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CDBG funds may be cut by 16 percent

Federal allocation assists with housing, public services

By Kathleen Petty
Staff Writer

The city of Midland is expecting a nearly 16 percent cut in its Community Development Block Grant fund allocation during the coming fiscal year.

How the city will prioritize needs and allocate funds still coming in is what officials are working toward. Whatever the outcome, not all requests for funding will be met, said Sylvester Cantu, Community Development administrator.

"Something's going to get cut, regardless," Cantu said.

To determe where money should go, the Community Development office has scheduled a March 8 public meeting to allow residents to comment on what they would like to see.

Applications from nonprofits and others seeking funding will be accepted through April 21. The City Council then will host two public hearings on the issue before taking a vote this summer on where to allocate the funds.

Cantu said they will work to fund housing, assistance for senior citizens, day care and other programs currently supported through the federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. But, he said with $699,035 expected for the 2013 fiscal year, down from the $830,012 received for fiscal year 2012, money is limited.

Funds already had been cut in recent years. The $830,012 received for this year was down about 16 percent from what had been allocated to Midland in fiscal year 2010, according to Reporter-Telegram records.

The decrease in Midland's funding is fairly typical of what's going on statewide, Cantu said. The CDBG program, which is administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, has simply had less money to allocate.

"Nationally, everybody is losing from 13 to up to 20 percent," he said.

How much is given to each city depends on demographics, including population figures, poverty rates and the age of housing.

Cantu said allocations are made based on data from a few years back, which this year likely helped Midland. The city's booming economy means when 2012 data is used, funding could drop further, he said.

In 2011, the council voted to use CDBG funds to provide assistance to first-time homebuyers considered low-income. It also is funding the reconstruction and minor repair of some homes, according to the city's action plan.

Additionally, money is being used to supplement child care costs for low-income families, to fund meals and home cleaning assistance for senior citizens and to demolish or remove dilapidated structures.

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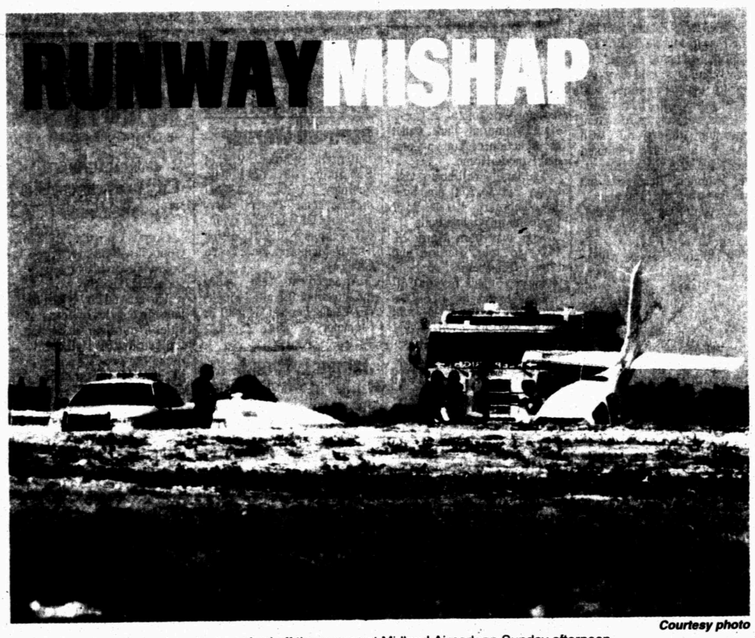

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Investigators examine a plane that crashed off the runway at Midland Airpark on Sunday afternoon.

Plane crashes off runway at Midland Airpark

From staff reports

Three people walked away uninjured from a crash off a Midland Airpark runway Sunday afternoon, according to officials.

A single-engine Cirrus SR22 four-seater plane was landing at the airpark when it crashed off the end of the runway around 12:53 p.m., said city of Midland spokeswoman Tasa Watts. There were two passengers in addition to the pilot on the plane, and no severe damage was reported from the minor accident. The crash will be investigated by Lubbock Flight Standards District Offices, Watts said.

Fire chief plans station modernization

By James Cannon
Staff Writer

The Midland Fire Department chief's vision for Station 10 is one step closer to being realized after the City Council approved an architectural and engineering firm.

The City Council approved a resolution authorizing the city manager and city attorney to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper to perform architectural and engineering services for providing design, plans, specifications and architectural services for the construction of Fire Station 10 Wednesday, but Fire Chief Robert Isbell already is planning beyond that initial step.

Isbell said there is no way to tell what the future holds for Midland, but his department has to be able to plan for new technology advances and population growth decades in advance to ensure Station 10 will still be efficient and effective.

He said several of the stations in use were built in the 1950s and don't really meet the needs of the modern firefighter. The engine bays are too small for today's larger trucks. As it stands now, there are only a few of the nine stations in use that can fit Midland's only ladder truck. In an effort to make sure newly-built stations aren't as outdated in the future, he's beginning to plan for tomorrow.

Most of the details have yet to be decided, but one thing Isbell has decided is the new station will have video conferencing capabilities built into the architectural designs. Firefighters and administration personnel have to leave the fire district for training or meetings, but with the advent of video conferencing, Isbell hopes that will be a thing of the past.

"With video conferencing, our guys won't

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Wadley credits three giants for making Midland more than just an Odessa suburb

MIDLAND 101
By Jimmy Patterson

Midland and Odessa have always enjoyed an eventful relationship. There has been competition for business, educational facilities, transportation hubs, event centers and tourism dollars.

If the friendship marker between the two cities on State Highway 191 could talk, it might say what former Midland Mayor Bobby Burns said of the two towns, in particular how Midland feels about its neighbor to the west: "I've got a brother I love dearly, but I still love to beat him every time we play a sport together," Burns said. "I don't know why we're competitive. It's just part of our nature — part of who we are."

Addison Wadley — the man for whom one of Midland's most well-traveled streets is named — came to Midland in 1884. Wadley, who ran a dry goods store here from 1916-46, said the relationship between Midland and Odessa might never have happened if not for the vision of three men who changed the course of both cities.

"Midland has always been a good town, but for its splendid progress and growth, since the advent of oil," Wadley told the Reporter-Telegram in the 1950s. "I give special credit to three men: T.S. Hogan, who built the Petroleum Building; Dr. John B. Thomas, who built the Thomas Building; and Clarence Scharbauer, who built the Scharbauer Hotel. But for the foresight and vision of these three in particular, I believe Midland would have only been a town of 6,000, just a suburb of Odessa."

Note: Jimmy Patterson is working on a book on the history of Midland, "The Story of Character: A History of Midland, Texas" is scheduled to be published in 2013.

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The friendship marker located between Midland and Odessa.

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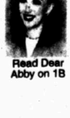

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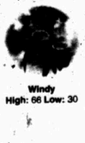

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Obituaries

Bessie Darnell King

A memorial service for Bessie Darnell King, age 69 of Seminole, Texas will be held Tuesday, February 21, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. at Boyer Funeral Home in Seminole, with family members officiating. All services are under the direction of Boyer Funeral Home.

Mrs. King passed away Friday, February 17, 2012 at her home in Seminole. She was born July 4, 1942 in Big Spring, Texas to Katie (Nichols) and Elliot Digby. She married Bobby W. King on March 22, 1959 in Lamesa, Texas. She has been a resident of Seminole since 1974, having moved from Lamesa.

Mrs. King had served as president of her chapter of Business & Professional Women. She enjoyed making wedding cakes in her spare time. She was a Baptist and very active in her church. She was a wonderful mother and a very giving and caring person.

Darnell King is preceded in death by her parents, Katie and Elliott Digby. She is survived by: Her husband, Bobby W. King, Sr. of Seminole, Texas; two sons, Bobby King, Jr. of Seminole, Texas, Russell King of Lubbock, Texas; one Godchild, Leah Anderson Clements of Lubbock, Texas; one brother, Phillip Digby of Wichita Falls, Texas; three grandchildren.

Mary "Ibby" Whitaker Hardie

Mary Elizabeth "Ibby" Whitaker Hardie went to be with our Lord Jesus Christ in heaven on Sunday, February 19, 2012. Ibby was born in El Paso, Texas, on December 7, 1921 and was the only child of Ruby May Harris Whitaker and John William Whitaker. She met the love of her life, Thornton Hardie, Jr, when she was 16 years old, and they married on December 26, 1942 in El Paso. Thornton died on February 25, 1980. She was also preceded in death by her parents, Ruby and John, and by her precious great grandson, Bowen Daniel Teeple. Surviving Ibby are her children, Mary Adele Hardie Teeple, Ann Elizabeth Hardie Reed, Thornton Hardie III and their spouses, Charles Sloan Teeple IV, William Edward Reed, and Susan Smith Hardie; her seven grandchildren, Charles Sloan Teeple V and wife Susan, Bryan Whitaker Teeple and wife Delaine, Sarah Hardie Davis and husband Gate, Elizabeth Hardie Watkins Garrett and husband Jacob, William Michael Reed, and Rebecca Ann Reed. Ibby was blessed with eleven great grandchildren, all of whom were present at her 90th birthday celebration in December, 2011.

They are Charles Sloan Teeple VI (Chase), James Hudson Teeple, Evelyn Hardie Teeple, Charles Whitaker Teeple (Whit), Adele Chapman Teeple, Eleanor Thornton Davis, Wiley James Davis, Elise Hardie Garrett, Katherine Gillary Garrett, Ada Carolyn Peeples, and Mary Winborne Peeples. In 1967-68, the Hardie family hosted an American Field Service foreign exchange student, Fabio Schiantarelli, from Sondrio, Italy, whom is loved and considered part of the family, and with whom they have maintained contact through the years.

Ibby received her BA degree in English from the University of Texas at El Paso which was then the Texas College of Mines and Metallurgy. She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority, receiving her 50 year pin many years ago. She also attended the University of Texas in Austin for one year prior to World War II.

Ibby moved to Midland in 1947 after her husband, Thornton, graduated from the University of Texas Law School. She became a member of First Presbyterian Church where she remained the rest of her life. She served as a deacon and an elder, and she and Thornton taught 4th grade Sunday school for many years. She served as a Circle leader and Moderator of Presbyterian Women. Ibby was a founding member of the Midland Service League and a charter member of the Junior League of Midland where she served as President and Vice President, Secretary and chaired numerous committees. She was a board member of Community Chest and of the Family Counseling Service, as well as the Midland Opera Theater and Symphony Guild.

For many years, Ibby and Thornton enjoyed their home at Blue Lake Estates on Lake LBJ near Marble Falls. The family gathered there for most holidays, and they enjoyed many vacations and weekends with family and friends. They also loved traveling the world with friends, and Ibby continued her travels for many years after Thornton's death. She felt blessed that she was able to take each of her seven grandchildren on trips to Spain and London.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, February 22 at 10:00am at First Presbyterian Church, 800 West Texas Avenue, with Rev. Steve Schorr officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home of Midland, Texas. Condolences may be made at: www.ellisfunerals.com.

A reception will be held afterward in the Church Parlor. A private burial will be held prior to the memorial service in Resthaven Memorial Park under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. Honorary pallbearers will be grandsons Sloan Teeple, Bryan Teeple, and Michael Reed, and her granddaughters' spouses, Jacob Garrett, Gate Davis and Ray Peeples.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to First Presbyterian Church Deacons Fund, Midland Memorial Hospital, and High Sky Children's Ranch or to a charity of choice.

The family would like to give heartfelt appreciation and thanks to the wonderful team of caregivers Mom has had, and to the beautiful people who worked with her for many years. We are forever thankful for Dr. Summer Merritt, Alice Saenz, Willie B Johnson, Carmen Payan, Telma Ward, Mary Leon, Yolanda Guzman, Sara Herrera, Cecilia Montoya, Anna Diaz, Melissa Cooper, and Lissett Olandez, and, of course, Sixto!

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Nina Kovalchuk

Nina Kovalchuk, 89, of Hemet, California, died Thursday, February 16, 2012.

Services will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2012, in the Miller-Jones Chapel at 4pm in Hemet. The graveside service will be held at 1:30pm Wednesday. Arrangements by Miller-Jones Mortuary.

Nina was born February 14, 1923 in the Ukraine. After surviving World War II in Germany, she immigrated to Canada. In 1962, she moved to San Angelo, Texas and settled in Midland, Texas the following year. She was a long time active member of Crestview Baptist Church in Midland.

After retiring in 2002, she moved to Hemet, California to reunite with her brothers and sisters who had recently immigrated to the United States from the Ukraine.

Her kind spirit and unwavering prayer support will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

She is survived by her two children, Jerry of Amarillo, Texas, and Elaine of Odessa, Texas, five grandchildren, three great grandchildren, and several nieces and nephews in California, British Columbia and the Ukraine.

Thomas Sterling Schalk

Thomas Sterling Schalk, 87, of Wichita Falls passed away, Thursday, February 16, 2012. Funeral services are scheduled for 11:00 am, Monday, February 20, at First United Methodist Church, with Rev. Paul Goodrich officiating, assisted by Dr. Isaac Butterworth of First Presbyterian Church. Interment will follow at Crestview Memorial Park under the direction of Lunn's Colonial Funeral Home.

The family will host a visitation 5:00 to 7:00 pm, Sunday, February 19, at 2512 Beefeater in Wichita Falls.

Tom was born April 28, 1924, to John Sterling and Lilly Elizabeth Arabella (Johnson) Schalk in Fort Collins, Colorado. In 1929, the family began a series of moves that began in Beverly Hills, California.

In 1931, they moved to Abilene, Texas, then to Tyler, Texas, in 1933.

The family ended up in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1937. Tom graduated in 1941 from Central High School in Tulsa, and then attended Oklahoma A&M in Stillwater for one and a half years.

In 1943, Tom was inducted into the Army Air Corps at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. The army sent Tom to study premeteorology at the University of New Mexico and later to Cal-Tech. In 1997, Tom discovered he'd earned a Masters Degree in Meteorology from Cal-Tech. Upon graduation, Tom was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant, and was then assigned to Chanute Field, Illinois, where he played basketball on an air corps team. After being discharged from the corps in 1946 and achieving the rank of 1st lieutenant, Tom returned to Casper, Wyoming, where he played semi-pro basketball for Western Oil Tool. In 1949, Tom obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Petroleum Engineering after attending the Colorado School of Mines for three and one-half years.

Tom began his career in the oil business in 1949 while working for Sharples Oil Company in Midland, Texas, where he played basketball for Rotary Engineering Company.

On September, 8, 1951, Tom married Betty June White. They began a family with the birth of their three children, James Sterling Schalk, John Thomas Schalk, and Susan Schalk. Tom lost the love of his life in January, 2002. Several days before Betty's death, the void in his heart was filled by the birth of his one and only grandchild, Gigi.

Tom was an independent oil producer from 1957 until his retirement last week. He was a registered professional engineer in Texas and New Mexico. He was a member of the Society of Petroleum Engineers, North Texas Oil and Gas Association, Midcontinent Oil and Gas Association, and the Texas Independent Producers and Royalty Owners Association.

Tom loved fly fishing, bird hunting, golf, basketball, and most of all baseball. He was confirmed in the Episcopal Church, attended First Presbyterian Church for over 40 years, and recently attended First United Methodist Church. In his last month of life Tom had five compassionate caregivers who helped him through his days and loved him well. His family would like to thank Breeanne, Marguerite, Crystal, Robin, and Susan for taking such good care of him. Tom had a special angel on earth who lovingly cared for him until his final breath and for Laurie Proctor's unique love and attention, his family is incredibly grateful.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents and wife, Betty June, son Jim, brother John Eldon Schalk, and sister Nancy Ann Schalk. He is survived by one son, John Schalk and wife Denise Haywood of Wichita Falls, daughter, Susan Schalk, of Claremore, Oklahoma, and his granddaughter, Gigi Schalk, of Wichita Falls.

The family requests memorials be made to the Possum Kingdom East Volunteer Fire Department, P.O. Box 343, Graford, Texas, 76449, or the Polycystic Kidney Disease Foundation, 8330 Ward Parkway, Suite 510, Kansas City, Missouri, 64114-2000.

Condolences to the family may be made online at www.lunnscolonial.com.

Death Notices

Bertram Warner

Bertram Warner, 91, of Big Spring, died on Friday, February 17, 2012 in a local nursing home. Funeral services will be 4:00 PM Monday, February 20, 2012 at the Trinity Memorial Park Peace Chapel.

Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory, Big Spring, Texas.

James L. Welch

James L. Welch, 66, Big Spring, died Thursday, February 16, 2012, in Lubbock.

Funeral services 10:00 AM, Monday, February 20, 2012 at the Nalley-Pickle & Welch Rosewood Chapel. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park. Visitation from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM, Sunday, February 19, 2012, at the funeral home.

Survivors: wife, Susie Welch of Big Spring; children, Laurie Nuta, Michael Magee, Scott Welch, Susan Lazor, and James Welch II; mother, Edwina Welch-Reagan; brother, Thomas Welch, Jr.; sisters, Sharon Fisher and Debra Riddle; sister-in-law; fourteen grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Arrangements directed by Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

Rita Daniel Palmer

Rita Daniel Palmer, 79, of Big Spring, died Friday, February 17, 2012, at her residence.

Funeral services 2:00 PM, Monday, February 20, 2012 at Midway Baptist Church. Interment will follow at Trinity Memorial Park.

Survivors include son, Clarence Palmer; daughters, Wauneta Cannon, Elizabeth Austin, Dallas Gresham, Rebecca Bock, and Stacey Croyle; sister, Oleta Carter; 21 grandchildren; 25 great grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by parents, husband, daughter, Phyllis Wilburn; grandson, Michael Cannon and sister LoQuita Daniel.

Arrangements under the direction of Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home & Crematory of Big Spring.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Brian L. Acosta, 22, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland police on a charge of violation of probation.

Richard Hinojos, 25, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland police on a charge of possession of at least one gram of a controlled substance in a drug free zone and violation of probation.

Blanca O. Mendoza, 28, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland County deputies on a charge of credit card or debit card abuse.

Aaron S. Mobley, 26, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland police on a charge of assault of a family or house member impeding breath.

Sadat I. Munoz, 29, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland police on a charge of arson.

Jessica M. Negrete, 29, of Tahlequah, Okla., was arrested Saturday by Midland police on a charge of violation of probation.

Richard B. Suchil, 47, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland County deputies on a charge of bail jumping and failure to appear and a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

David Y. Yharte, 35, of Midland, was arrested Saturday by Midland police on a charge of stalking.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

TEXAS ROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

CORPUS CHRISTI

City to discuss plastic bag ban

Corpus Christi's City Council will discuss a proposed ban on plastic retail shopping bags this week.

The coastal city is just the latest in a series of Texas cities to consider such a ban. On Tuesday, the council members will take up the idea for the first time for discussion.

No vote is scheduled.

Brownsville became the first Texas city to adopt a plastic bag ban last year. Fort Stockton, South Padre Island and Pecos followed. Austin, San Antonio and McAllen are also considering bans.

AUSTIN

Utility company blames IBM for billing problems

Austin's city-owned electric utility said a malfunction in its bill collection system has, since October, been producing bills charging some businesses owing about $3,000 amounts of up to $300,000, instead.

The Austin American-Statesman reported that more than 100,000 Austin Energy customers have experienced the problem, about one in four customers. The city is paying IBM $55 million to develop and operate the bill collection system, and utility executives blame IBM for issues that keep emerging as others are resolved.

In the meantime, Austin Energy is withholding $3.8 million in payments to IBM until the situation is fully resolved.

BROWNWOOD

Farm Bureau official warns of costs of water woes

The Texas Farm Bureau's head state lobbyist said state lawmakers have yet to craft a way to pay for a state water plan Texas developed in 1997 in response to a drought.

Billy Howe is the bureau's state legislative director. According to the Brownwood Bulletin, Howe told the Brownwood Area Chamber of Commerce on Friday that the state could lose $160 billion in income, $9.8 million in tax revenue and 1.1 million jobs if the state doesn't deal with its water issues.

Howe said Texas must find a comprehensive revenue source, such as a sales tax on water and wastewater, to raise sufficient funds.

Report: Perry mostly absent from governor's office

Associated Press

DALLAS — A review of Gov. Rick Perry's official state calendar conjures an image of an absentee governor.

In the first 16 days since abandoning his campaign for the Republican presidential nomination, Perry has been to his office just three times and stayed no longer than three hours each time, the Dallas Morning News reported in Sunday's edition.

Citing Perry's own state calendars, The News reported Perry has barely returned to his Capitol office in Austin after spending almost six months away campaigning for the presidential nomination. In 11 of the days since, his schedule shows no state meetings, phone calls or other events. In the five days thereafter, he is shown engaging in 10 hours of state business spread over three days.

One day, he taped a message for the El Pasoan of the Year. He toured a racetrack under construction near Austin another day.

However, Perry aides say the schedule does not accurately portray Perry's activity. They said he works, not from his office, but from wherever he is.

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FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW MEXICO

Woman heads to trial for stealing $2 pumpkin

ALBUQUERQUE — A 23-year-old college student from New Mexico is scheduled to go to trial for allegedly stealing a small pumpkin worth two dollars.

KOAT-TV in Albuquerque, N.M., reported that Lauren Medina will go before a jury and Moriarity Magistrate Judge Steve Jones on Tuesday. She is accused of taking the pumpkin in October 2011 from McCall's Pumpkin Patch in Moriarty.

Her sister, Annette Atencio, said Medina spent $75 on food that day but forgot to pay for the pumpkin she picked up as she was leaving. Atencio said her sister offered to pay but was refused and then handcuffed.

Atencio said she's in disbelief that the theft charge against her sister was not dropped.

She said her sister could have pleaded guilty and be given probation, but refused.

NEW YORK

'Colbert Report' to return today after absence

A representative for Stephen Colbert said "The Colbert Report" will return Monday after a sudden break due to the ailing health of the star's mother.

The Comedy Central show last week substituted repeats for scheduled shows Wednesday and Thursday. At the time, the network said only that the cancellations were because of "unforeseen circumstances."

Colbert is expected to address his absence on Monday. His 91-year-old mother, Lorna Colbert, is ill.

Earlier on Twitter, Colbert thanked those who had offered "thoughts and prayers."

Colbert's father, James Colbert, and two of his brothers were killed in an airplane crash in 1974.

NEW YORK

Chen case: Asian-American soldiers endure bias

The harassment of 19-year-old Danny Chen started in basic training — teasing about his name, repeated questions of whether he was from China, even though he was a born-and-raised New Yorker. He wrote in his journal that he was running out of jokes to respond with.

It got worse in Afghanistan, military investigators told his family. They said the other men in his unit showered Chen, the only Chinese-American in his unit, with racial slurs and physical abuse in the weeks leading up to his suicide in early October. Eight soldiers have been charged in connection with his death.

For some Asian-Americans who have served in the military, the racial prejudice aspect of Chen's alleged mistreatment comes with little surprise based on what they've seen or experienced. But others say the military is a place where everyone's limits are tested, and that the failure in Chen's case is one of leadership.

It's unclear how often military members experience racial bullying. Despite repeated requests, the Army did not provide any data and the Department of Defense said it didn't have any information since the service branches are each responsible for their own record-keeping. The Army did say that it has regulations against hazing and bullying in place.

CHICAGO

Sex-changing treatment for kids on the rise

A small but growing number of teens and even younger children who think they were born the wrong sex are getting support from parents and doctors who give them sex-changing treatments, according to reports in the medical journal Pediatrics.

It's an issue that raises ethical questions, and some experts urge caution in treating children with puberty-blocking drugs and hormones.

An 8-year-old second-grader in Los Angeles is a typical patient. Born a girl, the child announced at 18 months, "I a boy" and has stuck with that belief. The family was shocked but now refers to the child as a boy and is watching for the first signs of puberty to begin treatment, his mother told the Associated Press.

Pediatricians need to know these kids exist and deserve treatment, said Dr. Norman Spack, author of one of three reports published Monday and director of one of the nation's first gender identity medical clinics, at Children's Hospital Boston.

"If you open the doors, these are the kids who come. They're out there. They're in your practices," Spack said in an interview.

Switching gender roles and occasionally pretending to be the opposite sex is common in young children. But these kids are different. They feel certain they were born with the wrong bodies.

Some are labeled with "gender identity disorder," a psychiatric diagnosis. But Spack is among doctors who think that's a misnomer. Emerging research suggests they may have brain differences more similar to the opposite sex.

Spack said by some estimates, 1 in 10,000 children have the condition.

Long campaign slog ahead for Senate candidates

By Chris Tomlinson
Associated Press

AUSTIN — A federal court's decision to delay the Texas primaries means the candidates for U.S. Senate — particularly Republicans — have a long and potentially expensive slog ahead of them.

A judge listening to arguments over redistricting on Tuesday told Texans that the soonest they should expect to vote in a primary is May 29. That's 84 days later than the original primary date set for March 6. That also means a run-off election — which is likely in the Republican primary for the Senate — will take place in August.

That will make this the longest race for an open Senate seat in memory, and with so many candidate running, possibly one of the most competitive. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison's retirement is creating the first open Senate seat since 2002.

Generally these races are short affairs. The campaign begins with the new year and lasts 65 days until the Republican primary selects a candidate. A Democrat hasn't won a Texas Senate election since Lloyd Bentsen in 1988.

The longer primary gives lesser-known candidates more of a chance to develop name recognition and raise money. Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst, the front-runner in both those categories, will need to spend more money and campaign harder to maintain those advantages.

Dewhurst has so far tried to give as little attention as possible to his Republican challengers, hoping to deny them a chance to become better known among Texas Republicans. He has attended only a handful of candidate forums around the state, and his message has focused on criticizing President Barack Obama and Democrats.

Analysis

With 99 days to go before the primary, though, he won't be able to ignore them any longer.

"A long delay wasn't our first choice, but we'll benefit overall," said Dave Beckwith, the Dewhurst campaign communications director. "We now have a solid foundation for Texas fundraising and Texas political support, as opposed to other campaigns that are based on a souffli of Washington-generated publicity."

Hot on his trail are former Texas Solicitor General Ted Cruz, who has courted the tea party and their national financial backers, and former Dallas Mayor Tom Leppert, a popular businessman in the Dallas area. Trying to make a transition from the sports world into politics is Craig James, a former SMU running back and ESPN college football commentator.

The delay in the primaries gives them more time to get their names out.

"Every day Craig shares his message with voters, he gathers more support," said Meredith Turney, a spokeswoman for James. "While we are thankful for more opportunities for Craig to connect with voters, his campaign is on course for the election, whatever day it is held."

The campaigns will also use the extra time to attack Dewhurst's record since becoming lieutenant governor in 2002. All of them are running to the right, trying to appeal to the party's most active backers.

"Tom is the only candidate in the race who is offering bold, detailed, conservative solutions to rein in government's reckless spending, reform the tax code, end the culture of corruption in Washington, and get our economy back on track," said Daniel Keylin, Leppert's campaign spokesman. "With significant financial resources and growing momentum, Tom now has more time to contrast his conservative message and impressive business background with his opponents: a career politician backed by lobbyists and a government lawyer."

For Leppert and Cruz, the race is to see who will face Dewhurst in a runoff, since neither is likely to win more than 50 percent of the vote outright. Leppert's base is North Texas, a rich vein of Republican primary voters. Cruz is based in Houston, but since he's never held elected office before, his focus has been on tea party activists, who are more likely to turn out for a primary election than the average Republican.

The Cruz campaign has tried to paint the race — which officially has 10 candidates — as a choice between Cruz and Dewhurst.

"Whether the primary is held today, or May 29, a conservative day of reckoning is coming, and David Dewhurst will be held accountable for his tax and spend record," said James Bernsen, spokesman for the Cruz campaign. "Texans want a strong conservative fighter in the Senate, and the only difference a delayed primary makes is more days for Dewhurst to duck debating Ted Cruz one-on-one."

Waiting in the wings for the general election is Paul Sadler, the dominant candidate in the Democratic primary. The veteran legislator and expert on public education faces only one serious challenger, 32-year-old Sean Hubbard, an avowed progressive whose main political experience is working on the Obama campaign in Dallas.

Sadler's best hope of reaching the Senate is the same as Obama's at re-election: The Republican primary races will force those candidates so far to the right that they will lose independent voters and inspire a high turnout among Democrats.

The next 99 days will tell if that happens.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

It's Presidents Day

Presidents Day, celebrated each year on the third Monday in February, is a day when Americans honor the legacies of the U.S. presidents. The holiday was established in 1800, when Congress declared Feb. 22 — George Washington's birthday — a federal holiday. Still legally known as Washington's birthday, Presidents Day has become a day to honor not only Washington, but Abraham Lincoln, the 16th U.S. president who was born on Feb. 12, and the lives and accomplishments of all U.S. presidents.

Source: History.com

Meetings schedule

Midland–Odessa Transportation Organization (MOTOR)
5 p.m. today
Wright Office Complex, Suite 1, 9601 Wright Drive

Community calendar

■ The Inspirations outpatient counseling program at Allegiance Specialty Hospital Permian Basin is marking its second anniversary 4-5 p.m. Tuesday at 207 Tradewinds Blvd. Dr. Sergio Silva, medical director, will be available to meet with the public.

For more information, call 699-3215.

It's your birthday

Mia Rose, of Midland, turns 3 today
Joshua Ochoa, of Midland, turns 14 today.

It's your anniversary

Felix and Marisol Losolla, of Midland, are celebrating their seventh anniversary today.

Casey and Brittany O'Donnell, of Midland, are celebrating their third anniversary today..

Put your birthday anniversary in the paper

The Reporter-Telegram has started running birthdays and anniversaries as part of our daily presentation on 2A or 4A. This includes Sunday's Your City section.

If you would like to submit an entry, please send us the following information.

■ Birthdays: Name, age, birthday and place of residence.

■ Anniversaries: Names, years married, anniversary date and place of residence.

This will not replace the longer, more detailed announcements that run in Sunday's West Texas Living section.

Please submit your item to Editor Stewart Doreen (sdoreen@mrt.com). We will run as many items as space allows.

Note: Because we cannot research and verify all information, by publishing them we neither imply nor guarantee the accuracy of information submitted to us.

Talk show schedules

News talk
KCRS (AM 550)
6-9 a.m. The Morning Drive with Robert Hallmark and Kurt Verlei
9-11 a.m. Lynn Woolley
11 a.m.-2 p.m. Rush Limbaugh
2-5 p.m. Dave Ramsey
5-6 p.m. Local news reports
6-9 p.m. Roger Hedgecock
9-midnight Hugh Hewitt
Midnight-6 a.m. Coast to Coast with George Noory
web: http://www.newstalkkcrs.com/

KWEL (AM 1070)
6-10 a.m. The Morning Show with Craig Anderson
10 a.m.-noon Laura Ingraham
Noon-2 p.m. Glenn Beck
2-5 p.m. Sean Hannity
5-6 p.m. Jason Moore
6-9 p.m. Michael Savage
Web: http://www.kwel.com

Sport talk
KMND (AM 1510)
6-9 a.m. Mike and Mike in the Morning
9 a.m.-noon The Herd with Colin Cowherd
Noon-3 p.m. The Dan Patrick Show
3-6 p.m. The Doug Gottlieb Show

Road closures and traffic alerts

The city of Midland's Transportation Division will begin a drainage improvement project at Golf Course Road and C Street on Tuesday.

The project will include the installation of a concrete valley gutter. The 1500 and 1600 blocks of North C Street will be closed to thru traffic. Golf Course Road will remain open to thru traffic at all times. Detours will be used for drivers needing access to the 1500 and 1600 blocks of North C Street.

The water main replacement project continues this week. The city anticipates opening the intersection at Lamesa and Cuthbert on Tuesday. The intersection of Lemesa and Cowden will be closed beginning Tuesday, and the Lamesa and Estes intersection will remain closed.

Today in history

Today is Monday, Feb. 20, the 51st day of 2012. There are 315 days left in the year. This is Presidents Day.

Today's highlight:

On Feb. 20, 1962, astronaut John Glenn became the first American to orbit the Earth as he flew aboard Project Mercury's Friendship 7 spacecraft.

On this date:

In 1792, President George Washington signed an act creating the U.S. Post Office.

In 1839, Congress prohibited dueling in the District of Columbia.

In 1944, during World War II, U.S. bombers began raiding German aircraft manufacturing centers in a series of attacks that became known as "Big Week."

In 1987, a bomb left by Unabomber Ted Kaczynski exploded behind a computer store in Salt Lake City, seriously injuring store owner Gary Wright.

In 2003, fire broke out during a rock concert at the Station nightclub in West Warwick, R.I., killing 100 people and injuring about 200 others.

— *Associated Press*

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Midland Fire Chief Robert Isbell is shown in this September 2011 file photo.

MFD

From 1A

have to go off call for training," Isbell explained. "That way, we won't have any out-of-service engines or ambulances. They will remain in district and on call."

Although the department will be planning for growth and advances, Isbell insisted that the facilities will be very spartan and utilitarian.

He said the only area that might have luxury items would be the kitchen, the communal hub of any fire station, Isbell explained.

Because of the utilitarian nature of Station 10, the city and MFD are planning for around $200 per square foot with a total budget around $3 million, which includes equipment and other necessities. The city council and MFD are still looking for a specific location for the new station, but they are considering a residential neighborhood near Midland Drive and Andrews Highway or Midland Drive and Golf Course Road.

Although the station is expected to be completed sometime next spring, it will be only the first step in a series of phases to update several of the older stations. Once completed, Station 5's equipment and crew will be moved to Station 10 while the building is remodeled. Next, Station 6 will be moved into Station 10 while the facility is relocated and constructed.

During the whole process -- which will take between four and five years -- the department will start adding the additional firefighters it eventually will need to its ranks. After the renovation process is completed, Isbell hopes to have all the new equipment and personnel ready to install into Station 10, seamlessly.

"We are excited injecting new resources into this department," Isbell added. "We will be able to reduce response times. It will help save lives and improve our fire insurance rating."

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The homes or buildings identified for destruction were left untouched while a court case regarding demolition in Dallas was deliberated. The case has since been decided and re-heard at the Texas Supreme Court and the council will move forward in the coming months with demolition of uncontested properties, City Attorney Keith Stretcher said.

Cantu said funds also have been allocated to construct sidewalks in areas residents said needed infrastructure. In past years, money also has been spent to pave streets and purchase properties that were given to Habitat for Humanity or the Midland Community Development Corp. so the nonprofits could build affordable housing.

Lot purchases were not part of the present fiscal year allocations but Cantu said they could be considered for the coming year.

The city also is allocating more of its budget toward road repairs, Cantu said.

When it comes to other programs and administrative costs in the Community Development office, Cantu said officials are looking at whether the city will supplement funds from its budget in the future or just work with the smaller amount of money being provided.

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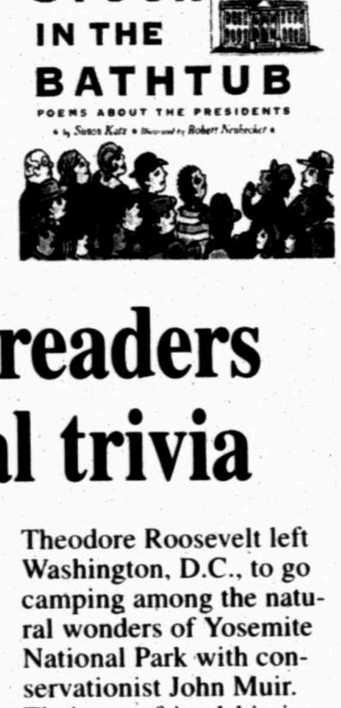

Books for young readers share presidential trivia

By Lana Berkowitz
Houston Chronicle

This is the perfect day to play the "didja know?" game about presidents.

For example, did you know there are two new picture books about frenemies and former presidents John Adams (No. 2) and Thomas Jefferson (No. 3) among this year's literary candidates for young readers?

For kid-friendly trivia and stories check out the nine titles on this ballot. By the way, do you know who the ninth president was? Of course, you do. No. 9 was William Henry Harrison, who died of pneumonia one month after taking office in 1841.

