely only on sound science when setting permit requirements."

Other limitations include closing access to the migratory routes of the endangered North Atlantic right whale and prohibiting multiple seismic surveys from being conducted at the same time.

The administration stopped short of requiring companies to use still-developing, quieter technologies, such as one known as marine vibroseis.

Walter Cruikshank, acting director of the ocean energy bureau, said the agency relied on public comments, scientific research and other evidence in developing the safeguards.

There is "a very strong suite of mitigation measures we've developed here ... that are really aimed at trying to mitigate the impact on wildlife," Cruikshank told reporters on a conference call.

Seismic research is generally conducted with compressed air guns that produce loud, periodic blasts underwater. After the sound waves penetrate the seafloor and bounce back, they are captured by long arrays of sensors towed behind seismic vessels. The resulting data is used to produce detailed, three-dimensional maps that reveal underground geological features and potential reservoirs.

Conservationists say the pulses of sound can injure marine life that are especially reliant on their hearing for navigation, including the roughly 500 North Atlantic right whales still estimated to be alive.

"These dynamite-like blasts ... are loud enough to kill small organisms like fish eggs and larvae at close ranges and can disrupt the behavior of large animals like whales and dolphins from up to 100 miles away," Oceana's Douglass said.

Geophysical survey firms say some of the proposed restrictions could be expensive, forcing them to halt activity and then spend potentially a half day or more repositioning arrays before resuming tests.

Although the oil industry uses seismic studies to look for potential subterranean pockets of crude and gas, the geological and geophysical research covered by the Interior Department's decision also helps identify sand and gravel that can be harvested for restoring coasts. And, increasingly, the data provides data for the planning of offshore renewable energy installations, including where to install wind turbines.

Cruikshank stressed that the Interior Department's move does not authorize any specific geological and geophysical activities; individual companies pursuing the work would have to win permits not just from the ocean energy bureau but also the National Fisheries Service. It also does not suggest any final decisions on oil and gas drilling in the region, he said.

Industry representatives and government officials suggested that the decision could lead to individual seismic studies early next year. But conservationists have threatened to challenge the administration's decision and approach in court, potentially slowing the timeline.

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Alamo Tube builds new pipe mill south of San Antonio

By Jennifer Hiller
San Antonio Express-News

Alamo Tube Co. plans to build a $62.5 million pipe mill and finishing facility south of San Antonio to serve the Eagle Ford Shale and Permian Basin oil and gas fields.

The privately held San Antonio company said it will employ more than 200 workers.

The mill will be at Alamo Junction Rail Park, a new 400-acre development in Elmendorf. The Union Pacific and Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroads serve Alamo Junction.

Abbey Fives Bronx will supply the high-speed pipe rolling mill with U.S.-produced tube. Alamo Tube said in announcing the project Tuesday night that its mill will produce 250,000 tons of oil field tubing yearly.

Alamo Junction Rail Park, part of the rail boom fueled by the Eagle Ford, is geared for warehousing operations, manufacturing and oil field services such as crude oil storage and shipment, or the storage and shipment of sand used in hydraulic fracturing operations.

The rail park, which National Property Holdings and Rail Logix are developing is one of the latest rail sites in South Texas to expand — or appear from scratch in a swath of cleared brush and mesquite. Train cars are moving such oil field staples as sand for hydraulic fracturing, gravel for well pads and roads, and the produced crude oil itself.

Among the South Texas rail yards adding track to accommodate shale business are Hondo Railway LLC, Port San Antonio's East Kelly Railport, Gardendale Railroad Inc in La Salle County and the Texas, Gonzales & Northern Railway Co. near Harwood in northern Gonzales County.

Another new rail site in southern Bexar County, the 300-acre Southton Rail Yard near Interstate 37 and Loop 410, opened in January. Its anchor tenant is Santrol, part of Ohio-based Fairmount Minerals.

Officials require more supports beneath oil pipes

Associated Press

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich. — Two oil pipelines at the bottom the waterway linking Lakes Huron and Michigan will get additional support structures to help prevent potentially devastating spills, officials said Thursday.

Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette and Dan Wyant, director of the Department of Environmental Quality, said they had put Enbridge Energy Partners LP on notice following the company's acknowledgement it was partly out of compliance with an agreement dating to 1953, when the pipelines were laid in the Straits of Mackinac.

As a condition of an easement granted by the state, Enbridge agreed that support anchors would be placed at least every 75 feet. In a response last month to a lengthy series of questions about the condition of the lines from Schuette and Wyant, the Canadian company acknowledged some sections don't meet the requirement, although the average distance between supports is 54 feet.

"We will insist that Enbridge fully comply with the conditions of the Straits Pipeline Easement to protect our precious environmental and economic resources and limit the risk of disaster threatening our waters," Schuette said.

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Price keeps gasoline vehicles competitive with alternative

By Rhiannon Meyers
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Improvements in fuel efficiency have helped make standard gasoline vehicles more competitive against hybrids, electric vehicles and other alternative-fuel vehicles, giving consumers more bang for their buck, a new report finds.

Gasoline-powered cars and trucks are cheaper than those using alternative energy. But even though they are traveling farther on a single tank of gasoline, in part because of new federal mandates to reduce emissions, the prices of those rides aren't expected to increase dramatically, the U.S. Energy Information Administration projected in a brief released Tuesday.

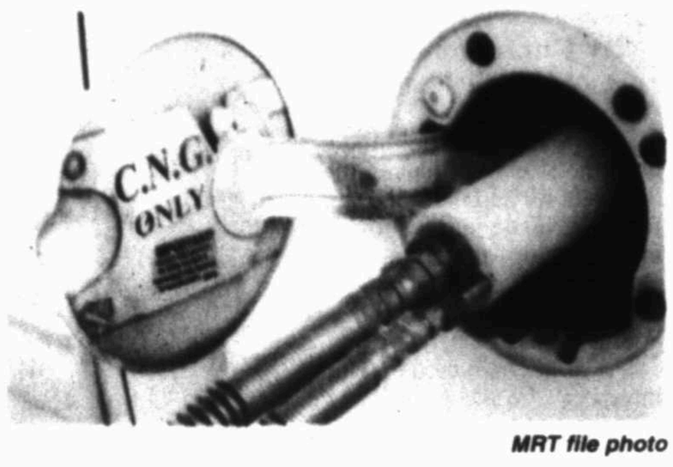
Midsize passenger cars, for example, will see their fuel economies improve from 35 to 53 miles per gallon by 2025, but the average price should rise only slightly from $25,000 to $27,000 during the same time period, according to a report by the information agency, an arm of the Energy Department.

By comparison, plug-in electric vehicles, which operate exclusively on battery power, have the best fuel economy on the market, averaging 120 to 140 miles per gallon, but they are the most expensive across fuel types.

While the cost of electric vehicles should fall in the coming years, some consumers may find that the fuel savings don't justify the price tag.

The energy agency projected that an electric vehicle with a 100-mile range in 2025 will save $385 in fuel costs per year compared to a gasoline-powered vehicle, but cost about $10,000 more, meaning it would take about 26 years to make up the difference. A plug-in hybrid vehicle, powered by electricity and an internal combustion engine, will save $207 per year in fuel, but cost $8,000 more.

The study did not factor in tax credits of up to $7,500 available for electric and hybrid vehicles purchased from 2010 on.



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CNG fueling pumps are available to the public at two Stripes Convenience Stores in Midland, one at 3200 E. Highway 158 and the other at Big Spring and Loop 250.

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HOUSTON

Surge of industrial projects could lift gas demand by 19 percent

HOUSTON — A wave of gas-to-liquids investments and other U.S. industrial projects will likely boost demand for natural gas by 19 to 31 percent through the end of the decade, a new study shows.

After shale gas flooded U.S. markets, chemical makers and other firms planned enough gas-intensive industrial projects — now under construction or obtaining permits — to boost daily industrial gas demand from 19.6 to 23.5 billion cubic feet of gas per day in 2020, according to the University of Texas' Center for Energy Economics.

All told, that's an $83 billion venture. If all 144 proposed industrial projects are built, it'll lift demand to 26 billion cubic feet per day over the next six years — a $121 billion round of investments.

Both cases are higher than estimates by the Energy Information Administration, but the group says it collects industry data using a different approach than the government analytics agency.

Makers of plastics, paints, chemicals, electronics and many consumer goods have jumped on the surge in U.S. shale gas supplies, especially after prices fell sharply in 2012 when markets were overrun with sellers.

The Center for Energy Economics said there are 14 new ethylene crackers projects planned — five new plants, and nine expansions — worth a combined $26 billion in investments through 2020.

Those plants, including Exxon Mobil Chemical Corp.'s ethane cracker now under construction in the Houston area, will turn abundant, cheap shale gas into resin pellets that will become the building blocks for plastic products like food packaging, as developing markets surge overseas.

Combined, those 14 facilities will add 9.3 million tons per year to the U.S. ethane cracking capacity.

The study showed six planned methanol plants, like Dutch fertilizer company OCI N.V.'s proposed facility in Beaumont, will cost a combined $3.5 billion and boost the nation's capacity to produce a key component of fertilizer, paint and electronics by 5.9 million tons per year.

Another $14 billion will be needed to build 16 planned ammonia plants over the next six years. Those facilities, including a Freeport, Texas project jointly owned by chemical makers BASF and Yara, make plastics building blocks and are expected to add 13.6 million tons per year of U.S. capacity.

And five planned gas-to-liquids facilities, like Sasol's massive project in Lake Charles, Louisiana, would cost a combined $14.7 billion. Those projects would boost U.S. capacity to make diesel and jet fuel by 103,300 barrels per day, according to the Center for Energy Economics.

