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Florida lawyer cites ADA in local lawsuits

By Erin Stone
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Numerous lawsuits have been filed against nearly 30 Midland businesses by two local plaintiffs and their Florida-based lawyer for violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The lawsuits primarily involve parking lot violations, which has led the businesses — most of which are located on the city's south side — and the Chamber of Commerce to suspect they are what can be considered "drive-by lawsuits."

"The way these suits have come about, it appears that the goal is not about generating compliance, but about being litigious and getting settlement amounts," said Nellwyn Barnett, executive vice president of Chamber Relations.

More information

What: Informational meeting about Americans with Disabilities Act requirements
Date: Wednesday
Time: 11 a.m. or 3 p.m.
Location: Junior League of Midland, 902 W. Dengar
Speaker: R.W. Gregonis, registered accessibility specialist
Participation is free; registration is required www.MidlandTXChamber.com. Visit ada.gov for specific compliance regulations.

Barnett and Richard Hunt, a Dallas-based lawyer representing some of the businesses, said that the settlement amounts have been anywhere between $6,500 and $9,500.

The businesses include La Mision, Steak 42, Johnny's BBQ and 7-Eleven. The primary plaintiff is a James W. Close, who is represented by Ronald Stern of the Advocacy Law Firm P.A. out of Hallendale, Florida.

"The violations are almost all just parking," Hunt said. "In some cases, the businesses have no designated handicapped parking at all, but in other cases, the signage or striping does not comply with the requirements of the ADA. For example, how wide the parking space and

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Rubio missteps on oil exports in visit

■ Presidential candidate wrongly asserts U.S. producers can't export

By Cassie Burton
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Sen. Marco Rubio of Florida stopped in Midland on Friday on the campaign trail for the Republican presidential nomination and said that if elected he would lift the oil export ban from the 1970s.

However, that ban was lifted as part of an omnibus budget bill negotiated by Congress that President Barack Obama signed in mid-December. The Wall Street Journal reported the first oil tanker of freely traded U.S. crude oil departed Dec. 31 from Corpus Christi.

Deliveries have been received in France and Israel since the first oil tanker shipped.

Rubio made his remarks in Midland after U.S. Sen. John Cornyn said earlier Friday at IHS CERA Week conference in Houston that the U.S. needs to increase exports of oil and natural gas to allies in Asia and Europe, according to Fuelfix.

"We've made some progress on this by lifting the crude export ban; we can offer our friends the option they've been asking for, to diversify their energy supply," Cornyn said.

Ban spiel botched



Photo courtesy of Cowboy Lipton

Rubio spoke about uniting the party, including moderate Republicans who might shrink at polls after the battle seen at Thursday's CNN Republican debate on who had the most conservative credentials.

"I want a Republican Party that is growing, not shrinking, a Republican Party that welcomes everyone," Rubio said. "If you agree on 70 percent or 60 percent on the issues, you're an ally. We can respectfully disagree on the other issues, but we're a party that's pretty diverse in people, and I think that's one of the differences between me and the other people in this race: I can unite the Republican Party."

Rubio said that he would work to be "everybody's president," and said that Texas voters especially understand "what's at stake."

"This election is a referendum on our identity as a nation and as a people," Rubio said. "Today we're at risk of losing things that make us special, primarily upward mobility, because of mistakes and inaction made by both parties ... and dramatic shifts in the economy. It's just a different economy."

Rubio perceives key issues as identifying today's economy as global, the larger-than-ever student loan debt and reforming anti-poverty programs.

He characterized himself as being the most experienced on foreign policy and touted his 15-year record "of turning conservative ideas into conservative solutions."

The latter was a reference to his service as speaker of the House in Florida and his five years in the U.S. Senate.

He pointed to his support for providing easier access to vocational training and providing wage subsidy instead of an income tax credit as alternatives to raising the minimum wage to combat poverty.

Rubio continued a trend of bringing out the claws against the leading Republican nominee, Donald Trump, referring to the billionaire businessman several times as a con artist. He re-iterated several points from the Thursday night debate, including that Trump hired illegal immigrants over U.S. residents to work in a Florida hotel and that contractors were the first who did not get paid when a business went under.

"We are perilously close to turning over the party of Reagan and the conservative movement to a political

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City: We budgeted hotel/motel revenues conservatively

■ Even drop in January isn't worrying city about Midland Center funding

By Cassie Burton
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No funding has been allotted, but Midland City Council gave the green light for the new Midland Center's construction manager at-risk to develop a more rock-solid estimate for a $42.3 million schematic design.

With $30-a-barrel oil in the Permian Basin, questions arise as to just how conservatively the city projected this fiscal year's hotel/motel funds, a large proportion of which goes to the Midland Center and its future reconstruction.

"It's really up to the City Council what their comfort level was moving forward, but we think we've budgeted conservatively with what we expect to get from hotel/motel taxes," said city spokeswoman Sara Bustilloz.

Numbers provided by the city show hotel/motel revenues generated for the last five fiscal years. For the current fiscal year that began Oct. 1, the city projected $6.45 million in its budget. The first quarter (October through December) came in slightly over budget at $1.585 million, Bustilloz said.

The number ranks between 2012-13 revenue of $6 million and 2013-14 revenue of $6.95 million and about $2 million less than the 2014-15 year revenue of about $8.37 million.

Councilman Spencer Robnett mentioned last week during the Council's meeting that hotel/motel funds for this past January totaled about $400,000, the lowest in five years for the same month.

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2. to mitigate or reduce; soften: to molify one's demands.



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VIOLATIONS

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the striped aisle next to the space is, or the access ramps to the building front are not done correctly."

There is no question the violations are real and that the businesses must comply with ADA requirements, according to Hunt and Barnett. However, the way the businesses have been notified of their violations — by being sued — has caused a stir.

"I'm completely confident that (the plaintiffs) got in a van and drove around looking for parking problems, and they look for parking problems because you can do that without getting out of the car," Hunt said in a phone interview. "The businesses should fix their parking. My only disagreement with Mr. Stern is how much money he wants for the time."

When asked about the violations, the businesses the Reporter-Telegram reached out to stated they did not know they were in violation and, if they had been notified, they would have made the fixes immediately.

Plaintiffs and their lawyers are not required by law to notify a business before suing, but the motive behind not sending a notification letter first is up for debate.

"If you send a demand letter, and the problem is something easy to fix — like parking — the defendant may fix the parking, and then, when (the plaintiff's lawyer) comes to them and says, 'We want to settle with you because of your ADA violation,' the defendant can essentially turn his nose up to the lawyer and say, 'I fixed it; you can't sue me now,'" Hunt said. "You would expect a lawyer to send the demand letter, but they don't. And the reason they don't is because they don't want the problem fixed before they can file a lawsuit because only when they file a lawsuit do they have the leverage to enter into a settlement to get some money."

Under the ADA, the federal court can order the business owner to fix the problem and pay the plaintiff's attorney's fees.

"If it's a minor violation we notify, because for minor violations, it's cost- prohibitive, time-prohibitive (to sue)," Stern said in a phone interview. "For major violations, we file without notifying. Major (means) things like parking, restroom facilities, etc. If it's just a sign, we won't sue. There have been multiple violations at the businesses we've sued."