■ After a political battle about how much power the president should have, old friends Jefferson and Adams did not talk to each other for about 12 years. They finally reconciled and exchanged many letters. They died on the same day July 4, 1826, the 50th birthday of American independence. From "Worst of Friends: Thomas Jefferson, John Adams and the True Story of an American Feud" by Suzanne Tripp Jurmain; illustrated by Larry Day (Dutton Juvenile, 32 pp., $16.99, ages 6 and older)

■ Young John Adams skipped school to fly kites and shoot marbles. He loved swimming, hunting, wrestling and the occasional boxing match. Young Thomas Jefferson skipped recess to study Greek grammar. From "Those Rebels, John and Tom" by Barbara Kerley; illustrated by Edwin Fotheringham (Scholastic Press, $17.99, 48 pp., ages 7 and older)

■ Abraham Lincoln had a loving stepmother who let him dream and read as much as he wanted. The 16th president's dog, Fido, held a special place in his heart. From "Looking at Lincoln" by Maira Kalman (Nancy Paulsen Books, 32 pp., $17.99, ages 5 and older)

■ Not all of our presidents went to college. Among those who didn't: George Washington, Andrew Jackson, Martin Van Buren, Zachary Taylor, Millard Fillmore, Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Johnson and Grover Cleveland. Johnson could not read until he was a teenager. from "So You Want to Be President?" by Judith St. George and illustrator David Small (Philomel, 56 pp., $17.99, ages 6 and older; update of 2000 Caldecott Medal winner)

■ Calvin Coolidge rode a mechanical horse for exercise every morning, whooping like a cowboy. That is what readers will discover in this book with imaginative illustrations. From "What Presidents Are Made Of" by Hanoch Piven (Atheneum Books for Young Readers; 40 pp., $6.99, ages 5 and older; updated for 2012)

■ Excerpt from "A Presidential Morsel," a poem about James Madison, who weighed about 100 pounds:

Some presidents
owned fierce pets
like lions, alligators,
tigers, and bears.
James Madison
owned a parrot.
Had his pet
been large
and quick to attack,
James Madison
might have become
the First Snack.

From "The President's Stuck in the Bathtub: Poems About the Presidents" by Susan Katz, illustrator Robert Neubecker (Clarion Books, $17.99, 64 pp., ages 6 and older)

■ In 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt left Washington, D.C., to go camping among the natural wonders of Yosemite National Park with conservationist John Muir. Their new friendship impacted the national park system and the preservation of national lands for the public to enjoy. Roosevelt's nickname as a child was Teedie, not Teddy. From "The Camping Trip that Changed America: Theodore Roosevelt, John Muir, and our National Parks" by Barb Rosenstock, illustrator Mordecai Gerstein (Dial, $16.99, 32 pp., ages 6 and older)

■ On his seventh birthday, George Washington probably didn't wake up in a bedroom decorated with a framed hatchet on the wall and put on a white wig to welcome a cold day. However, there are facts intermingled with the birthday tale. Such as: George was a weather geek and as an adult, he recorded daily temperatures in his diary. From "George Washington's Birthday: A Mostly True Tale" by Margaret McNamara, illustrator Barry Blitt (Schwartz & Wade, $17.99, 40 pp., ages 4 and older)

■ The first president is believed to have died of bacterial epiglottis. Young Dr. Elisha Dick was overruled by attending doctors when he wanted to stop bloodletting and suggested a tracheotomy for Washington instead. If the two older doctors had listened, Washington may well have survived the throat infection. He died at 67. From "George Washington: An Interactive Biography by Rod Gragg" (Pelican Publishing, 48 pp., $34.95, ages 8 and older; available April 15)

Presidents Day? There's an app for that

Rene Guzman
Houston Chronicle

Who hasn't wanted to smack some sense into a president or pit him against aliens? Or maybe you'd rather focus on the more memorable verbiage of our commanders in chief, such as "Read my lips."

For Presidents Day, we found apps that make it fun to learn about our nation's leaders - or at least have fun throwing them into absurd small-screen adventures:

Presidents by the Number
(Free light version or 99-cent full version; Android and Apple)

Offers an all-ages assortment of info and trivia for presidents No. 1 through 44, including kid-friendly poems that review each president's legacy. Includes monthly updates. Users can contribute "Fan Facts," which the app researchers will confirm before posting.

U.S. Presidents
(Free; Android)

This barebones-but-informative app offers simple stats for each POTUS, paired with a Wikipedia link for more extensive information, plus a quiz to test your presidential smarts and a "parade" of presidential portraits accompanied by "The Stars and Stripes Forever."

2000+ USA Presidents Quotes
(Free; Android)

"Government is not reason...." "A house divided against itself..." and "I am not a crook" are just some of the famous and not-so-famous presidential phrases that are yours for the reciting. Share them via Facebook, Twitter and other digital discourse or simply in face-to-face conversation (you know, like our forefathers did before texting).

Presidents vs. Aliens
(Free light version or 99-cent full version; Apple)

This Angry Birds-style educational app arms kids and older players with presidential knowledge. Answer each trivia question correctly to earn a presidential portrait, which you then fling at colorful alien faces to knock them down. The full version has the bonus games Heads of State and Executive Order, plus 44 president flash cards to educate yourself before you play.

Aliens vs. President
(99 cents; Android)

In this side-scrolling shooter, you're President Barack Obama or George W. Bush mowing down skeletal xenomorphs from the Alien franchise. It's a great idea but with glitchy execution, at least on my Pantech Element tablet. Throw the president into the far better Zombieville USA and you'll have my vote.

Kids Fingerpainting — President's Day
(Free; Apple)

The next best thing to an official portrait, this app offers 44 presidential pages for kids to color and draw on. Use the 10 preset colors or customize the palette, along with brush size and color shading. Some images are color-in-side-the-lines enabled to accommodate not-so-little fingers.

Abraham Lincoln: Vampire Hunter
(Free; Apple)

In this blood-splattering homage to the best-selling novel and soon-to-be film adaptation, the Great Emancipator emancipates vampire heads from vampire shoulders with a chop of his ax. Just don't hack Mary Lincoln or Edgar Allan Poe or you'll lose points. For ages 17 and up.

Smack a President
(Free version with Lincoln; Apple)

This presidential Whac-A-Mole offers a hilarious outlet to knock some sense into our nation's heads of state. The free version with Lincoln gets old quick, though you can purchase more smackable presidents.

Elizabeth Smart marries at Hawaii temple

Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — Elizabeth Smart married her fiance Saturday at a Mormon temple in Hawaii, several months ahead of scheduled plans for the nuptials after news of her engagement last month drew widespread media attention.

A family spokesman said the Utah woman who was kidnapped at knifepoint at age 14 and held captive for nine months married Matthew Gilmour on Oahu's North Shore.

"Elizabeth's desire was for what most women want — to celebrate her nuptials in a private wedding with family and close friends," family spokesman Chris Thomas said in a statement. "She decided, about a week ago, the best way to avoid significant distraction was to change her wedding plans and to get married in an unscheduled ceremony outside of Utah."

The 24-year-old Smart is a senior at Brigham Young University. She met Gilmour, of Aberdeen, Scotland, while doing Mormon missionary work in Paris.

The couple wed at the Laie Hawaii Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in front of a small group of family members, Thomas said. The group then celebrated at a private reception and luau.

Smart and Gilmour got engaged last month and initially made plans to wed this summer.

"The bride and groom were beaming as they left the LDS Temple," he added, noting the couple planned to go on an extended honeymoon in an undisclosed location.

"We're just thrilled that she's married," her father, Ed Smart, told the Salt Lake Tribune, calling the ceremony a "kind of a spur of a moment thing."

ACROSS THE NATION

FROM WIRE REPORTS

GEORGIA

Santorum questions Obama's 'world view,' not faith

CUMMING — Rick Santorum on Sunday condemned what he called President Barack Obama's world view that "elevates the Earth above man," discouraging increased use of natural resources.

The GOP presidential candidate also slammed Obama's health care overhaul for requiring insurers to pay for prenatal tests that, Santorum said, will encourage more abortions.

A day after telling an Ohio audience that Obama's agenda is based on "some phony theology, not a theology based on the Bible," Santorum said he wasn't criticizing the president's Christianity.

"I've repeatedly said I don't question the president's faith. I've repeatedly said that I believe the president's Christian," Santorum told CBS' "Face the Nation."

"I am talking about his world view, and the way he approaches problems in this country. I think they're different than how most people do in America," he said in the broadcast interview.

ARIZONA

Sheriff facing long odds after gay outing

FLORENCE — Pinal County Sheriff Paul Babeu built a reputation as a rising, conservative star by taking a hardline stance against illegal immigration, attacking the Obama administration and appearing alongside Sen. John McCain in a 2010 re-election ad in which McCain urged federal officials to just "complete the danged fence."

But, on Saturday, Babeu's conservative image took a beating as he was forced to admit publicly that he is gay and was involved in a relationship with a Mexican immigrant who claims the sheriff threatened to have him deported if he revealed their relationship.

Babeu denies any wrongdoing, and has vowed to continue his battle for the GOP nomination in an extremely conservative rural congressional district.

High court examines lying about military exploits

By Mark Sherman
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Xavier Alvarez was in good company when he stood up at a public meeting and called himself a wounded war veteran who had received the top military award, the Medal of Honor.

Alvarez was lying about his medal, his wounds and his military service, but he wasn't the first man to invent war exploits.

He was, however, one of the first people prosecuted under a 2006 federal law aimed at curbing false claims of military valor.

Concerns that the law improperly limits speech and turns people into criminals for things they say, rather than do, are at the heart of the Supreme Court's review of his case and the Stolen Valor Act.

Veterans groups have come to the aid of the Obama administration, which calls the law a narrowly crafted effort to protect the system of military awards that was established during the Revolutionary War by Gen. George Washington. The high court will hear the case Wednesday, which is Washington's 280th birthday.

"They're committing fraud. They're impersonating somebody else. They take on attributes of somebody else, attributes of a hero who served honorably," said Pam Sterner, whose college term paper calling for the law wound up in the hands of members of Congress. "When you do that, impersonating someone else, that's fraud, not freedom of speech."

Civil liberties groups, writers, publishers and news media outlets, including The Associated Press, have told the justices they worry the law, and especially the administration's defense of it, could lead to more attempts by government to regulate speech.

When he established military decorations in 1782, seven years before he was elected as the nation's first president, Washington himself also prescribed severe military punishment for soldiers who purported to be medal winners but weren't. Since then, many men have embellished their war records, and some have won special recognition.

It long has been a federal crime to wear unearned medals, but mere claims of being decorated were beyond the reach of law enforcement.

The House of Representatives has more than once voted to name a post office after men who claimed awards they never received. The Air Force named an award after a man who falsely claimed to have survived the Bataan Death March and been awarded the Silver Star in World War II. The Boxing Writers of America named its perseverance award after the late Pat Putnam of Sports Illustrated because of his made-up tale of surviving a Chinese prisoner of war camp in the Korean War and receiving a Navy Cross.

The Stolen Valor Act aimed to solve that problem, and garnered significant support in Congress during a time of war.

"The admiration and respect for the military increased dramatically after 9/11 and the false claims, as well," said Thomas A. Cottone Jr., a retired FBI agent who investigated phony award cases.

Alvarez made his claims by way of introducing himself as an elected member of the Three Valleys Municipal Water District in Pomona, Calif. There is nothing to suggest that he received anything in exchange or that listeners especially believed him.

Even Alvarez' lawyers acknowledged their client sometimes has trouble telling the truth. "Xavier Alvarez lied," they declare in the first sentence of their Supreme Court brief and go on to recount six separate lies in the next few lines.

He lied when he claimed he played hockey for the Detroit Red Wings, married a Mexican starlet who made paparazzi swoon, was an engineer, rescued the American ambassador during the Iranian hostage crisis and was shot when he went back for the U.S. flag. Alvarez also lied, they said, when he talked about his military service.

But the lies Alvarez told harmed no one, they said, so what he did couldn't be considered fraud.

A three-judge panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco struck down the law as an unconstitutional restraint on free speech and said the government might instead invest in an awards database that would make it harder for people to lay claim to medals they never won. Last month, the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver upheld the law in a separate case, saying the First Amendment does not always protect false statements.

The issue might never have reached this stage if not for the efforts of Sterner, and her husband, Doug.

He is a decorated Vietnam veteran who has made it his work in recent years to ensure that service members get the recognition they deserve and expose those who falsely claim acts of heroism under fire. Rather than wait for the government to act, Doug Sterner has entered nearly 100,000 award citations since Civil War in his online database, including all 3,475 Medal of Honor winners in U.S. history. His archive is used by the Military Times newspapers, published by Gannett Co.

Pam Sterner went back to school in her early 40s at Colorado State University in Pueblo, Colo. In a political science course, she wrote a paper that grew out of her husband's frustrations over phony award claimants whose worst punishment was public embarrassment. That paper eventually led to the Stolen Valor Act.

Doug Sterner's database did not save Rep. Jason Chaffetz, R-Utah, from some embarrassment when he invited cameras and reporters to watch him pin medals on an elderly Korean War veteran in June.

The veteran, Myron Brown of Utah, said his Distinguished Service Cross and Silver Star were awarded belatedly, and he asked Chaffetz to present them to him publicly.

After the ceremony took place, Sterner and others raised questions about the medals and the Pentagon confirmed to Chaffetz in December that they were not authentic.

"Others have been burned by this. I have too, but I want to solve the problem," Chaffetz told the Salt Lake Tribune. He is planning a hearing of the House Oversight and Government Reform subcommittee he leads to explore creating a government-run awards database.

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Opinion

When overspending becomes the new norm

■ Obama has an 'oops' moment when it comes to his deficit pledge

JOHNATHAN GURWITZ
San Antonio Express-News

"Today, I'm pledging to cut the deficit we inherited in half by the end of my first term in office."
- President Barack Obama, Feb. 23, 2009

Three years ago, a group of leaders gathered in Washington for what was billed as a "Fiscal Responsibility Summit." After bipartisan spending blowouts on TARP, the auto bailouts and an economic stimulus package, it was finally time to start balancing the federal books.

"We cannot simply spend as we please and defer the consequences to the next budget, the next administration, or the next generation," one speaker said. "So, if we confront this crisis without also confronting the deficits that helped cause it, we risk sinking into another crisis down the road as our interest payments rise, our obligations come due, confidence in our economy erodes, and our children and our grandchildren are unable to pursue their dreams because they're saddled with our debts."

The fiscal hawk warning about the dangers of runaway debt wasn't Rep. Paul Ryan, R-Wis. He wasn't from the Heritage Foundation. He wasn't even a Republican. He was President Obama.

Candidates make and break promises all the time. Some promises they declare in good faith only to discover that, despite their best efforts, circumstance makes it impossible to fulfill them. Others they cynically issue without the slightest intention of ever honoring them. President Obama has made an insidious art form of blurring the distinction between the two types of broken vows.

Among others, there was his campaign promise not to use signing statements that undermine the intent of laws passed by Congress. The president has issued at least 20 of them.

There was his executive order to close down the U.S. detention facility at Guantanamo Bay within one year. That was in January 2009. Gitmo still is open for business.

Then there was the pledge he made at that White House summit in February 2009 to halve the $1.3 trillion deficit in four years. Like the executive order on Gitmo, this wasn't some flippant comment made on the campaign trail. It was a serious policy statement issued after Obama entered the Oval Office and had taken full account of the economy and the TARP/bailout/stimulus spending binge.

Why were the American people supposed to believe this pledge? Because he submitted a budget with a 10-year blueprint that clearly showed the deficit declining to $533 billion in 2013. "While that suggests a two-thirds reduction, exceeding Mr. Obama's goal of at least half," the Washington Post reported, "advisers note that the current deficit as a starting point is inflated by one-time expenses to stimulate the economy."

The president had two years with Democratic majorities in both houses of Congress during which he could have for any combination of tax increases, spending cuts and entitlement reforms for deficit reduction. Instead, those "one-time expenses" became the baseline for an unprecedented permanent expansion of government spending and an unprecedented string of deficits.

In his third year, the president rejected the recommendations of his own debt commission and submitted his third straight budget with a trillion-dollar-plus deficit, which the Democrat-controlled Senate rejected 97-0. Now in his fourth year, he has submitted a budget that shows a $1.3 trillion deficit, exactly what it was when he took office.

But, bless his heart, the president promises — really, honestly this time — that the deficit will decline to $901 billion in 2013. And if the American people will only give him four more years, he's pledged to stabilize the debt by 2018 at twice its historic level. How do we know? He has a budget with a 10-year blueprint to prove it.

OUR VIEW

Suicide issue does not belong just to MISD

The Midland Independent School District is working hard to address the problem of rising teen suicides in our community. We learned this past week MISD's School Health Advisory Council is reviewing character-based suicide prevention programs, searching for that right vehicle to implement into the school system.

Superintendent Ryder Warren wants the council to come up with something that is right for Midland, saying, "We can buy a great program, but if it doesn't fit the kids, it's not worth it." He has asked the council for a recommendation by August so a program can be presented to the board at the beginning of the school year.

We applaud this effort at addressing the teen suicide problem in our city. The community has suffered through four teen suicides since the start of school, and it is time to deal with this disturbing trend.

MISD is taking this challenge seriously, and we commend Warren for taking a lead in this matter. It absolutely is correct that MISD do all it can to take preventative measures. MISD should be at the front of this effort and step forth with a plan to help halt the horrendous choice of suicide.

However, the problem of teen suicide should not lie solely on the shoulders of the school district. If we have a teen suicide problem, it ultimately is a problem for the entire community. We would like to see an even greater response from churches, law enforcement, businesses and parents in meeting the challenges we face.

One effort already has begun in the form of the Permian Basin Suicide Coalition. During its first meeting on Jan. 19, people representing the Midland and Ector County independent school districts, the Midland County Sheriff's Office's Mental Health and Crisis Intervention units, Palmer Drug Abuse Program and Odessa's Medical Center Hospital were in attendance.

We wish more community organizations would get involved, and we especially hope parents take a greater role. We think it always is the best policy for the family to assume some responsibility.

We still applaud any serious effort dealing with the issue of teen suicide and stand behind the current course MISD is taking. However, we can do more as a community, and we can show our teens that we take their pain and fears seriously.

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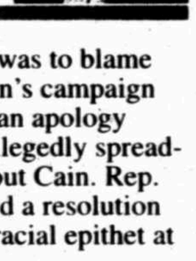
Hearing forced contrition from all sides

■ The demands for apologies these days has put this writer under the spotlight.



DANA MILBANK
Washington Post Writers Group

When I set out to cover the confirmation of an obscure Hispanic jurist last week, I had no idea I would spark the Great Tex-Mex Takedown of the 2012 presidential race.

"Line of the day from WAPO's Dana Milbank," President Obama's campaign manager Jim Messina tweeted the morning the column appeared. "'The chimichanga? It may be the only thing Republicans have left to offer Latinos.'"

The conservative Twitterverse ignited in condemnation of Messina's dissemination of this "racist" and "insensitive" remark made by, um, me. The Republican National Committee and the conservative Hispanic Leadership Network demanded he apologize.

Holy mole sauce! The flap spread, to CNN, the Drudge Report, The New York Times, Comedy Central. "Chimichanga is the new macaca," determined Michelle Malkin. Eventually, calls came from the blogosphere that "both Jim Messina and Dana Milbank should apologize."

To those demanding my apology, I say: That's nacho place. I flauta your demands. In the chimichanga wars, I will taco no prisoners — and that's for churro.

The line in question, at the end of a column about how Republicans are alienating Hispanic voters, came from a debate on the Senate floor over the first Cuban-American nominated to the 11th Circuit Court of Appeals: Kentucky Sen. Rand Paul was stalling the vote in what amounted to a filibuster, and his fellow Republicans refused to fight him. Instead, Arizona Sen. John McCain gave a speech about his home state, where, he claimed, it's "believed that the chimichanga has its origins."

The spat over the fried burrito gets at one of the most annoying components of our decaying political culture: false umbrage. Liberals created this form of identity politics, in which an underrepresented group claims persecution, but conservatives have embraced this noxious form of political correctness. One of its most common expressions is the demand for an apology. It's phony by definition — an apology can't be sincere if answering a demand — and the reflexive demand (like a demand for a resignation) serves only as an excuse to keep a news story alive. Sorry, but it's time to put this tired gimmick to rest.

Forced contrition has reached a fever pitch. Mitt Romney demanded an apology for Newt Gingrich's "inexcusable" remarks on immigration. Gingrich demanded an apology from NBC News over its report that his wife was to blame for staff resignations. Herman Cain's campaign manager, Mark Block, demanded an apology from Rick Perry's campaign for allegedly spreading sexual-misconduct rumors about Cain. Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr., D-Ill., introduced a resolution demanding Perry apologize for a racial epithet at his family ranch.

Michele Bachmann, for her part, demanded an apology from NBC over the tune played when she walked onto Jimmy Fallon's show. Before that, she demanded an apology from Obama for insulting the Israeli prime minister.

CNN commentator Roland Martin was coerced to apologize for tweets during the Super Bowl that were seen as anti-gay. Andrew Breitbart demanded, and received, an apology from Anthony Weiner. Vice President Biden didn't honor demands that he apologize for saying tea party lawmakers were "acting like terrorists." When Kansas Republican Gov. Sam Brownback's office protested a critical tweet about him written by a high-school girl, the girl refused to apologize — so Brownback apologized for his staff's overreaction. And when the Interior Department called for an apology from freshman Rep. Jeff Landry, R-La., for linking regulators to the Gestapo, Landry retaliated by demanding the regulators apologize.

There have been demands for an apology from Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich., over a China-themed ad played during the Super Bowl, and (successful) demands of Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner, R-Wisc., for remarking on the size of the first lady's posterior.

As for the chimichanga apology, I'm pleased to report that Messina had a good answer to those demanding his contrition: Not so fajitas. A follow-up tweet said: "Tweeting someone else's words caused a stir, but the GOP is on the wrong side of every Hispanic voter priority."

In fact, I hereby demand that the RNC and conservative critics end this sorry episode by apologizing for demanding apologies. If they do, I would consider making an apology of my own: to the chimichanga, for bringing the innocent entree into this cauldron.

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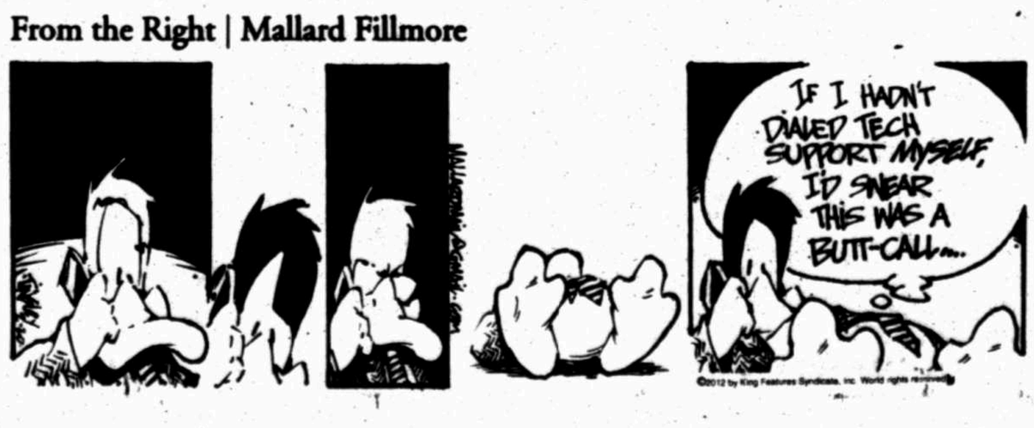

ACROSS THE NATION

FROM WIRE REPORTS

NEW JERSEY

Whitney Houston laid to rest at private burial

WESTFIELD — Whitney Houston was laid to rest Sunday at a brief private ceremony in New Jersey, the end of a weekend that saw the pop star's family and friends gather at a star-studded funeral to mourn her loss while celebrating her career.

Fans and onlookers gathered in several places along the route the motorcade took from the Newark funeral home to the cemetery about 20 miles away in Westfield, where Houston was buried next to her father, who died in 2003.

The 48-year-old singer died Feb. 11 in California, hours before she was to attend a pre-Grammy Awards party. No cause of death has been determined.

On Saturday, she was mourned at an invitation-only funeral at the church in Newark where she sang in the choir as a child. She was remembered by the biggest names in music: Stevie Wonder and Alicia Keys sang, and industry mogul Clive Davis was among those who spoke, as was Kevin Costner, Houston's co-star in "The Bodyguard."

The funeral was closed to fans, who were not allowed within blocks of the church. Still, many came to Newark to take part in what ways they could, some from as far as Miami and Washington, D.C.

CALIFORNIA

Yosemite waterfall looks like lava every February

YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK — A window of time just opened in Yosemite National Park when nature photographers wait, as if for an eclipse, until the moment when the sun and Earth align to create a fleeting phenomenon.

This marvel of celestial configuration happens in a flash at sunset in mid-February — if the winter weather cooperates. On those days the setting sun illuminates one of the park's lesser-known waterfalls so precisely that it resembles molten lava as it flows over the sheer granite face of the imposing El Capitan.

Every year growing numbers of photographers converge on the park, their necks craned toward the ephemeral Horsetail Fall, hoping the sky will be clear so they can duplicate the spectacle first recorded in color in 1973 by the late renowned outdoors photographer Galen Rowell.

"Horsetail is so uniquely situated that I don't know of any other waterfall on Earth that gets that kind of light," said Michael Frye, who wrote the book "The Photographer's Guide to Yosemite."

"How many are perched on a high open cliff? Most are in an alcove or canyon and won't get the sun setting behind it. Yosemite's special geography makes this fall distinctive," he said.

Military, police square off over Marine's death

By Julie Watson
Associated Press

For the Marines who served with Sgt. Manuel Loggins Jr., it would have been an injustice to stay quiet.

So in a move that broke with the military's tradition, Loggins' commanding officer at California's Camp Pendleton publicly rebuked civilian authorities in neighboring Orange County for their handling of the investigation into the fatal Feb. 7 shooting by a deputy of the highly esteemed Marine.

Many Marines have been investigated by police and had their behavior publicly dissected by civilian prosecutors in high-profile cases. Only weeks before Loggins' death, a former Camp Pendleton Marine was arrested in the killing of four homeless men in Orange County.

While Marines have each other's backs on the battlefield, when they get into trouble back home off base, the military tends to step aside while police investigate. But Marines say this time was different.

The death of Loggins has rocked the tight-knit Marine Corps community. Fellow troops describe him as a devout Christian man who was dedicated to his pregnant wife and three children — and was nothing like the picture painted by law enforcement.

The Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs has said Loggins plowed a car through a gate at San Clemente High School at 4:30 a.m., and then got out as his 9- and 14-year-old daughters could be heard screaming in the SUV. The association said the girls told sheriff's personnel their father had been acting oddly, while Loggins could be heard in a nearby field yelling irrational statements. When Loggins returned, he allegedly ignored warnings by deputies not to start the SUV. A deputy shot him, fearing for the children's safety, the statement said.

Loggins' commanding officer, Col. Nicholas Marano, countered back with a bruising statement issued to the media: "While I am confident they will do the right thing in the end, I am less than satisfied with the official response from the City of San Clemente and Orange County. Many of the statements made concerning Manny Loggins' character over the past few days are incorrect and deeply hurtful to an already grieving family."

The words were especially searing given the military's close relationship with law enforcement agencies — many of whom are made up of former service members — and the fact that the investigation was in its initial stages. The Orange County district attorney's office is leading the probe and declined to comment.

Loggins' supervisor, Maj. Christopher Cox, said Marano's bold statement won applause in the Corps.

"We're glad he stepped up and made a statement over the way this has been handled," he said. "Everybody reads the report presented by the Orange County officials. Obviously it contradicts what we know to be the case about him. He was involved with his family. His relationship with his daughters was fantastic. They were a close family. To paint it any other way is not right."

Marano declined to talk to the media after issuing his statement.

Tom Dominguez, president of the Association of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs, also declined to speak to The Associated Press but his office issued this: "Our statement was about the events of the morning of Feb. 7, 2012 and nothing more. We issued the facts not a commentary on the character of any individual in this case. We await the results of the independent investigation."

The deputy, Darren Sandberg, served in the Corps. Sandberg, a 15-year Sheriff's Department veteran, is on leave.

The Corps has kept in contact with Loggins' family and Cox said they have not been given adequate information.

Cox declined to say whether the Corps believes Orange County officials are trying to cover up a mistake. It would be irresponsible to speculate about what happened, he said, but it was not unusual for Loggins to be at the school at that hour.

Loggins went there regularly with his daughters so they could run together before he had to be on base by 7:30 a.m. Cox said Loggins' oldest daughter asked to train with her father so she could join the high school track team one day, and his 9-year-old often tagged along.

The death has been difficult for the Marine community to accept because there are so many unanswered questions, Cox said.

Loggins was unarmed and had three Bibles in the vehicle — one for himself and the others for his daughters, Cox said.

"There are rules of engagement that have to be followed by anyone carrying a weapon whether that be a law enforcement officer or the military," Cox said. "I know the rules we have are quite stringent. I don't know what they are for Orange County officials, but I imagine they would be about the same."

The media often points out when someone in trouble is a service member, and Cox said the public may be quick to assume this was another case of military personnel losing control. But Cox said those assumptions can cloud the truth.

Loggins, of Joliet, Ill., enlisted in 1998 but was never deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan. Cox said he was a humble, kind, hardworking Marine who had received multiple medals. The office where Loggins worked handled cargo shipments for the base. He was studying to be a nurse and volunteered at local nursing homes.

There were no signs of trouble, said Cox, who worked with him almost daily.

"Everybody wants closure but that's difficult to do without information. It's made it even more difficult over the fact that it was a shooting by a law enforcement officer," Cox said. "It doesn't add up for a lot of people here."

Marines deal with death as part of the job, Cox said, but "we've been left in a state of limbo and in my opinion that's made it more difficult to accept this than if it had been in a combat scenario."

Sheriff's Department spokesman, Jim Amormino, said deputies are justified in using deadly force if they feel their lives or the lives of others are in danger. He said he is confident the district attorney's office will do a "thorough examination of the incident" and that his department will continue to have a strong relationship with Marines.

"We both wear a uniform, both serve our country in different ways, and always have had a great relationship," he said. "This was a tragic incident. There's no question about that. It is very tragic for anyone involved and our deepest sympathies go out to them. We just have to let the investigation take its course."

Loggins' family could not be reached for comment.

Immigrants trickling back to Ala. despite crackdown

By Jay Reeves
Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Ana Jimenez and her husband were so terrified of being sent back to their native Mexico when Alabama's tough crackdown on illegal immigrants took effect that they fled more than 2,000 miles to Los Angeles, cramming into a two-bedroom apartment with more than 20 other relatives.

Now they are among the families coming back to cities like Birmingham, as the mass deportations never materialized and courts blocked parts of the law. No one knows how many people initially left the state, so it's impossible to say how many have returned. But some illegal immigrants are trickling back, unable to find work elsewhere and missing the place that had been home for years.

Of 18 Hispanic immigrants interviewed by The Associated Press in the Birmingham area, six said they had friends or relatives who had returned to Alabama after fleeing because of the law.

As for Jimenez, she left Birmingham with her husband, father and brother three days after the law took effect. Now, all except her brother are back. Jimenez said through a translator that not much had changed, though she can't reclaim her job at a McDonald's restaurant because managers are checking citizenship papers.

"Everything is the same. I just can't work now," Jimenez said through a translator. She said the family is living off the income of her husband, who installs carpet and flooring.

The Obama administration, immigrant groups and others sued over Alabama's law, and the 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals is set to consider arguments about it on March 1. The U.S. Supreme Court will hear oral arguments a month later over Arizona's crackdown on illegal immigration, which isn't considered as strict as Alabama's.

Republicans who supported the crackdown had said they hoped the tough provisions — which made it difficult if not impossible to legally find work and housing, among other things — would force people to "self-deport" and move out of the state.

Among those who self-deported were Verenece Flores and her husband. They sold their home in metro Birmingham and moved with their three young children to Chicago. But the couple, originally from Mexico and living in the U.S. without legal documents, also could not find work, and relatives told them people weren't being deported after traffic stops as some had feared.

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MEXICO

44 killed in prison riot; guards detained

MONTERREY — An inmate riot that may have been staged to cover a breakout killed 44 prisoners Sunday, and the jail's director and all guards on duty at the time have been detained, a security official said.

Nuevo Leon state public security spokesman Jorge Domene Zambrano said the riot broke out at about 2 a.m. in a high-security section of a state prison in the city of Apodaca outside the northern industrial city of Monterrey.

The fight between two cell blocks, each with about 750 prisoners, may have been staged as a cover for a prison break, he said. Domene said in counting the dead, officials discovered some prisoners missing, but didn't know yet how many.

BEIRUT

2 judicial officials slain in Syria

Gunmen in Syria staged a guerrilla-style ambush that killed a senior state prosecutor and a judge Sunday in an attack that suggested armed factions are growing bolder and more coordinated in their uprising against President Bashar Assad's regime.

The roadway slayings — reported in an opposition-dominated northern region by the Syrian state news agency — came a day after a deadly hit-and-run attack on a political figure in the heart of the pro-Assad city of Aleppo.

The targeted killings have not reached Assad's inner circle, but they indicate a growing shift toward violent tactics by the opposition as it brings aboard more military defectors and seeks to tighten control over the small pieces of territory in its hands.

Iran Oil Ministry: Exports cut to Britain, France

By Ali Akbar Dareini
Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran has halted oil shipments to Britain and France, the Oil Ministry said Sunday, in an apparent pre-emptive blow against the European Union after the bloc imposed sanctions on Iran's crucial fuel exports.

The EU imposed tough sanctions against Iran last month, which included a freeze of the country's central bank assets and an oil embargo set to begin in July. Iran's Oil Minister Rostam Qassemi had warned earlier this month that Tehran could cut off oil exports to "hostile" European nations. The 27-nation EU accounts for about 18 percent of Iran's oil exports.

However, the Iranian action was not likely to have any significant direct impact on European supplies because both Britain and France had already moved last year to sharply curtail oil purchases from Tehran to less than 3 percent of their daily needs.

The EU sanctions, along with other punitive measures imposed by the U.S., are part of Western efforts to derail Iran's disputed nuclear program, which the West fears is aimed at developing atomic weapons. Iran denies the charges, and says its program is for peaceful purposes.

The spokesman for Iran's Oil Ministry, Ali Reza Nikzad-Rahbar, said on the ministry's website Sunday that "crude oil exports to British and French companies have been halted."

"We have our own customers and have no problem to sell and export our crude oil to new customers," he said.

Britain's Foreign Office declined comment, and there was no immediate response from French officials.

The semiofficial Mehr news agency said exports were suspended to the two countries Sunday. It also said the National Iranian Oil Company has sent letters to some European refineries with an ultimatum to either sign long-term contracts of two to five years or be cut off.

Mehr did not specify which countries were sent the ultimatum, but Spain, Italy and Greece are among Europe's biggest buyers of Iranian oil.

Iran's targeting of Britain and France appeared to be a political decision to punish the two countries for supporting tougher sanctions against Iran over its nuclear program.

Sunday's announcement follows a flurry of contradictory signals by Iran about backlash against the EU for imposing a boycott on Iranian oil.

Last week, state media said Iran was planning to cut off oil exports to six EU nations, including France, but later reports said the nations were only told that Iran has no problem finding replacement customers for the European shipments.

The EU sanctions, imposed last month, were part of Western efforts to target Iran's critical oil sector in attempts to rein in Tehran's nuclear program.

Also on Sunday, the secretary general of Iran's central bank said a decision by SWIFT, an international banking clearinghouse used by nearly every country and major corporation in the world, to shut Iran out from its respected network will not harm the country.

"The country will not face any problems as a result of the SWIFT measures," Mahmoud Ahmadi was quoted as saying by the official IRNA news agency. He added that Iran has been "pursuing alternative solutions" since Western nations imposed sanctions on Tehran. He did not elaborate.

SWIFT said in a statement on its website Friday that it will comply with expected instructions from the EU to cut off Iranian banks. SWIFT has previously brushed off international efforts to use its network to target countries or companies, telling enforcers that it does not judge the merits of the transactions passing through the portal.

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CHOCOLATE *decadence*

Event chair was Janice Thompson. Cheryl Werner is the Aphasia Center board president

Event benefits Aphasia Center

The mystery is solved. West Texas National Bank President Keith Moore, candy maker Susie Hitchcock-Hall, jeweler Cathy Eastham, board president Cheryl Werner, KOSA-TV's Catherine Collins and Jay Hendricks, plus Aphasia Center Sweetheart JoAnne Richards all were "guilty." But so were each and every volunteer and supporter of Chocolate Decadence 2012, "A Night of Mystery, Intrigue and Glamour."

To each person who contributed their money, an in-kind item or volunteer time — you all were guilty of making possible the critical services of the Aphasia Center of West Texas.