In addition to the methanol, ammonia, ethane and gas-to-liquids projects that are already underway, companies have proposed 19 similar that could cost $25.4 billion, the study showed.

NORTH DAKOTA

Lawmakers to tour state's oil patch

BISMARCK — Dozens of North Dakota lawmakers will be getting a warts-and-all tour next month of the state's booming oil patch and its impact.

The North Dakota Petroleum Council-sponsored event is the second one of its kind to precede a Legislative session in recent years, and officials in the western part of the state hope it'll pay off with what they say is sorely needed additional money for infrastructure. They say the last tour in 2012 helped a little, but it hasn't been enough.

The two-day bus tour begins Aug. 26, with more than 40 lawmakers mainly from cities well outside the oil patch visiting drilling rig and oil well sites and spending the night in a crew camp, said Alexis Brinkman, the council's government relations manager. Much of the tour will be centered in the Watford City area, near the epicenter of the state's oil patch in McKenzie County.

"We really hope it gives lawmakers a chance to ask questions and see what's going on out west," Brinkman said.

Democratic Rep. Lois Delmore of Grand Forks will be on the tour and also plans to visit oilfield spill sites in the region.

"We've been lucky to see some of the benefits but not as many of the problems," said Delmore, a retired school teacher who has served in the Legislature for nearly two decades. "I want to see what progress is being made and what we're going to have to look at in the Legislature. Some of the things happening out there can't be described in words and pictures."

North Dakota trails only Texas in oil production, and its output has risen from about 261,000 barrels daily in 2010 to more than 1 million barrels daily with advanced drilling techniques in the rich Bakken shale and Three Forks formations.

The state's financial reserves are pegged at about $2 billion, but the newfound oil riches have resulted in unprecedented demands for spending on roads, schools, public works, law enforcement and emergency medical services. Gov. Jack Dalrymple has said the state has invested nearly $4 billion since 2011 to help meet the area's swelling demands.

Officials from oil-producing communities want to revamp a formula used to distribute oil and gas production tax revenue. The fund currently sets aside 75 percent to the state and 25 percent to local governments.

MINNESOTA

Franken: EPA may scale back renewable fuel cuts

ST. PAUL — Sen. Al Franken says the Obama administration may scale back projected cuts to ethanol and other renewable fuels production.

An Environmental Protection Agency proposal for renewable fuel standards would reduce by almost 3 billion gallons the amounts of ethanol and other biofuels blended into gasoline in 2014 than the law requires.

After discussing the proposal with a White House official on Thursday, Franken says he believes the EPA will reduce the size of cuts. He still expects an overall drop in renewable fuel quotas.

The EPA established those quotas after Congress passed energy legislation in 2007, aiming to reduce foreign oil demand and greenhouse gas emissions.

Minnesota is one of the nation's largest ethanol producers. Franken said there is no reason to curtail production of renewable fuels.

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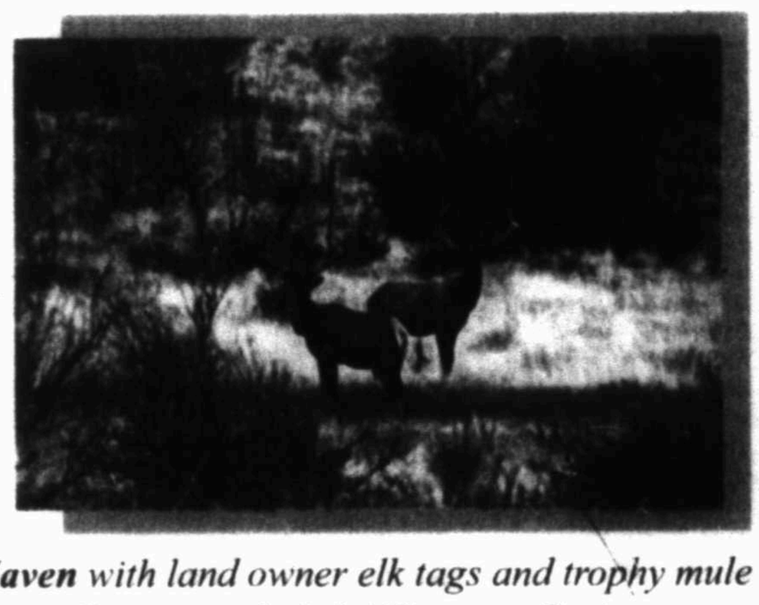

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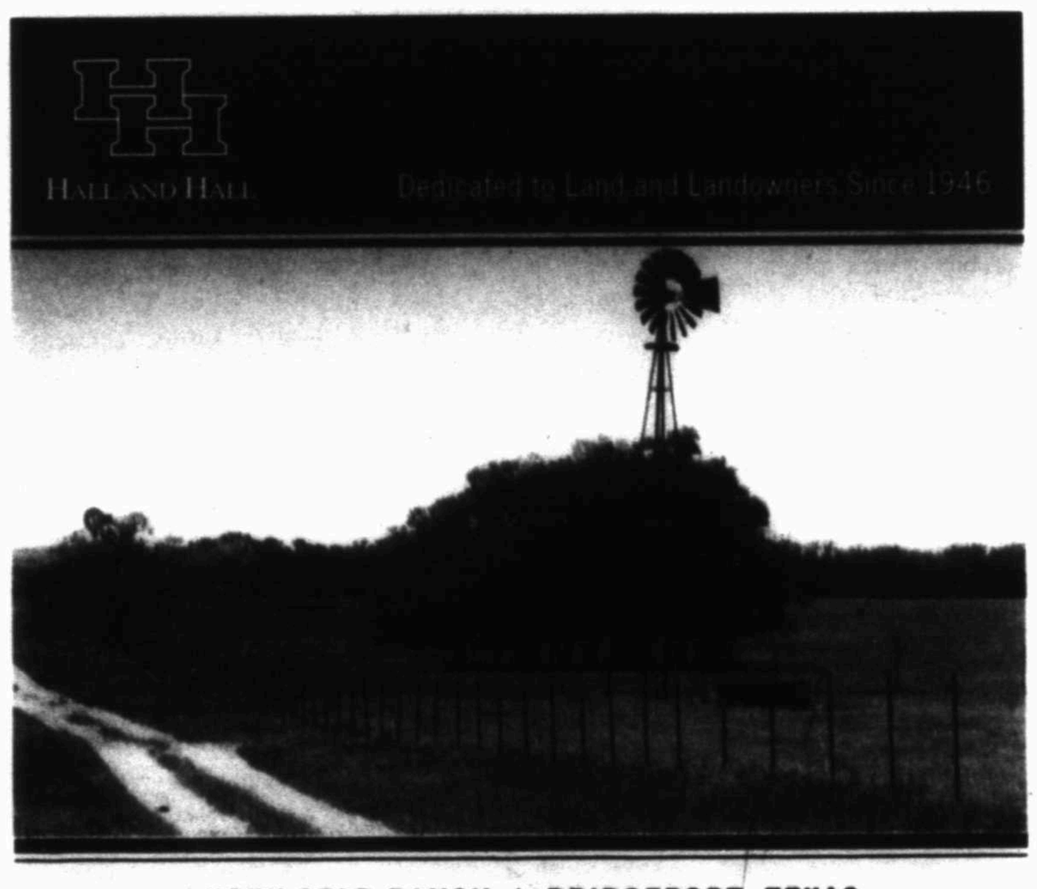

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FIML Natural Resources LLC
Pecan "A" #1944G
Spraberry (Trend Area); 4274 fsl, 944 fel, Sec 1944, Abst. 159, P. Heller, 25 nw Mertzon; TD 8555; Comp 7/2/2014; producing from 4682-8170, fracture stimulated; pump 425 BO, 165 MCF, 38.1 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35548

Apache Corporation
Scott Sugg "5657" #H11U
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 615 fnl, 807 fwl, Sec 55, Blk 14, Abst. 382, H&TC RR, 7.9 ne Barnhart; TD 6795 TVD, 15075 MD; Comp 7/1/2014; producing from 7478-15009, fracture stimulated; gas lift 488 BO, 420 MCF, 2833 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35459

Apache Corporation
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Upton County

Henry Resources LLC
Melinda #2519
Spraberry (Trend Area); 1233 fnl, 1191 fwl, Sec 25, Blk 41, T-5-S, Abst. 498, T&P RR, 24.8 nw Rankin; TD 11120; Comp 6/22/2014; producing from 7271-10856, fracture stimulated; pump 9 BO, 6 MCF, 448 BW, 43 Oil Gravity; API #42-461-38597

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Andrews County

Capstone Natural Resources LLC
DeFord-White Oil Unit 2 #4
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SandRidge Exploration and Production LLC
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Crane County

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Henry Resources LLC
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Ector County

ConocoPhillips Company
Klink Unit #11
Spraberry (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 2437 fnl, 2635 fwl, Sec 17, Blk 42, T-3-S, Abst. 140, T&P RR, 6 s Odessa; TD 10527 TVD, 10550 MD; Comp 6/23/2014; producing from 8132-9545, fracture stimulated; pump 56 BO, 28 MCF, 106 BW, 39.66 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-42911

Citation Oil & Gas Corp.
East Harper Unit #470
Harper; 3715 fsl,1024 fwl, Sec 35, Blk 44, Abst. 311, P RR, 11.3 w Odessa; TD 4550; Comp 7/13/2014; producing from 4094-4337, treated with acid; pump 10 BO, 447 BW, 34.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-135-43040

Loving County

Shell Western E&P
Wheat Trust "1-78" Lov Unit 1 #2H
Phantom (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 275 fswl, 1619 fnwl, Sec 78, Blk 1, Abst. 572, W&NW RR, 2 ne Mentone; TD 11177 TVD, 16060 MD; Comp 6/28/2014; producing from 11555-15856; flow 675 BO, 1998 MCF, 2672 BW on 24/64 inch choke, FTP 2876 psi, 48 Oil Gravity; API #42-301-32053