Monetary incentives

In California, under state law, a plaintiff can receive as much as $4,000 for each violation a place of business has. In Texas, however, the state law is very similar to the ADA, meaning there's not much monetary incentive for the plaintiff.

"What the state law says is you (the plaintiff) do get money damages, but you don't get attorney's fees," said Brian East, a senior attorney with Austin-based Disability Rights Texas. "So if you tried to go to a 7-Eleven, and the parking wasn't striped right, you're unlikely to get much in the way of damages.

"You may win your case, but it's not like it caused you a bunch of physical harm. It's just that you can't get into the store like everyone else can. So, the damages are likely to be very small, like in the hundreds of dollars," he said.

The minimum damages award under state law is $300, East said in a phone interview.

Nonprofits such as Disability Rights Texas are more likely to take these kinds of cases than private lawyers because they have other funding sources, East said.

"State law is talking about damages and no fees, and federal law you don't get damages, but you do get fees," he said.

Stern is incorporating a corresponding statement in the federal complaints so that the state court claim will also be heard, he explained in an email.

"We often hear that this is driven by the plaintiff trying to get rich," East said. "But to me, in Texas, that doesn't make too much sense because the plaintiff doesn't get much. There has been a fair amount of backlash against people who are enforcing the ADA because mostly they're not suing under the state law.

"The bigger fussing around this that I've seen is in a state like California, where there is a pretty substantial monetary award, so a lot of people are thinking they're just running up these cases to get that money," East said. "Well, you don't get that money under the ADA or state law."

Certainly, the lawyer has some monetary incentive, but East believes even that wouldn't be the main impetus given the payoff is no more than a regular paying client.

"Our interest is for them to make the modifications not to assign blame," Stern said. "It's in the social public interest to settle these cases rather than get into protracted litigation because, in my opinion, once everybody settles, these places become compliant."

Most of the violations are caused by ignorance and not willful disobedience.

The majority of the businesses being sued in Midland are older establishments, which means they would be held to the original 1991 standards set by the ADA. Businesses built after 1991 must comply with the 2010 updates to the federal law. The Texas Accessibility Standards (TAS), created in the 1990s and updated in 2010, are almost identical to ADA.

Many older businesses mistakenly believe that, because they are older, they don't have to update their accessibility — in effect, that they are grandfathered into compliance.

"We often hear this business is grandfathered in, meaning it existed before the ADA," East said. "Although that certainly lessens their obligation, it doesn't eliminate it. So if, for example, all it would take is a $1,000 curb cut or $200 to erect a sign in the parking lot, that's probably required for a building that's been there since 1980 because it doesn't cost much. But if you're talking about something that is very expensive, then the obligation is less."

In theory this is true, but in practice it isn't, Hunt said.

"There are a lengthy set of guidelines — how wide aisles have to be, doors etc. — that the owner is obligated to," he said. "The exact words are, 'remove barriers to access if it is readily achievable.' Readily achievable means something like, not too expensive.

"But here's the practice: The courts had said anything that doesn't meet the current standards is a barrier to access. In defining what's readily achievable,' they look at it and say, 'If the cost is the kind of cost you would pay to stay in business, then it's readily achievable. Basically if it doesn't bankrupt you, you're probably gonna have to do it."

Education required

Each case is different, but the main problem is lack of education for these businesses so they don't discriminate against those with disabilities in the first place, Hunt said. Many city ordinances and TAS requirements overlap ADA requirements or are similar, but they are not exact.

"The real solution to these lawsuits is for the federal government to do a better job of educating businesses," Hunt said. "Businesses do have some responsibility for knowing the law, but, in my mind, the greatest problem here has been the failure of the federal government to engage in any kind of meaningful education campaign."

Of course, ignorance of the law is no excuse for not abiding by it.

"The other way to look at it is, this has been the law for 25 years, and you shouldn't just sit there and not make your place accessible hoping you don't get sued, and when you get sued say, "You're unfairly picking me out,'" East said. "There's a similar pattern in Austin right now, and everybody is like all of a sudden there are all these lawsuits, but when you look at it, this person is in a wheelchair, and he's suing all of the businesses that he goes to so they're all near his house. It's in a short period of time, and it's a bunch of them, but it's probably because that person finally found a lawyer who would work on what he encounters."

Close, who was unavailable for comment before deadline for this article, uses a wheelchair and is legally blind. Though most of his allegations relate to parking lots, others do not. In a lawsuit against a local 7-Eleven — which has been settled — Close alleged that "pipes and sharp surfaces" under the sink were exposed, that there were no grab bars installed in the toilet stall and that "door handles are of the round style requiring tight grasping and twisting of the wrist."

The suit states that these barriers create a "real and immediate threat of personal injury."

"The ADA has been around for about 25 years, and it requires that there are no barriers to people like my client," Stern said. "We're asking for the court to order (the businesses) to make these changes to the degree of being readily achievable. We're not asking them to go bankrupt. We're asking them to put in a designated spot or make some simple fixes so someone in a wheelchair can ambulate around. That is not asking too much."

NELLWYN BARNETT

Executive Vice President of Midland Chamber of Commerce Relations

'Drive-By' ADA compliance lawsuits target Midland business owners

In the last several months, dozens of Midland businesses have been sued for violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Let me start by stating that the Midland Chamber is not advocating that businesses should be exempt from compliance. We are, however, concerned about the nature of these lawsuits. More than 21 lawsuits have been filed against Midland businesses in the last two weeks, and the count is quickly rising. They are all being filed by a single plaintiff, represented by a law firm based in Florida. The basis for most of the suits rests on improper striping and/or improper signage for accessible parking. Therefore, we can only conclude that the plaintiff is mimicking a tactic that has been used in Florida and California, known as a "drive-by" lawsuit. They are so called because the plaintiff merely drives by the establishment, seeking to identify parking lot violations of the ADA. Furthermore, in each of the cases, the defendant is given a deadline for compliance and issued an ultimatum to pay a settlement or be taken to court.

Again, let me stress that we believe businesses should be in compliance with the ADA. These lawsuits, however, do not appear to focus on generating compliance and inclusion for those with disabilities. Many have suggested that eliciting a settlement is the primary goal.

While researching this situation, we have learned that many businesses are not in compliance because of confusion regarding the law. Owners may mistakenly believe they are exempt or "grandfathered" from compliance because of the age of their facility. This is not accurate. Another common misconception is that they believe they are compliant because they have passed inspection by local and/or state authorities. While local officials do inspect for compliance with local ordinances, they are not obligated to enforce the ADA - as it is a federal law. The Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation also has a set of standards and regulations for the removal of architectural barriers; however, these standards do not necessarily encompass all of the same stipulations as the ADA.

To assist local business owners, and hopefully end the onslaught of lawsuits, the Midland Chamber will be offering a free seminar on the topic. Our goal is to educate businesses on how to become compliant, avoid costly litigation and encourage an inclusive business culture.