Those responsible for the success of the event include event chair Janice Thompson; boutique chair JoAnne Richards; raffle leaders Amanda Carrigan, Katey Howard and Dianne Williams; center board members for their cork pull contributions; the Chocolate Decadence committee; decorations chair Peggy Kuss; and volunteers Gina Aaron, Devan Crawford, Astrid Farley, Stacy French, Lance Friday, Beth Hickey, Melissa Macintosh, Haley Madewell, Joy Matejek, Brenda Rawlins, Tracy Rice.

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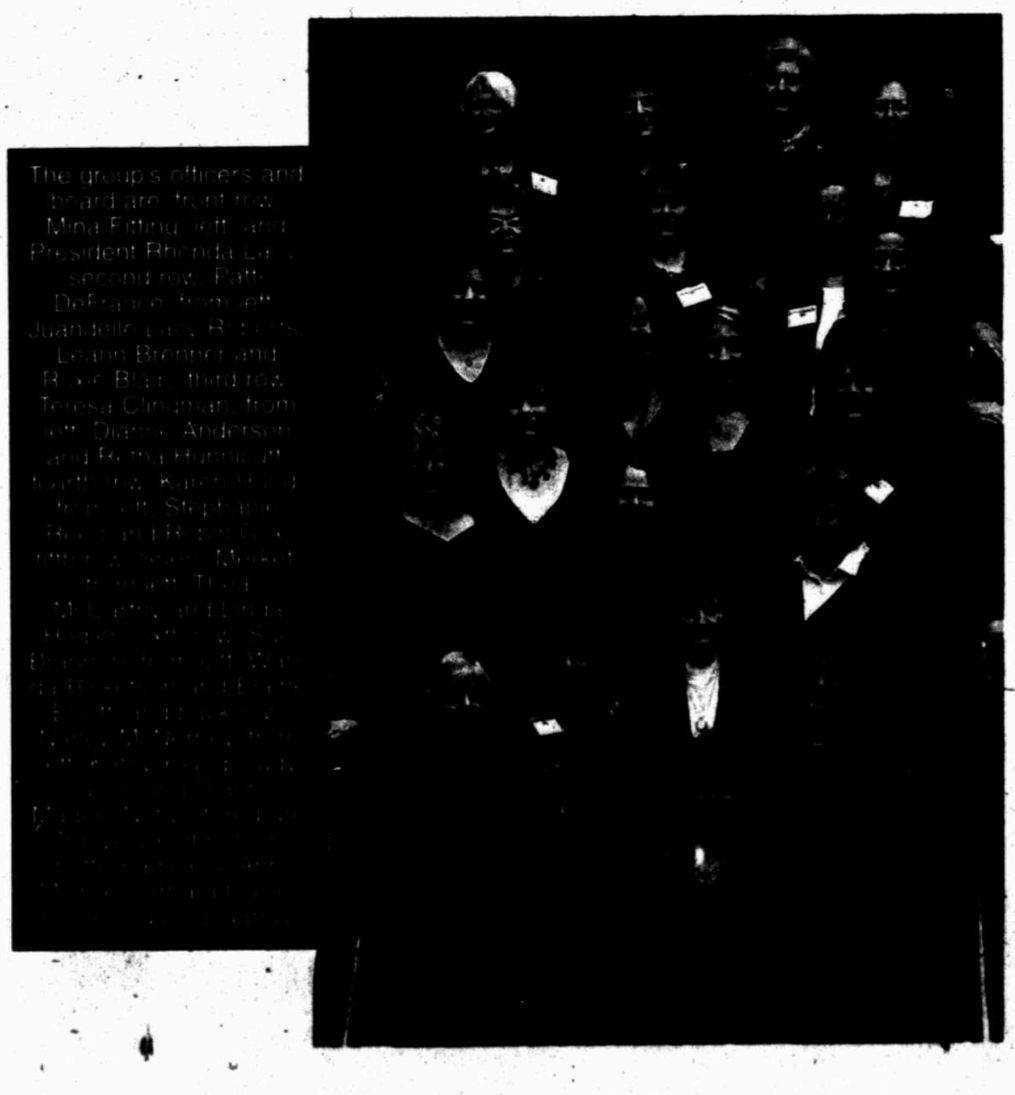

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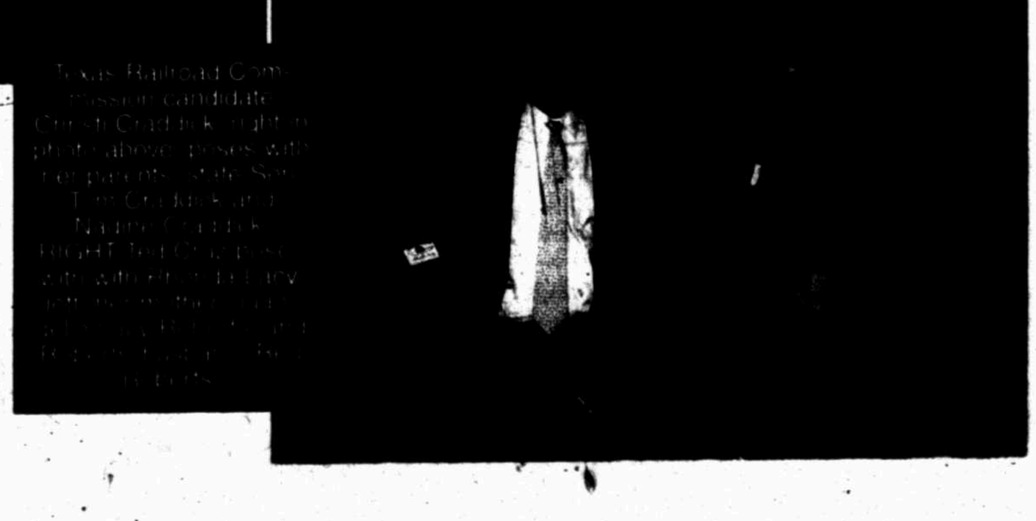


The Midland County Republican Women met Feb. 8 at the Petroleum Club. The speakers included U.S. Senate candidate Ted Cruz and candidates for railroad commission, appeals court and county commissioner.

HAVEYOUHEARD

BY MARILYN MCKNIGHT HARRISON

Tool Box Bash

Approximately 600 people attended Midland Habitat for Humanity's 10th annual Tool Box Bash Feb. 4 at the Commemorative Air Force hangar.

Chesapeake Energy received the Golden Hammer Award. Also honored were event founders Deb Solari and Dollene Thompson for their years of service to the organization.

The event consisted of food, games, music, a silent auction and The Magic Door. Shafik Tejani was the lucky holder of the key that opened the door to a 42-inch flat screen TV.

The benefit included games and dinner catered by Prescott's Café.

Seen in the crowd were Mary Lou Cassidy, Charlyne Dodge, Betty Ann and Dick Prentice, Kaye and Mark Merritt, Judy Griffin, Ginger Witte and Narda Poe.

"In just a few hours, the Tool Box Bash raises enough money to build at least one house," said Alynda Best, Habitat executive director.

(For a complete list of volunteers, see Serving Midland/3B)

Ladies of the Petroleum Club

For their February luncheon meeting, the Ladies of the Petroleum Club were treated to an outstanding musical performance by opera/musical comedy singer Francesco Sorianello of Los Angeles. His program of popular music included show tunes, such as "On a Clear Day," "I Could Have Danced All Night" and "When I Fell in Love." He ended on a high note with Frank Sinatra's signature song, "My Way." Midlander Vivian Moss was his accompanist.

Sorianello has performed principal roles in such operas as "Faust," "Marriage of Figaro," "Aida" and "La Boheme." In musical comedy roles, he has performed with Milton Berle, Debbie Reynolds, Jose Ferrer, Jane Powell and Betty Grable.

The luncheongoers were seated at tables decorated in a red, pink and white valentine theme. Among those seen in the crowd were the entertainer's son and daughter-in-law, Midlanders Dante and Lauretta Sorianello; Kathleen Hernandez, Mary Rasmussen, Cathie Graham, Robin Thomas, Ann Wambaugh, Sue Marshall and Penny Hudgeons.

Caribbean cruise

Lyn and Jim Miller recently returned from a seven-day cruise to Montego Bay, Jamaica, the Grand Cayman Islands, and Cozumel, Mexico. Their voyage — a Vince Vance Birthday Cruise — featured private shows with Vince Vance & the Valiants, playing '50s and '60s music.

CRUISE Jim and Lyn Miller on the beach in the Grand Caymans.

Before the Carnival Conquest left the port of New Orleans, the group enjoyed brunch in the French Quarter at The Court of Two Sisters restaurant.

On board ship the Millers participated in a Mardi Gras parade led by Vance. The Millers, along with Vance and several other guests, were treated to a chef's seven- course dinner and tour of the galley. The chef was on hand to give an explanation of each course served.

In Jamaica, the Millers, guided by owner Dalkeith Hanna, enjoyed a tour of the Croyton Plantation in the Blue Mountains, where coffee beans, 18 varieties of pineapple and various fruit and nut trees are grown. On a jeep tour in the Grand Caymans, the Millers visited a rum cake factory and had lunch on the beach.

Other activities included a raft ride down the Martha Brea River in Jamaica and spending the day at a luxurious private residence in Cozumel.

Mardi Gras

The 19th annual Mardi Gras, for the benefit of St. Ann's School Educational Endowment Fund, was Feb. 4 at the Petroleum Club of Midland.

The evening began with cocktails, followed by a buffet dinner, dancing and a dessert and coffee bar.

The event included live and silent auctions.

Some of the live auction packages consisted of class projects by St. Ann's students, which showed off their imaginative and artistic skills. The projects ranged from a large wall hanging (a Texas flag made from the state's license plates) to a Van Gogh-inspired water feature. Other packages included animal hunts and sports events.

Silent auction items included class theme baskets, along with an assortment of paintings, services, jewelry and novelty items.

The area outside the ballroom was decorated with the colors and items traditionally assocaited with Mardi Gras. Inside, the ballroom took on a feathery flair. The centerpieces were comprised of rhinestone-accented vases filled with ostrich feathers of purple, black and white, along with silvery floral picks. The vases were glowing with lighted lavender glass gemstones.

Seen in the crowd were Ann Kleine, Beverly Pevehouse, Jane and Charles Koch, Alison and David Eyler, Judy and Mike Canon, Tricia and Dr. Daniel Nelson, Jeanette and Dr. Joseph Oei, Suzanne and David Hughes, Lisa and Dr. Jeff Durgin, Sally and Elias Reyes, Cheryl and Jim Behrmann, Anna Ree and Terrell Downing, Amanda and Kevin Herrmann and Erica and Rooster McConaughey.

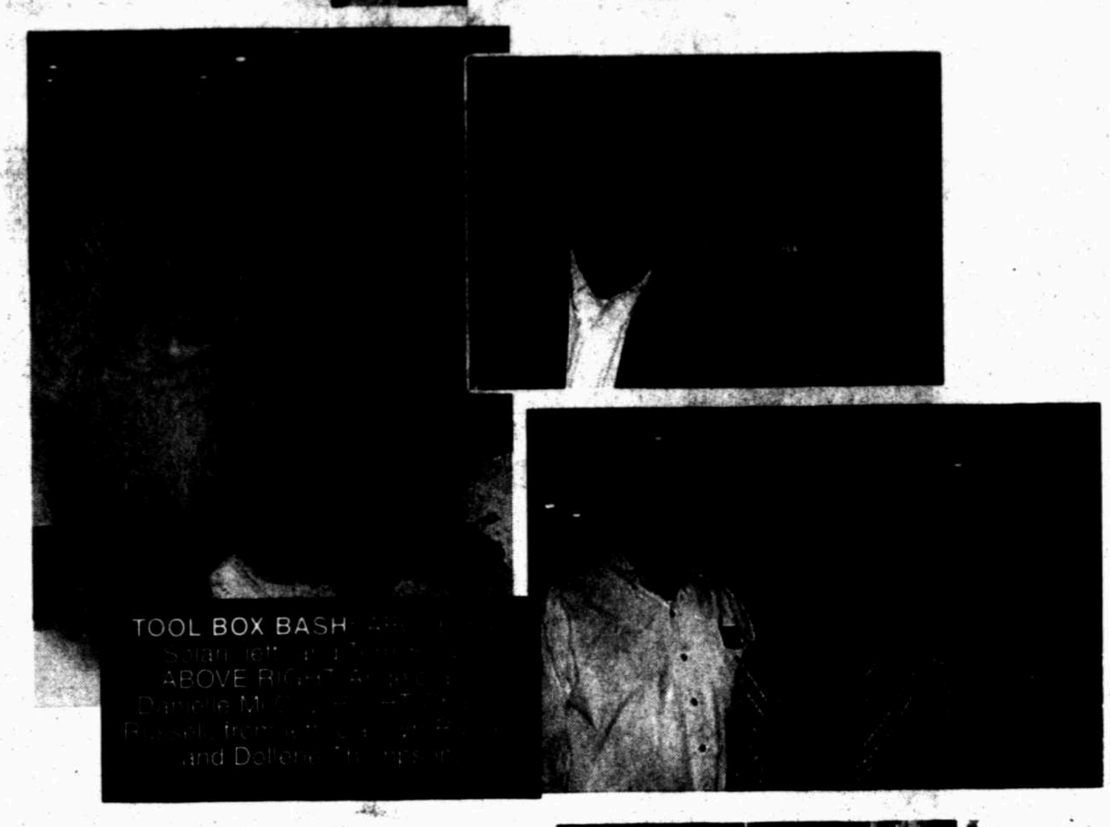
Event chair was Patricia Ray; co-chair was Meredith Morales. Committee chairmen were Randy Ray, live auction; Virginia Elizondo, silent auction; Kristen Andrews, decorations; Beth Hickey, program; and Maura Callendar, theme baskets.

Jerry Morales served as emcee and Pat Worrell as auctioneer.

Daughters of the American Revolution

Members of Col. Theunis Dey Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution met Feb. 13 at the home of Fredda Black. Regent Cecelia Davis presided, and Emily Goodfellow was presented as a new member.

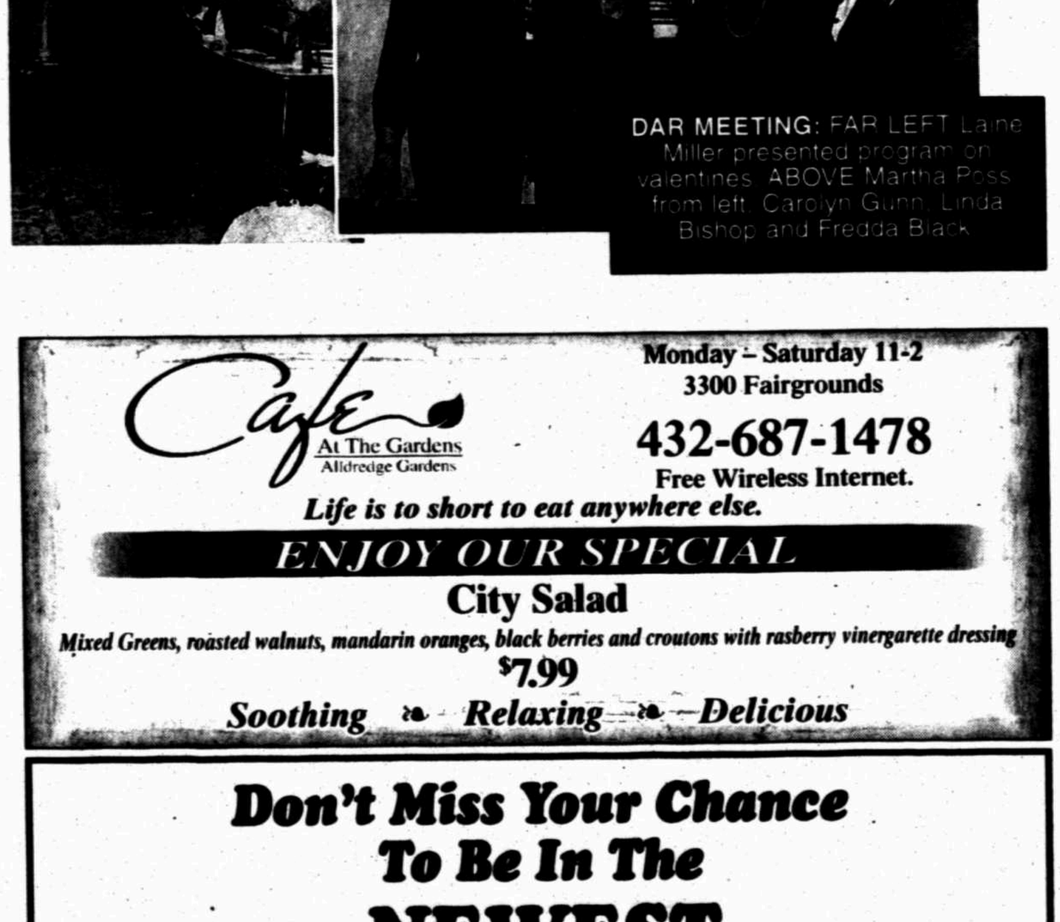
Laine Miller gave the program, "Vintage Valentines." She included a brief history of valentines, starting with the first known card in 1471 in Italy. She highlighted early American valentine makers, including Esther Howland and George Whitney, as well as valentines imported from Germany. Laine illustrated her talk with valentines from her collection. She gave suggestions for collecting valentines and ways to display them. She presented the members with vintage valentines to



TOOL BOX BASH

PETROLEUM CLUB LUNCHEON: ABOVE First Sopr... left, Cathryn Lan... Hanna... Sharp. ABOVE RIGHT Mr... Frazier, from left, Lo... Hendrickson and Doris Chafant. RIGHT Sandy Porter, Jackie Ingram and Annette Wilkerson.

MARDIS GRAS: FAR LEFT Councilman Jerry... and his wife, Mo... ABOVE Lisa Williams... and Corinna Bilbro. RIGHT Tonya and Andy...



DAR MEETING: FAR LEFT Laine Miller presented program on valentines. ABOVE Martha Poss, from left, Carolyn Gunn, Linda Bishop and Fredda Black.

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Natalie Schwartz and Caity Tarabocchia; photographers Trish Burdett and Mark Swindler; and Connie and Roger Barnes, Diane Kelly, Amy Lyle, Cody Massengale, George McAlpine and Jim and Kuohui Suchecki, all Summer Mummer volunteers.

Auctioneer Steve Taylor led a spirited live auction, planned by Dena Moore and Kat Coffman, that will help support the center's programs.

Source: Aphasia Center of West Texas

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BOWL FOR KIDS' SAKE

The Young Professionals of Midland fielded a 30-player team for the 16th annual Bowl For Kids' Sake benefiting Big Brothers Big Sisters, which was Feb. 11. This was the group's fifth year to participate in the event. For more information on teh Young Professionals of Midladn, visit www.ypmidland.org.

SERVING MIDLAND

Midland volunteers make plans for Great American Cleanup

KAY CRITES

Freelance writer Kay Crites may be reached at kay.crites@yahoo.com.

More than 3,000 Midlanders will gather April 14 for the Great American Cleanup/Don't Mess with Texas Trash-Off, which is co-sponsored by Keep Midland Beautiful, Keep America Beautiful, Keep Texas Beautiful, Texas Department of Transportation and the grassroots arm of the Don't Mess with Texas campaign.

Participating groups will clean up their designated area during the morning before heading to Hogan Park between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. for a picnic.

Adopt-a-Highway groups are in charge of highway cleanup, while Keep Midland Beautiful volunteers focus on neighborhoods, city streets, parks and vacant lots.

For more information visit www.keepmidlandbeautiful.org or call 687-7400.

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The 10th annual Tool Box Bash for the benefit of Midland Habitat for Humanity was Feb. 4.

Volunteers who worked at the event include Alec Martinez, Thor Prosise, Von Doria, Curtis Gifford, Kyle Mauldin, Don Rothkopf, Dylan Bone, Rachael Jones, Mike Anzano, Andrew Arriaga, Faith Bone, Natalie Keese, Mark Dix, Cody Dominguez, Ghandi Espino, Angelo Farrow, Elliot Fruge, Grant Griffith, David Rabenadlt, Veronica Mata, Diedrick Dutchover, Gary Willis, Ethan Moore, Joseph Sarradet, Marilyn Burgess, Ronnie Burgess, Betty Roy, Kyle Roy, Kirk Miller, Mike Burns and Mario Aguilar.

Also, Grace Aguilar, Nancy Burgess, Socorro Ramirez, Becky Eaves, Emily Hobbs, Sue Solari, Terri Solari, Bea Angevine, Violet Singh, Mark Singh, Maryellen Wales, Diana Younger, Shannon Smith, Monique Waggoner, Pat Pruitt, Linda Haynes, John Haynes, Dana Ramirez, Jo Braden, Melisa Sheward, Perla Carreon, Sarah Repman, Gabrielle Paye, Anna Aguilar, Penny Quan and Kassandra Camacho.

"Thank you to all of the volunteers who came out to help support the Tool Box Bash," said Renae Ludrick, event and volunteer coordinator for Habitat. "An event like this cannot happen without volunteers."

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The Midland Rape Crisis and Children's Advocacy Center's third annual golf tournament is April 16 at Green Tree Country Club.

There are two levels of sponsorships:

■ For $3,000, sponsors receive recognition in all advertising and programs, two foursome teams in the tournament and a reserved table of for eight at the dinner following the tournament.

■ For $1,000, sponsors can enter one team of four in the tournament and have a reserved table for four at the dinner.

Entrance fees are $250 per player and include complimentary lunch, green fees and cart for a 1 p.m. shotgun start, goodie bag and awards dinner and presentation. Participants can take part in a live auction, 50/50 cash raffle split.

Cost of attending just the dinner is $600 for a table of eight.

For more information, call 682-7273.

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More than 60 volunteers joined the Palmer Drug Abuse Program to make the Medication Take Back on Feb. 4 a success.

"Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a huge success dropping off your unused or expired and/or unwanted medications," said Kim Henderson with PDAP.

The next Medication Take Back, scheduled in partnership with the DEA, will be April 28.

Volunteers included Mark Williams, Lisa Williams, Mona Craig, John Witcher, Jennier Hunt, Sergio Diaz, Monique Wilson, Sabita Singh, Dale Seago, Amos Palma, Katie Sangl, Frankie Reyes, Heather Hillman, Mary Salinas, Mitchell Moore, Jean Eaton, Jenny Delk-Fikes, Cari Corgill, Jennifer Blackburn and Teresa Washburn.

Also, Leann Brenner, Gabriela Williams, Susan Edwards, Nola Dailing, Maxine Hannifin, Barbara Dazey, Peggy Jezek, Karen Harrell, Caleb Unseth, Carrie Unseth, Niki Speicher, Rebecca Wegner, Vondie Silipo, Marde Vickery, Maria Childs, Marion Axe, Susanne McVay, Phyllis Peek, Christina Ramdeo, Jerry Bechyne, Sue Miller, Jorgina Garcia, Stacey Keith, Veronica Navarrete, Joe Hathaway, Adela Marmolejo, Jeanne Rodriguez, Karen Harrell, Chad Small and Rickie Jones.

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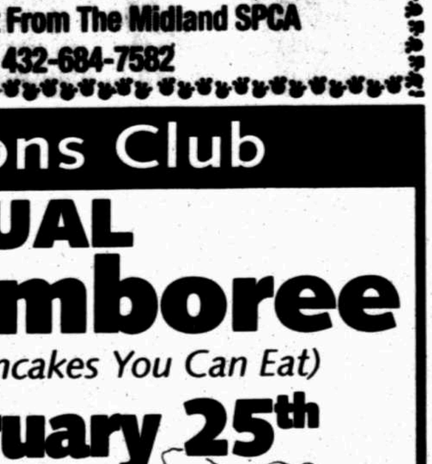

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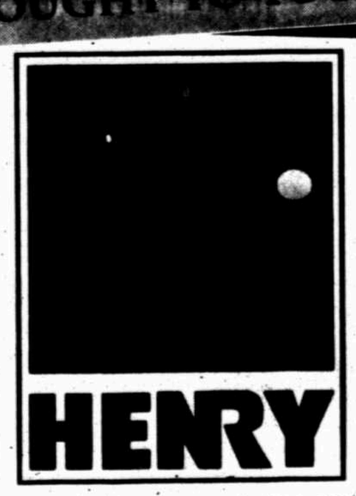

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MEETINGSCALENDAR

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■ Midland Parkinson Support Group meets 6:30 p.m. the first Monday at Health-South Rehabilitation Hospital. For more information, call 699-6640.

■ for miscarriage grief recovery, call 570-5935.

■ for post-abortion healing, call 570-5935.

■ survivors of sexual abuse call 570-5935; interactive Bible study to help deal with the consequences of sexual abuse meets Tuesdays. Child care available. Call House of Hope, 570 5935.

■ Chronic fatigue fibromyalgia syndromes support group meets noon the second Thursday at Rays of Hope Grief Centre. For more information call 520-3500.

■ Bariatric Support Group meets 11:30 a.m. third Wednesday at ACT Counseling Center, 2445 E. 11th St., Odessa. For more information, call 272-4333.

■ A support group for those with diabetes or at risk for diabetes meets 11:30 a.m. the first Saturday at Furr's Cafeteria. For more information call 570-9412.

■ A group for those with eating disorders meets 8 p.m. Mondays at Fellowship Community Church, 5206 N. Midland Drive. For more information, call 296-1087.

■ Support groups of the Midland Chapter of NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) meet 7 p.m. the first and third Tuesdays at First Presbyterian Church (Koinonoa Room). For more information, call Judith Craig at 683-3648.

■ West Texas Amputee Support Group meets 11 a.m.-2 p.m. third Saturday of the month at HealthSouth Rehabilitation Hospital. For more information, call 550-4371.

■ ODESSA — Tourettes syndrome support group meets 2 p.m. the second Sunday at Neuroscience Institute, 3610 22nd St. For more information, contact Pam Weaks at 806-438-6601 or pzweaks@yahoo.com, or Rene Howell at 806-549-7788.

■ Food Addicts Anonymous meets noon-1 p.m. Wednesdays at the Center for Spiritual Living, 2311 Elizabeth St. For more information, call 553-1031.

■ A confidential peer-to-peer support gathering for combat veterans meets first, third and fifth Tuesdays at Midland College Cogdell Center, 201 Florida Ave. For more information, contact Steve Cree at 770-7469.

■ The Knot Adoption Support Group -- for families who have adopted, plan to adopt or are interested in supporting adoptive families -- meet 7 p.m. the second Monday at Grace Presbyterian Church. For more information, contact Kathy Hagler at Kathy@WTIE.net

■ American Lung Association of Texas' Better Breathing Club meets 11:30 a.m. the second Tuesday at Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus. For more information, call MMH West Campus at 522-2273 or Joanna at 682-4229.

Toastmasters Clubs

■ Slyker's Professional Toastmasters Club, 10 a.m. second and fourth Saturdays, Texas Tech University Health Science Building, Room 1C12 (west side), 800 W. Fourthth St., Odessa; 522-2716, marken1986-slykers1@yahoo.com, http://slykersprofessionaltoastmastersclub.blogspot.com/

■ Pop-Up Toastmasters Club meets 6:30 a.m. Tuesdays at First Presbyterian Church's Family Life Center. For more information contact Jim at 432-889-7717 or jim@midcities.org.

■ Permian Toastmasters Club meets noon Thursdays at Wurster, Armstrong & Williamson, 6 Desta Drive, Suite 2800. For more information, call Irene Rosas at irosas@sbcglobal.net or 432-683-5474.

■ Permian Basin Toastmasters 1509 meets every Friday at noon at the Midland Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, 208 S. Marienfeld. For more information, contact Celeste Perez, 432.682.2960 or celeste@midlandhcc.com.

■ Wall Street Toastmasters meets 5:30 p.m. Mondays at Midland County Public Library. For more information call Pat Singletary at 620-5638 or 368-5517.

■ Permian Basin Needle Arts Chapter of Embroiderer's Guild of America meets 7-10 p.m. the first Thursday at Barnes & Noble. For more information, call Paula Millhollon at 520-3250.

■ Midland Amateur Radio Club meets 7:30 p.m. the second and fourth Mondays at the clubhouse, Loop 250 and Lamesa Road. For more information, call 561-9729.

■ Alcoholics Anonymous — hotline 580-7868.

■ Serenity Group meets 8 p.m. daily at 3101 N. A St., Building C. For more information, call 685-3100.

■ 710 Group meets 7 a.m., noon and 8 p.m. Wednesdays at 710 Ohio Ave. For more information, call 682-8162.

■ Alpha Omega meets 8 p.m Tuesdays and 11 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays at 311 S. Pecos St.

■ Alanon 12-Step Group meets 7:30 p.m. Mondays and Tuesdays and noon Thursdays at La Hacienda Outreach Center, 206 N. Midkiff Road.

■ Narcotics Anonymous — hotline 432-582-2926.

■ Laundry Group meets 8 p.m. daily and noon Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 104 N. Marshall St.

■ Xodus Group meets 5:30 p.m. Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, 7 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at 206 N. Midkiff Road.

■ Midland Optimist Club meets noon Tuesdays at Abuelo's, 4610 N. Garfield St. For more information, call 685-7486.

■ Midland Odessa Chapter of the United Ostomy Association meets 2:30 p.m. the third Sunday at Midland Memorial Hospital West Campus.

■ Permian Basin Coin and Stamp Club meets from 7-9 p.m. the second Tuesday at Michael's Charcoal Grill on A Street and Wadley Avenue. For more information, contact Dave Taylor at 559-9890 or visit www.midlandcoins.com .

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Permian Bridge Club

Jan. 30

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Jan. 31

Frances Levin-James Hawkins, Servatius-South, Ricki Perry-Tommie Strack, Jean Banks-Wyoma Whitlow, Marilyn Higgins-Brenda Brauner, Janet Stoltz-Frances Mills

Feb. 1

Roberta Bacon-Bob Bacon, Anguish-Perry, Pistole-Brenneman, Flo Curry-Marlene Blumentritt, Servatius-Grimes, Helen Davis-Higgins

Feb. 2

Matthews-Blumentritt, Les Neal-John Seymour, Nancy Cvik-Turner, Marty Massie-Kay Sewell, Bill Dent-Sarana Savage

Feb. 3

Nancy Liberty-Anguish, Gloria Crites-Pistole, Jane Myers-Curry, Hawkins-Levine, Frances Mills-Janet Stoltz

Feb. 5

Anguish-Pistole, Curry-Myers, Robert Baker-KC Evans, South-Brenneman

Feb. 6

Servatius-Grimes, Crites-Kinsey, Curry-Turner, Gloria Jackson-Higgins, Savage-Massie, Blumentritt-Matthews

Feb. 7

Curry-Turner, Sandy Thomas-Debbie Kemp, Betty Marlow-Bitsy Loewenstein, Irene Hamm-Blumentritt, Phyllis Laird-Martha Poss

Feb. 8

Belle Harris-Ann Parish, Jean Pistole-Crites, Servatius-Grimes, Brenneman-Blumentritt, Levin-Hawkins, Aaron-Burchell, Davis-Higgins

Feb. 9

Pat Grace-Blumentritt, Brenda Brauner-Servatius, John Seymour-Les Neal, Nancy Cvik-Harris, Dent-Turner

Feb. 10

Anguish-Blumentritt, Ricki Perry-Stoltz, Strack-Servatius, Janette Kuzmich-Turner, Kathryn Gesell-Frances Mills-Levin-Hawkins

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Robert Baker-Evans, Barbara Steinert-Blumentritt, Harris-Savage-South-Brenneman

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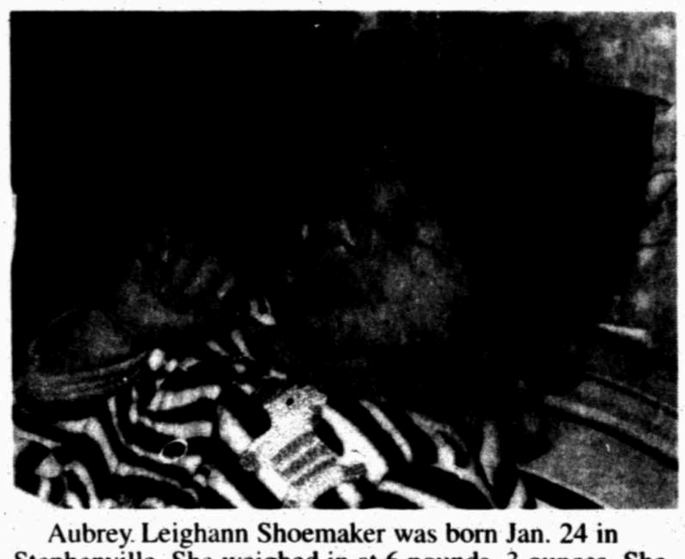

Aubrey Leighann Shoemaker was born Jan. 24 in Stephenville. She weighed in at 6 pounds, 3 ounces. She is the daughter of Josh and Amanda Shoemaker, of Stephenville.

Aubrey's grandparents are Loren and Ann Frost, of Midland; her great-grandparents are Tommy Moore, of Midland and Peggye Whittenburg, of San Saba.

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The Midland Study Club met Feb. 2 at Ranchland Hills Golf Club, with Vice President Jean Reid presiding. Betty Gaines gave a program on her dolls from different nations.

Eleven members attended.

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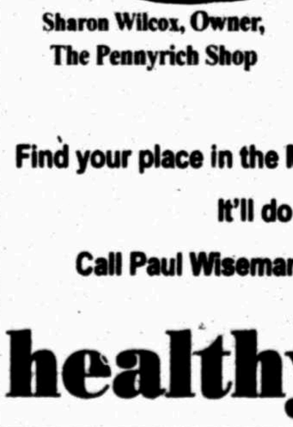

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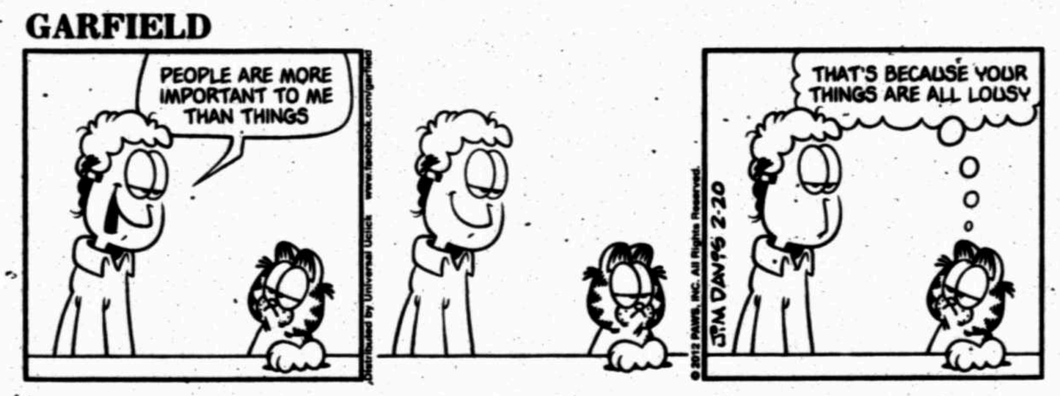

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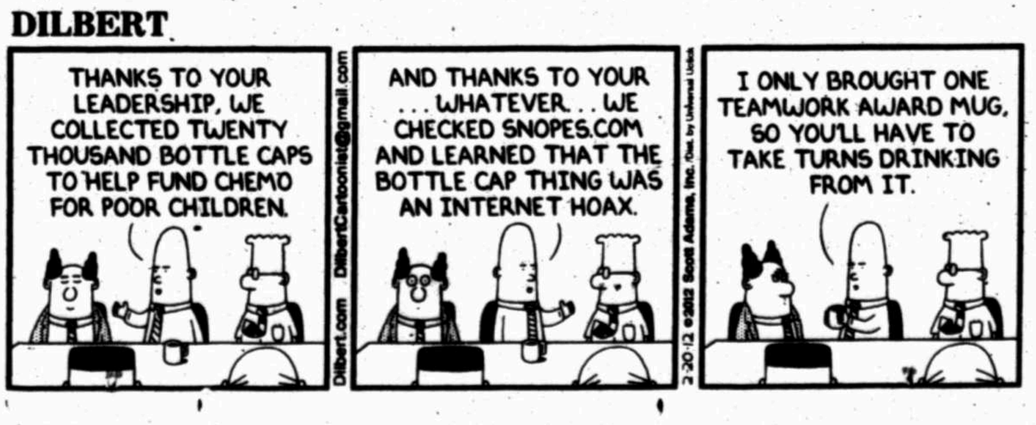

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Decision was right but don't judge Craig, players too harshly

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

Members of the Midland College basketball team leave the court after they were ejected for a bench clearing fight that broke out with 1:13 left in the game against Howard College on Thursday at the Dorothy Garrett Collseum in Big Spring. After the suspensions were handed down, the Chaps will be forced to forfeit their next two games.