Martin County

Cholla Petroleum Inc.
Barry Bradford #1
Spraberry (Trend Area); 660 fnl, 660 fel, Labor 19, League 260, Abst. 591, Borden CSL, 28.7 nw Stanton; TD 11852; Comp 7/2/2014; producing from 9140-11725, treated with acid; pump 14 BO, 87 BW on open choke, FTP 30 psi, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-317-38919

Midland County

Henry Resources LLC
Gwendolyn #2310D
Parks (Consolidated-Horizontal); 2111 fwl, 3163 fnl, Sec 23, Blk 41, T-2-S, Abst. 72, T&P RR, 7.4 e Odessa; TD 11090 TVD, 11642 MD; Comp 7/2/2014; producing from 8863-11570, fracture stimulated; pump 107 BO, 37 MCF, 446 BW, 44.4 Oil Gravity; API #42-329-38918

Reeves County

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Houser "36" #5H
Wolfbone (Trend Area)-Horizontal; 250 fnl, 467 fel, Sec 36, Blk 51, T-7-S, Abst. 2281, T&P RR, 15.3 se Pecos; TD 11500 TVD, 14990 MD; Comp 6/28/2014; producing from 11034-14633, treated with acid; flow 792 BO, 805 MCF, 2160 BW on 12/64 inch choke; API #42-389-34060

Ward County

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Hutchings Stock Association #1264R
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Whiting Oil and Gas Corporation
Hutchings Stock Association #1263R
Ward-Estes North; 2310 fsl, 8250 fwl, Sec 1, Blk O, Abst. 119, G&MMB&A, 5 se Wickett; 3220; Comp 6/26/2014; producing from 2426-2532, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; flow 0.5 BO, 1 MCF, 350 BW on open choke, FTP 180 psi, 37 Oil Gravity; API #42-475-32826

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Crosby County

Juno Operating Company II LLC
Clark Wood Ranch #1054
Hoople (Clearfork); 2051 fsl, 2733 fwl, Sec 10, Blk D-19, Abst. 1049, D&SE RR, 7.5 ne Slaton; TD 4323; Comp 6/26/2014; producing from 4057-4182, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 6 BO, 585 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-107-31747

Juno Operating Company II LLC
Clark Wood Ranch #1005
Hoople (Clearfork); 1713 fnl, 4870 fwl, Sec 10, Blk D-19, Abst. 1049, D&SE RR, 8.7 ne Slaton; TD 4433; Comp 7/1/2014; producing from 4176-4310, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; pump 60 BO, 420 BW, 40 Oil Gravity; API #42-107-31672

Dawson County

W&T Offshore Inc.
Beaujolais "D" #0301
Spraberry (Trend Area); 475 fnl, 475 fwl, Sec 271, Abst. 411, Loving CSL, 14.2 sw Lamesa; TD 11026; Comp 6/28/2014; producing from 8000-10680; pump 12 BO, 136 BW, 35.9 Oil Gravity; API #42-115-33637

New Mexico

Eddy County

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Two Lakes 1 XU State Com #1
Crow Flats; Sec 1 T16S R28E; 660/S & 150/E. BHL: 657/S & 334/W; EL 3596 GL, TD 11215, PBTD 11190; Spud 12-2-13, Comp 1-30-14; production is through treated perfs: 7123-11190. Treat: Frac w/40,000 gals 15% acid & 1,262,730 gals 10 & 15# linear gel, carrying 125,653# 20/40 white sd. IP: 2-23-14 Pump 24 hrs 420 BO, 114 BW, 364 MCF, GOR 867, Gty 46. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 354 w/350 sx, 7 @ 7050 w/1250 sx, 4 1/2 @ 6828-11203, 2 3/8 @ 6377; API #30-015-41005

Apache Corp.
A State #55
Artesia; Sec 26 T17S R28E; 2480/N & 330/W. EL 3614 GL, TD 5704, PBTD 5662; Spud 11-20-13, Comp 1-10-14; production is through treated perfs: 3362-4054, 4146-4864, 4948-5499. Treat: 616,980 gals 20#, 757,598# sd. 13,360 gals acid, 12,096 gals gel. IP: 2-10-14 Pump 24 hrs 50 BO, 315 BW, 62 MCF, GOR 1240, Gty 41.1. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 425 w/310 sx, 5 1/2 @ 5704 w/890 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5591; API #30-015-41188

Apache Corp.
AB State 647 #14
Artesia; Sec 32 T17S R28E, 330/S & 1090/W. EL 3678 GL, TD 4300, PBTD 4251; Spud 11-4-13, Comp 12-12-13; production is through perfs: 3466-4010. IP: 2-6-14 Pump 24 hrs 63 BO, 525 BW, 110 MCF. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 425 w/290 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4300 w/660 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4128; API #30-015-41498

Apache Corp.
Washington 33 State #69
Artesia; Sec 33 T17S R28E; 1750/N & 990/W; EL 3672 GL, TD 4498, PBTD 4442; Spud 11-26-13, Comp 1-24-14; production is through treated perfs: 3465-4170. Treat: 219,450 gals 20#, 275,840# sd, 3780 gals acid, 3402 gals gel. IP: 2-22-14 Pump 24 hrs 61 BO, 375 BW, 113 MCF, GOR 1852, Gty 39.5. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 510 w/360 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4498 w/640 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4285; API #30-015-41682

Apache Corp.
D State #104
Artesia; Sec 36 T17S R28E; 360/N& 330/W; EL 3674 GL, TD 4666, PBTD 4622; Spud 12-26-13, Comp 1-29-14; production is through treated perfs: 3826-4490. Treat: 220,290 gals 20#, 273,857# sd, 3489 gals acid, 3738 gals gel. IP: 2-25-14 Pump 24 hrs 40 BO, 220 BW, 55 MCF, GOR 1375, Gty 39.6. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 417 w/320 sx, 5 1/2 @ 4666 w/800 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4582; API #30-015-41711

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Sears BSR #2
Atoka; Sec 21 T18S R26E; 300/N & 220/W. BHL: Sec 17 947/S & 343/W; EL 3388 GL, TD 7820, PBTD 7773; Spud 11-6-13, Comp 2-20-14; production is through perfs: 3270-7773. IP: 2-24-14 Pump 24 hrs 89 BO, 1226 BW, 128 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 295 w/395 sx, 9 5/8 @ 990 w/486 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7820 w/1425 sx, 2 7/8 @ 2135; API #30-015-41583

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Tamano 11 NC Federal #1
Tamano; Sec 11 T18S R31E; 150/S & 2310/W BHL: 330/N & 2240/W; EL 3719 GL, TD 13085, PBTD 13020; Spud 10-30-13, Comp 2-6-14; production is through perfs: 8907-13020. IP: 2-9-14 Pump 24 hrs 428 BO, 1458 BW, 119 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 866 w/750 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2185 w/700 sx, 7 @ 8830 w/1150 sx, 4 ? @ 8611-13033, 3 1/2 @ 8214 API #30-015-41350

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Jasper 32 State Com #8
Winchester; Sec 32 T19S R29E; 175/N & 1365/E. BHL: 331/S & 932/E; EL 3267 GL, TD 11625 MD, 7011 TVD, PBTD 11577; Spud 12-15-13, Comp 2-11-14; production is through perfs: 7105-11521. Treat: N/A. IP: 3-6-14 Flow 24 hrs 53 BO, 841 BW, 663 MCF, TP 400, CP 121, GOR 12509, Csg: 13 3/8 @ 371 w/409 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3335 w/1842 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11625 w/1710 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6801; API #30-015-40606

SM Energy Co.
Parkway 35 Federal Com #6
Parkway; Sec 34 T19S R29E; 1700/S & 5/E. BHL: 1681/S & 390/E; EL 3332 GL, TD 11759 MD, 7449 TVD, PBTD 11586; Spud 1-9-13, Comp 12-8-13; production is through treated perfs: 7663-11527. Treat: 35,570 bbls gelled fluid, 1,657,350# sd, 274,570# 20/40 SLC. IP: 120-20-13 Pump 24 hrs 105 BO, 1108 BW, 251 MCF, GOR 2390, Gty 41.2. Csg: 20 @ 366 w/1062 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1200, 9 5/8 @ 3327 w 1128 sx, 7 @ 7557 w/885 sx, 4 1/2 @ 6619-11596, 2 7/8 @ 6499 API #30-015-41646

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Burton 4 PM Federal Com #1
Parkway; Sec 4 T20S R29E; 350/S & 120/E. BHL: 350/S & 330/W; EL 3306 GL, TD 12550 MD, 7917 TVD, PBTD 12525 MD, 7917 TVD; Spud 12-5-13, Comp 2-3-14; production is through treated perfs: 8394-12525 MD, 7966-7917 TVD. Treat: Frac w/297,544 gals slickwater, 275,279 gals 20# liner gel, 906,169 gasl 20# XL gel carrying 100,040# 100 mesh, 1,670,700# 20/40 sd, 372,960# 20/40 SB excel sd. IP: 2-8-14 Flow 24 hrs 665 BO, 976 BW, 668 MCF, GOR 1005, Gty 45. Csg: 20 @ 359 w/650 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1472 w/900 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3180 w/1784 sx, 7 @ 8321 w/1000 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8059-12538; API #30-015-41827