BUDGET

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In a report by Midland Center Vice President Brad Barnett, the original price of the center was $39 million compared to the more than $42 million design currently being explored. However, that report was prepared several months ago.

"Any time you're involved with a project of this size, early on, you have a target of what you want to hit and then you develop the numbers that may go higher or lower," Barnett said, adding that Midland historically has higher construction costs regardless of oil prices.

"I think that a lot of that has to do typically with our ups and downs. A lot of people know there is going to be an upturn at some point, and there's a lot of construction still going on in anticipation (of) when oil prices go back up."

The numbers in Barnett's report included projections for direct revenue and hotel/motel revenue that nearly double current revenues. Direct revenue is expected to increase from $250,000 to $437,500, and hotel/motel will rise from $690,000 to about $1.2 million.

The estimates are that revenues and attendance of Midland Center events will increase by 75 percent because of the about 60 percent increase in meeting space, according to the report.

"While we use the 75 percent on the 60 percent increase, we're really hopefully that'll be much higher" like the initial estimates for the Scharbauer Sports Complex were, Barnett said.

A larger Midland Center also will mean salaries associated with Midland Center nearly double from $430,000 to $852,000.

The total economic impact weighed in at $129.2 million for 20 years. This included an annual economic impact from staffing at the center of $2.03 million, which was calculated using Midland Development Corp. analysis figures of multiplying employee annual salaries by 2.5 times. Barnett said the MDC's figures were based on state and national standards.

While the Chamber of Commerce building will be purchased and demolished for the option 2 schematic design, which was included within the $42.3 million, no interim spot has been selected for the chamber, Barnett said.

RUBIO

From 1A

con artist who is trying to convince people he is an anti-immigration advocate when ... he supported a path to legalization and citizenship, and more importantly, a person who hired illegal immigrants to build Trump towers," Rubio said.

He also hinted at, but did not mention by name, fellow candidate U.S. Sen. Ted Cruz of Texas on immigration.

Following his meeting with local media, the candidate attended a private fundraiser at the High Sky Wing of the Commemorative Air Force.

TODAYINMIDLAND

Things to do

Today

■ PBBA Home and Garden Show, noon-5 p.m., Horseshoe Pavilion, 2514 Arena Trail, pbbtexas.org.

■ Family Nite roller skating, 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m., KC's Nutty Roller, 1004 A Andrews Highway, kcsnutyroller.com.

■ MOSC: Late Beethoven Cycle: Op. 132 by the Permian Basin String Quartet, 2:30 p.m., First Presbyterian Church, 800 W Texas Ave, Free, MOSC.org.

■ Tao: Seventeen Samurai, 7 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788, $24-$44, wagnernoel.com.

Tuesday and Wednesday

■ "Riverdance - 20th Anniversary World Tour," 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45-888. wagnernoel.com.

Thursday

■ Family Science Night: Mad Scientist, 6-8 p.m., The Petroleum Museum, 1500 W Interstate 20 West. Free. petroleummuseum.org.

Friday

■ SciFriday Film Series: "Labyrinth," (PG), 7 p.m. Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumw.org.

Saturday

■ MOSC: Mozart Requiem 7:30 p.m., Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $17-$30. MOSC.org.

Community calendar

■ The Aaron Estes Chapter of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, the Midland County Historical Society and the Haley Memorial Library will host the annual Texas Independence Day celebration — "Toast to Texas" — 1:30 p.m.Wednesday at the Haley.

The annual observance includes raising a ceremonial flag as re-enactors fire a volley of muskets. Students who won the Aaron Estes Chapter's essay contest will read their essays. The winners are Hillardyer School fourth-grader Cal Heidelberg and Midland Christian School seventh-grader Tanner Hedrick.

■ Camp Fire West Texas is hosting a spring break camp March 7-11 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church.

The camp is for kids 5-12. Hours will be 7:45 a.m.-5:30 p.m. each day. Fee is $70, which includes two daily snacks. Children will need to bring lunch.

Financial assistance is available. For more information or to register, call 570-4144. Parents also can register their kids at www.campfirewtx.org.

Watering schedule

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

Even-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Saturdays and Wednesdays.

Odd-numbered addresses may water outdoors on Fridays and Sundays.

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

The washing outdoor surfaces ban is still in effect.

Use of water to fill, refill or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools or Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours of 6 p.m. and midnight beginning on their designated watering days.

This date in Texas

On Feb. 28, 1993, a gun battle erupted at a religious compound near Waco when Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents tried to arrest Branch Davidian leader David Koresh on weapons charges; four agents and six Davidians were killed as a 51-day standoff began.

Lottery

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Daily 4 night: 3-1-1-5
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Lotto Texas: 16-21-38-43-45-50
Powerball: 10-11-21-22-53 PB: 18
Power Play: 3

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Today in history

Today is Sunday, Feb. 28, the 59th day of 2016. There are 307 days left in the year.

On this date:

In 2013, Benedict XVI became the first pope in 600 years to resign, ending an eight-year pontificate. (Benedict was succeeded the following month by Pope Francis.)

Undocumented workers generate jobs, billions in tax revenues

THE ECONOMIST

By M. Ray Perryman



One of the most frequently used arguments against undocumented immigration is that it represents a huge drain on the state and local governments due to the need to provide health care, education, and other social services. However, there is another side to the equation.

As noted in a prior column, we recently measured the net effects of undocumented workers on the Texas economy. We looked at multiplier effects through the economy, as well as the costs involved with undocumented workers such as health care, education, social services and law enforcement. The total net economic benefits (including indirect and induced effects) of undocumented workers in Texas were found to include $663.4 billion in total expenditures and almost $290.3 billion in output (gross product) each year, as well as more than 3.3 million jobs.

These effects represent approximately 17 percent of gross product in Texas. While a very large percentage, it is not surprising when you consider that it reflects the facts that (1) about 11.5 percent of all private-sector workers in Texas are presently undocumented and (2) many of them work in export-oriented industries.

This economic activity generates substantial tax benefits to the federal government, State of Texas and local governmental entities. However, these undocumented residents and their families also have needs that impose costs on the public sector. The overall fiscal effect has long been a key issue in ongoing policy debate. As part of our recent study of the undocumented workforce (available for free download at www.perrymangroup.com), we looked at fiscal issues from both the benefit and the cost perspectives. Hopefully, these numbers can shed a little light in an area where often there seems to be only heat.

While many people seem to think that being undocumented equates to not paying any taxes, this is simply not the case, and undocumented workers pay taxes through various mechanisms such as retail sales. The economic activity they generate also brings in revenues, a fact which is often overlooked in political discussions. We estimate that the direct activity of undocumented workers in Texas provides taxes to federal, State of Texas and local governments totaling $13.5 billion per year. Note that these amounts are adjusted for the estimated compliance levels with regard to income taxes and other levies typically paid through payroll withholding. In addition to these sizable amounts, the increase in economic activity associated with these workers generates additional fiscal revenues of an estimated $32.2 billion per year in indirect and induced taxes.

The total tax effect of the undocumented workforce in Texas thus includes estimated overall (direct, indirect, and induced) gains of $45.7 billion per year, including $23.2 billion to the federal government, $15 billion to the State of Texas, and $7.6 billion to local entities within the state.