OSCAR LEROY
Sports Writer

It's basketball game night in the Western Junior College Athletic Conference and for the first time in people's recollections, the Midland College men's team won't be taking the court tonight at Chaparral Center.

After the Lady Chaparrals finish their game against Western Texas College, the lights will dim and the cleaning crew will get to work as it will be an early night for everyone involved.

It will be a strange thing to see but because of suspensions being handed down by the college in line with NCAA and NJCAA rules following Thursday's altercation at Howard College, the Chaparrals were forced to forfeit tonight's game against the Westerners and Thursday's game at New Mexico Military Institute.

Seven suspensions were handed out which left only four players eligible to play tonight, and rules state that a team can't start a contest with four players.

It was a tough decision for college officials but after reviewing their own video of the incident at Howard College, the action they took was most appropriate because NJCAA rules specifically state that any player who leaves the bench during an altercation must serve an automatic two-game suspension beginning with the next game on the schedule. In other words, there was no chance the college could roll out the suspensions even if it wanted to.

It's important to note that most of the players who left the bench weren't going over to participate in a brawl but to help break up the scuffle and support their teammates. As good as most of their intentions were, it was still not the right thing to do. Rules are rules.

It's a tough pill to swallow for the college especially for the players and first-year coach Chris Craig.

The forfeits and suspensions will likely, although unfairly, tarnish their reputations.

For anyone who thinks this is an isolated incident, unfortunately it's not in junior college or four-year

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Back to Baseball

Cindeka Nealy/Reporter-Telegram

ABOVE: Midland High catcher Travis Sims (above) swings at a ball in the batters cage during a baseball practice last week. **TOP RIGHT:** Midland High pitcher Alex Mata works his arms.

Sims' experience at catcher can help young pitcher Mata

By Jordan Mason
Sports Writer

MHS baseball preview

Travis Sims knows exactly how Alex Mata felt last year when, on a team full of seniors, the sophomore was found himself in the spotlight as one of the Bulldogs' primary pitchers.

Just two years earlier, Sims was in the same position, replacing standout Josh Roberson behind the plate as a freshman.

But Mata and Sims, who enter this year as leaders on an inexperienced Midland High team, can both smile now, as they are far from the wide-eyed first-year players they were at the time.

"At the time, I didn't know, but now that I think about it, wow, I don't know how I did that," Sims said.

The senior Sims is now a savvy veteran, entering his fourth season as a varsity player, by far the most experience on a team that returns just five lettermen.

He earned his stripes as a freshman, when coach Barry Russell looked to the young Sims to replace Roberson, who is now playing football at Hardin-Simmons University, when he went down with an injury as a senior.

"He probably played about 20 games," Russell said. "He's been there ever since -- except when he got hurt last year against (Odessa) Permian."

Sims doesn't remember a lot about the home-plate collision against Permian that ended with him concussed.

"There's sometimes I know when he came, then after he hit me I don't know what happened, and I remember getting up with the ball, and then people holding me back," Sims said laughing.

But what he does remember is having to miss a week of action, including the prestigious Scotland Yard Classic at Highland Park, which Sims said was harder to deal with than the recovery.

None of that surprises Russell, who's come to know Sims as a player who's willing to put it all on the line behind the plate.

"He understands it's not a pretty game back there because he's going to get hit in the face, he's going to get hit in the

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Lee pitcher Limon a perfect fit on the diamond

By Jordan Mason
Sports Writer

Lee baseball preview

You can call Mick Limon a chip off the ol' block, but that would hardly be telling the whole story.

Baseball has been a family tradition since before Mick or his two older brothers, Hector Jr. and Marcus, were born.

Both of his parents are baseball enthusiasts — his father, Lee coach Hector Sr., won a state title as a player at Estacado before going on to win a national title at Lubbock Christian, while his mother Josie grew up a baseball fan thanks to the influence of six brothers.

With that pedigree, it was no surprise that Hector Jr. and Marcus wanted to play, enjoying standout careers themselves at Estacado before going on to play at University of Texas-Dallas and Wayland Baptist respectively.

And it was even less of a surprise when young Mick Ryan Limon — yes, Mick as in Hall of Fame center fielder Mickey Mantle and Ryan as in Hall of Fame pitcher Nolan Ryan — wanted to play as well.

Mick said he barely remembers when his parents first signed him up for Tee-ball a year early, but his parents do.

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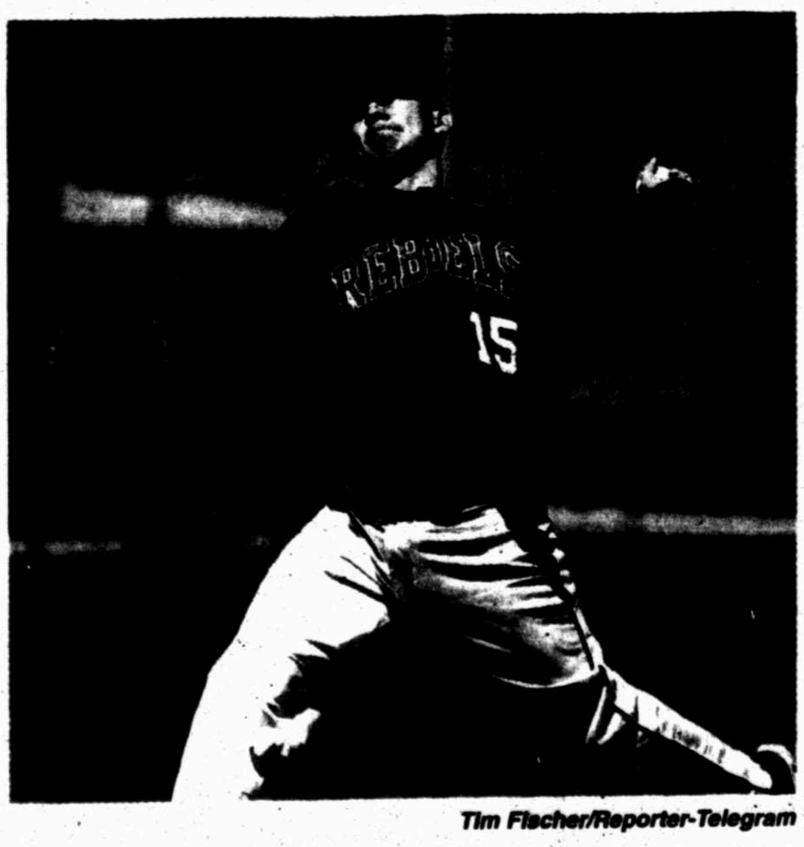

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Lee pitcher Mick Limon throws a pitch during a game last year for the Rebels. Limon figures to be one of the top pitchers for the Rebels this year.

Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Midland College's Richie Farmer watches his shot during the Midland College Invitational Golf Tournament last year at Midland Country Club.

Richardson, Farmer the elders on young Chaps golf team

By Len Hayward
Sports Editor

Luke Richardson and Richie Farmer grew up about 100 miles apart in their native England, and even played in the same golf tournaments.

But until the two were united as freshmen last year as part of the Midland College golf team, they had never met each other. Now a year and half later this pair of English golfers represent the lone sophomores on the Chaparrals golf team this spring.

This duo showed their talent last year as they were among the team's top players in scoring, and led the team in scoring average in the fall, with Farmer first and Richardson second. But where these two will be more important is how they lead a team with eight freshmen.

Richardson

Farmer

It's a role, the pair is more than willing to take on, and they are even enjoying it.

"We know what's going on, and last year we were the freshmen, and the other guys helped us out there," said Richardson, who is from Essex, which is about 45 minutes north of London. "Hopefully they can learn a little bit just by playing, and how we go about things."

The Chaps will begin the spring season and their quest for a fifth national title beginning today at the Texas State Preview at Splitrail Country Club in Aledo.

These two will likely be among the scoring leaders both for MC and on the main leaderboard itself, plus longtime coach Delnor Poss said they are providing the type of mentoring expected of sophomores as the squad looks to improve on last year's fourth place finish at nationals.

Poss said he noticed during a practice session last week that one of the younger players was talking about how well his driver was working, and Farmer said he probably wouldn't use it that much at the season-opening tournament in Aledo.

It's things like that has impressed Poss about this pair as practices in the spring have progressed.

"Those are the types of things which showed that at least he's thinking properly in preparation," Poss

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MCBASKETBALL

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Women

WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

When/where: 5:45 p.m., Chaparral Center

Records: Midland College 21-6, 7-2 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Western Texas College 14-11, 3-5

Last game: Midland College 69, Howard College 58, OT; Western Texas College 75, Frank Phillips College 56 (Feb. 13)

Notes & quotes: The women's game will be the only game played at Chaparral Center tonight because of the Midland College men forfeiting their game to Western Texas College. MC coach Ron Jones said it was just easier to stick with the regularly scheduled time instead of moving the game time later. ... The Lady Chaparrals clinched a spot in the NJCAA Region V Tournament for the 18th consecutive year with their overtime victory at Howard College. The women's tournament begins March 9 at Lubbock Christian University's Rip Griffin Center. ... MC trailed Howard by 10 points midway through the second half before the game was tied at 52 at the end of regulation thanks in part to a last-second layup by Howard. In overtime, the Lady Chaps' defense took over and outscored the Hawks 17-6 in the period. The Lady Chaps seized the momentum early when they scored the first four points, two of which coming off a steal and layup by Shola Adebayo. Danesha Long led MC with 15 points, while Achiri Ade and Alexis Kelley added 12 points. Kelley was a key to the second-half comeback as she scored all her points in the second half. "I think it was an important game for us to win," Jones said. "Howard played at a high level but we found a way to win. I was very happy with our effort." ... The Lady Chaps are facing another team desperate for a win to keep its postseason hopes alive. The Lady Westerners are 1 1/2 games back of fourth place South Plains. ... WTC, which had the bye on Thursday, has won its last two games, including a 47-45 victory over Howard on Feb. 9 and Jones said the Lady Westerners are playing with a lot of confidence right now. "I'm kind of approaching this game the same way we did against Howard in that we were facing a Howard team in desperation and needing a win to qualify for the regional tournament. This is a team that made it to the championship game of our pre-conference tournament in November. They lost some tough games early in conference, but they seem to be getting their confidence back. We just have to be in the right frame of mind to compete for 40 minutes." ... No Lady Westerner is averaging in double figures but 5-foot-7 freshman guard Breanna Burton and 5-9 sophomore guard Elissa Betts are both averaging a little more than eight points per game. ... MC defeated Western Texas 65-53 in Snyder on Jan. 26.

Next game: Midland College at Frank Phillips College, 5:45 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27; Odessa College at Western Texas College, 5:45 p.m. Thursday

Compiled by Oscar LeRoy

Stats and standings

Midland College Women's Statistics
(21-6, 7-2)

Player	GP	FG	FT	FTA	Pts.	Avg.	Reb.	RPG
Achiri Ade	27	129	84	109	322	11.9	273	10.1
Danesha Long	25	87	84	102	281	11.2	127	5.1
Kely Sousa	27	101	48	78	250	9.3	104	3.9
Alexis Kelley	26	62	47	71	171	6.6	114	4.4
Lindsay Analey	26	40	66	88	155	6.0	116	4.5
Darnetta Jackson	27	57	30	39	154	5.7	75	2.8
Ornela Bacchini	24	58	17	24	133	5.6	115	4.8
Shola Adebayo	23	33	30	39	96	4.2	78	3.4
Arlisa Shults	27	39	10	12	115	4.3	28	1.0
Curtiesha Woods	16	25	3	8	64	4.0	31	1.9
Morgan Schwartz	25	28	26	43	82	3.3	97	3.9
Bernadette Sanchez	27	16	22	27	64	2.4	86	3.2
Armani Wiley	17	8	0	1	18	1.1	17	1.0
Kamilah Carter	9	1	2	4	4	0.4	9	1.0
Totals	27	684	451	644	1,919	71.1	1,386	51.3

3-point goals (69) — Shulha 27, Long 23, Woods 11, Adebayo 10, Sanchez 10, Jackson 10, Ansley 7, Wiley 2

WJCAC Men's Standings

	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
x-South Plains	10	0	25	0
Howard College	8	2	19	5
New Mexico JC	7	3	18	7
Odessa College	6	4	21	5
Midland College	4	6	16	8
Frank Phillips	2	8	10	16
New Mexico Military	2	8	9	15
Western Texas	1	9	13	12

x-clinched NJCAA Region V Tournament berth

Today's Games

Midland College forfeits to Western Texas College; NMMI at Frank Phillips College; Howard College at Odessa College; New Mexico JC at South Plains College

WJCAC Women's Standings

	Conference W	Conference L	Overall W	Overall L
x-New Mexico JC	7	3	23	3
x-Midland College	7	2	21	6
Odessa College	6	3	17	8
South Plains	5	4	8	17
Western Texas	3	5	14	11
Howard College	2	6	16	10
Frank Phillips	0	9	6	18

x-clinched NJCAA Region V Tournament berth

Today's Games

Western Texas College at Midland College; Howard College at Odessa College; New Mexico JC at South Plains College; Frank Phillips College is open

MCALUMNIUPDATE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Here is an update of basketball players from Midland College who are now playing at four-year universities.

Men

Darren White
Campbell University, N.C.
(Big South Conference)
17-12 (11-5)

16.9ppg (team's leading scorer), 5.6 rpg, 2.2 apg, 1.0 spg, 1.2 bpg (29 games)

Last Game: 15points, seven rebounds, three assists, one steal in a 100-88 loss to Northwestern State University.

Ty Nurse
Texas Tech University
(Big 12 Conference)
8-18 (1-13)

8.7 ppg, 1.7 rpg, 1.7 apg, 0.9 spg (25 games)

Last Game: 11 points, one rebound, one assist, one steal in an 83-50 loss to the University of Kansas

Rodney Milum
Appalachian State University, W.V.
(Southern Conference)
12-15 (7-9)

9.5 ppg, 1.8 rpg, 1.1 apg, 0.4 spg (11 games)

Note: Milum has left Appalachian State due to personal/family issues

Jamaal Trice
Appalachian State University, W.V.
(Southern Conference)
12-15 (7-9)

9.8 ppg, 2.6 rpg, 0.8 apg, 0.4 spg, 0.2 bpg (26 games)

Jonathon Simmons
University of Houston (Conference USA)
12-13 (4-8)

15.3ppg (team's leading scorer), 4.9 rpg, 1.8 apg, 0.7 spg, 0.3 bpg (25 games)

Last Game: 28 points, eight rebounds, one assist, one steal in a 73-71 win over the University of Southern Mississippi. Note: Simmons played for former MC coach Ross Hodge at Paris JC and at Midland College. Hodge is currently an assistant at USM.

Kenny Moore
Tennessee State University
(Ohio Valley Conference)
18-10 (11-4)

7.4ppg, 3.1 rpg, 1.4 apg, 0.8 spg, 0.2 bpg (22 games)

Brockeith Pane
Utah State University
(Western Athletic Conference)
14-14 (6-6)

12.0 ppg, 3.1 rpg, 3.9 apg, 0.8 spg, 0.2 bpg (28 games)

Last Game: 13 points, one rebound, two assists in a 72-64 loss to University of California-Santa Barbara

TyShwan Edmondson
Austin Peay State University, Tenn.
(Ohio Valley Conference)
10-19 (6-8)

12.3ppg (team's leading scorer), 3.3 rpg, 2.0 apg, 1.7spg, 0.2bpg (29 games)

Last Game: 23 points, six rebounds, one assist, two steals in a 71-68 win over Youngstown State University

Caleb Dean
Western Michigan University
(Mid America Conference)
11-16 (5-7)

0.9ppg, 0.9rpg (9 games)

Dwight Miller
University of Tennessee
(Southeastern Conference)
14-13(6-8)

2.4 ppg, 1.4 rpg, 0.2 apg, 0.5 bpg (17 games)

Guy Landry-Edi
Gonzaga University, Wash.
(West Coast Conference)
21-9 (11-3)

5.2 ppg, 2.7 rpg, 0.8 apg, 0.4 spg, 0.2 bpg (18 games)

Note: Jordan Walker (California State University - Bakersfield), Dwayne Davis (University of Southern Mississippi), Larry Wilkins (University of Texas - San Antonio) and Darrell Williams (Oklahoma State University) will not compete this season; look for them in 2012-13

Women

Lauren Mansfield
Iowa State University
(Big 12 Conference)
16-9 (7-7)

7.5ppg, 3.2rpg, 3.2apg, 1.2spg (25 games)

Last Games: 22 points, three rebounds, three assists in a 77-77 win over the University of Oklahoma

Adrie Shiels
University of Idaho
(Western Athletic Conference)
9-18 (4-7)

3.7 ppg, 3.1 rpg, 0.6 apg, 0.4 spg, 0.8 bpg (25 games)

Erika Warren
University of Texas - El Paso
(Conference USA)
23-2 (12-0)

4.4 ppg, 2.3 rpg, 1.1 apg, 0.5 spg, 0.2 bpg (24 games)

Tanica Anderson
James Madison University, Va.
(Colonial Athletic Conference)
20-5 (11-3)

2.1 ppg, 1.5 rpg, 0.6 apg (11 games)

HSBASKETBALLTODAY

FROM STAFF REPORTS

STANTON VS TORNILLO

When/where: 8 p.m. today, Sul Ross State University, Alpine

Records: Stanton 18-11; Tornillo 23-8

Notes: Tornillo was the runner up in District 4-2A and enters the playoffs on a three-game winning streak. ... Stanton enters the postseason hot as well, having won four of its last six to grab the third and final playoff spot in District 3-2A. ...Tornillo has won four of its last six as well, with its two losses coming by a combined six points. This figures to be a close one as both teams have generally scored in the 40-50 point range late in the season, with Tornillo outscoring the Buffaloes by a slight margin. ...The winner takes on Childress, who sports a 29-4 record with no losses in district play.

Next: Winner will face Childress in the area round of the Class 2A playoffs, time and location TBA

HSBASKETBALLPAIRINGS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Girls

Class 5A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Lubbock Monterey (T2, 23-6) vs. Lubbock Coronado (W2, 26-6), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Plano West (W8, 33-2) vs. Irving MacArthur (W6, 33-2), TBA
Amarillo High (R2, 27-6) vs. El Paso Bel Air (W1, 21-8)/Arlington Lamar (R4, 18-12), TBA
Southlake Carroll (W7, 31-3) vs. Duncanville (W5, 35-1), TBA

Class 4A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Amarillo Palo Duro (F3, 17-13) vs. Clint Horizon (W2, 30-2), TBA Tuesday, Odessa College Sports Center
Stephenville (W8, 26-8) vs. Granbury (W3, 28-3), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Gelen Rose HS
Canyon (W3, 28-3) vs. El Paso Chapin (W1, 32-0), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Odessa College Sports Center
Mansfield Summit (W7, 32-3) vs. Arlington Seguin (W5, 30-4), TBA

Class 3A
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Dalhart (R1, 29-10) vs. Lubbock Cooper (W2, 27-6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dimmitt HS
Kennedale (W8, 27-6) vs. Bowie (W6, 25-7), TBA
Shallowater (W3, 27-5) vs. Perryton (W1, 26-5), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Palo Duro Activity Center, Amarillo
Decatur (W7, 26-5) vs. Abilene Wylie (W5, 30-4), TBA Tuesday, Tarleton State University, Stephenville

Class 2A
Regional

Idalou (T2, 20-12) vs. Tulia (W2, 26-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wayland Baptist University's Hutcherson Center, Plainview
Jim Ned (R5, 27-6) vs. Brady (R7, 27-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Abilene Christian University
Lubbock Roosevelt (W3, 24-8) vs. Spearman (W1, 22-6), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon HS
Wall (W7, 24-7) vs. Markel (W5, 32-0), 6:30 p.m. Monday, Ginnell Center, San Angelo

Class A, Division I
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

Canadian (R1, 27-7) vs. Panhandle (W2, 27-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Pampa HS
Sundown (T6, 22-11) vs. Smyer (W6, 32-2), TBA
Clarendon (W3, 22-4) vs. Gruver (W1, 31-3), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo High Activity Center
Plains (R6, 29-5) vs. Sudan (W5, 29-3), TBA

Class A, Division II
Region I
Regional Quarterfinals

McLean (W4, 16-13) vs. Follett (R3, 18-10), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Canadian HS
Anton (R5, 17-15) vs. Turkey Valley (W6, 30-0), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hale Center HS
Nazareth (R2, 24-9) vs. Hartley (W1, 25-8), TBA
Lorenzo (W7) vs. Whitharral (W5, 25-5), TBA

Region II
Regional Quarterfinals

Garden City (R12, 27-6) vs. West (W10), 28-7, 6 p.m. Tuesday, Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum, Big Spring
Lipan (W16, 29-2) vs. Throckmorton (W14, 24-8), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Cisco HS
Roby (W11, 21-11) vs. Bronte (R12, 22-12), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Anson HS
Baird (W15, 21-10) vs. Strawn (R16, 26-5), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dublin HS

Boys

Class 5A
Region I
Bi-District

North Crowley (W4, 28-4) vs. Midland High (F3, 7-23), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Chaps HS
El Paso Coronado (R1, 20-8) vs. Lubbock Monterey (T2, 17-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jerry Larned Sports Complex, Monahans
Amarillo (W2, 24-3) vs. El Paso Americas (F1, 17-13), 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews HS
Odessa Permian (R3, 23-8) vs. Arlington Bowie (T4, 14-16), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Tuscola Jim Ned
Flower Mound Marcus (W6, 32-2) vs. Austin Northwest or Keller (F7), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville HS
Duncanville (R5, 18-14) vs. Irving Nimitz (T6, 15-14), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Sam Houston
Richland (W5, 27-3) vs. Mansfield Timberview (F5, 18-14), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington HS
Coppell (R7, 24-8) vs. Allen (T8, 20-13), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, The Colony HS
San Angelo Central (W3, 29-5) vs. Arlington Lamar (F4, 12-17), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS
Lubbock Coronado (R2, 16-11) vs. El Paso Montwood (T1, 21-8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Pecos HS
El Paso Hanks (W1, 22-8) vs. Amarillo Tascosa (F2, 15-10), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews HS
Arlington Martin (R4, 24-7) vs. Lee (T3, 13-18), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Tuscola Jim Ned
Keller Central (W7, 26-7) vs. Hebron (F8, 21-10), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Trophy Club Byron Nelson
Colleyville Heritage (R6, 24-8) vs. Cedar Hill (T5, 22-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Lamar
South Grand Prairie (W5, 31-2) vs. Irving MacArthur (F8, 16-15), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Grand Prairie HS
Plano West (R8, 25-8) vs. Justin Northwest or Keller (T7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Lewisville HS

Class 4A
Region I
Bi-District

Little Elm (W4, 26-6) vs. Amarillo Palo Duro (F3, 16-13), TBA
El Paso Andress (R1, 18-11) vs. San Elizario (T, 16-15), 7 p.m. Monday, El Paso Andress
El Paso Riverside (W2, 21-8) vs. El Paso Austin (F1), 7 p.m. Monday, El Paso Riverside
Randall (R3, 19-11) vs. Denton Ryan (T4, 18-11), 5 p.m. Tuesday, Vernon HS
Waco University (W8, 28-6) vs. Everman (F7, 20-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Burleson HS
Birdville (R5, 19-9) vs. Fort Worth O.D.Wyatt (T6, 16-9), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Haltom HS
Fort Worth Trimble Tech (W6, 28-4) vs. Aledo (F5, 20-9), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Thomas Coliseum, Birdville
Mansfield Summit (R7, 20-6) vs. Killeen (T8, 17-16), 8 p.m. Tuesday, McLennan Community College, Waco
Wolfforth Frenship (W3, 28-3) vs. Denton (F4, 9-16), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Childress HS
Euless Parkland (R2, 15-14) vs. El Paso Bowie (T1, 19-11), TBA
El Paso Burges (W1, 18-8) vs. El Paso Del Valle (F2, 16-15), TBA
The Colony (R4, 29-5) vs. Plainview (T3, 19-13), TBA
Arlington Seguin (W7, 28-5) vs. Waco High (F8, 14-18), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Midlothian HS
Fort Worth Arlington Heights (R6, 20-9) vs. Keller Timber Creek (T5, 21-10), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Thomas Coliseum, Birdville
Trophy Club Byron Nelson (W5, 24-7) vs. Fort Southwest (F8), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Richland HS
Waco Midway (R8, 16-15) vs. Crowley (T7, 17-10), 7:30 p.m. Monday, West HS

Class 3A
Region I
Bi-District

Seminole (W4, 29-7), bye
Pampa (R1) vs. Lamesa (T2, 18-12), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hutcheson Center, Howard Baptist University, Plainview
Lubbock Estacado (W2-24-7), bye
Clint (R3, 15-13) vs. Fort Stockton (T4, 12-14), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Gallego Center, Alpine
Alvarado (W8, 18-11), bye
Brownwood (R5, 11-19) vs. Graham (T6), 6 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene
Wichita Falls Hirschi (W6, 20-6), bye
Decatur (R7) vs. Glen Rose (T8, 15-13), TBA
Fabens (W3, 16-11), bye
Lubbock Cooper (R2, 22-9) vs. Perryton (T1, 21-10), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon HS
Dalhart (W1), bye
Greenwood (R4, 23-10) vs. Clint Mountain View (T3, 14-15), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton HS
Mineral Wells (W7, 16-17), bye
Bartlett-Moriell (R8, 25-9) vs. Big Spring (T5, 14-17), 6 p.m., Tuesday, Eastland
Abilene Wylie (W5, 22-7), bye
Bastrop (R8, 22-9) vs. Burleson Centennial (T7), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Mansfield Legacy

Class 2A
Region I
Bi-District

Kermit (W4), bye
Bushland (R1, 18-10) vs. Littlefield (T2, 18-10), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Hereford HS
Idalou (W2, 26-4), bye
Denver City (R3, 22-7) vs. Alpine (T4, 12-14), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Jerry Larned Sports Complex, Monahans
Ingram Tom Moore (W8, 20-9), bye
Breckenridge (R5, 20-9) vs. Comanche (T6, 15-12), TBA
Dublin (W6, 26-4), bye
Ballinger (R7, 15-15) vs. Harper (T8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Brady
Colorado City (W3, 23-6), bye
Frions (R2, 22-8) vs. Highland Park (T1, 12-14), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Randall HS
Childress (W1, 29-3), bye
Tornillo (R4) vs. Stanton (T3, 18-11), 8 p.m., Sul Ross State University, Alpine
Wall (W7, 21-6), bye
Bangs (R6, 23-5) vs. Eastland (T5,19-4), 8 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene
Tuscola Jim Ned (W5, 28-6), bye
Grape Creek (R8, 12-14) vs. Banco (T7, 13-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, San Saba HS

Class A, Division I
Region I
Bi-District

Hale Center (W4, 22-3), bye
Gruver (R1, 15-15) vs. Boys Ranch (T2, 19-7), 8 p.m. Tuesday, Amarillo High Activity Center
Vega (W2, 23-4), bye
Memphis (R3, 15-12) vs. New Deal (T4, 9-18), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Randall HS
Van Horn (W8, 17-9), bye
Farwell (R5, 16-11) vs. Smyer (T6, 16-13), 6:30 p.m. Monday, Shallowater HS
Seagraves (W6, 17-10) bye
Iraan (R7, 10-10) vs. Fort Hancock (T8), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Fort Stockton HS
Clarendon (W3, 16-10) bye
Panhandle (R2, 18-9) vs. Stratford (T1, 13-11), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Caprock Activity Center
Canadian (W1, 19-8), bye
Crosbyton (R4, 7-6) vs. Wellington (T3, 10-8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Palo Duro Activity Center
Reagan County (W7, 22-9), bye
Morton (R6, 18-7) vs. Sudan (T5, 13-14), TBA
Olton (W5, 22-7), bye
Marfa (R8) vs. McCamey or Iraon County (T7), TBA

Class A, Division II
Region I
Bi-District

Shamrock (W4, 17-9), bye
Hartley (R1, 11-18) vs. Kress (T2, 18-10), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Vega HS
Nazareth (W2, 20-10), bye
Miami (R3, 12-8) vs. McLean (T4, 8-17), 6 p.m. Monday, Pampa HS
Grady (W8, 24-3), bye
Petersburg (R5, 11-15) vs. Spur (T6), TBA
Valley (W6), bye
New Home (R7, 18-6) vs. O'Donnell (T8, 20-9), TBA
Darrouzett (W3, 11-12), bye
Happy (R2, 14-8) vs. Channing (T1, 14-7), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Vega HS
Texline (W1, 20-6), bye
Groom (R4, 9-11) vs. Briscoe Fort Elliot (T3, 11-13), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Borger HS
Meadow (W7, 18-5), bye
Paducah (R6) vs. Anton (T5), TBA
Wharhamil (W5, 22-6), bye
Sands (R8, 23-6) vs. Ropes (T7, 17-6), TBA

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university athletics. Back in 2002, the Midland College baseball team was a beneficiary of suspensions and forfeits handed out when a brawl broke out between New Mexico Junior College and El Paso Community College. The Chaps ended up winning the conference title in part because of the forfeits even though MC had a very talented team that season.

It is also unfortunate that this had to happen in Craig's first year as Chaps coach.

There is no doubt that some people will try to point the finger and blame Craig, and that just wouldn't be fair. Craig is a good coach and will be a good one for the Chaps in years to come. This is just one of those years where he's had to deal with one issue after another when it has come to his team.

Let's take a look at what the Chaps and Craig have had to overcome during the WJCAC portion of their schedule:

■ Jan. 23: Freshman forward Jarekious Bradley is suspended prior to the home game against Howard College for disciplinary reasons. He misses two games before he is reinstated for the home game against New Mexico Military Institute on Jan. 30.

■ Jan. 26: Sophomore guard Tre Bowman doesn't make the trip with the team to Western Texas College for unspecified reasons. He also misses the next game against NMMI.

■ Jan. 30: In a win over NMMI, sophomore guard Kelvin Agee picks up two non-violent technical fouls and is forced to miss the next home game against Frank Phillips College per NJCAA rules.

■ Feb. 13: Prior to the home game against New Mexico Junior College, Craig decides to dismiss Bradley from the team for disciplinary reasons. Bradley was the team's leading scorer, averaging a little more than 15 points per game.

■ Feb. 16: An altercation at Howard College leads to the two-game suspensions of Colan Weasby, Bowman, Majok Majok, Anthony Norris and Matt Clark as well as the season-long suspensions of Mike Taylor and Brandon Maclin.

Prior to the game against Howard, Craig said his team has been in a state of flux through conference play because of different players missing time and that had been a large contributor to the Chaps' inconsistent play.

After the loss to Howard, the Chaps were sitting with a 4-6 mark in WJCAC play and still had an outside shot of making the regional tournament with four games to play. But because of the two forfeits, the Chaps will be knocked out of postseason contention, one year after the program played for an NJCAA national title.

Maybe the toughest part of this for Craig and the Chaps is that they will have a week to sit and think about what happened on Thursday. They have a week to mull over what could have been and what they could have done differently.

They will return to the court a week from today at Frank Phillips College and play out the final week of the season.

It may be too late to change things that were done in the past, but that final week will hold an opportunity for players and coaches to finish the season with pride. Some players will come back next year, some will move on. While Craig will have a full year to recruit in hopes of putting the disappointment of his first season behind.

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RATTLERS TAKE FINAL GAME OF SERIES AGAINST UTPB BASEBALL

ODESSA — The University of Texas of the Permian Basin scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning, but the comeback wasn't meant to be as St. Mary's swept the three-game series with a 5-3 victory Sunday at Roden Field.

As was the case in the first two games, St. Mary's used strong pitching performances and tallied 14 hits to improve to 9-0 in Heartland Conference play. UTPB's struggles at the plate continued as it picked up five hits in the game, two of which came from the bat of Mike Briseno.

Trailing 4-0, the Falcons came to life in the sixth when Briseno and Arturo Carrera led off the inning with back-to-back singles before Brian Brademan loaded the bases with a walk. A walk by Travis Wilcox put UTPB on the board when Briseno scored. A fielder's choice by Fabian Rivera allowed Carrera to score and also moved Brademan from second to third. Brademan eventually came around to score thanks to a passed ball.

The Rattlers added to their lead in the top of the ninth on an RBI single up the middle by Brandon Bates to score Josh McElroy, who reached on a one-out infield single.

Wilcox started on the mound for the Falcons, tossing five innings, giving up eight hits and three unearned runs while striking out three.

The Falcons moved to 1-8 on the year and will take on St. Edward's for a three-game series starting Friday at Roden Field.

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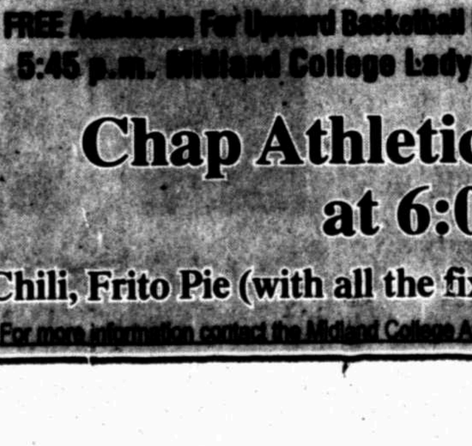
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	LOT	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Rangers	57	38	14	5	81	161 116
New Jersey	58	34	20	4	72	164 159
Philadelphia	58	32	19	7	71	193 177
Pittsburgh	59	33	21	5	71	184 160
N.Y. Islanders	58	25	25	8	58	139 168

Northeast Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	57	35	20	2	72	190	132
Ottawa	60	30	22	8	68	179	183
Toronto	59	29	24	6	64	178	180
Montreal	60	24	26	10	58	160	164
Buffalo	59	25	27	7	57	148	175

Southeast Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	58	27	20	11	65	144	162
Winnipeg	61	29	26	6	64	153	170
Washington	58	29	24	5	63	159	163
Tampa Bay	58	26	26	6	58	163	195
Carolina	59	22	26	11	55	153	181

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	60	41	17	2	84	190	139
St. Louis	59	36	16	7	79	150	117
Nashville	59	34	19	6	74	165	154
Chicago	60	32	21	7	71	189	178
Columbus	59	17	35	7	41	136	195

Northwest Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Vancouver	58	37	15	6	80	189	142
Calgary	59	28	22	9	65	142	155
Colorado	60	29	27	4	62	151	168
Minnesota	59	26	24	9	61	131	154
Edmonton	57	22	29	6	50	151	172

Pacific Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	57	31	19	7	69	167	142
Phoenix	59	29	21	9	67	152	147
Los Angeles	59	27	21	11	65	124	126
Dallas	59	29	26	4	62	152	167
Anaheim	59	25	24	10	60	152	168

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

Sunday's Scores
Buffalo 6, Pittsburgh 2
Detroit 3, San Jose 2
Chicago 3, St. Louis 1
Minnesota 2, Boston 0
New Jersey 3, Montreal 1
Anaheim 2, Florida 0
Nashville 3, Dallas 2
N.Y. Rangers 3, Columbus 2, OT
Winnipeg 5, Colorado 1
Vancouver at Edmonton, late

Today's Games
Ottawa at N.Y. Islanders, noon
Washington at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S SUMMARIES

PREDATORS 3, STARS 2
Nashville 2 1 0 — 3
Dallas 1 0 1 — 2
First Period—1, Dallas, Ryder 23 (Ribeiro, Eriksson), 6:49. 2, Nashville, Bourque 3 (Legwand, Halischuk), 15:39. 3, Nashville, Weber 12 (Suter, Kostitsyn), 19:59 (pp).
Second Period—4, Nashville, C.Wilson 12 (Tootoo, Rinne), 16:05.
Third Period—5, Dallas, Goligoski 8, 15:11.
Shots on Goal—Nashville 10-5-6—21. Dallas 8-5-11—24.
Goalies—Nashville, Rinne. Dallas, Lehtonen. A—11,865 (18,532). T—2:20.