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Henry 8 IL Federal #1
Winchester; Sec 8 T20S R29E; 1750/S & 150/E. BHL: 2023/S & 334/W; EL 3274 GL, TD 12575 MD, 7877 TVD, PBTD 12525 MD, 7876 TVD; Spud 11-25-13, Comp 2-13-14; production is through treated perfs: 8389-12525 MD, 7951-7876 TVD. Treat: Frac w/307,556 gals SW, 285,873 gasl 20# linear gel, 819,454 20# x-link gel carrying 93,480# 100 mesh, 1,662,817# 20/40 sd & 347,977# SB excel sd. IP: 2-15-14 Pump 24 hrs 396 BO, 1725 BW, 259 MCF, GOR 654, Gty 42.7. Csg: 20 @ 313 w/1175 sx, 13 3/8 @ 1400 w/1000 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3127 w/1180 sx, 7 @ 8327 w/1050 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8052-12538, 2 7/8 @ 7530; API #30-015-41781

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Burton Flat Deep Unit #57
East Avalon; Sec 2 T21S R27E, 1520/S & 50/W. BHL: 1928/S & 330/W; EL 3214 GL, TD 11485 MD, 6499 TVD PBTD 11481. Spud 8-20-13, Comp 2-3-14; production is through treated perfs: 6830-11460. Treat: 24,300 gals 15% HCL acid, 297,076# 100 mesh sd, 1,131,344# 40/70 sd, 652,299# 20/40 SLC sd. IP: 2-12-14 Pump 24 hrs 431 BO, 1510 BW, 2153 MCF, GOR 4995.36. Csg: 20 @ 303 w/750 sx, 13 3/8 @ 775 w/890 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2729 w/1220 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11485 w/2385 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6552; API #30-015-40829

Devon Enegy Production Co. LP
Burton Flat Deep Unit #58
East Avalon; Sec 2 T21S R27E, 1520/S & 50/W. BHL: 411/S & 330/W; EL 3214 GL, TD 11712 MD, 6373 TVD PBTD 11709. Spud 11-16-13, Comp 2-3-14; production is through treated perfs: 6869-11695. Treat: 38,637 gals 15% HCL acid, 397,569# 100 mesh sd, 1,398,125# 40/70 sd, 796,097# 20/40 SLC sd. IP: 2-7-14 Flow 24 hrs 181 BO, 1108 BW, 294 MCF, TP 450, CP 440, GOR 1624.3. Csg: 20 @ 300 w/1650 sx, 13 3/8 @ 727 w/930 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2744 w/900 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11712 w/2390 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6387 6; API #30-015-41057

Caza Operating LLC
Forehand Ranch 27 State #5
Cass Draw; Sec 27

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T23S R27E; 500/N & 1650/E; EL 3158 GL, TD 3545, PBTD 3498; Spud 10-29-13, Comp 12-31-13; production is through perfs: 3350-3370. IP: 1-30-14 Pump 24 hrs 70 BO, 275 BW, TSTM MCF. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 488 w/256 sx, 5 1/2 @ 3545 w/805 sx; API #30-015-41530

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Layla 35 PA Fee Com #1
South Culebra Bluff; Sec 25 T23S R28E; 150/S & 330/E. BHL: 378/N & 627/E; EL 2985 GL, TD 13125, PBTD 12980; Spud 12-17-13, Comp 2-12-14; production is through perfs: 8660-12980. IP: 2-15-14 Pump 24 hrs 465 BO, 257 BW, 766 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 519 w/730 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2638 w/850 sx, 5 1/2 @ 13103 w/2000 sx; API #30-015-40967
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ConocoPhillips Co.
Ruby Federal #22
West Maljamar; Sec 18 T17S R32E; 2310/S & 2310/E; EL 3696 GL, TD 6905, PBTD 6838; Spud 4-9-13, Comp 5-15-13; production is through treated perfs: 5408-5428, 5838-6657. Treat: 1,223,860# proppant, 2000 gals acid. IP: 5-26-13 Pump 24 hrs 34 BO, 332 BW, 122 MCF, Gty 38.2. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 786 w/500 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6882 w/1420 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6741; API #30-025-41016

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Young 16 NC State Com #1
Young; Sec 16 T18S R32E; 330/S & 2040/W. BHL: 4946/S & 2032/W; EL 3772 GL, TD 13445, PBTD 13421; Spud 9-24-13, Comp 11-19-13; production is through treated perfs: 9591-13421. Treat: Frac w/405,043 gals slickwater, 282,544 gals 20# Linear gel, 832,729 gals 20# XL Gel carrying 100,180# 100 mesh, 1,645,970# 20/40 sd, 372,720# 20/40 SB excel. IP: 11-21-13 Pump 24 hrs 160 BO, 1641 BW, 88 MCF, GOR 550, Gty 38. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1112 w/950 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2742 w/900 sx, 7 @ 9510 w/1250 sx, 4 1/2 @ 9248-13433, 2 7/8 @ 8747; API #30-025-41376

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Laguna Deep Unit #21
Teas; Sec 36 T19S R33E; 660/N & 2310/W. BHL: 706/N & 335/W; EL 3611 GL, TD 16444 MD, 9380 TVD, PBTD 16396; Spud 11-16-12, Comp 2-3-12; production is through treated perfs: 9450-16260. Treat: 228,263 gals fluid, 3518121# sd. IP: 2-17-13 Pump 24 hrs 656 BO, 666 BW, 625 MCF, GOR 952. Csg; 16 @ 1483 w/1565 sx, 11 ? @ 3180 w/1235 sx, 8 5/8 @ 5055 w/1145 sx, 5 ? @ 8877, 4 1/2 @ 8877-16444 w/2250 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8647; API #30-025-40812

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Snoddy Federal #23
Salt Lake; Sec 26 T20S R32E; 811/N & 644/E. BHL: 2354/S & 317/W; EL 3555 GL, TD 14527 MD, 9945 TVD, PBTD 14520 MD; Spud 10-17-13, Comp 12-11-13; production is through treated perfs: 10877-14500. Treat: 1574694 gals fluid, 26565399# sd. IP: 1-11-14 Pump 24 hrs 188 BO, 432 BW, 201 MCF, Gty 40.4. Csg; 16 @ 1297 w/1400 sx, 11 ? @ 3035 w/1245 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4672 w/850 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14527 w/1995 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9245; API #30-025-40837

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Berry APN State #3
North Berry; Sec 5 T21S R34E; 2500/S & 1980/E. BHL: 4565/S & 2014/E; EL 3714 GL, TD 15,541, PBTD 15,479; Spud 5-11-13, Comp 1-14-14; production is through treated perfs: 10992-15476. Treat: Acdz w/74,500 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/3,873,470# 30/50 Econoprop. IP: 1-21-14 Flow 24 hrs 226 BO, 944 BW, 198 MCF, 16/64" Ch, CP 800. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1887 w/1220 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5935 w/1460 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15528 w/2055 sx; API #30-025-40630

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Diamondtail 23 Federal #4
Diamondtail; Sec 23 T23S R32E; 330/N & 1955/W. BHL: 337/S & 2354/W; EL 3713 GL, TD 14078 MD, 9624 TVD, PBTD 14075; Spud 8-13-13, Comp 10-2-13; production is through treated perfs: 9850-14050. Treat: Frac w/6592028 gals fluid, 5758571# sd. IP: 10-29-13 Flow 24 hrs 431 BO, 1440 BW, 746 MCF, 25/64" Ch, CP 181, GOR 1730. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1330 w/1300 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4982 w/1400 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14078 w/1825 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8906; API #30-025-40770

Cimarex Energy Co. of Colorado
Triste Draw 30 Federal #1
West Triple X; Sec 30 T23S R33E; 330/S & 660/W. BHL: 424/N & 672/W; EL 3696 GL, TD 15431, PBTD 15428; Spud 9-1-13, Comp 10-23-13; production is through perfs: 10790-15400. IP: 10-25-13 Flow 24 hrs 450 BO, 305 BW, 686 MCF, 48/64" ch, TP 150, CP 700. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 1340 w/1100 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5014 w/1355 sx, 5 1/2 @ 15341 w/3000 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10498; API #30-025-41174

Chevron USA Inc.
McCloy Ranch 2 24 32 State Com #4
Triste Draw; Sec 2 T24S R32E; 100/S & 600/E. BHL: 5070/S & 701/E; EL 3606 GL, TD 14,520, PBTD 14,503; Spud 12-31-12, Comp 7-31-13; production is through treated perfs: 9980-14520. Treat: Frac w/20,500# 100 mesh, 222,000# 30/50 white sd, 54,060# 20/40 PC sd. IP: 8-6-13 Pump 24 hrs 268 BO, 1140 BW, 335 MCF. Csg; 13 3/8 @ 1300 w/1700 sx, 8 5/8 @ 4767 w/2400 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14450 w/1300 sx, 2 7/8 @ 8528; API #30-025-40861

DEVELOPMENTAL WELLS

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Coke County

WAPITI OPERATING, LLC NE IAB (PENN) (O) DRILL Well# 2408 NEIAB UNIT, 370 FSL & 1417 FSEL, SEC 470 BLK 1A, H&TC/ SF CROCKETT SUR., A-1745 7500', 9 NW ROBERT LEE

WAPITI OPERATING, LLC NE IAB (PENN) (O) DRILL Well# 3317 NEIAB UNIT, 2150 FEL 962 FNL, SEC 472 BLK 1A, H&TC/E MENIELLE SUR., A-1778 7500', 9 NW ROBERT LEE

WAPITI OPERATING, LLC NE IAB (PENN) (O) DRILL Well# 3318 NEIAB UNIT, 1749 FEL 1649 FSL, SEC 472 BLK 1A, H&TC/E MENIELLE SUR., A-1778 7500', 9 NW ROBERT LEE

Irion County

EOG RESOURCES, INC. LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4517H MAYER, 2312 FNL 2422 FEL, SEC 45, WC SUR., A-686 6600', 2 NW BARNHART