On the other side of the equation, we measured the costs of the undocumented population based on the best available information from various sources (including the Congressional Budget Office). We included both the costs associated with the children of undocumented workers who were born in the U.S. and the allocated incremental expenses associated with the general provision of public services (such as police and fire protection), and updated any estimates to reflect current prices and population estimates. The total cost of the Texas undocumented population was found to be $12.8 billion per year, including $3 billion to the federal government, $3.1 billion to the State of Texas and $6.7 billion to local entities within the state.

Subtracting these costs from the total fiscal benefit yields an estimate of the net fiscal effect of the undocumented population. We estimate that the total net fiscal effect of the Texas undocumented population includes net benefits of $32.9 billion, including $20.1 billion to the federal government, $11.8 billion to the State of Texas, and $0.9 billion to local governments within Texas.

It should be noted, however, that many local governmental entities likely experience a net deficit from the presence of undocumented workers. This phenomenon occurs because much of the revenue is derived from sales taxes, which primarily flow to cities, while many of the expenses are incurred by school districts and public health care facilities, which typically rely on property taxes for much of their revenue. The overall fiscal surplus is quite substantial and certainly would permit intergovernmental transfers to eliminate any shortfalls, but this is an issue that should be addressed in future policy discussions.

Immigration policy is and likely will remain a source of controversy, with complex issues and no solutions that simultaneously please all stakeholders. While there are many considerations, the fact is that undocumented workers in Texas generate millions of jobs and billions in tax revenue. Restrictive immigration policy will cause substantial economic and fiscal losses, and optimal policy should be crafted to increase efficiency and preserve and enhance the fiscal surplus.

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BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU

Don't get burned by bad travel deals

With spring break only a few weeks away, now is the time to finalize your vacation plans. Whether your destination promises a relaxing week on the beach or the ski slopes, Better Business Bureau serving Central, Coastal, Southwest Texas, and the Permian Basin advises you do your research before booking your next vacation.

A travel company can make the process of booking your spring vacation quick and easy. But using the wrong one could turn your vacation into a nightmare.

In 2015, BBB received more than 8,600 complaints against travel agencies and bureaus nationwide, such as online travel companies and ticket websites. Most complaints alleged consumers felt misled by travel offers that failed to deliver on promises. In some cases, consumers paid money for travel arrangements that were never made.

If you are looking for an alternative to staying in a hotel, renting someone's home, condo or apartment may be appealing. Vacation rental websites make it easy to connect directly with property owners who advertise their rentals online. However, BBB warns consumers to watch out for fake rental listings that may not be for rent or don't exist at all.

Last year, BBB received more than 1,100 complaints against vacation rentals nationwide, a 40 percent increase from 2014. In addition, Texans reported losing more than $22,000 to scams involving vacation, travel and rentals in the past year.

BBB offers the following tips to ensure you're planning your vacation with a trustworthy business:

■ **Use a travel company you trust.**

Ask family and friends to recommend a company they have used and go to bbb.org to find a BBB Accredited Business and view the company's BBB Business Review.

■ **Get all vacation details in writing.**

Get all the details of your vacation in writing, including travel itineraries and booking confirmations. Get a copy of the company's cancellation and refund policies.

■ **Consider travel insurance.**

Travel insurance is designed to cover such things as trip cancellations or medical emergencies. The U.S. Travel Insurance Association maintains a list of licensed travel insurance companies. Certain travel companies have different policies and levels of coverage based on whether you purchase the car rental, flight or hotel. Ask questions, and always read the fine print to see what's covered.

■ **Pay with a credit card.**

Paying with a credit card — rather than by cash or check — gives you additional protection if something were to go wrong with the travel reservation.

■ **Verify reservations.**

Get the contact information of the airline, car rental agency and hotel. Call to confirm all arrangements with them. Don't only rely on the word of your agent.

■ **Ask about mandatory "resort fees."**

Hotels often come with resort fees, usually for services like Internet, fitness facilities and access to the pool. But the extra fees can add to the per night cost of your stay, and are mandatory, regardless of whether or not you use the services. Before you book a hotel reservation online, call the hotel and ask if a resort fee is included in the total cost.

■ **Be alert for travel scams.**

Unsolicited mail, email and websites offering deeply discounted travel packages could leave you out of a vacation and money if you're not careful. Watch out for scams saying that you have "won a trip." If you have really won a free vacation, a legitimate company won't ask you to pay any upfront or processing fees.

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1213 W. Hicks Ave.	MH-Single Lot
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4404 Casa Verde Court	New Residence
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405 E. Nobles Ave	Residential Addition
501 Waverly Drive	Residential Addition
1404 E. Nobles Ave	Residential Alteration
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1105 Lizzard Court	New Residence
1102 Lizzard Court	New Residence
2600 Adonia St.	New Residence
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Source: city of Midland

Retiree should not touch his mutual funds

Editor's note: "The Dave Ramsey Show" can be heard from 2-5 p.m. weekdays on KCRS (AM 550).

ASK DAVE

Dave Ramsey, financial expert



DEAR DAVE: My wife and I are in our early 70s, and we're retired. We have about $136,000 in corporate bonds and $200,000 in mutual funds. Considering our age, should we move the investments into a CD? — Kurt

DEAR KURT: There's always a chance you'll lose money if you leave it in mutual funds and bonds. That's the nature of the market. But there's another kind of risk based on what you're proposing, and that's risk of value because of inflation.

Assuming you two are in good health, you could expect to live another 10 to 20 years. Most current CD rates are less than 1 percent. Even if they rise to 2 or 3 percent in the future, do you really want to see that kind of return when inflation is likely to rise 4 percent annually? That's in itself a type of risk, so I would urge you to keep that in mind.

No, I wouldn't advise moving all of your money to CDs. If I were in your shoes, I'd live off the income generated by my mutual fund investments. As for the corporate bonds, I''m not a big fan of those. They entail almost as much risk as mutual funds without the good returns (on average) over a long period of time.

If you're concerned about stability, I'm okay with you taking a little money from your bonds and putting it into a CD right now. But I wouldn't touch the mutual funds.

DEAR DAVE: My wife received $100 from her parents for her birthday. When I asked what she planned to do with it, she said she was going to add it to her spending money. I think she should put it toward us paying off debt, but I bit my tongue and didn't say anything. We're in pretty good shape financially, so should I mention it or just let it go? — Charles

DEAR CHARLES: I'm sure you're a smart man, so you'll understand when I tell you — for the sake of your marriage and mental health — to let this one go. Seriously, is $100 going to move the needle that much? It's her birthday, and it was a gift designed to let her do something nice for herself. There's absolutely nothing wrong with her spending a little bit on herself on her special day.

If she had asked me about this, I would have told her it was fine. If she had asked me about putting it toward debt, I would have said that's fine, too. It's not a big deal for someone to have a little fun once in a while. But it's a bad plan for you to try to get at her gift. Just let it go, and do your part to make sure she knows that you love her and that she has a great birthday!

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ELECTION LETTERS

(Letters about specific candidates have a have a 200-word limit.)