DUCKS 2, PANTHERS 0
Anaheim 1 0 1 — 2
Florida 0 0 0 — 0
First Period—1, Anaheim, Selanne 20 (Ryan, Koivu), 12:13.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—2, Anaheim, Hagman 9 (Perry, Getzlaf), 19:45 (en).
Shots on Goal—Anaheim 11-8-8—27. Florida 10-10-11—31.
Goalies—Anaheim, Hiller. Florida, Theodore. A—15,945 (17,040). T—2:19.

DEVILS 3, CANADIENS 1
New Jersey 1 1 1 — 3
Montreal 0 0 1 — 1
First Period—1, NEw Jersey, Parise 22 (Kovalchuk, Henrique), 18:03.
Second Period—2, New Jersey, Clarkson 22 (Elias, Sykora), 19:42.
Third Period—3, Montreal, Pacioretty 25 (Kaberle, Desharnais), 1:46 (pp). 4, New Jersey, Taormina 1 (Fayne, Zubrus), 8:27.
Shots on Goal—New Jersey 12-7-6—25. Montreal 4-9-9—22.
Goalies—New Jersey, Brodeur. Montreal, Price. A—21,273 (21,273). T—2:19.

WILD 2, BRUINS 0
Boston 0 0 0 — 0
Minnesota 0 2 0 — 2
First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Minnesota, Rau 2 (Heatley, Clutterbuck), 10:15. 2, Minnesota, Cullen 12 (Setoguchi, Spurgeon), 15:30 (pp).
Third Period—None.
Shots on Goal—Boston 14-12-22—48. Minnesota 12-14-3—29.
Goalies—Boston, Thomas. Minnesota, Backstrom. A—19,198 (18,064). T—2:28.

BLACKHAWKS 3, BLUES 1
St. Louis 1 0 0 — 1
Chicago 0 0 3 — 3
First Period—1, St. Louis, McDonald 3 (Langenbrunner, Berglund), 19:36.
Second Period—None.
Third Period—2, Chicago, Keith 4 (Sharp, Kane), 4:52. 3, Chicago, Bolland 17 (Keith, Bickell), 13:03. 4, Chicago, Hossa 23, 19:10 (en).
Shots on Goal—St. Louis 15-7-8—30. Chicago 4-9-14—27.
Goalies—St. Louis, Elliott. Chicago, Crawford. A—22,077 (19,717). T—2:22.

RED WINGS 3, SHARKS 2
San Jose 0 1 1 — 2
Detroit 1 1 1 — 3
First Period—1, Detroit, Zetterberg 13 (Ericsson, V.Filppula), 6:30.
Second Period—2, Detroit, Miller 12 (Abdelkader), 10:40. 3, San Jose, Couture 25 (Thornton, Pavelski), 14:33 (pp).
Third Period—4, Detroit, Helm 6 (Miller), 7:01. 5, San Jose, Marleau 23 (Burns), 15:16.
Shots on Goal—San Jose 6-19-8—33. Detroit 8-8-12—28.
Goalies—San Jose, Niemi. Detroit, MacDonald. A—20,066 (20,066). T—2:33.

SABRES 6, PENGUINS 2
Pittsburgh 0 1 1 — 2
Buffalo 2 1 3 — 6
First Period—1, Buffalo, Pominville 23 (Myers, Roy), :52. 2, Buffalo, Roy 12 (Pominville, Ehrhoff), 4:16.
Second Period—3, Buffalo, Gaustad 7 (Gerbe, Leopold), 2:52. 4, Pittsburgh, Engelland 3 (Malkin), 3:39.
Third Period—5, Pittsburgh, Staal 19 (Neal, Sullivan), 5:05 (pp). 6, Buffalo, Stafford 10 (Ehrhoff, Vanek), 6:10. 7, Buffalo, Roy 13 (Pominville, Ehrhoff), 8:32 (sh). 8, Buffalo, Ennis 6 (Kassian, Leino), 16:43.
Missed Penalty Shot—Kaleta, Buf, 10:51 second.
Shots on Goal—Pittsburgh 10-7-9—26. Buffalo 7-10-7—24.
Goalies—Pittsburgh, Johnson, Fleury. Buffalo, Miller. A—18,690 (18,690). T—2:26.

JETS 5, AVALANCHE 1
Colorado 0 1 0 — 1
Winnipeg 0 3 2 — 5
First Period—None.
Second Period—1, Winnipeg, Kane 22 (Burmistrov, Wellwood), 1:45. 2, Winnipeg, Little 17 (Ladd, Wheeler), 3:30. 3, Colorado, Landeskog 15 (Johnson), 10:42 (pp). 4, Winnipeg, Wellwood 12 (Kane, Wheeler), 11:28.
Third Period—5, Winnipeg, Ladd 17 (Wheeler, Byfuglien), 5:40 (pp). 6, Winnipeg, Little 18 (Wheeler, Byfuglien), 15:41 (pp).
Shots on Goal—Colorado 6-20-6—32. Winnipeg 6-8-11—25.
Goalies—Colorado, Varlamov. Winnipeg, Pavelec. A—15,004 (15,015). T—2:17.

RANGERS 3, BLUE JACKETS 2, OT
Columbus 0 1 1 0 — 2
N.Y. Rangers 1 1 0 1 — 3
First Period—1, N.Y. Rangers, Richards 18 (Hagelin, Del Zotto), 17:49.
Second Period—2, Columbus, Brassard 11 (Vermette), 5:26 (pp). 3, N.Y. Rangers, Anisimov 11 (Girardi, Mitchell), 13:13.
Third Period—4, Columbus, Nash 19 (Carter, Umberger), 18:27.
Overtime—5, N.Y. Rangers, Stepan 12 (Del Zotto, Gaborik), :22.
Shots on Goal—Columbus 4-11-8-0—23. N.Y. Rangers 10-15-9-1—35.
Goalies—Columbus, Mason. N.Y. Rangers, Lundqvist. A—18,200 (18,200). T—2:23.

CANUCKS 5, OILERS 2
Vancouver 2 2 1 — 5
Edmonton 0 2 0 — 2
First Period—1, Vancouver, H.Sedin 13 (D.Sedin, Burrows), :53. 2, Vancouver, Salo 8 (H.Sedin, Kesler), 6:34 (pp).
Second Period—3, Edmonton, Horcoff 11 (Smyth, Gilbert), 1:08. 4, Vancouver, Bieksa 7 (Weise, Malhotra), 15:01. 5, Vancouver, Higgins 11 (Hansen), 16:40. 6, Edmonton, Paajarvi 2 (Hemsky, Smid), 18:23.
Third Period—7, Vancouver, D.Sedin 26 (Burrows), :33.
Shots on Goal—Vancouver 17-5-9—31. Edmonton 5-7-16—28.
Goalies—Vancouver, C.Schneider. Edmonton, Khabibulin, Dubnyk. A—16,839 (16,839). T—2:15.

MLB

Baseball Calendar
Feb. 19 — Voluntary reporting date for pitchers, catchers and injured players on teams other than Oakland and Seattle.
Feb. 24 — Voluntary reporting date for players other than pitchers, catchers and injured players on teams other than Oakland and Seattle. Mandatory reporting date for Oakland and Seattle.
March 2 — Mandatory reporting date for teams other than Oakland and Seattle.
March 2-11 — Teams may renew contracts of unsigned players.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	20	12	.625	—
Boston	15	15	.500	4
New York	16	16	.500	4
Toronto	9	23	.281	11
New Jersey	9	24	.273	11 1/2

Southeast Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	25	7	.781	—
Orlando	20	12	.625	5
Atlanta	19	12	.613	5 1/2
Washington	7	24	.226	17 1/2
Charlotte	4	27	.129	20 1/2

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	25	8	.758	—
Indiana	19	12	.613	5
Milwaukee	13	18	.419	11
Cleveland	12	17	.414	11
Detroit	11	22	.333	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	22	9	.710	—
Dallas	20	12	.625	2 1/2
Memphis	18	14	.563	4 1/2
Houston	18	14	.563	4 1/2
New Orleans	7	23	.233	14 1/2

Northwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	24	7	.774	—
Portland	17	15	.531	7 1/2
Denver	17	15	.531	7 1/2
Utah	15	15	.500	8 1/2
Minnesota	16	16	.500	8 1/2

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Clippers	19	10	.655	—
L.A. Lakers	18	13	.581	2
Phoenix	13	19	.406	7 1/2
Golden State	11	17	.393	7 1/2
Sacramento	10	21	.323	10

Sunday's Scores
New York 104, Dallas 97
Miami 90, Orlando 78
Cleveland 93, Sacramento 92
Detroit 96, Boston 81
Indiana 108, Charlotte 73
Houston 101, Utah 85
Minnesota 92, Philadelphia 91
Milwaukee 92, New Jersey 85
Phoenix 102, L.A. Lakers 90
Oklahoma City 124, Denver 118, OT

Today's Games
Atlanta at Chicago, 3 p.m.
New Jersey at New York, 6:30 p.m.
Boston at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Memphis at Houston, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Milwaukee, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Denver, 8 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 8 p.m.
San Antonio at Utah, 8 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at Golden State, 9:30 p.m.
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S BOXES

KNICKS 104, MAVERICKS 97
DALLAS (97): Marion 6-11 2-2 14, Nowitzki 11-20 8-9 34, Haywood 4-6 1-3 9, Kidd 3-9 0-0 8, Carter 3-9 1-1 9, Terry 5-13 0-0 13, Wright 2-5 1-2 5, Odom 1-6 0-0 2, Jones 1-2 0-0 3. Totals 36-81 13-17 97.
NEW YORK (104): Shumpert 2-9 0-0 5, Stoudemire 4-10 3-4 11, Chandler 5-7 4-4 14, Lin 11-20 3-6 28, Fields 6-12 0-0 13, Jeffries 1-5 2-4 4, Smith 6-16 0-0 15, Novak 5-7 0-0 14. Totals 40-86 12-18 104.
Dallas 20 25 30 22 — 97
New York 32 16 24 32 — 104
3-Point Goals—Dallas 12-33 (Nowitzki 4-5, Terry 3-10, Carter 2-4, Kidd 2-8, Jones 1-1, Marion 0-1, Odom 0-4), New York 12-29 (Novak 4-5, Lin 3-6, Smith 3-9, Fields 1-3, Shumpert 1-5, Jeffries 0-1). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Dallas 48 (Marion, Terry 7), New York 53 (Chandler 10). Assists—Dallas 24 (Terry 6), New York 21 (Lin 14). Total Fouls—Dallas 20, New York 16. Technicals—New York defensive three second. Flagrant Fouls—Terry. A—19,763 (19,763).

ROCKETS 101, JAZZ 85
UTAH (85): Hayward 1-4 2-2 4, Millsap 8-16 6-6 22, Jefferson 10-20 3-4 23, Harris 3-6 2-2 9, Bell 4-5 0-0 11, Watson 0-7 0-0 0, Favors 1-7 3-6 5, Howard 1-2 0-0 2, Burks 0-3 0-0 0, Kanter 3-6 0-0 6, Miles 1-5 0-0 3, Evans 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 32-81 16-20 85.
HOUSTON (101): Parsons 2-5 2-4 7, Scola 12-20 2-2 26, Patterson 4-9 0-1 8, Lowry 9-19 7-7 32, Martin 4-9 3-5 11, Smith 1-2 0-0 2, Dragic 1-4 0-0 2, Lee 2-5 2-3 8, Dalembert 2-3 0-0 4, Budinger 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 37-72 17-24 101.
Utah 22 24 18 21 — 85
Houston 23 22 27 29 — 101
3-Point Goals—Utah 5-14 (Bell 3-3, Miles 1-1, Harris 1-2, Millsap 0-2, Hayward 0-2, Watson 0-4), Houston 10-19 (Lowry 7-8, Lee 2-3, Parsons 1-3, Martin 0-1, Dragic 0-2, Budinger 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Utah 49 (Jefferson 11), Houston 46 (Scola 9). Assists—Utah 16 (Harris, Hayward 4), Houston 18 (Lowry 9). Total Fouls—Utah 23, Houston 20. A—16,764 (18,043).

SUNS 102, LAKERS 90
L.A. LAKERS (90): World Peace 1-4 0-2 2, Gasol 6-11 5-6 17, Bynum 7-12 2-3 16, Fisher 0-1 0-0 0, Bryant 11-24 9-12 32, Blake 1-2 0-0 2, Murphy 3-7 0-0 8, McRoberts 0-0 0-0 0, Barnes 2-8 1-2 5, Goudelock 2-5 0-0 4, Walton 0-0 0-0 0, Kapono 1-3 0-0 2, D.Morris 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 35-78 17-25 90.
PHOENIX (102): Hill 5-13 4-4 15, Frye 4-7 2-3 13, Gortat 9-15 3-5 21, Nash 2-8 4-4 8, Dudley 9-15 5-6 25, M.Morris 2-11 5-6 10, Brown 1-2 0-0 2, Telfair 0-0 0-0 0, Lopez 0-1 2-2 2, Redd 2-8 2-2 6. Totals 34-80 27-32 102.
L.A. Lakers 19 21 27 23 — 90
Phoenix 35 28 19 20 — 102
3-Point Goals—L.A. Lakers 3-18 (Murphy 2-4, Bryant 1-8, World Peace 0-1, Goudelock 0-1, Kapono 0-2, Barnes 0-2), Phoenix 7-20 (Frye 3-4, Dudley 2-6, Hill 1-1, M.Morris 1-3, Brown 0-1, Nash 0-2, Redd 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—L.A. Lakers 57 (Gasol 12), Phoenix 45 (Gortat 15). Assists—L.A. Lakers 21 (Gasol 6), Phoenix 25 (Nash 14). Total Fouls—L.A. Lakers 22, Phoenix 21. Technicals—Phoenix defensive three second. A—18,023 (18,422).

NETS 92, BUCKS 85
MILWAUKEE (92): Delfino 4-10 0-0 11, Ilyasova 11-23 5-6 29, Leuer 3-5 0-0 6, Jennings 6-15 3-3 17, Livingston 1-9 8-9 10, Sanders 0-0 0-0 0, Mbah a Moute 5-9 2-4 12, Dunleavy 1-4 0-0 2, Udrih 1-5 0-0 2, Jackson 1-4 0-0 2, Brockman 0-2 1-2 1. Totals 33-86 19-24 92.
NEW JERSEY (85): Stevenson 1-4 0-0 2, Humphries 5-11 3-4 13, Lopez 2-7 5-11 9, D.Williams 10-24 3-4 26, Brooks 3-14 6-8 12, Morrow 7-11 1-1 17, She.Williams 1-8 2-3 4, Gaines 0-5 2-2 2, Petro 0-1 0-0 0, Emmett 0-0 0-0 0, J.Williams 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 29-85 22-33 85.
Milwaukee 23 20 27 22 — 92
New Jersey 17 19 20 29 — 85
3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 7-19 (Delfino 3-7, Ilyasova 2-4, Jennings 2-4, Leuer 0-1, Dunleavy 0-1, Jackson 0-1, Udrih 0-1), New Jersey 5-23 (D.Williams 3-9, Morrow 2-4, Gaines 0-2, Stevenson 0-3, Brooks 0-5). Fouled Out—Ilyasova. Rebounds—Milwaukee 67 (Ilyasova 25), New Jersey 58 (She.Williams 15). Assists—Milwaukee 16 (Livingston 6), New Jersey 16 (D.Williams 6). Total Fouls—Milwaukee 23, New Jersey 24. Technicals—Milwaukee defensive three second, Humphries. Flagrant Fouls—Stevenson. A—15,262 (18,711).

TIMBERWOLVES 92, 76ERS 91
PHILADELPHIA (91): Iguodala 5-8 2-4 13, Brand 2-9 4-4 8, Allen 3-6 0-0 6, Holiday 10-20 0-0 20, Meeks 4-10 0-0 9, Turner 2-5 0-0 4, Vucevic 4-8 0-0 8, L.Williams 5-12 2-2 13, Young 5-12 0-0 10. Totals 40-90 8-10 91.
MINNESOTA (92): Johnson 0-4 0-0 0, Love 7-23 6-8 20, Pekovic 4-7 9-10 17, Rubio 7-17 6-6 22, Ridnour 5-10 0-0 10, Barea 6-12 2-2 14, D.Williams 1-3 0-0 2, Beasley 2-6 0-0 4, Webster 1-3 0-0 3. Totals 33-85 23-26 92.
Philadelphia 24 25 25 17 — 91
Minnesota 22 22 28 20 — 92
3-Point Goals—Philadelphia 3-11 (Iguodala 1-1, L.Williams 1-2, Meeks 1-5, Holiday 0-3), Minnesota 3-16 (Rubio 2-4, Webster 1-2, Barea 0-1, Johnson 0-2, Ridnour 0-3, Love 0-4). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Philadelphia 52 (Allen 8), Minnesota 55 (Love 15). Assists—Philadelphia 14 (Turner, Iguodala 3), Minnesota 13 (Rubio 5). Total Fouls—Philadelphia 21, Minnesota 12. A—18,759 (19,356).

PISTONS 96, CELTICS 81
BOSTON (81): Pierce 6-11 4-4 18, Wilcox 6-10 2-2 14, O'Neal 4-6 0-2 8, Rondo 1-6 3-4 5, Allen 5-11 0-0 13, Pietrus 0-4 0-0 0, Johnson 2-4 0-0 4, Stiemsma 2-3 0-0 4, Dooling 1-4 1-2 4, Bradley 3-8 1-1 7, Daniels 0-1 0-0 0, Moore 1-3 0-0 2, Pavlovic 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 32-72 11-15 81.
DETROIT (96): Prince 5-14 2-4 13, Maxiell 3-7 0-0 6, Monroe 8-19 1-7 17, Knight 3-7 4-4 12, Stuckey 2-10 12-15 16, Gordon 2-7 0-0 4, Jerebko 4-10 5-6 13, Wilkins 1-2 3-4 6, Bynum 2-3 2-4 7, Wallace 0-1 0-2 0, Macklin 1-1 0-0 2, Russell Jr. 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 31-82 29-46 96.
Boston 26 16 19 20 — 81
Detroit 26 29 20 21 — 96
3-Point Goals—Boston 6-16 (Allen 3-4, Pierce 2-4, Dooling 1-3, Daniels 0-1, Bradley 0-1, Pietrus 0-3), Detroit 5-9 (Knight 2-2, Bynum 1-1, Wilkins 1-1, Prince 1-1, Stuckey 0-1, Gordon 0-1, Jerebko 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Boston 49 (O'Neal 11), Detroit 63 (Monroe, Maxiell 10). Assists—Boston 22 (Rondo 10), Detroit 14 (Monroe, Gordon, Maxiell 3). Total Fouls—Boston 31, Detroit 19. Technicals—Boston Coach Rivers, Rondo 2, Wilcox. Ejected—Rondo. A—22,076 (22,076).

CAVALIERS 93, KINGS 92
SACRAMENTO (92): Thornton 8-20 4-5 21, J.Thompson 1-4 1-2 3, Cousins 6-17 7-11 19, Thomas 8-16 4-5 23, Evans 5-17 0-0 10, Hickson 0-3 0-0 0, Hayes 1-2 0-0 2, Fredette 1-3 0-0 2, Salmons 3-7 0-0 6, Greene 2-4 2-2 6. Totals 35-93 18-25 92.
CLEVELAND (93): Casspi 3-12 0-0 6, Jamison 7-21 5-7 21, Erden 0-1 0-0 0, Irving 8-21 5-5 23, Gee 3-10 1-2 9, Sessions 5-14 3-4 14, Hollins 0-0 5-6 5, T.Thompson 6-10 3-6 15. Totals 32-89 22-30 93.
Sacramento 31 18 19 24 — 92
Cleveland 27 23 25 18 — 93
3-Point Goals—Sacramento 4-19 (Thomas 3-7, Thornton 1-6, Greene 0-1, Evans 0-1, Fredette 0-1, Salmons 0-3), Cleveland 7-22 (Irving 2-4, Gee 2-5, Jamison 2-6, Sessions 1-2, Casspi 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Sacramento 64 (Thornton 10), Cleveland 66 (Casspi, T.Thompson 12). Assists—Sacramento 21 (Thomas 11), Cleveland 15 (Sessions 5). Total Fouls—Sacramento 25, Cleveland 23. Technicals—Cleveland defensive three second. A—16,812 (20,562).

PACERS 108, BOBCATS 73
CHARLOTTE (73): Maggette 4-14 2-4 10, Diaw 0-3 0-0 0, Biyombo 0-2 0-4 0, Augustin 3-12 1-1 9, Williams 3-7 0-2 6, Diop 0-1 0-0 0, Brown 6-9 4-5 16, Walker 6-13 2-2 15, White 4-7 2-2 10, Mullens 0-0 2-2 2, Thomas 0-3 0-0 0, Carroll 1-3 0-0 2, Higgins 1-1 0-0 3. Totals 28-75 13-22 73.
INDIANA (108): Granger 5-14 4-5 14, West 7-10 0-0 14, Hibbert 7-8 4-6 18, Collison 2-6 6-6 11, George 3-10 0-0 7, Hansbrough 3-4 7-10 13, Stephenson 3-5 0-0 7, Foster 0-1 0-0 0, Price 2-7 0-0 5, Jones 5-8 0-0 12, Amundson 1-4 2-3 4, Pendergraph 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 39-78 24-32 108.
Charlotte 12 21 15 25 — 73
Indiana 24 29 35 20 — 108
3-Point Goals—Charlotte 4-17 (Augustin 2-7, Higgins 1-1, Walker 1-6, Maggette 0-1, Williams 0-2), Indiana 6-16 (Jones 2-2, Collison 1-1, Stephenson 1-1, Price 1-3, George 1-3, Granger 0-6). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Charlotte 41 (Biyombo 8), Indiana 62 (Hibbert 14). Assists—Charlotte 19 (Walker 5), Indiana 22 (Collison 6). Total Fouls—Charlotte 24, Indiana 27. Technicals—Charlotte Coach Silas, Indiana defensive three second. A—11,673 (18,165).

HEAT 90, MAGIC 78
ORLANDO (78): Turkoglu 0-4 1-2 1, Anderson 3-8 1-2 9, D.Howard 5-10 2-10 12, Nelson 2-11 2-2 7, Redick 6-10 0-0 17, Q.Richardson 4-9 0-0 10, Davis 3-10 6-6 12, Duhon 0-3 1-2 1, Wafer 4-9 0-1 9, Clark 0-0 0-0 0, Harper 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 27-74 13-25 78.
MIAMI (90): James 9-14 6-7 25, Bosh 4-10 0-0 8, Anthony 0-1 2-4 2, Chalmers 2-5 2-2 6, Wade 13-23 1-1 27, Haslem 5-11 0-0 10, Battier 1-3 0-0 3, Cole 2-4 0-0 4, Miller 2-6 0-0 5, Pittman 0-3 0-0 0, Jones 0-0 0-0 0, J.Howard 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 38-80 11-14 90.
Orlando 19 12 23 24 — 78
Miami 22 21 27 20 — 90
3-Point Goals—Orlando 11-29 (Redick 5-7, Q.Richardson 2-5, Anderson 2-5, Wafer 1-2, Nelson 1-4, Turkoglu 0-3, Duhon 0-3), Miami 3-12 (Battier 1-2, James 1-2, Miller 1-3, Wade 0-2, Chalmers 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 51 (D.Howard 15), Miami 53 (James 11). Assists—Orlando 15 (Nelson 4), Miami 20 (James 8). Total Fouls—Orlando 10, Miami 18. Technicals—James. A—20,185 (19,600).

NUGGETS 124, THUNDER 118, OT
DENVER (118): Brewer 5-14 0-0 10, Faried 0-1 0-0 0, Mozgov 2-5 2-2 6, Lawson 8-17 0-0 17, Afflalo 10-21 5-6 27, Harrington 3-9 3-4 11, Miller 9-19 2-2 21, Andersen 5-6 1-2 11, Koufos 6-7 1-1 13, Hamilton 1-2 0-1 2. Totals 49-101 14-18 118.
OKLAHOMA CITY (124): Durant 19-28 8-10 51, Ibaka 6-7 2-4 14, Perkins 0-1 0-0 0, Westbrook 16-29 5-5 40, Cook 1-6 0-0 2, Harden 2-12 5-6 10, Collison 0-2 3-3 3, Mohammed 2-2 0-0 4, Jackson 0-3 0-0 0, Ivey 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 46-94 23-28 124.
Denver 27 31 25 28 7 — 118
Oklahoma City 25 28 30 28 13 — 124
3-Point Goals—Denver 6-22 (Harrington 2-5, Afflalo 2-6, Lawson 1-3, Miller 1-5, Brewer 0-3), Oklahoma City 9-28 (Durant 5-6, Westbrook 3-6, Harden 1-7, Jackson 0-1, Ivey 0-3, Cook 0-5). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Denver 58 (Harrington 11), Oklahoma City 51 (Ibaka 15). Assists—Denver 26 (Miller 10), Oklahoma City 20 (Westbrook 9). Total Fouls—Denver 22, Oklahoma City 19. Technicals—Denver defensive three second. A—18,203 (18,203).

GOLF

PGA

Northern Trust Open
Sunday
At Riviera Country Club
Los Angeles
Purse: $6.6 million
Yardage: 7,349; Par: 71
Final
(x-won on second hole of playoff)

x-Bill Haas (500), $1,188,000	69 — 277
Phil Mickelson (245), $580,800	71 — 277
Keegan Bradley (245), $580,800	71 — 277
Sergio Garcia (109), $259,875	64 — 279
Jimmy Walker (109), $259,875	69 — 279
Jarrod Lyle (109), $259,875	70 — 279
Dustin Johnson (109), $259,875	71 — 279
Bo Van Pelt (80), $191,400	70 — 280
J.B. Holmes (80), $191,400	70 — 280
Jonathan Byrd (80), $191,400	73 — 280
Jim Furyk (68), $158,400	70 — 281
Aaron Baddeley (68), $158,400	73 — 281
Fredrik Jacobson (57), $123,750	67 — 282
Bubba Watson (57), $123,750	71 — 282
Justin Rose (57), $123,750	71 — 282
Pat Perez (57), $123,750	75 — 282
Brandt Snedeker (51), $86,366	70 — 283
Adam Scott (51), $86,366	70 — 283
Michael Thompson (51), $86,366	68 — 283
Zach Johnson (51) $86,366	72 — 283
Marc Leishman (51), $86,366	73 — 283
Ryan Moore (51), $86,366	74 — 283
Bryce Molder (51), $86,366	76 — 283
Matt Kuchar (43), $49,940	71 — 284
Kevin Stadler (43), $49,940	70 — 284
Kevin Chappell (43), $49,940	71 — 284
Ryan Palmer (43), $49,940	71 — 284
K.J. Choi (43), $49,940	70 — 284
Cameron Tringale (43), $49,940	71 — 284
Kyle Stanley (43), $49,940	72 — 284
Johnson Wagner (43), $49,940	72 — 284
Hunter Mahan (43), $49,940	72 — 284
Vijay Singh (38), $38,940	70 — 285
Charlie Wi (34), $31,928	72 — 286
Y.E. Yang (34), $31,928	73 — 286
Briny Baird (34), $31,928	73 — 286
Carl Pettersson (34), $31,928	72 — 286
Jason Kokrak (34), $31,928	73 — 286
Retief Goosen (34), $31,928	74 — 286
Nick Watney (34), $31,928	74 — 286
J.J. Killeen (34), $31,928	75 — 286
Erik Compton (29), $25,080	73 — 287
Brendon de Jonge (29), $25,080	74 — 287
Graham DeLaet (25), $20,513	74 — 288
John Senden (25), $20,513	73 — 288
Jeff Overton (25), $20,513	72 — 288
David Hearn (25), $20,513	71 — 288
Padraig Harrington (25), $20,513	70 — 288
Bobby Gates (21), $16,676	75 — 289
George McNeill (21), $16,676	73 — 289
Harrison Frazar (21), $16,676	70 — 289
Spencer Levin (18), $15,477	78 — 290
Tommy Gainey (18), $15,477	77 — 290
Bud Cauley (18), $15,477	75 — 290
Jason Dufner (18), $15,477	73 — 290
Luke Donald (14), $14,916	78 — 291
Kevin Streelman (14), $14,916	76 — 291
John Mallinger (14), $14,916	74 — 291
Ernie Els (11), $14,520	78 — 292
Vaughn Taylor (11), $14,520	76 — 292
Ken Duke (11), $14,520	73 — 292
Joe Ogilvie (7), $13,992	79 — 293
Rickie Fowler (7), $13,992	79 — 293
Billy Mayfair (7), $13,992	76 — 293
Ricky Barnes (7), $13,992	74 — 293
Jason Day (7), $13,992	74 — 293
Stewart Cink (4), $13,530	80 — 294
Cameron Beckman (4), $13,530	78 — 294
Brendan Steele (1), $13,200	78 — 295
Gary Woodland (1), $13,200	77 — 295
Troy Matteson (1), $13,200	75 — 295
Sunghoon Kang (1), $12,804	80 — 296
Ryo Ishikawa (0), $12,804	77 — 296
Matt Bettencourt (1), $12,804	76 — 296
Bill Lunde (1), $12,540	78 — 297
Kevin Na (1), $12,408	77 — 300

WGC-Accenture Match Play Championship
MARANA, Ariz. — First-round pairings Wednesday in the World Golf Championships-Accenture Match Play Championship at The Ritz-Carlton Golf Club at Dove Mountain:
Luke Donald (1), England, vs. Ernie Els (64), South Africa.
Rory McIlroy (2), Northern Ireland, vs. George Coetzee (63), South Africa.
Lee Westwood (3), England, vs. Nicolas Colsaerts (62), Belgium.
Martin Kaymer (4), Germany, vs. Greg Chalmers (61), Australia.
Steve Stricker (5), United States, vs. Kevin Na (60), United States.
Webb Simpson (6), United States, vs. Matteo Manassero (59), Italy.
Jason Day (7), Australia, vs. Rafael Cabrera Bello (58), Spain.
Adam Scott (8), Australia, vs. Robert Rock (57), England.
Dustin Johnson (9), United States, vs. Jim Furyk (56), United States.
Charl Schwartzel (10), South Africa, vs. Gary Woodland (55), United States.
Bill Haas (11), United States, vs. Ryo Ishikawa (54), Japan.
Graeme McDowell (12), Northern Ireland, vs. Y.E. Yang (53), South Korea.
Matt Kuchar (13), United States, vs. Jonathan Byrd (52), United States.
Nick Watney (14), United States, vs. Darren Clarke (51), Northern Ireland.
Sergio Garcia (15), Spain, vs. Miguel Angel Jimenez (50), Spain.
K.J. Choi (16), South Korea, vs. Kyle Stanley (49), United States.
Brandt Snedeker (17), United States, vs. Retief Goosen (48), South Africa.
Keegan Bradley (18), United States, vs. Geoff Ogilvy (47), Australia.
Tiger Woods (19), United States, vs. Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano (46), Spain.
Bubba Watson (20), United States, vs. Ben Crane (45), United States.
Hunter Mahan (21), United States, vs. Zach Johnson (44), United States.
Justin Rose (22), England, vs. Paul Lawrie (43), Scotland.
Ian Poulter (23), England, vs. Bae Sang-moon (42), South Korea.
Thomas Bjorn (24), Denmark, vs. Francesco Molinari (41), Italy.
Bo Van Pelt (25), United States, vs. Mark Wilson (40), United States.
Simon Dyson (26), England, vs. John Senden (39), Australia.
Alvaro Quiros (27), Spain, vs. Martin Laird (38), Scotland.
Louis Oosthuizen (28), South Africa, vs. Aaron Baddeley (37), Australia.
David Toms (29), United States, vs. Rickie Fowler (36), United States.
Robert Karlsson (30), Sweden, vs. Fredrik Jacobson (35), Sweden.
K.T. Kim (31), South Korea, vs. Anders Hansen (34), Denmark.
Jason Dufner (32), United States vs. Peter Hanson (33), Sweden.