EOG RESOURCES, INC. LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4515H MAYER, 2312 FNL 2452 FEL, SEC 45, WC SUR., A-686 7000', 2 NW BARNHART

EOG RESOURCES, INC. LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4513H MAYER, 2312 FNL 2481 FEL, SEC 45, WC SUR., A-686 6600', 2 NW BARNHART

FIML NATURAL RESOURCES, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 3040GR MALLARD, 1365 FNL 2059 FEL, SEC 3040 BLK 24, H&TC/RW LEWIS SUR., A-952 10000', 24 NW MERTZON

Reagan County

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H UNIVERSITY 49-1, 200 FSL 867 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 49, UNIV LAND SUR. 9000', 6 SE BIG LAKE

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP LIN (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H UNIVERSITY 49-1, 200 FSL 827 FEL, SEC 1 BLK 49, UNIV LAND SUR. 9000', 6 SE BIG LAKE

Runnels County

EAGLE PRODUCTION, INC. SW WINTERS (GRDNR LM) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 VANCIL, 1869 FSL 2761 FEL, SEC 170, ET/T FLANIGAN SUR., A-787 5000', 7 NW BALLINGER

Schleicher County

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC NE OZONA (CANYON) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1201H UNIVERSITY SOUTH, 1 FSL 1575 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 57, UL SUR. 6600', 22 NE OZONA

HIGHMOUNT E&P TEXAS LLC NE OZONA (CANYON) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 903H UNIVERSITY SOUTH, 1 FSL 1545 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 57, UL SUR. 6600', 22 NE OZONA

Upton County

COG OPERATING, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 31H NEAL RANCH 37 A, 190 FSL 1167 FWL, SEC 37 BLK 41 T5S, T&P SUR., A-504 12000', 22 NW RANKIN

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC RED HOUSE (STRAWN) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 ELAINE 10, 467 FWL 467 FSL, SEC 10 BLK 40 T5S, T&P/T WINDHAM SUR., A-1516 12000', 27 NW RANKIN

RSP PERMIAN, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1 CEMETERY 28, 1000 FNL 660 FEL, SEC 28, HE&WT/CJ BUCKLAND SUR., A-705 12000', 3 E RANKIN

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Andrews County

ARES ENERGY, LTD. FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H LINDLEY C, 2440 FSL 940 FWL, SEC 8 BLK A46, PSL/SH HOLLOWAY SUR., A-892 6600', 9 W ANDREWS

ARES ENERGY, LTD. FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H RIGGAN, 200 FNL 940 FWL, SEC 9 BLK A46, PSL/SH HOLLOWAY SUR., A-891 6600', 9 W ANDREWS

CAPSTONE NATURAL RES., LLC N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL Well# 19 CREWS ESTATE, 1650 FSL 2310 FEL, SEC 15 BLK A36, PSL/E BUSTIN SUR., A-699 4700', 9 N ANDREWS

CAPSTONE NATURAL RES., LLC N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL Well# 7 CREWS ESTATE, 330 FEL 990 FSL, SEC 15 BLK A36, PSL/E BUSTIN SUR., A-699 4700', 9 N ANDREWS

CAPSTONE NATURAL RES., LLC BLK A-34 (GLORIETA) (O) DRILL Well# 13 JM WHITE, 1330 FSL 1320 FWL, SEC 13 BLK A34, PSL/JV GOWL SUR., A-2261 9000', 11 N ANDREWS

CAPSTONE NATURAL RES., LLC N SHAFTER LAKE (SA) (O) DRILL Well# 9 CREWS ESTATE, 330 FSL 990 FEL, SEC 15 BLK A36, PSL/E BUSTIN SUR., A-699 4700', 9 N ANDREWS

CLAYTON WILLIAMS ENERGY, INC. MAGUTEX (STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 4 SAMSON UNIVERSITY 25, 467 FWL 2171 FSL, SEC 25 BLK 4, UL SUR. 11700', 11 NE ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 16 UNIVERSITY 13-33, 1650 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 33 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U425 5200', 11 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 25 UNIVERSITY 13-39, 2310 FSL 2510 FWL, SEC 39 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U431 5200', 10 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 14 UNIVERSITY 13-39, 2310 FNL 990 FEL, SEC 39 BLK 13, UL SUR. 5200', 10 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 20 UNIVERSITY 13-34, 1575 FNL 1650 FEL, SEC 34 BLK 13, UL SUR., A-U426 5200', 10 NW ANDREWS

SANDRIDGE E&P, LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL Well# 36 WH BUSH B, 1155 FWL 990 FSL, SEC 3 BLK A47, PSL/DA GOOLSBY SUR., A-1551 5200', 13 NW ANDREWS

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC FUHRMAN-MASCHO (O) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 59 THORNBERRY-NWS, 1370 FEL 770 FSL, SEC 2 BLK A42, PSL/AW SEARS SUR., A-1626 5200', 8 SW ANDREWS

Culberson County

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. W FORD (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SUNDAY SILENCE LL 2 UNIT, 410 FNL 2457 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 59 T1S, T&P/ PV HOLLEBEKE SUR., A-5556 10883', 18 NW ORLA

Ector County

BERRY OIL COMP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 5 GARDENDALE 12, 539 FWL 1949 FSL, SEC 12 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/JH BARRON SUR., A-517 11900', 11 SE ODESSA

BERRY OIL COMP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 14 GARDENDALE 12, 946 FEL 1603 FSL, SEC 12 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/ JH BARRON SUR., A-517 11900', 11 SE ODESSA

BERRY OIL COMP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 13 GARDENDALE 12, 1727 FEL 1606 FSL, SEC 12 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/ JH BARRON SUR., A-517 11900', 11 SE ODESSA

BERRY OIL COMP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 8 GARDENDALE 12, 470 FSL 2398 FWL, SEC 12 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/ JH BARRON SUR., A-517 11900', 11 SE ODESSA

BERRY OIL COMP. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 GARDENDALE 12, 467 FWL 1620 FNL, SEC 12 BLK 42 T1S, T&P/JH BARRON SUR., A-517 11900', 12 SE ODESSA

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP SALLIE ANN (SPRA-WC) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 53H TATIA (SA), 2150 FSL 1225 FWL, SEC 3 BLK 42 T4S, T&P SUR., A-157 10500', 12 SE ODESSA

LINN OPERATING, INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 CATHERINE ELAINE, 1010 FWL 1557 FSL, SEC 21 BLK 43 T1N, T&P SUR., A-169 7250', 3 NE GOLDSMITH

LINN OPERATING, INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 6 JONAH, 1650 FSL 1650 FEL, SEC 23 BLK 44 T1N, T&P SUR., A-263 7250', 3 NE GOLDSMITH

LINN OPERATING, INC. GOLDSMITH (CLRFRK) (O/G) DRILL Well# 16 LOUISA, 331 FSL 1033 FWL, SEC 36 BLK 44 T1N, T&P/O CAIN SUR., A-701 7250', 1 NE GOLDSMITH

XTO ENERGY INC. GOLDSMITH (CLR-FRK) (RE-ENTER) (INJ) Well# 740RW CA GOLDSMITH ETAL, 555 FNL 2458 FEL, SEC 3 BLK 44 T1S, T&P SUR., A-271 6900', 1 SW GOLDSMITH

Glasscock County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 2 HALFMANN 21, 467 FNL 1088 FEL, SEC 21 BLK 35 T4S, T&P SUR., A-346 10300', 9 SW GARDEN CITY

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 3 POE, 517 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 35 T2S, T&P/ SC HOUSTON SUR., A-1008 10700', 8 SE STANTON

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. JAILHOUSE (FUSSELMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 4 DANIEL 2, 467 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 35 T5S, T&P/RL MCCAMANT SUR., A-890 11500', 10 SW GARDEN CITY

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. JAILHOUSE (FUSSELMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 7 LAVACA 38A, 2010 FNL 1980 FEL, SEC 38 BLK 34 T5S, T&P/ MF BOGARD SUR., A-927 11500', 13 SE GARDEN CITY

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. JAILHOUSE (FUSSELMAN) (O) DRILL Well# 7 LLANO 8A, 1980 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 8 BLK 34 T5S, T&P/R DUNBAR SUR., A-969 12000', 10 SW GARDEN CITY

Howard County

ATHLON HOLDINGS LP STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 3 LONG 13A, 467 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 33 T1N, T&P SUR., A-308 9900', 5 NW BIG SPRING

BIG STAR OIL & GAS, LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 1 TURNBERRY 27, 467 FWL 2116 FSL, SEC 27 BLK 33 T1N, T&P SUR., A-315 11000', 3 NW BIG SPRING

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3031 GUTHRIE, 660 FWL 1920 FSL, SEC 30 BLK 33 T1S, T&P/ SI CAUBLE SUR., A-1535 10600', 3 W ELBOW

THREE RIVERS OPER. CO. II LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2611 MORRIS, 760 FWL 660 FNL, SEC 26 BLK 33 T1S, T&P/RM HUDSON SUR., A-641 10500', 1 NE ELBOW

Loving County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6HS THRESHER 54-1-17, 1504 FEL 500 FSL, SEC 8 BLK 54 T1, T&P SUR., A-1420 14000', 19 NW MENTONE

OXY USA, INC. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H WALSH & WATTS, 635 FSWL 652 FSEL, SEC 83 BLK 1, W&NW SUR., A-196 15500', 1/2 S MENTONE

RKI E&P, LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H RED BLUFF 13, 220 FNL 2343 FWL, SEC 13 BLK 57 T1, T&P SUR., A-167 16000', 11 NE ORLA