Editor's Note: The Reporter-Telegram will run letters about candidates received by noon Monday in Tuesday's edition.

District Attorney

Nodolf is 'guardian of the public trust'

My wife, Vi Lea, and I would like to take this opportunity to introduce you to our friend and colleague, Laura Nodolf, who is an outstanding candidate for the office of district attorney in Midland County. We have known Laura in a professional and personal capacity for many years and have watched her develop into an exceptional prosecutor and public servant.

In her current role as first assistant felony prosecutor under Teresa Clingman, she has handled too many cases to count. She treats her position as a guardian of the public trust, as she should. She is often absent from functions with family and friends on weekends and evenings, because she is preparing for trial on behalf of the citizens of Texas and, in particular, our community. That is a rare quality in a government employee, and one we believe exceptionally qualifies her to represent our interests as district attorney.

Laura is a bright, resourceful, dedicated attorney who loves her work and her community and is dedicated to keeping us safe. We unconditionally urge you to vote for her in the Republican primary.

Mike Borland

Midland needs Lundy's judgment

I have known Will Lundy for 30 years both personally and professionally. He grew up in Midland and is committed to the security and safety of our community.

Will is an experienced and skillful prosecutor and will be tough on crime. Midland needs his leadership and judgment as district attorney.

C.H. (Hal) Brockett Jr.

Voters should promote Nodolf to top spot

I have known Laura Nodolf since she first moved to Midland. As a native Midlander, I have seen many people come and go. It was clear from the beginning Laura was here to stay.

She has made her home here and given unceasingly of her time and talents to her church, her office and her community service projects. Her professional qualifications are as both trial attorney and executive supervisor of other attorneys/support staff.

She was initially hired and promoted by Al Schorre 13 years ago. She currently holds the No. 2 position as first assistant district attorney under Ms. Teresa Clingman in the Midland DA's office. In this position, she directly supervises all of the prosecutors, including Mr. Will Lundy. She has successfully prosecuted more than 200 cases as a felony prosecutor in Midland. She spearheaded efforts to improve transparency in the District Attorney's Office. She has led the project to take that office paperless, thus improving its efficiency for both prosecutors and defenders.

Maturity is more than age. It is life experiences and choices. Laura is a wife, mother, volunteer, victims' advocate, executive and incredible trial attorney. She is the choice for district attorney.

Misty Borland Phiffer

Maturity makes Lundy most qualified

Midland County is fortunate to have two qualified candidates running for district attorney. This is an important position for our community. We need someone to enforce the law and that person also has to have the judgment to make the punishment fit the crime as well as the judgment to know when a case should not be pursued or a lesser charge brought. This is a delicate balance.

A great assistant DA has to be a good trial lawyer but the DA also has the final responsibility for the charges to file and the punishment sought. This decision is often unpopular one way or the other. Having considered the candidates, their qualifications, as well as their maturity and judgment, I believe that Will Lundy is the better choice and most qualified. I endorse Will Lundy and urge Midlanders to vote for him.

John A. "Jad" Davis

Nodolf works tirelessly for justice

I want to take this opportunity to endorse Laura Nodolf in her candidacy to be our next Midland County district attorney.

Laura Nodolf has the temperament, tenacity and right experience with the office to be most effective as district attorney. She and her family are committed to Midland. Over the past 13 years she has dedicated herself to the citizens of Midland County, serving as a misdemeanor and felony prosecutor. Additionally, she has been a trial team chief and first assistant district attorney allowing her the opportunity to learn the daily operations of the office.

I had an opportunity to witness firsthand Laura's professionalism and dedication to the DA's office when she and Teresa Clingman prosecuted a case involving a very dangerous predator. Laura exhibited not only exceptional legal knowledge and articulate prosecution, but she also had compassion for the impacted citizens. She worked tirelessly to see that justice was served, while at the same time assisting my family with compassion and kindness in the midst of this tumultuous time. We need someone with Laura's wisdom and character serving us as district attorney.

I urge you to vote for Laura Nodolf for Midland County district attorney.

Jack Rathbone

Lundy's experience will serve residents well

I am asking the voters of Midland County to join me in voting for Will Lundy because I know he is the most qualified to be our next district attorney.

I have lived and worked in Midland for the past 43 years. I was a law enforcement officer for more than 20 years, and I served as a Texas Ranger in Midland for the last 10 years of my law enforcement career. Since then, I have continued to work with local law enforcement and in and around the court system. I have worked with many district attorneys in my career, and I know what makes a good one. I know Will Lundy, and I know that his broad experience as a criminal prosecutor will serve the citizens of Midland well.

I highly recommend him as Midland's next district attorney.

A.L. "Al" Mitchell

Nodolf is committed to our safety

I ask you to join me in voting for Laura Nodolf to serve as district attorney.

As Midland has grown, Laura has passionately worked in diverse aspects of the District Attorney's Office at every level while holding onto the same values of honesty and integrity that define Midland. She is proactively preparing for change by assisting in implementing procedures and technology to best seek justice in an ever-changing face of criminal justice.

Laura has the right experience, the relevant experience, to lead the DA's office. Her peers recognize this as the Texas District and County Attorney Association has sought her out as an educational instructor and as a member of a statewide task force on intoxication-related offenses that improves practices and policies to ultimately protect us.

Laura Nodolf has proven to Midlanders that she is both accountable and accessible. She's invested in Midland and committed to our safety. She's tuned into the needs of our community as a professional, a citizen and a parent. She's a leader as a prosecutor, an administrator and a caring individual who is immersed in our community.

I'm proud to call her a friend, and I'd be proud to call her district attorney.

Paige Williams Sumner

Lundy is serious candidate Midland needs

I have known Will Lundy for 20 years. We initially met through our respective places of employment when I was employed with the Midland Adult Probation Department as a probation officer and Mr. Lundy was employed as an assistant district attorney (Felony Division) under Al Schorre.

No matter the type of case, I, and other probation officers, always knew that we could depend upon Mr. Lundy to come to court prepared, and aware of everything that was going on involving the case. Mr. Lundy also made it a point to be available to probation officers to discuss cases. Mr. Lundy always presented with the utmost professionalism in his dealings with probation officers and in dealing fairly with offenders. I found Mr. Lundy to have an excellent knowledge of the law, and not one for courtroom antics, or theatrics, when prosecuting a case.

If a district attorney who is serious about the office and all it entails, who maintains professionalism, who knows the law and who has extensive experience in the field of legal prosecution is important to you, then I encourage you to vote for Will Lundy for Midland County district attorney.

Roxie Blair

Unwavering principles make Nodolf right pick

We urge our fellow Midlanders to vote for Laura Nodolf for district attorney. Laura exudes passion and dedication to the community. She possesses both the skill and leadership qualities required to be Midland County district attorney.

Laura has been an invaluable asset over her accomplished 13-year tenure with the District Attorney's Office. She has played a crucial role overseeing staff, improving procedures and ensuring the DA's office operates effectively and efficiently. Laura's unwavering principles and commitment are the foremost reasons why Laura warrants your consideration. Laura has tried more than 200 cases, each one a testament to her knowledge and expertise. Laura's vision and resolve will provide a pathway to an even more effective DA's Office.