European PGA

Avantha Masters
Sunday
At DLF Golf and Country Club-Gurgaon, India
Purse: $2.4 million
Yardage: 7,156; Par: 72
Final

Joe Kruger, South Africa	69 — 274
Jorge Campillo, Spain	67 — 276
Marcel Siem, Germany	70 — 276
Marcus Fraser, Australia	70 — 277
Jose Manuel Lara, Spain	70 — 277
Thorbjorn Olesen, Denmark	70 — 278
Tano Goya, Argentina	70 — 278
Prom Meesawat, Thailand	71 — 278
Jean-Baptiste Gonnet, France	72 — 278
Kiradech Aphibarnrat, Thailand	68 — 279
Ricardo Santos, Portugal	68 — 279
Alejandro Cañizares, Spain	71 — 279
Rhys Davies, Wales	71 — 279
Gregory Havret, France	71 — 280
Paul McGinley, Ireland	73 — 280
Andrea Pavan, Italy	73 — 280
Joost Luiten, Netherlands	72 — 281
SiddiKur Rahman, Bangladesh	68 — 281
Chawalit Plaphol, Thailand	69 — 281
Julien Quesne, France	70 — 281
Felipe Aguilar, China	71 — 281

Also
Berry Henson, United States 70-70-74-72 — 286
Peter Uihlein, United States 69-73-73-77 — 292

LPGA

Honda Thailand
Sunday
At Siam Country Club (Pattaya Old Course)
Chonburi, Thailand
Purse: $1.5 million
Yardage: 6,469; Par: 72
Final
a-amateur

Yani Tseng, $225,000	66 — 269
Ai Miyazato, $140,688	68 — 270
Jiyai Shin, $102,059	67 — 271
Amy Yang, $78,951	69 — 274
Jimin Kang, $49,297	67 — 278
Shanshan Feng, $49,297	68 — 278
Amanda Blumenherst, $49,297	69 — 278
Stacy Lewis, $49,297	70 — 278
Jenny Shin, $32,736	71 — 279
Karrie Webb, $32,736	75 — 279
Hee Young Park, $28,884	68 — 280
Caroline Hedwall, $26,958	70 — 281
a-Ariya Jutanugarn	74 — 281
Lexi Thompson, $23,107	66 — 282
Cristie Kerr, $23,107	69 — 282
Mina Harigae, $23,107	72 — 282
Pornanong Phatlum, $23,107	73 — 282
Sophie Gustafson, $19,154	70 — 283
Anna Nordqvist, $19,154	70 — 283
Angela Stanford, $19,154	70 — 283
Mika Miyazato, $16,792	69 — 284
Meena Lee, $16,792	70 — 284
Brittany Lincicome, $16,792	72 — 284
Suzann Pettersen, $16,792	78 — 284
Catriona Matthew, $14,173	68 — 285
Kristy McPherson, $14,173	70 — 285
Azahara Munoz, $14,173	72 — 285
Se Ri Pak, $14,173	72 — 285
Na Yeon Choi, $14,173	76 — 285
Vicky Hurst, $12,555	69 — 286
Karen Stupples, $11,862	68 — 287
Christel Boeljon, $11,862	73 — 287
Katie Futcher, $10,290	72 — 288
Shinobu Moromizato, $10,290	72 — 288
Chella Choi, $10,290	73 — 288
Katherine Hull, $10,290	74 — 288
Jennifer Johnson, $10,290	74 — 288
Dewi Claire Schreefel, $8,704	70 — 289
Michelle Wie, $8,704	73 — 289
Sandra Gal, $8,704	75 — 289
Inbee Park, $7,703	70 — 290
Hee Kyung Seo, $7,703	72 — 290
Candie Kung, $7,703	75 — 290
a-Moriya Jutanugarn	71 — 291
I.K. Kim, $6,682	73 — 291
Eun-Hee Ji, $6,682	74 — 291
Maria Hjorth, $6,682	76 — 291
Wendy Ward, $6,682	76 — 291
Morgan Pressel, $5,638	71 — 292
Amy Hung, $5,638	72 — 292
Sun Young Yoo, $5,638	74 — 292
Paula Creamer, $5,638	75 — 292
Brittany Lang, $5,638	75 — 292
Momoko Ueda, $5,084	72 — 293
Ryann O'Toole, $4,853	74 — 294
Belen Mozo, $4,853	76 — 294
Beatriz Recari, $4,467	71 — 295
Numa Gulyanamitta, $4,467	74 — 295
Julieta Granada, $4,467	76 — 295
Pat Hurst, $4,159	75 — 296
Mindy Kim, $3,832	71 — 297
Nontaya Srisawang, $3,832	72 — 297
Natalie Gulbis, $3,832	73 — 297
Tiffany Joh, $3,832	75 — 297
Laura Davies, $3,620	70 — 298
Paige Mackenzie, $3,544	74 — 299
Hee-Won Han, $3,466	77 — 300
a-Pinrath Loomboonruang	76 — 302
Christina Kim, $3,389	77 — 303
Song-Hee Kim, $3,313	79 — 306

Champions

ACE Group Classic
Sunday
At TwinEagles Golf Club (Talon Course)
Naples, Fla.
Purse: $1.6 million
Yardage: 7,193; Par: 72
Final
Charles Schwab Cup points in parentheses

Kenny Perry (240), $240,000	70 — 196
Bernhard Langer (141), $140,800	70 — 201
Bill Glasson (95), $95,467	68 — 202
Mike Goodes (95), $95,467	69 — 202
Tom Lehman (95), $95,467	72 — 202
Jay Haas (64), $64,000	69 — 203
Larry Mize (58), $57,600	75 — 204
David Frost (51), $51,200	71 — 205
Russ Cochran (42), $41,600	72 — 206
Jeff Sluman (42), $41,600	70 — 206
Rod Spittle (42), $41,600	69 — 206
Mark Calcavecchia (0), $31,600	71 — 207
Joe Daley (0), $31,600	68 — 207
Nick Price (0), $31,600	66 — 207
Loren Roberts (0), $31,600	67 — 207
Michael Allen (0), $24,032	70 — 208
Jay Don Blake (0), $24,032	73 — 208
Jim Carter (0), $24,032	72 — 208
J.L. Lewis (0), $24,032	70 — 208
Joey Sindelar (0), $24,032	74 — 208
Olin Browne (0), $18,160	67 — 209
John Cook (0), $18,160	73 — 209
Gary Koch (0), $18,160	70 — 209
Jim Rutledge (0), $18,160	71 — 209
Jim Gallagher, Jr. (0), $15,253	73 — 210
Dan Forsman (0), $15,253	75 — 210
P.H. Horgan III (0), $15,253	74 — 210
Chip Beck (0), $12,960	73 — 211
Jeff Hart (0), $12,960	69 — 211
Gil Morgan (0), $12,960	73 — 211
Peter Senior (0), $12,960	71 — 211
Morris Hatalsky (0), $10,800	70 — 212
Mark McNulty (0), $10,800	70 — 212
Craig Stadler (0), $10,800	72 — 212
Mark Wiebe (0), $10,800	73 — 212
David Eger (0), $8,832	71 — 213
Peter Jacobsen (0), $8,832	72 — 213
Steve Pate (0), $8,832	72 — 213
Tom Purtzer (0), $8,832	70 — 213
Bob Tway (0), $8,832	75 — 213
John Huston (0), $7,200	70 — 214
Tom Jenkins (0), $7,200	72 — 214
Steve Lowery (0), $7,200	68 — 214
Mike Reid (0), $7,200	71 — 214
Fuzzy Zoeller (0), $7,200	76 — 214
Bobby Clampett (0), $5,760	77 — 215
Vicente Fernandez (0), $5,760	70 — 215
Tom Kite (0), $5,760	74 — 215
Larry Nelson (0), $5,760	70 — 215
Chien Soon Lu (0), $4,137	74 — 216
Corey Pavin (0), $4,137	74 — 216
Tommy Armour III (0), $4,137	70 — 216
Gary Hallberg (0), $4,137	72 — 216
John Harris (0), $4,137	74 — 216
David Peoples (0), $4,137	71 — 216
Curtis Strange (0), $4,137	69 — 216
Mark Brooks (0), $3,040	69 — 217
Brad Faxon (0), $3,040	74 — 217
Bob Gilder (0), $3,040	73 — 217
Wayne Levi (0), $3,040	70 — 217
Jim Thorpe (0), $3,040	74 — 217
Allen Doyle (0), $2,240	72 — 218
Bruce Fleisher (0), $2,240	72 — 218
Hale Irwin (0), $2,240	77 — 218
Dave Rummells (0), $2,240	78 — 218
D.A. Weibring (0), $2,240	77 — 218
Brad Bryant (0), $1,760	74 — 219
Ben Crenshaw (0), $1,552	78 — 220
Mike Hulbert (0), $1,552	74 — 220
Ben Bates (0), $1,408	76 — 221
Dana Quigley (0), $1,264	75 — 222
Ted Schulz (0), $1,264	75 — 222
Scott Simpson (0), $1,120	78 — 225
Fred Funk (0), $1,056	77 — 226
Jim Colbert (0), $992	78 — 227
Kip P. Byrne (0), $896	74 — 228
Bobby Wadkins (0), $896	75 — 228

Nationwide

Pacific Rubiales Colombia Championship
Sunday
At Country Club de Bogota
Bogota, Colombia
Purse: $600,000
Yardage: 7,237; Par: 71
Final

Skip Kendall, $108,000	71 — 274
Andres Gonzales, $52,800	68 — 275
Andrew Svoboda, $52,800	72 — 275
James Hahn, $26,400	70 — 276
Kirk Triplett, $26,400	72 — 276
Kevin Johnson, $19,425	67 — 277
Bronson La'Cassie, $19,425	67 — 277
Tom Hoge, $19,425	68 — 277
Charles Warren, $19,425	71 — 277
Michael Connell, $16,200	69 — 278
Oscar Serna, $14,400	70 — 279
Brian Smock, $14,400	71 — 279
Tyrone Van Aswegen, $10,286	69 — 280
Peter Lonard, $10,286	70 — 280
Jason Allred, $10,286	70 — 280
Ryan Hietala, $10,286	71 — 280
Michael Sim, $10,286	71 — 280
Paul Claxton, $10,286	71 — 280
Billy Horschel, $10,286	72 — 280
Scott Gardiner, $6,291	69 — 281
Travis Hampshire, $6,291	69 — 281
Troy Merritt, $6,291	70 — 281
Dicky Pride, $6,291	70 — 281
Steve LeBrun, $6,291	71 — 281
Fabian Gomez, $6,291	68 — 281
Erik Flores, $6,291	72 — 281
Derek Fathauer, $4,260	72 — 282
Cesar Costilla, $4,260	72 — 282
Will Wilcox, $4,260	73 — 282
Andy Bare, $4,260	75 — 282
Hudson Swafford, $4,260	75 — 282
Brian Stuard, $4,260	75 — 282
Lee Williams, $3,480	71 — 283
Darron Stiles, $3,480	70 — 283
Paul Haley II, $3,480	74 — 283
Manuel Villegas, $3,480	74 — 283
D.J. Brigman, $3,480	75 — 283
Scott Sterling, $2,708	73 — 284
Doug LaBelle II, $2,708	72 — 284
Mike Lavery, $2,708	72 — 284
Luke List, $2,708	73 — 284
Jerod Turner, $2,708	74 — 284
Scott Parel, $2,708	70 — 284
Christopher DeForest, $2,708	70 — 284
Ben Briscoe, $2,708	69 — 284
Paul Stankowski, $2,198	73 — 285
Steve Friesen, $2,198	72 — 285
Robert Damron, $2,198	72 — 285
Chris Nallen, $2,198	70 — 285
Won Joon Lee, $1,995	73 — 286
Brad Fritsch, $1,995	74 — 286
Benjamin Alvarado, $1,995	76 — 286
Roger Tambellini, $1,995	72 — 286
Tim Wilkinson, $1,995	72 — 286
Andres Echavarria, $1,995	71 — 286
David Lingmerth, $1,995	70 — 286
Nate Smith, $1,995	70 — 286
Bio Kim, $1,830	75 — 287
Morgan Hoffmann, $1,830	77 — 287
Guy Boros, $1,830	70 — 287
Brice Garnett, $1,755	76 — 288
Reid Edstrom, $1,755	73 — 288
Alex Prugh, $1,695	74 — 289
Marc Turnesa, $1,695	73 — 289
Alex Aragon, $1,650	75 — 290
Brenden Pappas, $1,560	75 — 291

MOTORSPORTS

NASCAR
Sprint Cup-Daytona 500 Lineup
After Sunday qualifying; race next Sunday
At Daytona International Speedway
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 194.738.
2. (16) Greg Biffle, Ford, 194.087.

Failed to Qualify
(88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 194.028.
(9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 193.999.
(13) Casey Mears, Ford, 193.844.
(24) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 193.803.
(56) Martin Truex Jr., Toyota, 193.665.
(6) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 193.665.
(21) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 193.615.
(14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 193.607.
(55) Mark Martin, Toyota, 193.503.
(48) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 193.449.
(43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 193.382.
(27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 193.374.
(34) David Ragan, Ford, 193.249.
(17) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 193.245.
(39) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, 193.224.
(22) A J Allmendinger, Dodge, 193.121.
(2) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 192.992.
(29) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 192.914.
(20) Joey Logano, Toyota, 192.868.
(15) Clint Bowyer, Toyota.
(31) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 192.777.
(42) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 192.6.
(5) Kasey Kahne, Chevrolet, 192.583.
(26) Tony Raines, Ford, 192.534.
(30) David Stremme, Toyota, 191.963.
(18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 191.873.
(1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 191.84.
(10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 191.738.
(09) Kenny Wallace, Toyota, 191.567.
(32) Terry Labonte, Ford, 191.522.
(36) Dave Blaney, Chevrolet, 191.506.
(51) Kurt Busch, Chevrolet, 191.363.
(33) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 191.27.
(40) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, 191.18.
(87) Joe Nemechek, Toyota, 191.16.
(11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 191.127.
(78) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, 191.063.
(98) Michael McDowell, Ford, 190.99.
(83) Landon Cassill, Toyota, 190.605.
(38) David Gilliland, Ford, 190.046.
(47) Bobby Labonte, Toyota, 190.022.
(97) Bill Elliott, Toyota, 189.950.
(37) Mike Wallace, Ford, 189.853.
(93) David Reutimann, Toyota, 189.235.
(23) Robert Richardson Jr., Toyota, 188.438.
(7) Robby Gordon, Dodge, 188.229.
(49) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 187.954.

NASCAR
Sprint Cup-Gatorade Duel 1 Lineup
After Sunday qualifying; race Thursday
At Daytona International Speedway
Daytona Beach, Fla.
Lap length: 2.5 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (99) Carl Edwards, Ford, 194.738.
2. (88) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 194.028.
3. (9) Marcos Ambrose, Ford, 193.999.
4. (6) Ricky Stenhouse Jr., Ford, 193.665.
5. (21) Trevor Bayne, Ford, 193.615.
6. (14) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 193.607.
7. (43) Aric Almirola, Ford, 193.382.
8. (27) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 193.374.
9. (34) David Ragan, Ford, 193.249.
10. (22) A J Allmendinger, Dodge, 193.121.
11. (2) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 192.992.
12. (29) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 192.914.
13. (31) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 192.777.
14. (42) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 192.6.
15. (30) David Stremme, Toyota, 191.963.
16. (1) Jamie McMurray, Chevrolet, 191.84.
17. (10) Danica Patrick, Chevrolet, 191.738.
18. (32) Terry Labonte, Ford, 191.522.
19. (40) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, 191.18.
20. (11) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, 191.127.
21. (98) Michael McDowell, Ford, 190.99.
22. (83) Landon Cassill, Toyota, 190.605.
23. (38) David Gilliland, Ford, 190.046.
24. (37) Mike Wallace, Ford, 189.853.
25. (7) Robby Gordon, Dodge, 188.229.

NHRA Results
Sunday
At Firebird International Raceway
Chandler, Ariz.
Final finish order
Final Results
Top Fuel — Antron Brown, 3.793 seconds, 319.82 mph, def. Tony Schumacher, 3.813 seconds, 318.17 mph.
Funny Car — Robert Hight, Ford Mustang, 4.139, 307.02, def. Mike Neff, Mustang, 4.168, 309.91.
Pro Stock — Jason Line, Pontiac GXP, 6.558, 211.69, def. Greg Anderson, GXP, 6.570, 211.06.
Super Stock — Dan Fletcher, Chevy Camaro, 9.376, 144.04, def. Ken Etter, Plymouth Shadow, 10.166, 128.60.
Stock Eliminator — Leo Glassbrenner, Pontiac Firebird, 10.571, 116.81, def. Brad Hawk, Ford Mustang, 12.671, 103.00.
Super Comp — Greg Boutte, Dragster, 8.898, 174.71, def. Steve Whitfield, Dragster, foul.
Super Gas — Michael Miller, '27 Ford, 14.757, 84.36, def. Ed DeStaute, Chevy Corvette, broke.
Super Street — Ray Dew, Chevy Nova, 10.874, 128.63, def. Ryan Herem, Chevy Camaro, 10.867, 132.65.
Top Dragster — Tom Koenen, Dragster, 7.090, 189.39, def. JR Lobner, Dragster, 6.824, 196.99.
Top Sportsman — J Wayne Silvia, Chevy Cavalier, 11.560, 101.09, def. Ted Carli, Chevy Cobalt, broke.

ON THE AIR

What's on TV

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
UConn at Villanova, 6 p.m., ESPN
Baylor at Texas, 8 p.m., ESPN

NBA
Atlanta at Chicago, 3 p.m., ESPN
Boston at Dallas, 7 p.m., TNT
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m., TNT

NHL
Washington at Carolina, 6:30 p.m., NBCSN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL
Notre Dame at Louisville, 1 p.m., ESPN
Ohio St. at Penn St., 6 p.m., ESPN2
Vanderbilt at Kentucky, 8 p.m. ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

JUNIOR COLLEGE WOMEN'S BASKETBALL
Western Texas at Midland College, 5:45 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL
Andrews at Lee, 4:30 p.m.
Lubbock Monterey at Midland High, 4 p.m.
Abilene High at Midland Christian, 5 p.m., Christensen Stadium

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS BASKETBALL
Class 2A bi-district, Stanton vs. Tornillo, 8 p.m., Sul Ross State

JUNIOR COLLEGE GOLF
Midland College at Texas State Preview, Splitrail Country Club, Aledo

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL
American League
NEW YORK YANKEES—Traded RHP A.J. Burnett and cash to Pittsburgh for RHP Diego Moreno and OF Exicardo Cayonestwo.
National League
CINCINNATI REDS—Agreed to terms with RHP Brett Tomko on a minor league contract.
PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES—Agreed to terms with RHP Kyle Kendrick on a two-year contract.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS—Announced the retirement of OF Mike Cameron.

BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
HOUSTON ROCKETS—Recalled C-F Greg Smith from Rio Grande Valley (NBADL).

FOOTBALL
Canadian Football League
EDMONTON ESKIMOS—Signed P Burke Dales.

HOCKEY
National Hockey League
NHL—Suspended Minnesota C Warren Peters one game after cross-checking St. Louis RW David Backes in the head in a Feb. 18 game. Fined Florida F Kris Versteeg $2,500 for cross-checking Washington F Jeff Halpern in a Feb. 17 game.
CALGARY FLAMES—Recalled G Henrik Karlsson from Abbotsford (AHL). Assigned G Leland Irving to Abbotsford.
MINNESOTA WILD—Re-signed C Kyle Brodziak to a three-year contract. Recalled F Chad Rau from Houston (AHL).
NEW JERSEY DEVILS—Placed D Adam Larsson on injured reserve, retroactive to Feb. 2. Recalled D Peter Harrold from Albany (AHL).
PITTSBURGH PENGUINS—Signed LW James Neal to a six-year contract extension.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS—Assigned F Keith Aucoin to Hershey (AHL).

COLLEGE
WESTERN KENTUCKY—Named Ray Harper men's basketball coach.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Men

SUNDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST
Abilene Christian 80, Texas A&M-Kingsville 70

EAST
Duke 75, Boston College 50
Loyola (Md.) 69, Boston U. 56
South Florida 56, Pittsburgh 47
Syracuse 74, Rutgers 64

SOUTH
Vanderbilt 61, Georgia 52

MIDWEST
Iowa 78, Indiana 66
Michigan St. 76, Purdue 62
Tennessee St. 68, Miami (Ohio) 61
Wisconsin 65, Penn St. 55

FAR WEST
Oregon 68, Stanford 64

Top 25 Fared
Sunday
1. Kentucky (26-1) did not play. Next: at Mississippi State, Tuesday.
2. Syracuse (27-1) beat Rutgers 74-64. Next: vs. South Florida, Wednesday.
3. Missouri (25-2) did not play. Next: vs. Kansas State, Tuesday.
4. Kansas (22-5) did not play. Next: at Texas A&M, Wednesday.
5. Duke (23-4) beat Boston College 75-50. Next: at No. 20 Florida State, Thursday.
6. Ohio State (22-5) did not play. Next: vs. Illinois, Tuesday.
7. Michigan State (22-5) beat Purdue 76-62. Next: at Minnesota, Wednesday.
8. North Carolina (23-4) did not play. Next: at N.C. State, Tuesday.
9. Baylor (22-5) did not play. Next: at Texas, Monday.
10. Georgetown (20-5) did not play. Next: at Seton Hall, Tuesday.
11. UNLV (22-6) did not play. Next: vs. Boise State, Wednesday.
12. Marquette (22-5) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Wednesday.
13. San Diego State (20-6) did not play. Next: vs. Wyoming, Wednesday.
14. Florida (21-6) did not play. Next: vs. Auburn, Tuesday.
15. Wisconsin (20-7) beat Penn State 65-55. Next: at Iowa, Thursday.
16. Murray State (26-1) did not play. Next: at Tennessee State, Thursday.
17. Michigan (20-7) did not play. Next: at Northwestern, Tuesday.
18. Indiana (20-7) lost to Iowa 78-66. Next: vs. N.C. Central, Wednesday.
19. Louisville (21-6) did not play. Next: at Cincinnati, Thursday.
20. Florida State (19-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 5 Duke, Thursday.
21. Saint Mary's (Cal) (23-5) did not play. Next: at Portland, Thursday.
22. Virginia (20-6) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, Tuesday.
23. Notre Dame (19-8) did not play. Next: vs. West Virginia, Wednesday.
24. Gonzaga (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. BYU, Thursday.
24. Wichita State (24-4) did not play. Next: at Illinois State, Wednesday.

BIG 12 CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	Conference W	L	PCT	All Games W	L	PCT
Missouri	12	2	.857	25	2	.926
Kansas	12	2	.857	22	5	.815
Baylor	9	5	.643	22	5	.815
Iowa St.	9	5	.643	19	8	.704
Kansas St.	7	7	.500	18	8	.692
Texas	7	7	.500	17	10	.630
Oklahoma St.	6	8	.429	13	14	.481
Texas A&M	4	10	.286	13	13	.500
Oklahoma	3	11	.214	13	13	.500
Texas Tech	1	13	.071	8	18	.308

CONFERENCE USA STANDINGS

	Conference W	L	PCT	All Games W	L	PCT
Southern Miss.	9	3	.750	22	5	.815
Memphis	9	3	.750	19	8	.704
Tulsa	9	4	.692	16	11	.593
UCF	8	4	.667	19	7	.731
Marshall	7	5	.583	16	10	.615
UAB	7	6	.538	12	14	.462
Rice	6	6	.500	15	12	.556
UTEP	6	6	.500	13	13	.500
Houston	4	8	.333	12	13	.480
Tulane	3	9	.250	15	11	.577
East Carolina	3	9	.250	12	13	.480
SMU	2	10	.167	11	16	.407

Women

SUNDAY'S SCORES

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 67, Mississippi St. 53
Rice 69, SMU 60
Tulsa 75, East Carolina 70
UTEP 71, Houston 51

FAR WEST
CS Bakersfield 86, N. Arizona 77
Southern Cal 66, UCLA 54
Washington 68, Arizona 59

MIDWEST
Ball St. 84, Cent. Michigan 76
Creighton 63, Indiana St. 48
Illinois St. 66, Drake 51
Michigan 61, Indiana 48
Michigan St. 67, Purdue 52, OT
Missouri St. 81, S. Illinois 61
Nebraska 68, Wisconsin 59
Wichita St. 69, Evansville 43

EAST
Delaware 40, Drexel 39
Fairfield 63, Canisius 51
Hartford 66, UMBC 54
Hofstra 69, Towson 66
Iona 72, Loyola (Md.) 65
Manhattan 72, St. Peter's 59
Marist 79, Niagara 77, 2OT
Northeastern 61, James Madison 50
Siena 61, Rider 42
Temple 84, Rhode Island 41
UMass 56, George Washington 53
Vermont 71, Maine 54

SOUTH
Florida 61, Georgia 57
George Mason 70, Georgia St. 68, OT
Georgia Tech 85, Boston College 48
LSU 57, Auburn 41
Marshall 40, UAB 37
Maryland 63, Duke 61
Memphis 61, UCF 54
Miami 67, Florida St. 60
North Carolina 68, NC State 59
Richmond 63, Fordham 50
South Carolina 69, Alabama 55
Southern Miss. 56, Tulane 51
Tennessee 66, Mississippi 56
UNC Wilmington 78, William & Mary 71
VCU 67, Old Dominion 56
Virginia 66, Virginia Tech 40
Wake Forest 63, Clemson 51

Women's Top 25 Fared
Sunday
1. Baylor (27-0) did not play. Next: vs. Texas, Tuesday.
2. UConn (24-3) did not play. Next: at Pittsburgh, Tuesday.
3. Stanford (24-1) did not play. Next: vs. Colorado, Thursday.
4. Notre Dame (25-2) did not play. Next: at No. 19 Louisville, Monday.
5. Duke (22-4) lost to No. 8 Maryland 63-61. Next: vs. No. 6 Miami, Friday.
6. Miami (24-3) beat Florida State 67-60. Next: at No. 5 Duke, Friday.
7. Kentucky (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. Vanderbilt, Monday.
8. Maryland (23-4) beat No. 5 Duke 63-61. Next: vs. North Carolina, Friday.
9. Ohio State (23-3) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Penn State, Monday.
10. Delaware (24-1) beat Drexel 40-39. Next: vs. George Mason, Thursday.
11. Green Bay (23-1) did not play. Next: vs. Valparaiso, Thursday.
12. Penn State (21-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 9 Ohio State, Monday.
13. Tennessee (20-7) beat Mississippi 66-56. Next: vs. Arkansas, Thursday.
14. Texas A&M (19-6) did not play. Next: at Oklahoma, Tuesday.
15. Georgetown (21-6) did not play. Next: at Syracuse, Saturday.
16. Nebraska (20-6) beat Wisconsin 68-59. Next: at Michigan State, Thursday.
17. Purdue (19-8) lost to Michigan State 67-52, OT. Next: at Michigan, Thursday.
18. Georgia (20-7) lost to Florida 61-57. Next: vs. Mississippi, Thursday.
19. Louisville (19-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 4 Notre Dame, Monday.
20. Georgia Tech (20-7) beat Boston College 85-48. Next: at Virginia Tech, Thursday.
21. Rutgers (18-8) did not play. Next: vs. Seton Hall, Tuesday.
22. St. Bonaventure (25-2) did not play. Next: vs. Fordham, Wednesday.
23. BYU (23-5) did not play. Next: vs. Santa Clara, Thursday.
24. DePaul (20-7) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Tuesday.
25. South Carolina (20-7) beat Alabama 69-55. Next: at No. 7 Kentucky, Thursday.

TENNIS

ATP World Tour
SAP Open
Sunday
At HP Pavilion
San Jose, Calif.
Purse: $600,000 (WT250)
Surface: Hard-Indoor
Singles
Championship
Milos Raonic (3), Canada, def. Denis Istomin, Uzbekistan, 7-6 (3), 6-2.
Doubles
Championship
Mark Knowles, Bahamas, and Xavier Malisse (4), Belgium, def. Kevin Anderson, South Africa, and Frank Moser, Germany, 6-4, 1-6, 10-5 tiebreak.

ATP World Tour
Brasil Open
Saturday
At The Costa do Sauipe Tennis Center
Costa do Sauipe, Brazil
Purse: $532,800 (WT250)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Championship
Nicolas Almagro (1), Spain, def. Filippo Volandri, Italy, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.
Doubles
Championship
Eric Butorac, United States, and Bruno Soares (1), Brazil, def. Michal Mertinak, Slovakia, and Andre Sa (4), Brazil, 3-6, 6-4, 10-8 tiebreak.

ATP World Tour
ABN AMRO World Tournament
Sunday
At Ahoy' Stadium
Rotterdam, Netherlands
Purse: $1.99 million (WT500)
Surface: Hard-Indoor
Singles
Championship
Roger Federer (1), Switzerland, def. Juan Martin del Potro (2), Argentina, 6-1, 6-4.
Doubles
Championship
Michael Llodra, France, and Nenad Zimonjic (2), Serbia, def. Robert Lindstedt, Sweden, and Horia Tecau (3), Romania, 4-6, 7-5, 16-14 tiebreak.

WTA
Copa BBVA Colsanitas
Sunday
At Club Campestre el Rancho
Bogota, Colombia
Purse: $220,000 (Intl.)
Surface: Clay-Outdoor
Singles
Championship
Lara Arruabarrena-Vecino, Spain, def. Alexandra Panova, Russia, 6-2, 7-5.

WTA
Qatar Total Open
Sunday
At The Khalifa Tennis Complex
Doha, Qatar
Purse: $2.17 million (Premier)
Surface: Hard-Outdoor
Singles
Championship
Victoria Azarenka (1), def. Sam Stosur (3), Australia, 6-1, 6-2.
Doubles
Championship
Liezel Huber and Lisa Raymond (1), United States, def. Raquel Kops-Jones and Abigail Spears, United States, 6-3, 6-1.

HSBASEBALLCAPSULES

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LEE

Coach: Hector Limon (11 seasons, 325-185; 26-13 in one season at Lee)

2011 Record: 26-13, 10-2 in District 3-5A (T-1st)

Players to watch: P/Util. Michael Brosig, P/SS Skyler Estrella, P/OF/1B Mick Limon, OF Luke Stice

What to expect in 2012: After going from worst to first in its first season under Hector Limon, Lee now looks to improve on last year, when it split a district title and advanced to the area round of the playoffs. Mick Limon returns on the mound and is joined by Brosig, which Hector Limon said is neck and neck with Mick Limon as far as Lee's top pitcher is concerned. Hector Limon said Coleman Watts isn't far behind and "should be a solid No. 3 or a relief-type guy if we need him." With Estrella and Lathram, pitching in as well on the mound, Limon said Lee feels like it has depth at that position. The rest of the defense may take time to round into form, as Lee is having to replace multiple starters from last year's team. "We're having to have to replace a lot of quality kids from last year with what I call quality kids that we have in the program right now (who) just are not as experienced — maybe inexperienced quality kids," Limon said. One such player is senior Luke Stice, a lefty who came in for Lee as a designated hitter last year against right-handed pitchers. This year, Stice will start in right field and give Lee one of five left-handed bats in the lineup. " He really looks good right now," Limon said of Stice. "He's so much better than he was last year. He's going to be a staple in the middle of our order." Limon added that while the team still needs to solidify its lineup and improve its understanding of situational hitting and base running, the Rebels seem to be comfortable in their second year in his system. " Last year, it looked like it was going 100 mph trying to put 1,000 things in and felt like I just always ran out of time," Limon said. "This year, with offseason under our belt, even though we don't have much experience coming back, I feel like the kids having been in our program for two years with me has made a big difference."

Will make the playoffs if: Lee is looking to establish consistency as a program after winning a split-district title last season while ascending from the bottom of the district. Earning a second straight district title certainly won't be easy, especially in the early going, as the Rebels look to replace a plethora of starters from last season. But Lee was able to round into form last year in time to make a district run and has the tools to do it again with players who understand Limon's system. The Rebels will hope that an early-season learning curve is over in time to compete for a playoff spot and a district title, much like they did last year.

2012 Lee Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Class
1	Kenneth Duby	P/OF/1B	Sr
2	Kenneth White	OF	Sr
3	Mick Limon	P/OF/1B	Sr
5	Blake Kizer	P/Util	So
6	Skyler Estrella	P/SS	Sr
7	Caleb West	P/OF	Sr
8	Coleman Watts	P/1B	Jr
9	Christian Dixon	P/3B	Sr
10	Colton Lathram	P/2B	Sr
11	Marco Salcido	C	So
13	Clay Mize	P/Util	So
17	Michael Brosig	P/1B	Sr
18	Chrisian Lopez	P/1B	Jr
20	Cross Moody	P/C/OF	Sr
22	Clay Marburger	P/OF/SS	Jr
23	Jamod Olgun	3B	Sr
25	Luke Stice	OF	Sr

2012 Lee Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Today	Andrews	4:30 p.m.
Feb. 23-25	Lewisville Tournament	TBA
Feb. 27	Plainview	4:30 p.m.
March 1-3	Midland Tournament of Champions	TBA
March 8-10	Round Rock Tournament	TBA
March 13	Odessa High*	4:30 p.m.
March 17	Lubbock Coronado	1 p.m.
March 20	at Midland High*	4:30 p.m.
March 23	Odessa Permian*	4:30 p.m.
March 24	at Wayland Baptist J.V.	4:30 p.m.
March 30	at Abilene Cooper*	4:30 p.m.
March 31	San Angelo Central*	1 p.m.
April 3	Abilene High*	4:30 p.m.
April 5	at Odessa High	4:30 p.m.
April 9	Lubbock Monterey	5 p.m.
April 13	Midland High*	4:30 p.m.
April 17	at Odessa Permian*	4:30 p.m.
April 20	Abilene Cooper*	4:30 p.m.
April 27	at San Angelo Central*	4:30 p.m.
April 28	at Abilene High*	1 p.m.

All home games played at Ernie Johnson Field
*denotes district game

Midland High

Coach: Barry Russell (563-270 overall; 373-167 in 15 seasons at Midland High)

2011 Record: 29-11, 10-2 in District 3-5A (T-1st)

Players to watch: 2B/P Michael Dominguez, OF/P Alex Mata, C Travis Sims,

What to expect in 2012: Midland High loses a talented senior class that played a big role in its run to the Class 5A regional semifinal in 2011, and early on, it will be a very inexperienced bunch trying to fill its shoes. "We're going to be very young — one of the coaches called us the 'Puppy Dawgs' because we're so young," Russell said. But despite their inexperience, the players stepping in this season are talented, as evidence by the success of the subvarsity teams, with one going 28-0 and one going 24-4. "But as you move each level up, the level gets a little more difficult," Russell said. "So, we're interested to see how well that jump from JV to varsity is."One area that Russell said his team will need to improve in early is defense, as players try to adapt to the defense needed to compete at the varsity level. "On the JV level, you can make a couple of errors in an inning and survive," Russell said. "You do that against Southlake Carroll and some of the teams we're playing, you're going to get your hat handed to you." Russell said he believes hitting won't be an issue for his team, though it may not hit as well as last year's team initially, which boasted multiple .400 hitters on the season. Dominguez and Sims bring veteran experience in addition to solid play, and Russell said players like Jimmy Essman, who had a multi-home run game in a scrimmage against Big Spring, and Austen Wade, vying for the leadoff spot, have impressed him as newcomers to the team. But with tough tournaments early in the schedule, Russell said pitchers like Mata will need to play key roles early. "Our pitching is going to have to carry us for a while until we get to where we need to be," Russell said. But Russell said he believes his team can handle the pressure despite not having a lot of experience. "They've played a lot of baseball, and so far, they don't strike me as guys that get too awe-struck," Russell said.

Will make the playoffs if: Midland High is coming off of a split district title and certainly hopes to defend that, but Russell said his team will likely have to endure growing pains early in the season. "We're going to have to be very patient," he said. But Russell seemed confident in his players' ability, and rightfully so, as many were key cogs in successful subvarsity teams last season. Midland High will have a steep learning curve with prestigious non-district tournaments but will look to round into form by the start of district play, when it will look to not only reach the playoffs, but compete for a second straight district title.

2012 MHS Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Class
1	Jake Parrish	OF	Jr.
2	Will Taylor	OF/3B/P	Sr.
3	Alex Mata	OF/P	Jr.
4	Brent Stewart	OF/P	Jr.
5	Michael Dominguez	2B/P	Sr.
6	Ryan Whittenberg	C/P	Jr.
7	Jimmy Essman	1B/P	Jr.
9	JM Hillman	C/2B	Jr.
12	Grant Edmondson	OF/P	Soph.
13	Jeremy Hallmark	OF/P	Jr.
14	Hayden Eads	OF/P	Sr.
15	Austen Wade	OF/P	So.
17	Travis Sims	C	Sr.
19	Jackson Lancaster	1B/P	So.
23	Gilbert Sanchez	SS/2B/P	So.
24	Conner Beck	OF/P	Jr.
25	Lance White	SS/3B/P	So.

2012 MHS Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Today	Lubbock Monterey	4 p.m.
Feb. 23-25	Rounc Rock Tournament	TBA
Feb. 28	at Lubbock High	5 p.m.
March 1-3	Midland Tournament of Champions	TBA
March 6	at Lubbock Monterey	6 p.m.
March 8-10	Highland Park Tournament	TBA
March 13	at Odessa Permian*	Noon
March 16	San Angelo Central*	Noon
March 20	Lee*	4:30 p.m.
March 23	at Odessa High*	4:30 p.m.
March 30	Abilene High*	4:30 p.m.
March 31	Andrews	3 p.m.
April 3	at Abilene Cooper*	4:30 p.m.
April 5	Odessa Permian*	4:30 p.m.
April 10	at San Angelo Central	4:30 p.m.
April 13	at Lee	4:30 p.m.
April 17	Odessa High	4:30 p.m.
April 20	at Abilene High	4:30 p.m.
April 28	Abilene Cooper	Noon

All home games played at Zachery Field
*denotes district game

Greenwood Rangers

Coach: Vince Callicoatte (17th season; 14-16 in one season at Greenwood)

2011 record: 14-16 overall, 1-7 in District 4-3A (T-4th)

Players to watch: P/OF Garret Carlisle, P/3B Zane Helms; 1B Jody Lively

What to expect in 2012: There will be many new faces on the diamond this year for Greenwood, as the Rangers have just three seniors on the roster. "We're really young," Callicoatte said, "We're looking to rebuild and build a foundation." Callicoatte said District 4-3A will be strong with Andrews and Seminole leading the way, but that he still hopes his young team can come together in time to challenge for the postseason. "We've got a lot of spots open," Callicoatte said, "we're just looking for the younger kids to rise up." Callicoatte said he expects the juniors Carlisle and Helms to be key contributors on the mound and for Lively, who played last year, to help the team on and off the field with his play at first and his leadership, assuming he comes out for the team again. "He's just a real solid kid," Callicoatte said. Freshman Victor Urias is already turning heads with his play at shortstop and is a player Callicoatte said may be able to step up and contribute despite being the only freshman on the team.

Will make the playoffs if: Callicoatte said he expects Andrews and Seminole to be the top two teams to beat in the district, which may leave the young Rangers to battle with Monahans and Fort Stockton for the third and final playoff berth. Callicoatte said he hopes Greenwood can get past its growing pains by the end of spring break — just in time to gear up for a district run. If the Rangers can adjust to the level of varsity play and establish team chemistry by then, they have to feel they can challenge for a playoff spot.

2011 Team Roster

No	Player	Class
1	Stephen Milligan	Sr
2	Zane Helms	Jr
3	Caleb Hayes	So
4	Daniel Visciano	Jr
5	Braydn Moreland	So
6	Anthony Salas	So
7	Zach Long	Jr.
8	Dalton Williams	Jr.
9	Dylan Deboer	Sr.
10	Jonathan Shaw	So.
11	German Martinez	Jr.
12	Garrett Carlisle	Jr.
14	Cade Jones	Jr.
15	Jody Lively	Jr.
16	Cail Carmichael	Jr.
17	Victor Urias	Fr.
18	Hayden Little	Sr.

2012 Greenwood Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Feb. 21	at Snyder	7 p.m.
Feb. 23-25	Shallowater Tournament	TBA
Feb. 28	at Lamesa	7 p.m.
March 1-3	Monahans Tournament	TBA
March 6	Sweetwater	7 p.m.
March 8-10	West Texas Classic Tournament	TBA
March 15	Ozona	1 p.m.
March 20	at Brownfield	6 p.m.
March 24	Andrews*	7 p.m.
March 27	at Fort Stockton*	7 p.m.
March 31	Seminole*	1 p.m.
April 3	at Pecos	7 p.m.
April 5/6**	Monahans*	7 p.m.
April 10	at Andrews*	7 p.m.
April 14	Fort Stockton*	1 p.m.
April 17	at Seminole*	7 p.m.
April 27	at Monahans*	7 p.m.