RKI E&P, LLC SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H LINDSAY 2, 200 FNL 2035 FEL, SEC 2 BLK 55 T1, T&P/ MRS M KYLE SUR., A-1151 16000', 7 NE ORLA

Martin County

ATHLON ENERGY OPER. LLC PARKS (CONS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3 TOM RANCH 29, 2170 FSL 2167 FWL, SEC 29 BLK 35 T1S, T&P SUR., A-120 11000', 3 SE STANTON

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P. CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 3 STRAIN 19, 475 FEL 1850 FNL, SEC 19 BLK 35 T1N, T&P SUR., A-50 12000', 6 SE LENORAH

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. RK (STRAWN) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 13 JONES-HOLTON, 4970 FNL 5832 FEL, SEC

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246, WHEELER CSL SUR., A-610 11000', 6 NW TARZAN

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 4 SMITH 16, 660 FNL 1980 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 37 T1S, T&P/JS DAY SUR., A-643 11500', 9 SW STANTON

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP. BIZCO (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 5 FRYAR 9, 467 FNL 1630 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 36 T2N, T&P SUR., A-155 12300', 4 NW LENORAH

HENRY RESOURCES LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2011 KIMBERLY, 2214 FWL 1980 FSL, SEC 20 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/ LL REIGER SUR., A-799 12500', 10 NW MIDLAND

HENRY RESOURCES LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 3211 KIMBERLY, 2267 FWL 2414 FSL, SEC 32 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/ LO DUNN SUR., A-646 12500', 8 NW MIDLAND

HENRY RESOURCES LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 637 KIMBERLY, 1322 FEL 1320 FSL, SEC 6 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/LO DUNN SUR., A-722 12500', 24 NW STANTON

HENRY RESOURCES LLC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 636 KIMBERLY, 1352 FEL 2663 FNL, SEC 6 BLK 39 T1N, T&P/LO DUNN SUR., A-722 12500', 24 NW STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SALE RANCH 16A, 2439 FSL 577 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/HT WILSON SUR., A-666 10000', 11 NW STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H SALE RANCH 16B, 2965 FNL 1680 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 37 T1N, T&P/ HT WILSON SUR., A-666 10800', 11 NW STANTON

PRIME OPERATING CO. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 9 SCHENECKER 13, 2080 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 13 BLK 38 T1N, T&P SUR., A-275 12000', 9 SW TARZAN

Midland County

BREITBURN OPERATING L.P. PETTY 48 (U STRAWN) (O) DRILL Well# 2 HENSON 35, 1301 FWL 911 FSL, SEC 35 BLK 36 T1S, T&P SUR., A-489 9525', 3 S STANTON

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 28H ET ODANIEL, 690 FNL 1180 FEL, SEC 3, S WRIGHT SUR., A-1011 10000', 15 SE MIDLAND

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 24H ET ODANIEL, 690 FNL 1840 FEL, SEC 3, S WRIGHT SUR., A-1011 10000', 15 SE MIDLAND

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 23H ET ODANIEL, 690 FNL 1885 FEL, SEC 3, S WRIGHT SUR., A-1011 10000', 15 SE MIDLAND

XTO ENERGY, INC. SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H ELONA BROWN 35, 200 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 35 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-115 9700', 24 SE MIDLAND

XTO ENERGY, INC. SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H FRANK MIDKIFF 26, 200 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 26 BLK 38 T4S, T&P/RC CAUBLE SUR., A-868 9720', 22 SE MIDLAND

Mitchell County

BEDIAS LAND & CATTLE, LLC TRULOCK (STRAWN) DRILL (INJ) Well# 2 SUSAN FARR SWD, 1136 FNL 2150 FWL, SEC 46 BLK 25, T&P/ FH LITTLEHALE SUR., A-703 6500', 1/4 NW LORAINE

BEDIAS LAND & CATTLE, LLC TRULOCK (STRAWN) DRILL (INJ) Well# 1 SUSAN FARR SWD, 1020 FNL 2478 FEL, SEC 46 BLK 25, T&P/ FH LITTLEHALE SUR., A-703 6500', 1/4 NW LORAINE

PRIDE ENERGY CO. TURNER-GRGRY (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 5 MURPHY, 330 FSL 1649 FWL, SEC 24 BLK 29 T1N, T&P/ FP MURPHY SUR., A-1300 3500', 6 NW WESTBROOK

PRIDE ENERGY CO. TURNER-GRGRY (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 7 MURPHY, 2320 FSL 330 FWL, SEC 24 BLK 29 T1N, T&P/ FP MURPHY SUR., A-1300 3500', 6 NW WESTBROOK

PRIDE ENERGY CO. TURNER-GRGRY (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 8 MURPHY, 2320 FSL 1650 FWL, SEC 24 BLK 29 T1N, T&P/ FP MURPHY SUR., A-1300 3500', 6 NW WESTBROOK

PRIDE ENERGY CO. TURNER-GRGRY (CLRFRK) (O) DRILL Well# 6 MURPHY, 1660 FSL 330 FWL, SEC 24 BLK 29 T1N, T&P/ FP MURPHY SUR., A-1300 3500', 6 NW WESTBROOK

Pecos County

KINDER MORGAN PROD. CO. LLC YATES (O/G) (HORZ) (RECOMP) Well# 39D29 YATES FIELD UNIT, 135 FSL 3712 FEL, SEC 62 BLK 1, I&GN SUR., A-728 1999', 1 S IRAAN

PT PETROLEUM, LLC WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 1801 CUNNING WOLF UL, 660 FEL 1980 FSL, SEC 18 BLK 23, UL SUR., A-U181 9600', 11 SE FORT STOCKTON

Reeves County

ATLANTIC EXPL., LLC WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4H CABRITO STATE, 200 FNL 500 FEL, SEC 26 BLK 6, H&GN/JD CASSELL SUR., A-3977 11500', 5 SE PECOS

CIMAREX ENERGY CO. PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H ANACONDA STATE 55-2, 400 FSL 1337 FEL, SEC 6 BLK 55 T3S, T&P/FO HOOVER SUR., A-5497 11725', 11 SW MENTONE

COG OPERATING, LLC HOEFS T-K (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 8505H RED WILLOW, 333 FWL 250 FNL, SEC 176 BLK 1, H&TC/EF ROSENBAUM SUR., A-4919 12000', 25 SW PECOS

PATRIOT RES., INC. WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H LEMUR UNIT 24, 200 FSL 1660 FEL, SEC 24 BLK C1, PUBLIC SCHOOL LANDS SUR. 13000', 21 SE PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H TALL TEXAN STATE 36, 360 FNL 1070 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 6, H&GN/WH GEMMER SUR., A-3935 12000', 7 S PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL(HORZ) Well# 4H TALL TEXAN STATE 36, 360 FNL 2140 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 6, H&GN/WH GEMMER SUR., A-3935 12000', 7 S PECOS

ROSETTA RES. OPER. LP WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL(HORZ) Well# 2H TALL TEXAN STATE 36, 360 FNL 1045 FEL, SEC 36 BLK 6, H&GN/WH GEMMER SUR., A-3935 12000', 7 S PECOS

Ward County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H LINK 1-32 UNIT, 300 FSWL 660 FNWL, SEC 32 BLK 1, W&NW/ JT & JPF FINN SUR., A-1248 14000', 10 SE MENTONE

JETTA OPERATING CO., INC. SCOTT (CHERRY CNYN) (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 7 BARSTOW 22, 263 FSEL 984 FNEL, SEC 36 BLK 33, H&TC/JM ABBOTT SUR., A-1025 7000', 2 SE BARSTOW

Winkler County

STOUT ENERGY, INC. KERMIT (O) DRILL Well# 15 RIO SIETE, 940 FNL 380 FEL, SEC 34 BLK 26, PSL SUR., A-1532 3350', 3 W KERMIT

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Dawson County

RAW O&G, INC. ADCOCK (SPRABERRY) (O) DRILL Well# 4 DARRELL, 2176 FSL 2175 FWL, SEC 4 BLK 2, J POITEVENT/ CL WASSON SUR., A-769 8900', 11 NE LAMESA

W & T OFFSHORE, INC. BIZCO (MISSISSIPPIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 2 MALVASIA, 2439 FSL 330 FEL, BORDEN CSL/LEAGUE 262/ LABOR 21 SUR., A-399 12500', 14 SW LAMESA

Gaines County

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC. FLOREY (O) DRILL Well# 3 PARMER 2-317, 660 FSL 660 FWL, SEC 317, PARMER CSL/LB 2 SUR., A-1380 12600', 18 SE SEMINOLE

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., N ROBERTSON (CLRFRK) DRILL (INJ) Well# 408 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1035 FSL 2485 FEL, SEC 19 BLK A24, PSL/WE POOL SUR., A-600 7600', 10 SW SEMINOLE

SHERIDAN PRODUCTION CO., LLC N ROBERTSON (CLRFRK) DRILL (INJ) Well# 407 SOUTH CENTRAL ROBERTSON UNIT, 1135 FSL 1537 FEL, SEC 19 BLK A24, PSL/WE POOL SUR., A-600 7600', 10 SW SEMINOLE

Lynn County

CALLON PETRO. OPERATING CO. DUNIGAN (ELLENBURGER) (O) DRILL Well# 1 TUBBS, 1160 FNL 500 FWL, SEC 469 BLK 1, EL&RR SUR., A-37 10000', 3 SE TAHOKA

Scurry County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. COGDELL (AREA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 6050 COGDELL CANYON REEF UNIT, 2046 FSL 658 FEL, SEC 704 BLK 97, H&TC/ MT BRADLEY JR SUR., A-2240 8000', 16 N SNYDER