Morghan and I would like to thank Laura for her service to this community. As lifelong residents of Midland, we endorse Laura Nodolf for district attorney.

Ross Roach

Lundy understands what's needed

I am supporting Will Lundy for district attorney. Understanding the criminal justice system and making it work as it should require lots of experience, wisdom and judgment.

I know Will Lundy, and he has the experience, judgment, discretion and wisdom that Midland County needs in its district attorney.

I hope you will join me in voting for Will Lundy in the Republican primary.

Max E. Wright

Nodolf has passion for passion for serving

I believe Laura Nodolf will make an excellent district attorney for Midland County.

She is committed to protecting the citizens of Midland from offenders and is dedicated to our community. Laura actively donates her time to many nonprofit organizations, and I have seen her devotion to Midland firsthand.

I have had the privilege to serve with Laura on the PTA Executive Board where our children attend school together, the Junior League of Midland and at First United Methodist Church. Through this, I have seen her leadership skills and her passion for serving Midland.

Laura is invested in Midland and has made it home for her family. She is committed to bettering our community and keeping it safe for my family and yours.

Please join me in supporting Laura Nodolf for district attorney.

Penelope Hicks

Lundy has track record for job

Please vote on March 1 for Will Lundy, candidate for Midland County district attorney. Will was born and raised in a wonderful Midland family, attended Midland schools and was educated at Texas Tech for both undergrad and law school.

With his 29 years of experience, Will Lundy has the track record to get the job done right.

Liz Chancellor

Former cohort picks Nodolf

As the retired first assistant district attorney for Midland County, I believe I can offer a unique prospective on the candidates since both of them worked for me.

With respect to Mr. Will Lundy, I must say that I am surprised he is running for this office. His work was competent — no more, no less. Additionally, he has not held a leadership position in the DA's Office.

I have known Laura Nodolf since she was one of my first-year law students. Laura has handled every job through skill and extremely hard work. She came to the DA's Office in 2003 and has performed her job with unfailing dedication and professionalism. Laura is also a leader. She is a trial team leader and is the first assistant DA for trials. She has worked diligently with all law enforcement agencies as the DA's Office liaison.

In short, I believe she is the logical choice as Midland's next district attorney and urge you to vote for her.

Stephen A. Stallings
Tomball

Former mayor selects Lundy

As the former mayor of Midland and a native Midlander, I am endorsing Will Lundy for district attorney. Will and I grew up together, and I am convinced Will is the most qualified and experienced candidate for district attorney. He has the temperament, judgment and qualifications necessary to represent Midland County.

Please join me in voting for Will Lundy for district attorney.

Wes Perry

County Commissioner, Precinct 1

Ramsey has experience needed

I am proud to endorse Scott Ramsey for Midland County commissioner for Precinct 1.

I have known Scott and his family for the past 10 years and feel that his business experience will be extremely valuable to Midland during these unsettling times in the oil industry. Scott has maintained a business in the upturn as well as the downturn in Midland's economy.

I feel that Scott will have the determination and will to make tough decisions within our county government to do what is best for Midland.

We are lucky to have a man like Scott who is ready to willingly give back to our community and help to keep Midland a great place to live and raise a family.

Please join me and my family in voting for Scott Ramsey for Midland County commissioner of Precinct 1.

Sherri Merket

Jones has right character for the job

For a number of years, I have had the pleasure to observe and participate in life with Grace and Jeremy Jones at Crestview Baptist. As a young couple they joined our Sunday School class, and I remember these young kids showing up at church with a herd of little ones in tow.

Then, I watched them go through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, and more importantly, I saw them apply Dave's principles to their personal finances. It was a struggle, but they never let up on the discipline necessary to win with money.

Now, I see them taking the lead in their own ministry opportunities. Grace leading a women's group and serving in the children's area is significant. True leadership is about serving. They both get that.

If character is measured by effort to always do the right thing, to be held accountable, to serve others, and then to raise a family and work hard, then Grace and Jeremy are loaded.

I have no doubt that Grace will bring this kind of character to the Midland County Commissioners' Court.

Mark McCraney

Values make Ramsey the pick

With all the drama in the upcoming presidential election, I hope that Midland County residents do take time to get to know their neighbors running in our local elections. In particular, I hope my fellow Precinct 1 residents get to know Scott Ramsey, who is running for Precinct 1 commissioner. Paul and I have been privileged to know Scott through his wife, Ellen. Ellen has been very active in the philanthropic community of Midland. And as everyone knows, behind any civic volunteer there is a supportive spouse.

Scott is always there to lend some muscle setting up for events, to put on an apron to help cook and serve at various functions and to financially support many great organizations in our community. Scott is a true team player as he has demonstrated in his successful marriage of 30 years and a savvy businessman.

Scott was raised in Pecos and has been part of the Midland community for more than 20 years. He shares the same values that make West Texas so unique: strong family values, fiscal conservatism and community pride.

Please consider joining me in voting for Scott Ramsey for Precinct 1 commissioner.

Valerie Acosta

Constable, Precinct 2

Wohleking has experience for job

I'm Constable Mark Wohleking, candidate for re-election as the Precinct 2 constable.

I'm writing to clarify an oversight concerning the League of Women Voters Guide in the Feb. 14 edition. Under constables it showed "Received No Response."

I did not want my constituents to think I would not take the time or effort to fill out the questionnaire. I was informed by the League of Women Voters a questionnaire would be sent to me. I never received it and therefore, never submitted one. I believe this was merely an oversight but I would like to address the "qualifications" portion asked of the candidates.

I am 54 years old, I attended Sul Ross State University, I am a 34-year law enforcement veteran, having retired from the Midland Police Department after 26 years. As a detective over 22 years I've worked every spectrum of law enforcement including nine years as an undercover narcotics officer. I have the experience, job knowledge and the professionalism that should represent this elected office having filed cases and testifying in courts at the local, state and federal levels, and I have been your Precinct 2 constable since 2012.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Mark Wohleking

County Clerk

Haley deserves your vote

I support Alison Haley for re-election as county clerk of Midland County. She has worked in the clerk's office for 18 years and has served in the top office since her appointment by the Commissioners' Court.

It is a complex job. The county clerk supervises the most diverse division of county government — birth and death records, land records since the inception of the county, including oil and gas leases, criminal cases, civil litigation, mental commitments, juvenile cases and probate of estates. It is essential to have the most experienced person in that office to supervise operation.

Vote qualifications. It matters in this election. I met Alison when she was probate clerk. She has always been professional, helpful and pleasant, whether she is dealing with the lawyers or the public.

Alison Haley is an exceptional civil servant and deserves your vote.

Mary Lou Cassidy

Keep Haley as county clerk

On Tuesday, Midland County will elect a county clerk. Alison Haley has served the citizens of Midland in this office for almost two decades, starting as a young deputy and most recently, as our county clerk.

As an attorney, I have worked with Alison on a regular basis for many years, and I support her continued service as our county clerk. Alison Haley is dedicated, personable, professional and always accessible to the public she serves.