All home games at Greenwood High School
*denotes district game
**Date TBA

Midland Christian

Coach: Mike Munguia (11th season 153-51; 32-6 in one season at Midland Christian)

2011 record: 32-6 overall, 11-1 TAPPS 1-4A (1st)

Players to watch: P/IF Matt Withrow, P/IF Nikko Velarde, IF/OF Casey King, OF Christian Whigham

What to expect in 2012: After a dazzling run to the regional round of the playoffs in 2011, Midland Christian will try to build on last season in Munguia's second year at the helm. "We may not get off to as great a start as we did last year just because we had so much experience coming back," Munguia said. But Munguia said the influx of new players can be a positive. "There's lots of competition for positions, and that's going to keep guys on their toes," he said. Munguia said seniors Withrow, a Texas Tech commit, and Velarde, a second-team, all-district selection in 2011, have already stepped up as leaders on the team and that he expects that to continue as the season goes on. And while the Mustangs may not be as experienced as they were last season, they may be deeper. "It'll be as deep a team as I've had," Munguia said. "We're going to have good baseball players sitting on the bench just because we're so deep." Munguia expects the team to benefit from having played a year in his system as well. "Last year was kind of a learning process all the way through as far as the way we wanted things done," Munguia said. "They'd done things good before, but it was just different — hopefully, that'll be a plus."

Will make the playoffs if: Midland Christian hopes not only to be a strong playoff contender but to challenge for a second consecutive district title. And while expectations will be high after losing just six games in Munguia's first season as coach, Munguia said his team isn't shying away from them, as they look to "reload and go." "We put it on ourselves every year," Munguia said. "Getting to that state championship and winning it is the goal every year." As Munguia said, this year's Mustangs may not start as fast as last year's did, but once they solidify the lineup, look for Midland Christian, with its outstanding depth, to challenge for a district title.

2012 MCS Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Class
1	Jade Tamplin	OF	Jr.
2	Casey King	IF/OF	Sr.
3	Austin Timm	IF/OF	Jr.
4	Bailey Blain	P/IF/C	So.
5	Elias Aguirre	OF	So.
6	Josh Tucker	OF	Jr.
8	Nikko Velarde	P/IF	Sr.
10	Brett Brunson	OF	Jr.
11	Ben Baccus	P/OF	Jr.
12	Colton Chaffer	P/IF	Jr.
13	Ethan Crooks	P/OF	Jr.
14	Hayden Wood	P/OF	Jr.
15	Daniel Crooks	P/IF	Jr.
16	Brandon Herricks	IF	Sr.
20	Christian Whigham	OF	Jr.
21	Tyler Hutson	C	Jr.
22	Matt Withrow	P/IF	Sr.
24	Corby Ogden	P/IF	Jr.
34	Caleb Thomas	P/IF	Jr.

2012 MCS Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Today	Abilene High	6 p.m.
Feb. 23-25	Fredericksburg Tournament	TBA
March 1-3	Austin Tournament	TBA
March 3	Lubbock Estacado	6 p.m.
March 9	at Arlington Pantego Christian*	4:30 p.m.
March 10	at Arlington Pantego Christian*	Noon
March 12	Abilene Cooper	5 p.m.
March 13	at Lubbock Christian	5 p.m.
March 16	Grapevine Faith Christian*	6 p.m.
March 17	Grapevine Faith Christian*	11 a.m.
March 20	Lubbock Cooper	6 p.m.
March 23	Arlington Grace Prep*	6 p.m.
March 24	Arlington Grace Prep*	Noon
March 30	at Fort Worth Christian*	TBA
March 31	at Fort Worth Christian*	TBA
April 5	Fort Worth Southwest Christian*	2 p.m.
April 5	Fort Worth Southwest Christian*	5 p.m.
April 9	Lubbock Christian	6 p.m.
April 13	at San Angelo Central	4:30 p.m.
April 16	Lubbock Trinity*	6 p.m.
April 19	at Lubbock Trinity*	6 p.m.
April 20	Lubbock High	5 p.m.
April 21	at Andrews	7 p.m.

All home games at Christensen Stadium
*denotes district game

Midland Classical

Coach: Andy Zinkgraf (5th season; one season at Midland Classical)

2011 record: 3-3 in TAPPS 1-3A (T-2nd place)

Players to watch: P Micah Raies; CF/P Garrett Mindrup; SS Grey Sparks; C Haydon Rogers; 1B Cole McAninch

What to expect in 2012: 2011 was Midland Classical's first season as a baseball program, and the Knights had an up-and-down district season as they managed to finish tied for second in the district while learning to compete as a varsity program. "It was a lot of unknown," Zinkgraf said. "We had seen some of the teams we were going to play but just didn't know how different it was going to be. Our big goal was just to enjoy baseball and appreciate the game." That approach nearly earned MCA a playoff spot, but the Knights fell in the tiebreaker game, which Zinkgraf said has motivated the team leading up to this season. "Being tied for second and losing (the tiebreak game), I think they have aspirations to improve and be a playoff team," Zinkgraf said. Expect returners Raies, Mindrup, Sparks, Rogers and McAninch to lead in the Knights' second season. Rogers is moving from third baseman to catcher, but Zinkgraf still expects him to be a key contributor. Zinkgraf also said four freshmen have already stepped up, and are "taking responsibility and leadership," which will benefit MCA as well.

Will make the playoffs if: Despite having a year of experience under its belt and challenging for a playoff spot in its first year as a program, Zinkgraf said MCA still feels like it must earn respect with Lubbock Christian and Amarillo San Jacinto coming in as the frontrunners for the district title. "We're going into district as an underdog," Zinkgraf said. "Last year, we weren't expected to really do anything by our district peers (either). We're just going to go into every game and do our best and see what happens." The playoff push will be tight again, but with good players returning, the Knights have to feel encouraged after coming so close to a playoff berth in 2011. The motivation from last year's disappointing finish may be just what the Knights need to push them into the postseason.

2012 MCA Roster

Player	Class
James Avampato	Jr.
Michah Avampato	Fr.
Spencer Frost	Fr.
Cole McAninch	Jr.
Garrett Mindrup	Jr.
Josh Raies	Fr.
Micah Raies	Sr.
Haydon Rogers	Jr.
Ben Snell	Sr.
Timothy Snell	Fr.
Grey Sparks	Sr.
Dalton Vanderburg	Sr.

2012 MCA Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
March 1	Miles**	Noon
March 6	Trinity	5 p.m.
March 16	at Crane	1 p.m.
March 20	at Big Spring	5 p.m.
March 27	Trinity	5 p.m.
March 30	Big Spring	5 p.m.
April 3	at Lubbock Christian*	5:30 p.m.
April 13	at Amarillo Arbor*	4 p.m.
April 14	at Amarillo San Jacinto*	10 a.m.
April 17	Lubbock Christian*	5:30 p.m.
April 20	Amarillo Arbor*	4 p.m.
April 21	Amarillo San Jacinto*	10 a.m.
May 8	Wtzco Regionals	TBA

*denotes district game
**game at Forsan

Trinity

Coach: Thomas LaFarelle (First season)

2011 record: 7-12, 3-2 in TCAF 1-3A (3rd)

Players to watch: 3B/P Nathan Sirgo, LF David Hewitt

What to expect in 2012: After two years as an assistant at Trinity, LaFarelle takes over looking to help the Chargers return to the level they played at when they won a state title two years ago. His first team at Trinity will be a young one, with just four seniors and three juniors on the team, and the rest of the team consisting of freshmen and sophomores. LaFarelle said freshman Boomer Selvera has looked good to this point and may be a key contributor in his first year. Sirgo and Hewitt, playing in just his fourth season of baseball ever, are expected to lead as returners with solid baseball instincts, along with catcher James House. But for most of the team, the first part of the season will be a learning experience. "We're working hard," LaFarelle said. "We can catch the ball, throw the ball and hit the ball, now we need to figure out what to do with it when we get it." LaFarelle said he hopes the team will round into shape by spring break because "after spring break it's basically downhill." "That's when we need to be firing on all cylinders," LaFarelle said.

Will make the playoffs if: With its small district, Trinity is all but guaranteed a spot in the postseason tournament, in which it went 1-1 last season. LaFarelle said he and his staff will look to teach early in the season, so that his team can advance deeper in the tournament this year. That will require inexperienced players to step up and mesh, which LaFarelle said he's hoping will happen by April.

2012 Trinity Roster

Player	Class
Travis Cain	Fr.
Paul Dingus	Jr.
Khaled Fahmy	Fr.
Ahmed Fahmy	Sr.
Andrew Garcia	So
Lewis Grimes	Fr.
Sammy Hajar	Sr.
David Hewitt	Sr.
Byron Hoffman	Fr.
James House*	So.
Salman Islam	Sr.
Nathan Jones	Jr.
Andres Mogollon	So.
Gage Morrow	Fr.
Brian Polasek	Jr.
Boomer Selvera	Fr.
Nathan Sirgo	Sr.
Keith Stroup	Sr.
Jacob Webb	Fr.

2012 Trinity Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Feb. 23-25	MHS Sophomore Tournament	TBA
March 6	Midland Classical	5 p.m.
March 8-10	Van Horn Tournament	TBA
March 22	Midland Christian Freshman	5 p.m.
March 23	at Pecos Freshman	5 p.m.
March 27	Midland Classical	5 p.m.
March 31	at Fort Worth Nazarene	TBA
April 3	Midland Christian Freshman	5 p.m.
April 10	at Pecos	5 p.m.
April 20	Fort Worth Christian	6 p.m.
April 21	Fort Worth Christian	Noon
April 27	at Fort Stockton	5 p.m.
May 3-5	TCAF State Tournament	TBA

All home games played at Velarde Field

Compiled by Jordan Mason

SIMS

From 1C

chest and arms and other areas that men don't want to get hit," Russell said. "He does what he needs to do to knock it down. He's not afraid of doing that, putting his body on the line. "

Of course, Sims is a pretty nice catcher too.

"He's got great feet, he does a good job behind the plate -- blocks the ball well," Russell said. "And as he's come along, he throws the ball well to second -- he's got about a 1.9 (seconds) pop time."

That ability benefited Mata last year, who earned himself a spot in the rotation when he closed a game against Permian by striking out seven batters in just three innings.

It seemed the player that Russell had seen throwing with power in camps before even coming to Midland High — Mata threw 82 mph as a freshman — had finally come into his own.

But that didn't mean Mata was above growing pains, which he experienced at times last season. No better example came than when he opened Midland High's regional quarterfinal series against Arlington High by hitting Colt's right fielder Kelcie Dancer in the head on the first pitch of the game then beaned third baseman Aaron Blanton three batters later.

Mata went on to pitch five innings of no-hit baseball, before exiting in the sixth with two hits and no runs to his name, causing Russell to call him "effectively wild."

But one reason that Mata was able to evolve to effectively wild from the pitcher that pitching coach Hilberto Ochoa said threw everything straight as a freshman, is the development of a pitch that is now infamous in the Bulldog bullpen.

Ochoa said he noticed when Mata was playing infield that he naturally cut the ball as he threw and worked with him on different grips to use for a cutter. That led to a pitch that the Bulldogs affectionately refer to as the "sludder" — a cross between a slider and a cutter.

"I don't even know how to explain it," Ochoa said, "I've never seen it as a coach."

Ochoa's not alone, as hitters have tried and failed to figure the pitch out as well.

"I started playing with it, and it became my No. 1 pitch, had a lot of movement," Mata said. "And whenever I'm down in the count, need a strikeout, something to get the momentum back, I just throw it, and it works pretty good."

Division I coaches have noticed too — no, they can't figure out what it is either — and have expressed interest in the junior already to Russell.

And, of course, Mata will continue to throw it, knowing Sims is behind the plate and will be there to knock it down if it, or any pitch for that matter, gets away from him.

"It's always good to have a great catcher behind the dish," Mata said.

Sims, however, doesn't believe he'll need to knock many balls down this year, as he and Russell said Mata's command has improved this season. That, and a mutual confidence Mata shares with his defense, makes Sims happy to catch when Mata's on the mound.

"It's a blast," Sims said. "His command is there. Everyone behind him plays their best ability when he's pitching at his level."

And after sharing the experience of growing pains as first-year varsity players, Sims and Mata are now ready and able to lead the Bulldogs if and when both are able to play their best ball this season.

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LIMON

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"He was dying to play," Hector said.

"He did great," Josie said. "The only thing is whenever he hit the ball he ran to the outfield."

Most stories about young Mick sound the same.

Josie said "as soon as he started talking" he was singing "Take Me Out to the Ball Game.

Marcus remembered him as the kid who wore his favorite baseball cap — either an Estacado one or a Texas Rangers one — 24 hours a day.

"He was that guy," Marcus said with a laugh.

But Mick makes no apologies for his love of the game, which coincides perfectly with his father's profession.

"It's a great game," Mick said. "I'm happy I get to come out here and play it. I wouldn't change it for anything.

"I'm happy my dad is who he is."

Hector is just as proud of Mick, who will follow in his footsteps by suiting up for LCU in college.

Of course, Hector isn't surprised that Mick has been able to carve out his own successful path.

He described Mick as a silent observer, always paying attention to what his father and brothers did in life and picking up on life skills to keep.

That same approach helped him form his unique delivery, preceded by a small lift and a dragging of the foot, which Mick said he saw in Los Angeles Dodgers reliever Javy Guerra when he was at Denton Ryan.

But his stoic demeanor is hardly indicative of his game as Hector learned when Mick was a sophomore pitcher at Estacado.

That's when Mick was slated to go up against Burnet pitcher and Texas Tech signee Travis Hoffmeister in the Region I-3A championship, and Hector delivered a seemingly meaningless message to the press.

"I said, 'Well, today on the mound, we're going to have 5-foot-6 (Mick) versus 6-foot-5 (Hoffmeister)," Hector said laughing.

He's laughing because Mick was 5-foot-9 and Hoffmeister is listed at 6-foot-3 on the Tech roster.

All Mick did was go out and hold the No. 8 team in the state to five hits in five innings and strike out 10 to help send Estacado to its first state tournament since Hector was a senior shortstop there in 1982.

Hector maintains his quote wasn't a tactic but he did see something in his son that day.

"I was just being honest … (Hoffmeister) was a monster," Hector said. "(I saw that he had) a little bit of giddyup in him."

Pitching coach Jarrod Morris has seen the same quality in Mick since working with him last year.

"I expect him to go out and get it done every time," Morris said. "I have 100 percent confidence in him, and every time he's on the mound I expect to get the best out of him.

"It's almost a given that that's what I'm going to get."

And that's why, even in a family of college baseball players, Mick has been able to carve out his own path — one that he hopes includes helping Lee compete for a second straight district title this season after splitting one with Midland High last year.

That's why, even with all the similarities to his father, and his brothers for that matter, Mick has made himself far from just a chip off the ol' block.

"We always told Mick he was going to find his niche and he was going to do well in life," Josie said.

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Lin sends Knicks past Mavericks

By Brian Mahoney
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Linsanity lives.

Forget the off night that had NBA fans worldwide wondering if the Jeremy Lin story was too good to be true. It's still plenty good, all right.

The Harvard sensation was back at his whirling ways Sunday, and the stage couldn't have been better — against the defending champions on national TV.

Lin was Lin, and that was good enough for the New York Knicks to win.

Hours after the opening of "Saturday Night Live" spoofed the Lin phenomenon, the point guard had 28 points and a career-high 14 assists to carry the Knicks to a 104-97 victory that ended the Dallas Mavericks' six-game winning streak.

"Looking back, it's like I was watching them win the championship last year, and that's obviously where this team wants to go," Lin said.

"This is helpful to us, not just to me but to us, just to be able to see where our team can go and what we can become, and I think that's the biggest takeaway from tonight," he said.

Lin already owns the highlights and headlines, and now he has some new admirers after bouncing back from a nine-turnover performance against lowly New Orleans by dominating a Dallas defense that made even LeBron James look ordinary in the NBA finals.

After the final buzzer, Lin got a hug from a fellow Bay Area product, and someone who knows a thing or two about playing the point — Mavs star Jason Kidd

"He looks a little bit like Steve Nash out there," Kidd said, referring to the two-time MVP of the Phoenix Suns.

In a game of wild momentum swings, the Knicks reeled off 17 straight points in the first quarter, fell behind by 12 in the third, then pulled it out to beat the Mavericks for only the third time in the last 20 meetings.

Chaps sweep doubleheader from Seward

From staff reports

The Midland College baseball team swept a doubleheader against Seward County (Kan.) Community College Sunday at Christensen Stadium to improve to 8-3 on the season.

The Chaparrals won the first game 6-5 behind a game-winning RBI single by Tyler Barlow in the bottom of the seventh inning. MC then completed the sweep when it scored five runs in the fifth to beat Seward 5-2.

In the first game, the Chaps were trailing 3-2 in the sixth inning when both Ethan Kohnle and Patrick Lopez hit solo home runs to take a 4-3 lead.

Seward retook the lead in the top of the seventh with a two-run triple, before the Chaps responded in the bottom of the inning with a solo home run by Luke Slentz and the game-winning single by Barlow to score Matt Reyes.

It was the second time in as many days that the Chaps won a game in their final at-bat.

Reyes was 3 for 4, Barlow was 2 for 4, Kohnle was 2 for 3 with a triple, home run and two runs scored, and Lopez was 2 for 3 with a home run, two runs scored and two RBI.

Jeremy Filipek (2-0) picked up the win in relief of Keanu Ramos, who pitched 6 1/3 innings, gave up three runs on four hits, walked one, hit two batters and struck out three.

In the second game, MC got the win behind a solid pitching performance from Jayden Odell (1-1), who went five innings and allowed two runs on three hits, two walk, one hit batter, and also struck out seven.

Lopez and Kohnle each recorded a hit, scored a run and drove in two runs for the Chaps.

GAME 1

MIDLAND COLLEGE 6, SEWARD CC 5

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Glanz, Gustin (7) and Cruz; Keanu Ramos, Jeremy Filipek (6) and Tyler Barlow. W — Filipek (2-0). L - Gustin. 2B — SCC: Gustin. 3B — SCC: Pulito 2. Dorlus3. MC: Ethan Kohnle. HR — MC: Kohnle, Patrick Lopez, Luke Slentz

GAME 2

MIDLAND COLLEGE 5, SEWARD CC 2

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Wiedenfield, Harris (5) and Pack. Jayden Odell, Monte McCasland (6), Hunter Flake (7) and Steel Russell. W — Odell (1-1). L — Wiedenfield. Sv — Flake. 2B — SCC: Pack. MC: Matt Bienek.

Record: Midland College 8-3

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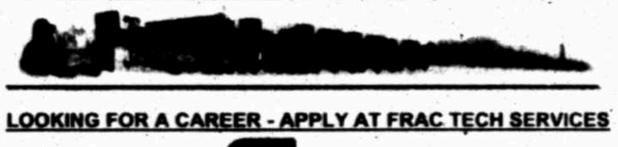

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CHAPS

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said. "They will do the best job they can with those guys."

Farmer has won two tournaments in his career at Midland College, and finished the fall the top junior college player in the country in scoring average, averaging just over 70 a round.

Along with adjusting to the normal things an international player has to face in a new country, such as living on your own and adjusting to the different lifestyle, Farmer said he also needed last year to adjust to the wind that typically blows in Texas and the different type of grass on courses in Texas.

"It's just getting used to how to play the courses because the grass is different," Farmer said. "And also especially traveling six hours and then having to get out and play a practice round is tough."

Poss said Farmer's talent was always evident, but this past fall, Poss said he's making better decisions on the course and it's paying off.

"He makes a lot better decisions on the golf course, and he's playing everything better, and he doesn't take the risks that he shouldn't take most of the time," Poss said.

Meanwhile, Richardson averaged just over 72 a round last fall, and is coming off a spring where he garnered All-American honors with a 13th-place finish at the NJCAA National Tournament last May in Odessa.

But it's Richardson's work ethic that is something that stands out, and to some extent has carried over to the rest of the team.

"Luke would be at the golf course 12 hours a day, he just loves golf and loves to practice," Poss said.

Richardson admits, though, when he came to Midland two years ago he was hoping to eventually turn professional, but said that he would like to transfer to a four-year school to continue his career and has interest in the University of Texas-Arlington.

"It was only this year really and realizing and talking to people that that was the best thing to do," Richardson said of transferring to a four-year school. "When you go home in the summer, they say how lucky you are and you've got to make the most of it."

And for one last spring, these two will make the most of their final chance to bring another national title back to Midland.

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	FOOD	64	59	27	68	54	Diners	Diners	Seekers	Seekers	Diners	Diners	Diners (N)	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
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	FX	31	31	59	64	69	★ ★★★ Live Free or Die Hard ('07, Act) Justin Long, Bruce Willis.							★ ★★★ Live Free or Die Hard ('07, Act) Bruce Willis.				
	HALLMARK	54	49	58		34	Little House Prairie		Little House Prairie		Little House Prairie		Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	Frasier	G. Girls	G. Girls
	HGTV	63	50	26	48	44	House	HouseH	Love It or List It (N)		HouseH	HouseH	HouseH	House (N)	My House	Price	HouseH	HouseH
	HISTORY	71	62	29	50	43	American Pickers		Pwn Star	Pwn Star	American Pickers		Pwn Star	Pwn Star	Jousting "Unhorsed"		Pwn Star	Pwn Star
	LIFETIME	28	25	25	28	48	Dance Moms "Return of the Candy Apples"		DanceMom "Brooke's Turning Point"		Dance Moms "No One Likes a Bully"		Dance Moms "Brooke's Back"		Dance Moms		DanceMom "Brooke's Turning Point"	
	MSNBC	47	51		49	73	Hardball		The Ed Show		Rachel Maddow		The Last Word		The Ed Show		Rachel Maddow	
	NICK	55	34	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	'70s	'70s	G. Lopez	G. Lopez	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
	SPIKE	30	22	55	53	58	Band of Brothers "The Last Patrol"		Brothers "Why We Fight"				Band of Brothers "Points"		Movie		★ ★★★ Seven	
	SYFY	66	64	41	57	67	(4:30) ★★★ Signs		Being Human		Being Human (N)		Lost Girl (N)		Being Human		Lost Girl	
	TBS	25	11	44	66	41	Seinfeld "The Race"	Seinfeld "The Race"	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Conan Adam Sandler, Joe Jonas		The Office	Office "Job Fair"
	TCM	41	61	24	63	66	(5:15) ★ A Funny Th...		★ ★★★ The Smiling Lieutenant				★ ★★★★ The Third Man Joseph Cotten.				★ Amadeus	
	TELE	20	8	10	20		Caso cerrado		Maid en Manhattan		Flor salvaje		Relaciones Peligrosa		Noticiero	Sin senos no paraiso	Decision	
	TLC	51	33	32	38	52	Hoarding "Everything's Junk"		Little People "Battle for the Farm"		Undercover Boss "Isuzu Trucks UK"		Undercover Boss: Abroad "YMCA"		Little People "Battle for the Farm"		Undercover Boss "Isuzu Trucks UK"	
	TNT	24	23	40	26	50	Law & Order "Bounty"		NBA Basketball Boston Celtics vs. Dallas Mavericks Site: American Airlines Center -- Dallas, Texas (L)				NBA Basketball Portland Trail Blazers vs. Los Angeles Lakers Site: Staples Center -- Los Angeles, Calif. (L)					
	TVLAND	49	48	35	54	35	MASH	M*A*S*H	Home I.	Home I.	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens
	USA	26	30	42	27	49	NCIS "Mother's Day"		NCIS "Jurisdiction"		WWE Monday Night Raw		WWE Monday Night Raw		(:05) White Collar		(:05) ★ ★★ Public Enemies James Russo.	
	VERSUS	38	39				NHL Live!	NHL Hockey	Washington Capitals vs. Carolina Hurricanes (L)				NHL Live!	NBC Sports Talk		Overtime	Game On!	Cycling
	WGN	19	18				America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		America's Funniest Home Videos		WGN News at Nine		30 Rock	Scrubs	Scrubs	Always Sunny

CHAPSGLANCE

FROM STAFF REPORTS

2012 Spring MC Golf Preview Capsule

Coach: Delnor Poss, 35th year

Notes: Poss said he sees plenty of potential in this year's team, and it's just a matter of finding their rhythm at the right time to make a run at a national title. "It's a good solid bunch of guys, and that's what's encouraging," Poss said. ... Along with six players from overseas, this year's squad has a solid West Texas presence with four of the eight freshman coming from West Texas. Tyson Turnbow is from Muleshoe, Stephen Gage is from Lubbock, Tyler Brown is from Denver City and Blake Brorman is from Big Spring. ... Turnbow, the multi-sport star at Muleshoe who won a Class 2A medalist title last year, had the best scoring average of the freshmen in the fall at 72.33, and Poss said Turnbow has possibly the most solid spot behind Richardson and Farmer in the Chaps' top lineup. "Tyson is a quality player," Poss said. "His swing coach has taught several PGA guys, and he has spoken favorably of the progress Tyler has made." ... The other two spots, though, are up for grabs, Poss said. Gage had the best scoring average in the fall among Sean Lawrie, Brorman and Brown, but he added that Paul Simpson, David Ryan and Connor Brockhurst-Souter will also vie for those spots. "We've got seven guys for the last two spots," Poss said. "I think by the time April rolls around, I think we will be in good shape by then." ... This year's state and district tournaments will be at different venues west of the Metroplex this year. The state tournament is scheduled for April 2-3 at Splitrail Country Club in Aledo, and the district championship is at Sugar Tree Golf Club west of Weatherford.

2012 Midland College Spring Roster

Name	Class	Hometown
Richie Farmer	Sophomore	Brighton, England
Luke Richardson	Sophomore	Essex, England
Tyson Turnbow	Freshman	Muleshoe
Paul Simpson	Freshman	Aboyne, Scotland
David Ryan	Freshman	London
Sean Lawrie	Freshman	Aberdeen, Scotland
Stephen Gage	Freshman	Lubbock
Tyler Brown	Freshman	Denver City
Blake Brorman	Freshman	Big Spring
Connor Brockhurst-Souter	Freshman	West Sussex, England

Midland College 2012 fall scoring statistics

Name	Rds.	Avg.	Vs. Par	Low Rd.	Best finish
Richie Farmer	12	70.5	-1.33	66	1
Luke Richardson	12	72.25	0.42	55	T5
Tyson Turnbow	12	72.33	0.50	67	T6
Stephen Gage	12	74.60	2.73	70	T7
Sean Lawrie	12	75.08	3.25	67	T5
Blake Brorman	12	75.67	3.83	68	17
Tyler Brown	7	79.29	7.29	76	T20

2012 Midland College Spring Golf Schedule

Date	Tournament	Course
Feb. 20-12	Texas State Preview	Splitrail CC, Aledo
Feb. 27	Bronco Invitational	NMMI GC, Roswell, N.M.
March 5-6	Ronnie Black Invitational	Ocotillo Park, Hobbs, N.M.
March 12-13	Sugar Tree Invitational	Sugar Tree GC, Dennis
March 19-20	Midland College Invitational	Green Tree CC
April 2-3	Texas State JC Championship	Splitrail CC, Aledo
April 16-17	NJCAA District Championship	Sugar Tree GC, Dennis
April 29-30	WJCAC Invitational	Rainmaker GC & The Links at Sierra Blanca
May 13-18	NJCAA National	Championship Sand Creek Station, Newton, Kan.

Compiled by Len Hayward

PGAROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PGA

NORTHERN TRUST OPEN: At Los Angeles, Bill Haas wound up making the biggest putt of them all at Riviera.

On the second extra hole of a three-way playoff Sunday — made possible by clutch birdie putts from Phil Mickelson and Keegan Bradley on the final hole — Haas rolled in a 45-foot birdie putt across the 10th green to win the Northern Trust Open.

Haas closed with a 2-under 69 and won a PGA Tour event for the third straight year.

He was on the practice range at 7-under 277, warming up for a playoff that didn't look likely. Mickelson and Bradley, the co-leaders going into the final round, were one shot behind on the 18th hole, which had given up only six birdies all day.

LPGA

LPGA THAILAND: At Chonburi, Thailand, Top-ranked Yani Tseng successfully defended her LPGA Thailand title for her 13th LPGA Tour victory, birdieing the final two holes to hold off playing partner Ai Miyazato by a stroke.

Champions

ACE GROUP CLASSIC: At Naples, Fla., Kenny Perry won the ACE Group Classic for his second Champions Tour title, beating 2011 winner Bernhard Langer by five strokes.

PGA European

AVANTHA MASTERS: At New Delhi, South Africa's Jbe Kruger won the Avantha Masters for his first European Tour title, shooting a 3-under 69 for a two-shot victory.

Nationwide

COLOMBIA CHAMPIONSHIP: At Bogota, Colombia, Skip Kendall holed a 25-foot birdie putt on the final hole for an even-par 71 and a one-stroke victory in the Nationwide Tour's season-opening Colombia Championship.

LPGA European

NEW ZEALAND WOMEN'S OPEN: At Christchurch, New Zealand, Australia's Lindsey Wright made a 13-foot birdie putt on the par-5 18th for a 4-under 68 and a one-stroke victory in the New Zealand Women's Open.

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Done deal: Yankees trade Burnett to Pirates

By Mike Fitzpatrick
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A.J. Burnett's rocky tenure in pinstripes is over.

The Yankees and Pirates completed a trade Sunday that sends the much-maligned pitcher to Pittsburgh for a pair of minor leaguers. New York is also giving the Pirates nearly $20 million to cover most of Burnett's hefty salary in a deal that clears the way for the Yankees to sign Raul Ibanez.

The teams agreed to the trade Friday but it was subject to Burnett passing a physical, which he did Sunday at Pirates camp as pitchers and catchers held their first workout of spring training in Bradenton, Fla.

Commissioner Bud Selig also had to approve the deal because of the money involved.

Burnett goes from a perennial World Series favorite to a club coming off its 19th consecutive losing season, a record for the four major pro sports in North America.

"When I first heard we were thinking about getting A.J., I was excited. I was hoping we'd get it done," said new Pirates catcher Rod Barajas, who played with Burnett on the 2008 Toronto Blue Jays.

"With the relationship we've had, the fact that we worked together and did well together, it made me feel we can get back to where it was that year. Even after he left Toronto for New York, we constantly had conversations. He's a joy to be around. He brings good energy. I think he's going to fit in well here."

The Yankees get 25-year-old right-hander Diego Moreno and 20-year-old outfielder Exicardo Cayones, both low-level prospects.

Pittsburgh will pay $13 million of the $33 million salary due Burnett for 2012 and 2013, a person familiar with the negotiations said Friday, speaking on condition of anonymity because no announcement had been made at that time.

Both teams announced the deal Sunday night, though neither disclosed the amount of cash involved.

"A.J. Burnett is a solid, veteran starting pitcher with an above-average pitch repertoire and potential to provide us with significant quality innings from our starting rotation," Pirates general manager Neal Huntington said.

New York plans to use the money saved to sign a designated hitter following Jorge Posada's retirement. The Yankees already have been negotiating a major league deal with Ibanez, who spent the past three seasons in Philadelphia.

A left-handed hitter, Ibanez has been waiting for New York to agree to the deal, a person familiar with those negotiations said, also on condition of anonymity. The contract for the 39-year-old outfielder would have a base salary of about $1 million.

Ibanez batted .245 with 20 homers and 84 RBIs last season. His on-base percentage was only .289 but he had 31 doubles.

New York also hopes to re-sign backup infielder Eric Chavez.

The 35-year-old Burnett was 34-35 with a 4.79 ERA during three seasons with the Yankees, including 11-11 with a 5.15 ERA last year. He also gave up a career-high 31 home runs and threw a team-record 25 wild pitches in 2011.

After signing an $82.5 million, five-year deal as a free agent, his best moment came in his first year with New York when he beat the Phillies in Game 2 of the 2009 World Series.

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There is one letter that, when added to all of the four-letter words below, can be used to form new five-letter words. Find the letter that works for all four words, add it to each word, and then rearrange each set of letters to form a new word.

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TUESDAY Mostly sunny high 70 low 38

WEDNESDAY Sunny high 69 low 32

LOCAL FORECAST

Expect sunny skies today with a high around 66 and south winds between 5 and 10 mph becoming west between 30 and 35 mph. Winds could gust as high as 50 mph.

Tonight's forecast calls for mostly clear conditions with a low around 30 and west winds between 20 and 25 becoming calm. Wind could gust up to 35 mph.

Tuesday, look for mostly sunny skies with a high around 70, a low around 38 and southwest winds between 10 and 15 mph.

Wednesday, look for sunny skies with a high around 69 and a low around 42.

The high on Sunday reached 62 while the low dropped to 34. The record high for Feb. 19 is 90 set in 1986. The record low is 19 set in 1936.

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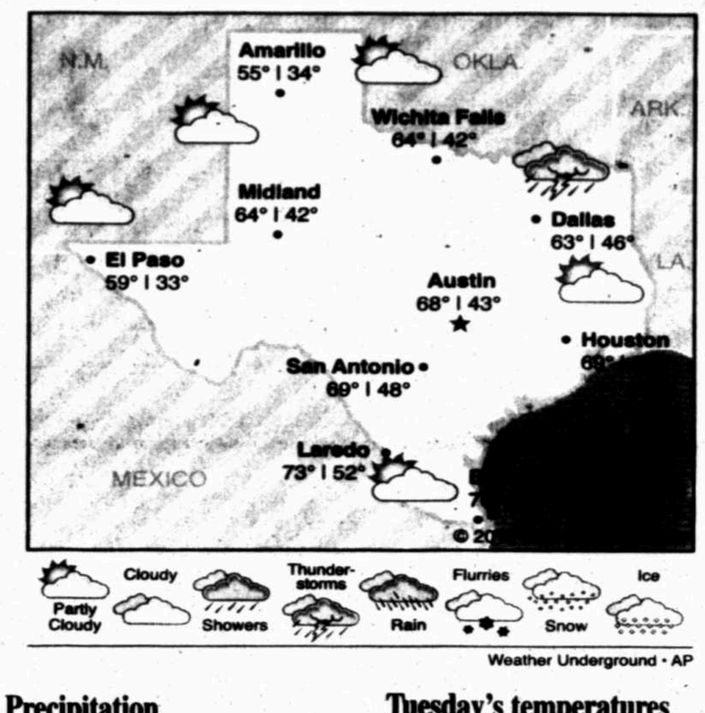
High pressure building into the eastern part of the country Monday will set the stage for sunny skies and cool conditions. A brisk wind will persist over the Northeast, while temperatures fail to reach the 60-degree mark over much of the Southeast.

A storm developing to the lee of the Rockies will produce a swath of snow from North Dakota and western Minnesota through northeastern Colorado.



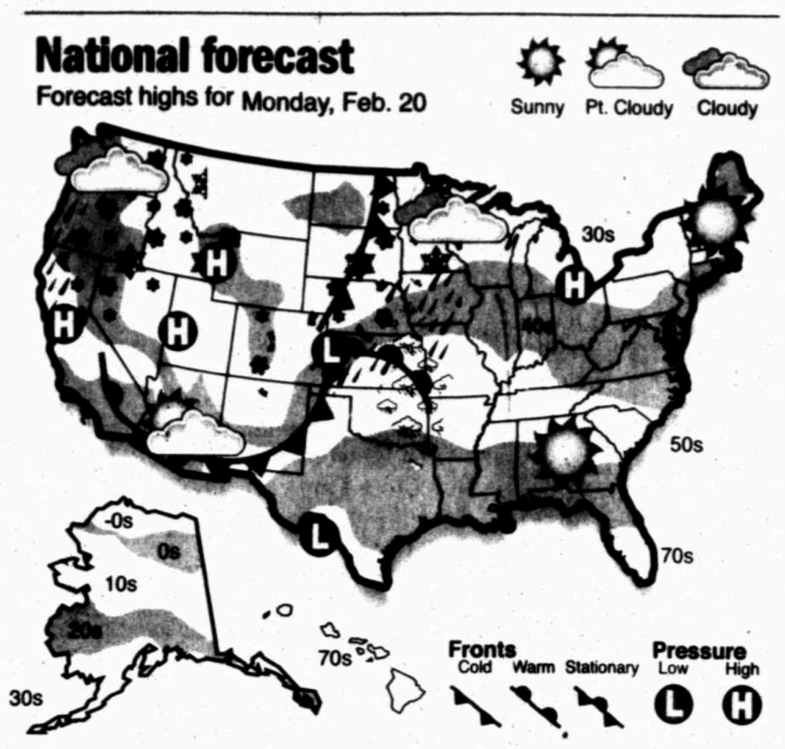
Precipitation

Saturday	0.06 in.
Sunday	0.00 in.
Total for month	0.18 in.
Total for year	1.18 in.
Normal total (year to date)	1.05 in.