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. COGDELL (AREA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 6012 COGDELL CANYON REEF UNIT, 464 FNL 738 FWL, SEC 615 BLK 97, H&TC SUR., A-419 7500', 14 N SNYDER

PARALLEL PETROLEUM LLC DIAMOND M (CNYN LIME) (O) DRILL Well# I 9R LION DIAMOND M UNIT, 741 FSL 388 FWL, SEC 196 BLK 97, H&TC/HC MCCORMICK SUR., A-2687 7500', 9 SW SNYDER

PARALLEL PETROLEUM LLC DIAMOND M (CNYN LIME) (O) DRILL Well# J 5AR LION DIAMOND M UNIT, 2394 FSL 1341 FWL, SEC 197 BLK 97, H&TC/JD SEARS SUR., A-2169 7500', 10 SW SNYDER

PARALLEL PETROLEUM LLC DIAMOND M (CNYN LIME) (O) DRILL Well# N 3B LION DIAMOND M UNIT, 2600 FNL 1046 FEL, SEC 199 BLK 97, H&TC/JD SEARS SUR., A-2164 7500', 11 W SNYDER

PARALLEL PETROLEUM LLC DIAMOND M (CNYN LIME) (O) DRILL Well# F 11B LION DIAMOND M UNIT, 2594 FNL 600 FEL, SEC 183 BLK 97, H&TC/AJ BURFORD SUR., A-2265 7500', 9 SW SNYDER

PARALLEL PETROLEUM LLC DIAMOND M (CNYN LIME) (O) DRILL Well# H 9A LION DIAMOND M UNIT, 250 FSL 636 FWL, SEC 196 BLK 97, H&TC/HC MCCORMICK SUR., A-2687 7500', 9 SW SNYDER

PARALLEL PETROLEUM LLC DIAMOND M (CNYN LIME) (O) DRILL Well# C 9R LION DIAMOND M UNIT, 1746 FNL 644 FWL, SEC 178 BLK 97, H&TC/JS COLLIER SUR., A-1934 7500', 9 SW SNYDER

Terry County

GAEA SERVICES, INC. ALEX (O) DRILL Well# 14 ALEXANDER, 1150 FEL 2250 FNL, SEC 18 BLK K, PSL/WH HARRIS SUR., A-1643 5350', 8 N TOKIO

MEMORIAL PRODUCTION OPER. LLC KINGDOM (ABO REEF) (O) DRILL Well# 315 NORTHWEST TERRY (ABO) UNIT, 569 FSL 1688 FEL, SEC 10 BLK D14, C&M/RM COPPEDGE SUR., A-1099 8200', 9 SW SUNDOWN

MEMORIAL PRODUCTION OPER. LLC KINGDOM (ABO REEF) (O) DRILL Well# 317 NORTHWEST TERRY (ABO) UNIT, 1 FNL 627 FEL, SEC 15 BLK D14, C&M SUR., A-69 8200', 9 SW SUNDOWN

Yoakum County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD. WASSON (RECOMP) (INJ) Well# 2805WC DENVER UNIT, 425 FNL 442 FEL, SEC 826 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ W WILKERSON SUR., A-660 5800', 4 NE DENVER CITY

New Mexico

Chaves County

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #1 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S R28E; 330/S & 990/E; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64198

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #2 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S R28E; 1650/S & 990/E; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64199

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #5 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S R28E; 2310/N & 890/E; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64193

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #6 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S R28E; 2310/N & 1945/E; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64194

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #7 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S & 28E; 2310/N & 1600/W; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64195

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #8 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S R28E; 1900/S & 1500/W; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64196

Mack Energy Corp. Calgary Federal #11 Round Tank; Sec 24 T15S R28E; 1800/S & 2310/E; 17 mi SE Lake Arthur; Rot 3500 San Andres; API #30-005-64197

Eddy County

Occidental Permian Ltd. Pooh 27 State #1 Artesia; Sec 27 T17S R28E; 1206/N & 1757/E; 12 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 5200 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42155

Occidental Permian Ltd. Pooh 27 State #2 Artesia; Sec 27 T17S R28E; 802/N & 368/E; 12 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 5200 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42154

Occidental Permian Ltd. Pooh 26 State #3 Artesia; Sec 27 T17S R28E; 1731/N & 1510/E; 12 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 5200 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42153

LRE Operating LLC Enron State #21 NE Red Lake; Sec 32 T17S R28E; 385/N & 900/W; 12 1/2 mi SW Artesia; 4250 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42156

LRE Operating LLC Kersey State #7 Artesia; Sec 32 T17S R28E; 400/S & 330/E; 12 1/2 mi SW Artesia; Rot 5100 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42162

LRE Operating LLC Kersey State #8 Artesia; Sec 32 T17S R28S; 1650/S & 330/E; 12 1/2 mi SW Artesia; Rot 5100 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42163

COG Operating LLC Burch Keely Unit #932 Burch Keely; Sec 18 T17S R30E; 1864/N & 323/W; 5 mi SW Loco Hills; Rot 10005 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42186

Apache Corp. Crow Federal #38 Fren; Sec 3 T17S R31E; 1035/S & 505/W; 6 mi NW Maljamar; Rot 11467 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42143

Apache Corp. Lee Federal #68 Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 2120/N & 370/E; 5 mi E Loco Hills; Rot 6407 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42188

Apache Corp. Lee Federal #78 Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 2125/S & 2345/E; 5 mi E Loco Hills; Rot 6500 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42189

Apache Corp. Lee Federal #79 Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 1710/S & 330/W; 5 mi E Loco Hills; Rot 6500 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42190

Apache Corp. Lee Federal #86 Cedar Lake; Sec 20 T17S R31E; 330/S & 330/W; 5 mi E Loco Hills; Rot 6500 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42056

COG Operating LLC Sherman 4 Fee #10 Atoka; Sec 33 T18S R26E; 150/S & 330/W; 5 mi NW Lakewood; Rot 7944 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42152

Mewbourne Oil Co. Leo 15 DA Fed Com #1 E Loco Hills; Sec 15 T18S R30E; 330/N & 370/W; 5 mi SE Loco Hills; Rot 12656 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42185

Nadel & Gussman Permian LLC Kyle 34 Federal #2 Willow Lake; Sec 34 T24S R28E; 330/S & 330/W; 4 mi S Malaga; Rot 12602 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42187

Cimarex Energy Co. White City 8 Federal #3 Cottonwood Draw; Sec 8 T25S R27E; 330/S & 2030/W; 4 mi SE Black River; Rot 11791 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42160

Cimarex Energy Co. White City 8 Federal #4 Cottonwood Draw; Sec 8 T25S R27E; 330/S & 2030/E; 4 mi SE Black River; Rot 11792 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42161

COG Production LLC Mescal 22 Federal #4 SE Willow Lake; Sec 22 T25S R29E; 2050/N & 190/E; 14 mi SE Malaga; Rot 12318 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42157

BOPCO LP PLU Ross Ranch 20 25 30 USA #2 Corral Canyon; Sec 17 T25S R30E; 290/S & 675/E; 16 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18064 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42158

Cimarex Energy Co. Hornsby 35 Federal #6 Hay Hollow; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2220/W; 15 mi SE Malaga; Rot 14412 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42151

Mewbourne Oil Co. Peterson 7PM Fed Com #1 Red Lake; Sec 8 T18S R27E; 310/S & 640/W; 7 mi SE Artesia; Rot 8361 Glo/Yeso; API #30-015-42124

Mewbourne Oil Co. Mirage 30B2HE St Com #1 Parkway; Sec 30 T19S R29E; 1700/N & 150/E; 15 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 12100 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42131

BOPCO LP James Ranch Unit #190 Los Medanos; Sec 36 T22S R30E; 630/N & 370/E; 15 mi SW Halfway; Rot 20652 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42145

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DEVELOPMENTAL WELLS

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Mack Energy Corp.
Lava Fee #1
Cass Draw; Sec 3 T23S R27E; 990/S & 1150/E; 1 mi SW Otis; Rot 9500 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42136

Strata Production Co.
Roadrunner Fed Com #3
Forty Niner Ridge; Sec 23 T23S R30E; 1980/N & 750/E; 14 mi E Loving; Rot 11755 Delaware; API #30-015-42114

COG Operating LLC
El Jimador Fed #3
W Corral Canyon; Sec 23 T25S R29E; 190/S & 1650/W; 10 mi SE Malaga; Rot 11566 Delaware; API #30-015-42125

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Cotton Draw 10 Federal Com #3
Paduca; Sec 10 T25S R31E; 200/N & 1200/E; 18 mi SE Malaga; Rot 15050 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42126

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Cotton Draw 10 Federal Com #4
Paduca; Sec 10 T25S R31E; 200/N & 1150/E; 18 mi SE Malaga; Rot 14952 Bone Spring; API 330-015-42127

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Blast BLA Federal Com #2
Welch; Sec 20 T26S R27E; 1030/N & 15/E; 12 mi SE Black River; Rot 12343 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42146

Yates Petroleum Corp.
Blast BLA Federal Com #3
Welch; Sec 21 T26S R27E; 1040/N & 13/W; 13 mi SE Black River; Rot 12363 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42147

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #9
Hay Hollow; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1940/E; 14 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 14420 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42137

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #12
Hay Hollow; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 710/E; 14 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 14437 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42138

COG Operating LLC
SRO State Com #64
Hay Hollow; Sec 10 T26S R28E; 2450/N & 710/W; 11 mi SW Malaga; Rot 16896 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42130

COG Operating LLC
SRO State Com #65
Hay Hollow; Sec 17 T26S R28E; 190/N & 2020/E; 12 1/2 mi SW Malaga; Rot 19048 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42129

ConocoPhillips Co.
Stampede Fed 27 M #1
Seismic Monitor; Sec 27 T26S R31E; 2157/S & 1320/W; 23 mi SE Malaga; Rot 14210 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42118