As a minister, I often visit with Alison about our Jesus, and I know that Alison shares our Christian values. Midland is blessed to have Alison as a public servant, and I urge the voters of Midland to keep Alison Haley as our county Clerk.

Mark Henry Dettman

Haley has been competent manager

Alison Haley has the right skills, experience and demeanor for the job of Midland county clerk. I have worked with Alison over the past 18 years as she has progressed in her career in the County Clerk's Office.

In my company's work and in my personal responsibilities of serving as the executor of estates and as the trustee of trusts, I regularly have need of the services of the County Clerk's Office. Alison Haley is professional and very competent in her skills and in her knowledge of managing a staff and office.

She exhibits a pleasant and accommodating personality to all of the citizens and professional advisors who utilize the County Clerk's Office.

I encourage Midland County voters to vote for retaining Alison Haley as our county clerk.

Jack Swallow

President

Clinton isn't the best choice

One can easily make a good case for Hillary Clinton based upon one-liners and an outline of positions held without examining what she really accomplished.

Clinton took her "reset" button to Russia, and the result is conflict in the Crimea, the Ukraine, ongoing conflict in the Caucasus

Please see LETTERS/5A

Cruz, Rubio escalate case against Trump

By Bill Barrow and Thomas Beaumont
Associated Press



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Republican presidential candidate, Sen. Marco Rubio, R-Fla., speaks at Mount Paran Christian School on Saturday in Kennesaw, S.C.

ATLANTA — With Super Tuesday approaching, Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz escalated their argument Saturday that Donald Trump is a conservative impostor, trying to make the case to voters they can keep the ascendant billionaire from claiming the Republican presidential nomination.

At a rally outside the Georgia Capitol, Cruz went after Trump's positions on immigration and gun control, criticized his ethics and hammered him for his frequent use of profanity.

"You don't know what he's going to say," Cruz told reporters. "To the parents: Would you be proud of your children if they came home and repeated the words of Donald Trump?"

Rubio kept up a barrage of insults aimed at Trump. Speaking at a football stadium at Mount Paran Christian School in suburban Atlanta, Rubio said Trump has "the worst spray tan in America."

"Donald Trump likes to sue people," Rubio said. "He should sue whoever did that to his face."

The quip drew laughs. Rubio quickly turned to immigration and kept up his criticism that the real estate mogul has employed people living in the country illegally.

"I will do whatever it takes," Rubio said. "I will campaign as long as it takes." He said: "Donald Trump, a con artist, will never get control of this party."

Georgia is one of 11 states that will hold GOP presidential primaries Tuesday, when 595 delegates will be at stake.

Super Tuesday is the biggest single-day delegate haul of the nomination contests and, says Cruz, "the single best opportunity to defeat Donald Trump." Democrats also vote in 11 states, as well as in American Samoa.

The Texas senator appealed for each supporter to get nine others to vote for him Tuesday.

In Tennessee, Ohio Gov. John Kasich won the endorsement of former U.S. Attorney General Alberto Gonzales, now dean of Belmont University's law school.

Gonzales was White House counsel under President George W. Bush before becoming the nation's first Hispanic attorney general in 2005. He resigned in an uproar over allegations of torture of terrorism suspects and controversy over politically motivated firings of U.S. attorneys.

Kasich praised Gonzales for his work "in a very difficult time in our nation's history."

"Sometimes you have to take a stand, and that's what Judge Gonzales did when he was attorney general of the United States," he said.

Trump, the GOP frontrunner who has won three states in a row after losing in Iowa's caucuses to Cruz, held a campaign rally in Arkansas with Chris Christie, the New Jersey governor and former presidential candidate who dropped out of the race after a sixth place finish in New Hampshire.

"This guy has a fresh mouth," Trump said of Rubio. He called him a "light little nothing." Their raw feud flared in the last debate, when a newly aggressive Rubio went relentlessly after the billionaire, and it hasn't subsided since. Trump took specific issue with Rubio's new line that the billionaire is a "con artist."

"I built a great business," he said, adding that he wished his father had given him $200 million as Rubio alleged in the debate. Trump said he got a $1 million loan, which he said he paid back.

Piling on, Cruz said if Republicans nominate Trump, Americans will make Hillary Clinton the next president, a prediction that assumes she wins the Democratic nomination over Bernie Sanders. Cruz slammed Trump's past support for the Brady Bill, gun control legislation that President Bill Clinton signed into law in 1993.

"Anybody who would support Bill Clinton's ban on some of the most popular weapons in America is not a committed conservative," Cruz said.

Cruz supporter John Wical, of Lawrenceville, Georgia, a retired law enforcement officer, said the GOP race underscores the frustrations of many Americans but Trump's backers have settled on the wrong answer.

"He's a Trojan horse," said Wical, 54. "He's just this cult of personality." He said Trump supporters are "operating on emotion."

Yet if Trump goes on to win the nomination, Wical said, he would support him in November "to keep Hillary-the-liar or Bernie-the-socialist out of the White House."

Letters

From 4A

region and Russia flying combat missions not against ISIS but against U.S.-backed Syrian rebels.

What should be facing Hillary Clinton is prison time for the compromise of classified documents as prescribed by U.S. law. We won't even address corruption charges being looked at by the FBI.

Having served more than 20 years in the military with most of that involving the handling of classified material at or above the level Clinton was involved in compromising, I can guarantee that if anyone else had done what she has done, they would already be in prison. But then again, Clinton is above the law — just ask her.

And we won't get into her "war on women" in defending Bill Clinton against women accusing him of sexual misconduct or her role in the Iran nuclear deal that will allow Iran to have nuclear weapons; they won't abide by the deal.

Donald R. Speir

Support a candidate who makes Alzheimer's a priority

We are entering the heart of the 2016 election season, and the next big moment comes up on Tuesday. As one of the 12 states with a Super Tuesday primary, voters here in Texas have a lot of factors to weigh as they contemplate who our next commander-in-chief should be. For me, I know that what the candidates are saying about Alzheimer's disease will be influence my choice because of how it devastates millions of American families, overwhelms our health care system and threatens Medicare.

According to a recent survey by the Alzheimer's Association, 73 million American voters know someone with Alzheimer's. I count myself as one of those Americans, as I am a caregiver for my dad who has been living with Alzheimer's for the past 13 years, and before that I was a caregiver for my grandfather. I've experienced firsthand the emotional and financial toll of this devastating disease.

But at least my dad was fortunate enough to receive a diagnosis in the first place. According to the Alzheimer's Association, the sad reality is that only 45 percent of Americans with Alzheimer's are ever diagnosed. That means that the majority living with Alzheimer's never even know it. I believe that our state and nation don't face an issue more critical than Alzheimer's disease.

Despite the sobering statistics, I feel a great deal of hope in our battle against this disease. There has been some real progress achieved in the last year. Congress passed a historic 60 percent increase in Alzheimer's funding last December. And a few of the leading presidential candidates in both parties have pledged support for and shared their plans for increasing federal government support for Alzheimer's research.

I want to protect our progress and send the message that our work is nowhere near complete. I will be casting my ballot on Super Tuesday for a candidate who makes urgent action against Alzheimer's a priority.