Tuesday's temperatures

High	62
Low	34
Normal high	63
Normal low	35

Sunrise ... 7:26 a.m.
Sunset ... 6:30 p.m.



Widow's heart is vulnerable to online suitor's charms

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: One of my closest friends from childhood, "Penny," lost her husband of 30 years five months ago, after a short illness. We reconnected via the Internet and have become close again. It has been a blessing. Penny has moved back to California and has been to visit me a couple of times.

One of Penny's relatives signed her up on some online dating sites, and a seemingly nice man from across the country immediately contacted her with a beautiful email. She responded to him once, explaining her recent loss, and he has been courting her with extremely romantic daily emails ever since. Penny asked me for advice, and I told her that her loss is fresh and raw, and she should give herself time to grieve for her husband.

Penny has never been alone, and I know she's scared. However, I see big red flags and I'm worried about her. I advised that they should keep in casual contact, and if it's real now, it will still be real in another year. I think she needs time to heal. Should I stay out of it and mind my own business, or should I reiterate my concerns? — CONFLICTED IN COASTAL CALIFORNIA

DEAR CONFLICTED: I see nothing wrong with continuing to share your thinking with your friend. You gave her good advice. Although some beautiful relationships have been formed online, this one seems to have blossomed unusually quickly.

Encourage Penny to take her time, invite him to eventually visit, and go visit him so she can meet his friends and family and get to know him better. If it turns out that remarriage is in the cards, then suggest that she contact her lawyer and have a pre-nuptial agreement in place before the wedding.

DEAR ABBY: We are in our late 40s and have two elementary school-age children. My husband and I are actively involved in our church and at our children's school. However, we have no friends we can just hang out with. We used to be part of a small group of friends from church, but one family had a falling out with the others. Somehow we got dragged into it, and now no one interacts with us anymore. The parents of our children's friends attend another church and have a group they're part of, but we are not.

When I was working, we could afford to have the kids in activities but there wasn't much time. Now that I am not working the time is there, but not the money. People our age have empty nests or are grandparents. We'd love to have friends, but we don't know how to resolve this. — LEFT BEHIND IN SPARKS, NEV.

DEAR LEFT BEHIND: Why not invite your children's friends and their parents over? You already have something in common with them. If that doesn't work, a way to make new friends would be to sign your children up for affordable extra-curricular activities such as YMCA, YWCA, Little League or Scouting. That way, you'll meet other parents with similar interests. Another alternative would be for you and your husband to join a service club so you can meet others who contribute to the community. If you give it a try you will widen your circle of acquaintances, which can lead to friendships.

DEAR ABBY: My husband left me after 38 years of marriage. All my adult life I have been known personally and professionally as "Mrs. Brown." Now that I'm being divorced, can I legally still be known as Mrs. Brown? — KEEPING MY NAME

DEAR KEEPING: Yes. Although you will no longer be "Mrs. John Brown," you will be Mrs. JULIA Brown or Ms. Brown if you prefer.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

Bidding Quiz

Q 1 — Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ K 9 5 ♡ K 10 5 ◇ A K J 6 4 ♣ K 10
Partner opens the bidding with one no-trump. What action do you take?
A — How high you go depends entirely on how many aces partner holds. Bid four clubs and sign off if partner's response shows no more than one ace. If partner shows more, bid a small slam if he has two and go for broke if he has all three missing bullets.'

Q 2 — Both vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ K 9 6 5 ♡ Q 9 5 2 ◇ 7 ♣ 10 8 7 2
Partner opens the bidding with one no-trump. What do you respond?
A — If you could be sure that partner would respond to a Stayman inquiry by bidding a major, by all means bid Stayman. But what do you intend doing should he respond two diamonds, denying a four-card major? Just pass and hope partner finds enough in your hand to squeeze out seven tricks.

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

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
2♣	Pass	2◇	Pass
2♠	Pass	?	

What do you bid now?
A — Your club suit is hardly a thing of beauty and, had your queen been in hearts rather than spades, we would certainly bid two no-trump. As it is, you know partner has at least five, perhaps more, spades. Your queen in partner's suit should be of great interest to him, and we would raise to three spades.

Q 4 — Not vulnerable, as South you hold:
♠ Q 10 8 7 ♡ Q 9 5 ◇ K 9 7 ♣ 6 4 3
The bidding has proceeded:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
1◇	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♡	Pass	?	

What do you bid now?
A — Partner has bid both red suits and you have an honor in each. Partner has an unbalanced hand so, despite your square holding, raise partner's longer suit. Bid three diamonds.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Monday, Feb. 20, 2012:

This year you will tend to walk to your own beat. Often you will feel left out, as others go down their own paths. Your self-confidence grows as a result of success. Others find you to be most appealing and gentle, yet also a bit odd. If you are single, you need to be more open to someone who will appreciate you. Be careful that this person is not emotionally unavailable. If you are attached, plan a special vacation together. AQUARIUS reads you cold.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Your energy carries a project across the finish line. You might wonder what to do next. Follow your natural inclinations, and you will land just fine. Make sure that you let the special people in your life know how you feel about them. This could include the waitress who serves you every day or a friend you always have coffee with. Tonight: Zero in on what you want.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ Take the lead when others are in a quandary. Your efforts are appreciated, and they can make a difference in the outcome. Decide if you want to continue in this role or if you would rather let someone else take over. Be careful when dealing with a female who might be fragile. Tonight: Could be a late dinner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★★ Keep reaching out for a friend or loved one at a distance. You might have to push very hard to establish a trusting relationship. Don't worry so much, and detach from the immediate issue. A meeting points to a new direction. Tonight: Approach a situation differently.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Open up to a very different attitude and approach. This style is unique and points you toward a new path. Realize how fortunate you are to be able to process other approaches. A boss, older relative or parent really approves of what you are doing. Tonight: Go with another person's suggestion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★★ Let others make the first move, both professionally and emotionally. Understand what motivates another person before you take a leap of faith. Someone could be clear about his or her feelings and explain that he or she simply cares. Consider taking a trip in the near future. Tonight: As you like it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★ Your focus can, and will, make all the difference in a personal issue. You could be overwhelmed by another person's efforts. He or she generally is supportive, but you did not anticipate this type of caring. Follow-through counts. Tonight: Togetherness is the theme.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Deal directly with a child or loved one. You could be overwhelmed by everything that is happening. Step back and consider what would be the best way to proceed. Your imagination could go a little haywire when dealing with this person. Tonight: Enjoy a special person.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ Listen to what another person is trying to share with you. He or she might be trying to nudge you out of your complacent attitude. It certainly would not be a problem to play with this person's idea. You might even see some value in it. Curb overindulgence. Tonight: Heading home.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov, 22-Dec. 21) ★★★★★ Communication with someone you absolutely love to hang out with tells you a lot about what you need to know. Trust your judgment, but also use your listening skills. Demonstrate your ability to think outside the box, as you sometimes get locked into your ideas. Tonight: Make time for a special friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★ You know how to build security on both emotional and financial levels. You see a difference between the two, and you know how to proceed. A family member or roommate does everything he or she can to support you in an adventure. Loosen up and have a long-overdue discussion. Tonight: Buy a treat on the way home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★★ You feel up to snuff and enjoy just being you. Listen to what another person is sharing. This person is expressing his or her caring in a bold manner. A sibling or neighbor thanks you for your recent effort. Tonight: Wherever you are going to be.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★ Allow yourself some time alone to process an issue. You could try another approach or speak to a respected confidant. If you relax, you will know exactly which way to go. Finances could factor into your decision. Tonight: Do for you.

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BORN TODAY

Actor Sidney Poitier (1927), director Robert Altman (1925), photographer Ansel Adams (1902)

DAILY CROSSWORD

Edited By Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS

1 Like Eastwood's Harry
6 Aromatic resin
11 Emeril catchword
14 Start of un año
15 Add to the mix
16 Freudian subject
17 "Get really angry
19 Cocktail cooler, in Coblenz
20 Paris airport
21 Having trouble deciding
22 Hindu social division
24 Fish eggs
25 "Belfast-born flutist
27 "For shame!"
29 Sedative
30 Suffix with bed or home
31 Arthur of tennis
34 Selected on a ballot, with "in"
35 "2004 loser to George Bush
39 Source of quick cash, briefly
42 Operating system since the '60s
43 Ball hit over the wall
47 Steals
50 Title street of kids' TV
51 "Sandwich request
55 Accomplished
56 Islamic deity
57 College head
58 Shower affection (on)
59 __ tai: cocktail
60 One of the four that end this puzzle's starred answers
63 Rock producer Brian
64 Stealthy craft
65 Zellweger of "Chicago"
66 Room with bookcases
67 Tolerate
68 Flowers with swordlike leaves, briefly

DOWN

1 Expels from the country
2 "Should I deal you a hand?"
3 Abundantly supplied (with)
4 Helen of __
5 Partner of hither
6 __ salts
7 "Filthy" dough
8 Preppy collars
9 Downed Russian space station
10 Mushroom with a black-edged top
11 Secretion used in hives
12 Stir up
13 Strolled, as to the saloon
18 French state
23 "Float like a butterfly" boxer
25 Karate relative
26 Habitué
28 __ Mahal
31 Landers or Lee
32 Enjoy the slopes
33 Put a spell on
36 Awed crowd reaction
37 Stat start
38 Casual hellos
39 Humiliated
40 Like many rural roads
41 Thousand thousand
44 "Papa Don't Preach" singer
45 Radiated
46 Flights leaving around midnight, usually
48 iPhone, e.g., briefly
49 Rules of conduct
50 In __: harmonious
52 Twin Cities suburb
53 Subatomic particle
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58 Face-off with pistols
61 Squealer
62 Nonprofit's URL ending

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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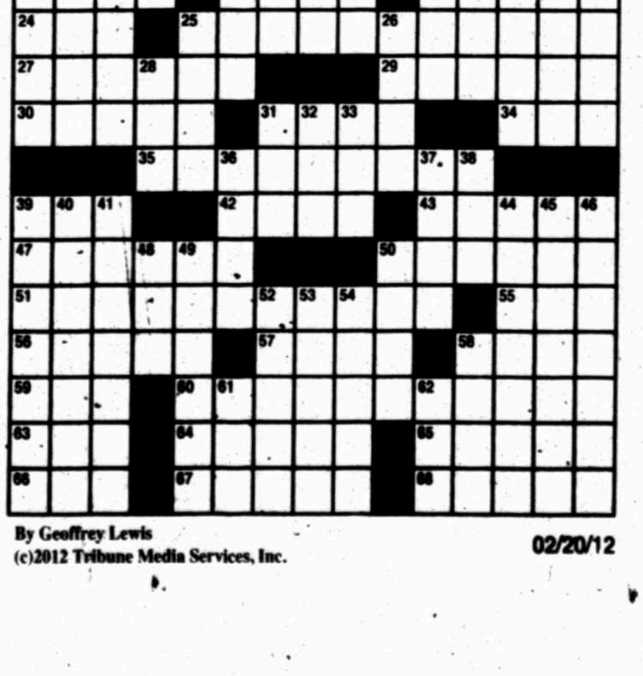

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Legal & Public Notices

RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS
OIL AND GAS DIVISION

DISTRICT 08
DATE OF ISSUANCE: Jan 27, 2012
NOTICE OF PROTEST DEADLINE: 5:00 PM, Mar 9, 2012
Address: Railroad Commission of Texas
ATTN: Drilling Permit Unit
P. O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967
Fax: (512) 463-6780
Email: SWR37@RRC.STATE.TX.US

Rule 38 Case No. 08-0274421
Status/Permit No. 731896

NOTICE OF APPLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC., [RRC Operator No. 665748] has made application for a density exception permit under the provisions of Railroad Commission Statewide Rule 38 (16 Tex. Admin. Code section 3.38). Applicant seeks exception to the DENSITY requirement of the field rules for the NEW DRILL permit in Sec. 23, Blk. 38 T2S, T&P RR CO Survey, A-86, SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) Field, MIDLAND County, being 7.2 miles SE direction from MIDLAND, Texas.

PURSUANT TO THE TERMS of Railroad Commission rules and regulations, this application may be granted **WITHOUT A HEARING** if no protest to the application is received within the deadline. An affected person is entitled to protest this application. Affected persons include owners of record and the operator or lessees of record of adjacent tracts and tracts nearer to the proposed well than the minimum lease line spacing distance. If a hearing is called, the applicant has the burden to prove the need for an exception. A Protestant should be prepared to establish standing as an affected person, and to appear at the hearing either in person or by qualified representative and protest the application with cross-examination or presentation of a direct case. The rules of evidence are applicable in the hearing. If you have any questions regarding the hearing procedure, please contact the Commission's Docket Services Department at **(512) 463-6848.**

IF YOU WISH TO REQUEST A HEARING ON THIS APPLICATION, AN INTENT TO APPEAR IN PROTEST MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE RAILROAD COMMISSION'S AUSTIN OFFICE AT THE ADDRESS, FAX NUMBER, OR E-MAIL ADDRESS SET OUT ABOVE BY Mar 9, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. IF NO PROTEST IS RECEIVED WITHIN SUCH TIME, YOU WILL LOSE YOUR RIGHT TO PROTEST AND THE REQUESTED PERMIT MAY BE GRANTED ADMINISTRATIVELY.

THIS NOTICE OF APPLICATION REQUIRES PUBLICATION

The location and identity of the well is as shown below:

FIELD: SPRABERRY (TREND AREA)

Lease/Unit Name :	SYNATSCHK 'D'	
Lease/Unit Well No. :	2	
Lease/Unit Acres :	80.4	
Nearest Lease Line (ft) :	558.0	
Nearest Well on Lease (ft) :	966.0	
Lease Lines :	710.0 F SOUTH L,	558.0 F EAST L
Survey Lines :	710.0 F SOUTH L,	760.0 F WEST L

As part of this application, applicant also seeks permit authority in 1 additional field: (1) BETTY SUE (STRAWN). No rule exception is necessary pursuant to the field rules for this field.

Field Rules for ALL fields on the permit application are as follows:

SPRABERRY (TREND AREA) : Special Rules 467/660, 80.0 acres.

BETTY-SUE (STRAWN) : OIL Special Rules 467/1200, 160.0 acres.
OIL Optional Rules 467/1200, 80.0 acres.

This well is to be drilled to an approximate depth of 11400 feet.

If you have questions regarding this application, please contact the Applicant's representative, TAMMY SMITH, at (972) 444-9001.

Lost & Found

FOUND Chihuahua black female dog on 1700 Bedford 686-0711 by Wednesday.

FOUND female Boxer, 1 year old, white, near Wadley. Call 432-683-3001.

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Legal & Public Notices

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Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
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Midland, Texas 79705

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FOUND GERMAN Shepard puppy at G St & Cuthbert. 3-5 months. 559-3024.

FOUND SMALL Dog. Call to identify 432-638-4985

LOST YELLOW female Lab, in Greentree. Call 432-296-0808.

Lost & Found

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If you are trying to return an item to its rightful owner, let us help you. Call 432-682-6222 For Your Complimentary Ad!

Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

ACURA 2005 RSX w/ 35k, warranty, and loaded. Kelly blue book value $13,352 asking $11,000. Call 432-559-7695.

BMW 2003 745LI Blue, 64k miles, fully loaded, $20,000. Call 432-553-5632.

Meetings

Acacia Masonic Lodge #1414
1600 W. Wall
Stated Communication, 2nd & 4th Tues @ 7:30pm, 432-557-6041
Mike Patton, W.M.
Ed Wilson Sec
Did you know John Hancock was a Master Mason?

Passenger Cars

FORD 1969 Mustang- Project car, runs & drives, 302 V8, C-4 auto trans, has A/C, power steering. $14,500 OBO. For more info please call 325-656-4714

FORD 2002 Taurus, V-6, Automatic, $1950 cash. B&B Auto 683-6222

FORD 2008 Focus SE. 4dr, 4 cylinder. We finance W.A.C. B&B Auto 683-6222

FORD 2009 Mustang V6 Coupe, 2D, 17,890 miles, red ext, black cloth int. $18,000 OBO, 432-368-3005

LEXUS 2004 RX330 AWD, tan/tan, 23K mi., 1 owner, navigation, rear camera, leather, sunroof, DVD, excellent condition, always garaged. $24.5K (below KBB value) 432-559-5559

MERCEDES 2006 230C. 50,400 mi., White/Black leather. Non-smoker. $14,200. 432-528-0226

NISSAN 2006 Altima, 4 dr, with warranty, we finance W.A.C. B&B Auto 683-6222.

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LOST YORKIE, brown, with a brown nose. He needs medicine and special care daily. LARGE REWARD OFFERED! Please call 432-889-4402

Passenger Cars

TOYOTA 2005 Corolla price at $6,000. Call 432-664-7628.

TOYOTA 2010 Camry, silver, 29k miles, $15,000. Call 432-230-9739

VOLKSWAGON 2005 New Beetle GLS Convertible. Black, 42k miles, KBB $10,232 Call 432-528-9808.

WANTED!
Will buy wrecked & unwanted cars & pickups. 432-685-4078

Hybrid

FORD 2008 ESCAPE HYBRID. 30MPG city, We finance W.A.C. B&B Auto 683-6222.

Exotic Cars

2007 CORVETTE C6. Automatic, silver, gray leather, 30k miles. $28,000 Call 432-699-0743.

ASHTON MARTIN 2012 Vantage S white, list for $170,000, asking for $135,000. 1,500 miles. Call 817-995-8580.

Antique & Vintage

BUICK 1969 Riviera. 70K miles, garage kept since new. Mobile 1 fluids thrpugh out since 70's, 430 Wildcat engine, 400 turbo trani, working radio, cold ac, papers, all original. Purrs like a hungry lion. $11,500. Call 432-559-7674

Pickup Trucks

2011 DODGE Quad cab. 8 k miles. Only payoff $21,000. 432-528-1609

CHEVROLET 1995 Stepside Super Cab, 3 quarter ton, 350 cubic inch motor, rebuilt transmission, $2200. Call 432-352-1269.

CHEVROLET 2004 Silverado 1500 ext. cab Z-71LT, 4WD, V8, 5.3 liter, New oversized off-road AT tires, 57k miles, 1 owner $16,500.432-638-3790

CHEVY 2004 Colorado, ext cab, auto. We finance, your job is your credit 683-6222.

CHEVY 2008 COLORADO Crew Cab, Call details $15000 432-556-6947.

CHEVY 2008 Diesel Silverado LTZ 2500 HD Crew cab. Loaded Silver w/black leather, heated seats, power, rear window, roof rack, bed liner, grill guard, step up bars, tool box. $32,926. 682-5133

CHEVY 2011 Silverado 4x4, V8, crew cab, 2.5" leveling kit, 33" Nitto tires, 20" rims, flowmasters, rhino liner, billet grill, nerf bars, tool box, red w/ black interior, 99.9% perfect, no scratches, dings or dents, $30k OBO 432-260-2262

DODGE 2006 2500, 5.9 Cummings diesel, 86k miles, asking $22,900. 664-0760.

DODGE 2008 Ram 1500 Quad Cab SLT, 53K miles, $18K obo. Call 432-528-8559.

Passenger Cars

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IS YOUR KID THE SMARTEST KID IN TOWN?
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ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

Accounting Assistant
Production Lift Systems Inc. FT
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Staff Accountant & A/P Clerks
Select Energy Services FT
Looking for a career and not just a job? We are a fast-growing company with excellent benefits. We are seeking a staff accountant and 2 A/P clerks for our regional office. The staff accountant will apply principles of accounting to analyze financial data and prepare reports. The A/P clerks will provide financial and administrative duties for the accounting department. Experience is a must and a degree preferred. Please submit resumes to: permianjobs@selectenergyservices.com.

AUTOMOTIVE

Alderson European Motors

Alderson Mercedes-Benz & Volvo is looking for an experienced lube/tire tech immediately.
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- Benefits

Apply at 5801 Andrews Hwy email resume to bpond@alderson.com

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Job duties to include: Truck Tire replacement and repairs, fleet maintenance, basic equipment repairs. Pay DOE. Benefits include: Uniforms, health insurance and 401k. Apply in person: K.D.M. HOT OIL SERVICE, INC. 2400 FM 715 Midland, Texas 79702

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CLERICAL & ADMINISTRATIVE

Accounts Payable Clerk
Sheridan Production Company FT
Sheridan Production Company needs an accounts payable clerk for its Midland, TX office. Variety of duties include maintaining flow of invoices within the Oracle accounting system. Knowledge and experience with Microsoft Office. Excellent benefits and work environment. Experience with oil and gas co. preferred. Please email your resume to employment@sheridanproduction .com. EEO

Administrative Assistant
Universal Valve FT
Oil related service company has a position opening for Administrative Assistant. Duties to include: accounting, invoicing, data entry. Knowledge of QuickBooks, Peachtree, Word, Excel, a must. Company benefits. Must complete Drug Screen. Please fax resume to: (432) 689-6346.

Clerical
MUST have strong computer skills. Company offers paid vacation, 401K, medical and dental insurance. Apply at: 3315 East Hwy 158, Midland and ask for Mary.

First United Methodist Church
Administrative Assistant position open. If you are a self-starter, motivated to work in a church atmosphere, possess proficient computer skill and like working with people, our job could be for you. Please email resume and inquiries to hrdirector@firstmethodistmidland.com

Office Manager
Natural Foods Market FT
Natural Foods Market has an opening for an office manager. In addition to management experience, knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel is required. Apply in person Monday-through Friday 9am to 5pm at 2311 W. Wadley. Ask for Laurie.

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Mid-West Glass Co. PT
PART TIME RECEPTIONIST WANTED. Apply at Mid-West Glass Company, 906 West Front Street Midland, Texas. Apply in person. 682-7373.

CONSTRUCTION & FACILITIES

Laborers and Carpenters
Campbell Construction Co. FT
Campbell Construction Company seeking Laborers and Carpenters.Pre-employment drug test required. Good Benefits Salary DOE. Apply at 241-A Spring Park Drive, Midland or send resume to PO Box 11293, Midland, TX 79702 or fax to (432) 683-5943

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Customer Service Rep.
Finance company has position available for mature, dependable perosón. Monday thru Friday 8:30 to 5:30. Fax resume to: 5432-694-1672.

Customer Service Reps
Fred Loya FT
Immediate opening for customer service rep. in Midland. Must be able to work M-F 8am-7p Sat. 9am-2pm. Bilingual a plus. Computer skills required. Candidates must be energetic, organized and independent. Pleasant personality and professional appearance are a must. We offer comprehensive benefits such as health insurance & 401K. Must have at least one year experience in customer service. Apply in person at: 2106 S. Rankin Hwy Space 300.

ENERGY & UTILITIES

Field Tech & Shop Tech
Surface Stac, Inc. FT
Field Technician with CDL, oil field experience required. Shop Tech, experience preferred but training is offered. Must pass drug test. Good pay and medical benefits. Apply at 2008 Westar Rd, Midland Tx, 432-694-2900.

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Kuykendall Services, LLC FT
Kuykendall Services now hiring for Water Transfer. Must be able to pass drug test. Come by: 4917 S. CR 1305 Odessa, TX. or call 432-563-5231.

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Energen Resources Corp.

Energen Resources Corporation, a subsidiary of Energen Corporation has an immediate opening for a Distrjct Engineer in its Midland, Texas office.

Responsibilities include:

- Conducting production reviews on assigned properties
- Stimulation and completion design for development activities
- Providing technical assistance to operations staff to increase recovery of hydrocarbons and project economics
- Identifying opportunities to exploit existing production base

The qualified candidate will possess a degree in Petroleum Engineering or related field with a minimum of 5 years production experience in the Permian Basin. Strong written and verbal communication skills a must, operating experience in primary and secondary recovery operations and a working knowledge of Aries a plus.

This position is very visible within the organization and reports directly to the Engineering Manager - Permian Basin. We offer a highly competitive compensation program, which includes an incentive bonus plan and a complete benefits package.

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Clinic Nurse LVN- Addiction Treatment Center
Midland/Odessa
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Laser Technician/Nurse
Confidential F/T
For Medical/Esthetics office. Fax resume and work experience to 432-684-7049

LCDC- Full time
Confidential FT
Positions available in Midland and Odessa Addiction treatment Centers Mon - Fri 5:30am to 12:30pm & Sat - 6:00am to 11:00am. Treatment Planning, Case Managen.ent, Therapy Paid. Vacation., No health Benefits available Fax Resume — 800-671-8364.

Optician
Phillips Eye Clinic FT
4311 W. Wadley Ave. **Midland, TX 79707**
Experienced preferred but not required. Please apply in person.

Personal Care Attendants
Su Casa Home Health PT
Su Casa Home Health has an opening for Personal Care Attendants needed to work in homes of the elderly. Must have dependable transportation and a phone. Bilingual a plus. Fax resume to: 432-620-8250 or call 432-685-1705

Phlebotomist
Precision Lab Services FT
Immediate opening for 1 FT and 1 PT mobile phlebotomist in the Midland / Odessa area. Experience Required. Early morning hours, some call duties. Must be skilled, reliable and conscientious. Must have valid DL and auto insurance. Great company!
Send resume to cbaxter@precisionlabservices.com.

Phlebotomy Certification Class (blood drawing)
Odessa, March 17th and 18th, $300. Call 505-410-7889 or 505-410-9559. www.swphlebotomy.com

Social Worker/Chaplain/Community Liaison
Interim Homecare & Hospice
Midland, TX 79701
Full-time positions available for fast growing Hospice Agency. Social Worker, Chaplain, Community Liaison. Experience preferred. 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste 200, Midland, Tx 79701 or fax resume to 432-618-0307.
No phone calls please. EOE.

Volunteer Recruiter Coordinator
Interim Homecare and Hospice
Midland, TX 79701
Full-time position available for fast growing Hospice Agency. Volunteer Recruiter Coordinator. Professional person to recruit volunteers to make a difference in people's life. Must be willing to speak to small groups and promote the benefits of hospice and volunteering. 1031 Andrews Hwy, Ste 200, Midland, Tx 79701 or fax resume to 432-618-0307. No phone calls please. EOE.

HOSPITALITY & TRAVEL

Front Desk Clerks
Clarion FT
FRONT DESK CLERKS. All shifts and night audit. Must have strong hotel experience. **$10/HOUR.** Call 432-967-0991.

Front Desk Managers
Clarion FT
FRONT DESK MANAGERS. Morning and evening shifts. Must have strong hotel experience and experience with Micros Opera system. **$12-$15/HOUR.** Call 432-967-0991.

Housekeepers
Clarion FT
HOUSEKEEPERS NEEDED. Must have hotel experience. **$9-$10/HOUR.** Call 432-967-0991.

MANAGEMENT & EXECUTIVE

District Production Superintendent
Sheridan Production Company FT
Sheridan Production Co. has an immediate opening for a District Production Superintendent in its' Midland office. This position will be responsible for assisting the District Production Manager in overseeing all facets of operations including production, supervision, cost control, and operational enhancements. Must be able to coordinate activities of production foremen and work schedules, oversee failure analysis meetings, manage operating expenses and improvements to wells and facilities. Will also be responsible for achieving maximum production and minimizing costs while promoting safe working and operating conditions. Work in conjunction with District Manager to be accountable for all operations, personnel and assets under areas of responsibility. Requires a minimum of 10+ years Field experience, at least 2 years of Production Superintendent experience beneficial. Excellent benefits and work environment. Please email your resume to employment@sheridanproduction.com. EEO employer.

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Detailer
Alderson Mercedes-Benz/ Volvo is currently looking to hire an experienced Detailer for our growing dealership. Must have experience. Apply in person @ 5801 Andrews Hwy, Midland

Embroidery
Perfect Stitch Embroidery FT
Embroidery position open. No experience needed will train the right person. Serious inquiries only. Call 432-686-1948.

Energize Your Future with Willbros T&D Services
We are looking for: **Pole Set Crew Foreman, Overhead Crew Foreman, Overhead/Underground Lineman, Backhoe Operators, Apprentice and Laborers**. Must have or be able to obtain class A CDL. We offer competitive wages, 401k, health, vacation, apprenticeship program. **For an application please call 432-230-1097.**

Field Coordinator
Confidential FT
Field Coordinator needed, starts at $800 a week,14 days on and 7 days off, 12 hour days. Must have own vehicle. Please apply at: 7606 W Hwy 80, Midland, TX.

Landman
Hilliard Energy F/T
Hilliard Energy has an opening for an oil and gas landman. Candidate must have a minimum of 5 years title and negotiations experience (running mineral, lease hold and surface title: acquiring leases and surface agreements), willingness to travel, and a clean driving record. To apply, send resume to **careers@mmbo.com** or for more info call 432-683-9100

MERRY MAIDS
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Apply in Person. Weekly Pay.
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2706 W Cuthbert Bldg. B 205, Midland, TX 79701.

Need extra dollars?
Or know someone who does?

Part time delivery drivers needed for the Midland Reporter-Telegram. Early morning hours. Must have car and phone.

Contact:
Tony:687-9002

Warehouse/Delivery Driver
Sims Plastics FT
Warehouse/ Delivery Driver, good driving record and driver's license required. Apply in person at: 2700 W. Front. Midland, TX 79701

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Schedule consists of a combination of day and night shifts. Night Shifts - 12 (midnight) until 3-5 a.m. Starting pay is $9.50 hourly.

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OTHER JOBS

NEED A NEW CAREER?
Midland Reporter-Telegram
Spring 2012 CAREER FAIR
Tuesday, February 28
10:00 AM - 3:00 PM • Midland County Horseshoe (Main Arena)

Parts Advisor
Alderson Mercedes-Benz/ Volvo is looking to hire an experienced Parts Advisor. Must be detail-oriented, computer literate, And have parts department background. ADP experience a plus. No Saturdays. Apply at 5801 Andrews Hwy. Midland Tx

Porter
Clusters Apartment FT
Porter needed. This is a full time position with benefits. Apply within at 4415 Northcrest Dr. Midland TX 79707.

Positions Available
Desert Gardens Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
3203 Sage Street
Midland, TX 79705
Now hiring for the open positions at our facility. We have an opening for a
• CNA, 2pm-10pm • Dietary Cook • Dietary Aide
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The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an opening in its Production Department for the position of:

Pressman Pressman Trainee

for our Harris N-1650 Printing presses. This 5 - 6 day per week, fast paced, deadline oriented position, requires night shift weekend work, with a strong emphasis on safety. The Midland Reporter-Telegram offers a full package of company benefits including 401K program. Salary DOE.

Send resume and salary requirements to:
John Maddox, Production Director
c/o Midland Reporter-Telegram
201 E. Illinois St., Midland, TX 79701
E-mail: jmaddox@hearstnp.com
or
come by 201 E. Illinois Street to fill out an application.

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Service Advisor
Alderson Mercedes-Benz is currently looking to hire a Service Advisor Assistant. Duties include: assisting Service Advisors, answering phones, generating repair orders, customer interaction and follow-up. Apply in person @ 5801 Andrews Hwy. Midland

Volvo Technician Wanted
Alderson Mercedes-Benz & Volvo is looking to hire an experienced Volvo Technician immediately. Our brand new facility is thriving and we need an experienced Volvo Technician to take the lead. All technicians with import experience will be considered. Please send resume to bpond@alderson.com or apply in person @ 5801 Andrews Hwy

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Direct Care Staff Member
High Sky Children's Ranch Emergency Shelter is seeking energetic, youth oriented persons for part time employment. This person should at least 25 years of age, have a good driving record, valid driver's license, clear criminal history, drug screen, HS diploma or GED, ability to attend all trainings as assigned and the work consecutive days (including nights). The current positions open are for a direct care staff member working 2-3 evenings during the week 3p-11p and rotating weekends. (Weekends include a full day on Saturday and Sunday) Call for an application at 433-694-7728 or download at www.highsky.org. You can drop or mail completed application to: High Sky Children's Ranch, 8701 WCR 60, Midland, TX 79707. Attn: Karen Baker. For inquiries or a full job description you can contact Karen Baker at karenb@higksv.org. No phone calls please. Position closes 2/29/12.

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Applicant must have great customer skills and phone skills. Good computer skills will be required and must have the ability and attitude to keep up in a fast paced environment. Please send resume to P-129 c/o Midland Reporter Telegram, 201 E. Illinois, Midland, Texas 79701

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Duties include service & repair of pressure relief valves, thief hatches, vent valves, actuator and various other field vessels. Customer contact and service. Previous experience preferred, must have current drivers license, drug test mandatory. Company benefits include health/dental, paid holidays, vacation, salary DOE. Please fill out application at 3501 W Industrial Ave. No phone calls please.

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Apply in person FT
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Midland, TX 79701
Must have good driving record. Pay DOE. Apply between 8:00am-4:30pm, Monday-Friday.

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Texas Freight Relocators seeks: CDL/VAC TANK DRIVERS must have a valid Class A CDL with Tanker Endorsement. $17/hour-Dayshift & $18/hour-Nightshift. Health, Dental and Vision benefits after 60 days of employment. Call 432-684-6000

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Contact: Please forward your response information to
Austin Powder Company,
Fax: 216-591-1568, Call: 432-684-5123 or
Email: humanresources@austinpowder.com
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Star Transportation, LLC FT
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scott.mixon@startransportationllc.com

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Midland, TX 79701
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Vacuum & Tank Truck Drivers
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Jet Blk/Blk, Prem pkg., Heated seats, Ipod/USB adap 12k miles

2010 Lincoln Navigator
Gray/Gray
Nav., DVD, Heated/Cooled Seats, Rear Bucket Seats, 49k Miles

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Silver / Blk Sat. nav., Head up , Bose sound , heat -cool seats 9k miles

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FORD 2009 F-250 4X4 Crew Cab Lariat; 19,500 miles; Sterling grey ext., stone grey leather int.; 6.4L V-8 turbo diesel; $35,500; Call 432-288-4026.

FORD F250 diesel 4x4 Off Road King Ranch crew cab. 91k miles. $28,000. Bucket seats in rear and front. Front grill guard and back bumper replacement. Please call (432-352-2826) or email (sdh05f@acu.edu) for more information or to come and look at the truck.

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GMC 2010 Sierra 4x4 crew cab w/ 1500 half ton. Loaded, has 6.2 Liter, 14,400 miles, $36,000. Call 432-425-4042.

MITSUBISHI 2008 Raider, crew cab, 34k miles, 36mo warranty, $14,999. 683-6222.

TOYOTA 1997 Tacoma LX, ext. cab, 5 speed, tilt, cruise, CD, A/C, tint, gas saver, $3900. Call 432-222-4813

TOYOTA 2010 Tundra Platinum, 49k miles, w/ bed cover $39,000 432-230-9739

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MINI BUS for Sale 2000 Ford H50 Mini Bus, wheel chair accessible, air conditioner/ heater works. 250,000 Hwy. miles. $8,000 OBO. Call Chuck @ 432-296-1826

4WD & SUV

BUICK 2002 Rendezvous CXL 94K, loaded, seats 7, 1 owner, great condition, $8,500, 694-0258.

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TOYOTA 2004 4Runner, 80434 miles, 4WD, towing package, sunroof, leather seat, auto, am fm cassett cd, cruise, 17" alloy wheels & Bridgestone tires, clean and in great shape. Value $15,800 - sell $14,500 Call 432-208-2707

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Recreational Vehicles

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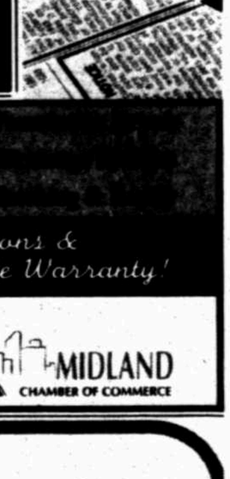

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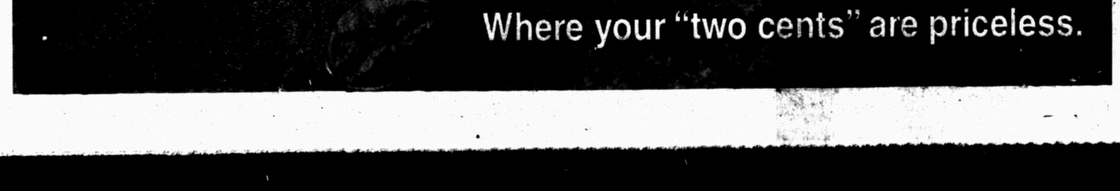
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