Lea County

COG Operating LLC
Sneed 9 Federal #6
W Maljamar; Sec 9 T17S R32E; 2310/N & 990/W; 1 mi SW Maljamar; Rot 7000 Yeso; API #30-025-41739

COG Operating LLC
Sneed 9 Federal #8
W Maljamar; Sec 9 T17S R32E; 2310/N & 2310/W; 1 mi SW Maljamar; Rot 7000 Yeso; API #30-025-41741

Texland Petroleum-Hobbs
Simmons Estate #7
Shipp Strawn; Sec 3 T17S R37E; 1650/S & 970/W; 4 1/2 mi NW Humble City; Rot 11500 Strawn; API #30-025-41738

COG Operating LLC
Scooter Federal Com #1
S Corbin; Sec 23 T18S R33E; 190/N & 460/W; 9 mi SW Buckeye; Rot 14111 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41737

Yates Petroleum Co.
Junction BVJ State #1
S Vacuum; Sec 36 T18S R35E; 250/S & 660/E; 3 mi W Arkansas Junction; Rot 13806 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41742

Morexco Inc.
Oso Negro #2
E Bishop Canyon; Sec 13 T18S R38E; 660/N & 467/W; 2 mi NE Hobbs; Rot 5000 San Andres; API #30-025-41746

Yates Petroleum Co.
Tomato BVO State #1
Featherstone; Sec 16 T20S R35E; 200/S & 660/E; 12 mi NW Oil Center; Rot 12209 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41743

Yates Petroleum Co.
Toucan BUY State #1
San Simon; Sec 27 T21S R35E; 200/N & 660/W; 6 mi SW Oil Center; Rot 14209 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41745

Yates Petroleum Co.
Cable BVL State #1
Rock Lake; Sec 22 T22S R35E; 200/S & 660/W; 12 mi SW Eunice; Rot 12892 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41702

Oxy USA Inc.
Copperhead 18 State SWD #1
SWD; Sec 18 T24S R33E; 2310/N & 2310/E; 9 mi NW Ochoa; Rot 6759 Delaware; API #30-025-41735

Yates Petroleum Co.
Caravan State Unit #10
Triste Draw; Sec 33 T24S R33E; 15/N & 2150/E; 8 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 15808 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41744

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Excalibur 17 LI Fed Com #1
Tonto; Sec 17 T19S R33E; 1700/S & 210/W; 8 mi NE Halfway; Rot 14445 Bone Spring; API #30-025-41701

Apache Corp.
North Monument G/SA Unit #433
Eunice Monument; Sec 20 T19S R37E; 1310/N & 1330/W; 1 mi NW Monument; Rot 4200 Grayburg; API #30-025-41704

Apache Corp.
North Monument G/SA Unit #434
Eunice Monument; Sec 30 T19S R37E; 1310/N & 1310/E; 3 mi NW Oil Center; Rot 4200 Grayburg; API #30-025-41705

Nearburg Producing Company
Laguna 23 Federal Com #4
S Lea; Sec 23 T20S 34E; 50/S & 810/W; 12 mi E Halfway; Rot 14365 Bone Spring; API #30-25-41700

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COG OPERATING, LLC WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL Well# 1401 DR STATE CENTRAL, 1320 FNL 1320 FWL, SEC 14 BLK 61 T1S, T&P/IJ BELL SUR., A-4760 12000', 63 NW PECOS

New Mexico

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COG Operating LLC
Jack Federal #2
Wildcat; Sec 31 T12S R27E; 240/N & 330/W; 6 mi NE Dexter; Rot 11891 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42132

COG Operating LLC
Jack Federal #3
Wildcat; Sec 31 T25S R27E; 206N & 2360/W; 8 mi SE Black River; Rot 12016 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42133

COG Operating LLC
Jack Federal #4
Wildcat; Sec 31 T25S R27E; 190/N & 2310/E; 8 mi SE Black River; Rot 12041 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42134

COG Operating LLC
Jack Federal #5
Wildcat; Sec 31 T25S R27E; 190/N & 500/E; 8 mi SE Black River; Rot 12101 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42135

Mewbourne Oil Co.
Glock 17 LI Federal #1
Wildcat; Sec 17 T20S R29E; 1760/S & 150/W; 12 mi NE Carlsbad; Rot 13554 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42115

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 29 Fed Com #3
Wildcat; Sec 29 T26S R27E; 210/N & 790/W; 13 mi SW Black River; Rot 14119 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42148

Cimarex Energy Co.
Cabrera 34 Fed Com #2
Wildcat; Sec 34 T26S R27E; 1030/S & 210/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 14209 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42128

Cimarex Energy Co.
Cabrera 34 Federal #3
Wildcat; Sec 34 T26S R27E; 1070/S & 210/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 12255 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42122

Devon Energy Production Company LP
Snapping 2 St #13
Wildcat; Sec 2 T26S R31E; 200/S & 2375/W; 21 mi SE Malaga; Rot 16044 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42113

ConocoPhillips Co.
Stampede Fed WC 34 #1
Wildcat; Sec 34 T26S R31E; 250/S & 380/W; 23 mi SE Malaga; Rot 18414 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42123

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 29 Fed Com #1
Wildcat; Sec 29 T26S R27E; 210/S & 710/W; 13 mi SE Black River; Rot 16156 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42176

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 29 Fed Com #2
Wildcat; Sec 29 T26S R27E; 210/N & 750/W; 13 mi SE Black River; Rot 15926 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42177

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 29 Fed Com #4
Wildcat; Sec 29 T26S R27E; 210/N & 1390/W; 13 mi SE Black River; Rot 16189 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42178

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 29 Fed Com #5
Wildcat; Sec 29 T26S R27E; 210/N & 1430/W; 13 mi SE Black River; Rot 15960 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42179

Cimarex Energy Co.
Klein 33 Federal Com #7
Wildcat; Sec 33 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2630/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 16347 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42180

Cimarex Energy Co.
Klein 33 Federal Com #8
Wildcat; Sec 33 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2490/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 16164 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42181

Cimarex Energy Co.
Klein 33 Federal Com #10
Wildcat; Sec 33 T26S R27E; 210/S & 750/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 16196 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42182

Cimarex Energy Co.
Klein 33 Federal Com #11
Wildcat; Sec 33 T26S R27E; 210/S & 710/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 16014 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42183

Cimarex Energy Co.
Klein 33 Federal Com #12
Wildcat; Sec 33 T26S R27E; 210/S & 670/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 14162 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42159

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Fed Com #7
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2020/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 16118 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42172

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Fed Com #8
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1980/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 15890 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42173

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Fed Com #9
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1940/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 14082 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42149

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Fed Com #10
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 790/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 16127 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42174

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Fed Com #11
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 750/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 15899 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42175

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Fed Com #12
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 710/E; 14 mi SE Black River; Rot 14093 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42150

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #2
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1270/W; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16228 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42165

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #4
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2140/W; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16412 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42166

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #5
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2180/W; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16232 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42167

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #7
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 2020/E; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16427 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42168

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #8
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1980/E; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16245 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42169

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #10
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 790/E; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16445 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42170

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #11
Wildcat; Sec 35 T26S R27E; 210/S & 750/E; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16264 Wolfcamp; API #30/015-42171

Cimarex Energy Co.
Hornsby 35 Fed Com #1
Wildcat; Sec 36 T26S R27E; 210/S & 1230/W; 13 1/2 mi SE Black River; Rot 16411 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-42164

RKI Exploration & Productin LLC
RDX Fed Com 10 #10
Wildcat; Sec 10 T26S R30E; 2310/S & 1090/W; 16 mi SE Malaga; Rot 15180 Bone Spring; API #30-015-42184

Scott Land Co., LLC

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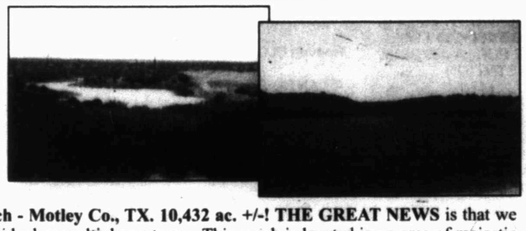

WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY to offer the Walker Canyon Ranch - Motley Co., TX. 10,432 ac. +/-! THE GREAT NEWS is that we can sell this ranch as a whole or it can be divided and purchased in individual or multiple pastures. This ranch is located in an area of majestic plateaus and canyons on the western edge of the Rolling Plains. The outstanding feature of this ranch is a beautiful, large lake created by damming up spring-fed Hornica Creek. This 98.5 acre permitted lake provides an excellent water source for cattle, fishing and wildlife that populate the ranch. This property is away from it all but is close enough to enjoy from many locations. Four hours or less from Fort Worth or Midland, two and a half hours or less from Abilene and Amarillo and just an hour and a half from Lubbock or is 40 miles to a public airport in either Paducah or Floydada. The ranch has one and a half miles +/- of highway frontage and an extensive road network throughout the ranch. The ranch has good perimeter fencing with adequate cross fencing and is made up of rolling hills, mesas and valleys and some bottom land. This is a solid turf, grama grass country with mesquite and some cedar trees which offer excellent wildlife hunting including whitetail and mule deer, quail, turkey, dove, and ducks. The property could be made into a hunting showplace with the exceptional water offered by the huge, spring-fed lake. The ranch is watered by a combination of windmills, pipeline from a pumping station at the lake and earthen dams located strategically throughout the ranch. Located on the ranch are a barn and a foreman's home which could also be used as a hunting or weekend cabin. This is an excellent ranch with tremendous upside potential for being developed as a trophy property in the heart of the true ranching country of Texas.
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