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COUNTY COMMISSIONER Q&A

BY CASSIE BURTON

The Midland Reporter-Telegram sent out the same five questions via email to Commissioners' Court candidates running opposed in the March 1 primary. Responses were received from Republicans Scott Ramsey and Grace Jones, Precinct 1; and Democrats Luis D. Sanchez and James "Bull" Henry, Precinct 3. Republican Jason Bates, Precint 1, did not respond.

Question: What do you think is the role of county government?

Scott Ramsey: The Texas Constitution spells out the role of County Government. County government provides law enforcement, jails, emergency management and indigent health care services; operates the state court system; conducts elections and voter registration; builds and maintains county roads and bridges; calculates and collects property taxes; record deeds and maintain other vital records.

Grace Jones: The role of county government is to provide services to the county resident such as public record keeping, elections, property tax assessment and collection, road paving and maintenance, and more. The county also operates the local judicial system and enforces the rule of law by employing sheriffs and providing a jail in which to house local criminals. Essentially, county government provides the necessary infrastructure and organization which allows the citizens to live with one another peaceably and to exercise their freedoms of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

Louis Sanchez: The role of county government is to ensure that it plays a vital part in the lives of all of its residents. The major responsibilities in our county include to care, build and maintain roads, operate the jail and court system, collect property taxes, register voters, hold elections, provide law enforcement, and at times help in the role of economic development within the county.

James Henry: I believe that the role of county government is to be the Stewards of the county and its citizens, to always be available to the residents of the county and listen to concerns and issues they may have, to insure that roads and infrastructure are in top shape and up to date, insure that all county departments are fully staffed and have the resources necessary to operate professionally and efficiently, to make sure that policies and expenditures approved by the court are necessary, fiscally responsible and in the best interest of it's citizens. To make sure that tax rates are fair and as low as possible as well as making sure that property values are assessed fairly. To work closely with city government, local school districts, local business owners, and citizens to make decisions that best serve the residents of the county, and to make sure we make Midland County a place where we can attract new business and residents. I also believe that County officials need to have strong ties to Austin, as our State legislature, every 2 years, pass new laws and mandates that directly affect Texas Counties and we need to make sure that we have a strong voice and presence in Austin in order to make sure that good legislation gets passed and bad legislation gets killed.

Question: Based on conversations with constituents of your precinct, what initiatives are you looking to accomplish?

Ramsey: A) Improve and maintaining our county road system. With the increased oil field traffic, our roads have seen more usage and therefore more wear and tear. These roads also must be designed in such a way that better enhances the connectivity of the County. B) Maintain a balanced budget that stays below inflation and population growth. C) Maintain Midland County's position of having the lowest tax rate in the State of Texas. With the downturn, it is important not to add extra burdens on the citizens of the County. D) Improve county law enforcement. We must make sure Sheriff Painter has the necessary tools and resources to carry on the sheriff's department duties while staying within the budgetary restrictions. This is even more important because Midland's crime rate escalates when the price of oil drops and the high paying jobs drop off. This is evident by the recent rise in oil field theft. E) Maintain our vibrant libraries. The Centennial Library branch has over 800 patrons per day. The Centennial Branch, along with the downtown Branch, host many noteworthy events each year along with classes and seminars. The newly arrived Book Mobile is reaching citizens that would not otherwise be able to visit our libraries. Proper oversight is necessary to insure the Libraries are able to expand on these services for the public. F) Oil and gas mineral management. Recently, the County has received several oil and gas lease offers on mineral interests it owns under facilities and roads. With 34 years experience as a Petroleum Landman I want to manage those requests so that the county is protected and receives the highest return possible on those assets.

Jones: First, based on the conversations I have had with voters while knocking on doors in my precinct, many of my constituents are concerned about the way money has been spent in the county. As a fiscal conservative, I want to ensure that the county is using a zero base budgeting model and I would also like to look into each department individually to find ways to reduce spending. This is even more imperative because of the downturn in the oil industry. Secondly, voters have also expressed a frustration with their lack of understanding about where their tax dollars are being spent. I believe much of this is due to the lack of readily available information to the average person. In an effort to resolve this, I would like to work to create a portion of the county web site that has detailed information about current capital projects, roads that are being paved, and roads that are going to be paved. One particular piece of information that I would like the web site to display is which contractors we are using and how much we are paying them. This will help my constituents to feel more informed and also provide a form of accountability for our local county government. Third, many of my constituents seem to feel as though their opinion is not sought or valued regarding major projects in the county. I believe that the resolution to this is for residents to be given the opportunity to vote on major capital projects — particularly those that will cost tens of millions of dollars and entail an ongoing expense to the tax payer for years to come. I also believe that county residents should vote on any and all tax increases. This will allow each individual to feel as though he/she is a part of the process and ensure that the county is reflecting the will of the people without fail.

Sanchez: Based on conversations I have had with many residents living in Precint 3, their main concern is developing and maintaining roads. There are currently many projects that we have undertaken within the last 3 years that deal specifically with roads. One major initiative is the road construction project that is currently underway in Midland County. This road project was broken into 3 phases which will ultimately pave all unpaved public roads within Midland County that fall within the requirements of the law. This project has a projected investment in Midland County of approximately $30 million dollars. As of now, we are starting phase 3 of this project which will finish the paving of all roads in Midland County that have a 60' right of way and are deeded to the county. Another initiative is the southern expansion of south Loop 250. As many residents know by now, we are working on expanding this road way as far south as WCR140 to help with traffic and congestion. Regarding traffic congestion, I have worked closely with the City of Midland and with TxDOT to ensure that many of the intersections in Precinct 3, which include I-20 and Loop250 and I-20 and Midkiff, are worked on to help ease the traffic problems that we continue to have. I plan on accomplishing these initiatives by continuing the conversation and working with the entities that can help us achieve our goal.

Henry: Road conditions and tax rates are what I hear about the most. Severely outdated and under maintained roads, a lack of response when trying to voice their concerns regarding road conditions and repairs that were not done timely or not repaired properly. Keeping tax rates low as well as fair property values are areas of concern also.

Question: All indicationa are that property and mineral tax revenues will be less than previous years. How does the Commissioners' Court avoid raising property tax significantly?

Ramsey: Because of the hard work of the current Commissioner's Court, Midland County has a reserve fund that, if used judiciously over a period of time, can help reduce the need to raise taxes. With that said, the budgetary process is the best line of defense against any shortfall in revenue. All efforts must be made to insure Midland County's property tax rate remains the lowest in the state.

Jones: First, we need to cease any and all unnecessary capital spending projects until oil and gas industry rebounds and tax revenue increases. Secondly, we must work with each department within the county to find any and all possible ways to reduce spending. It will be a countywide effort, but it must be done. Families everywhere are finding ways to save money and the county should do the same. When a family sees its income reduced for one reason or another, they find a way to make it. When a business sees a decrease in profits, they look for ways to decrease expenses and increase profit margin. When a county begins to experience a decrease in tax revenue that generally is an indication that many households are experiencing a decrease in income. The last thing we need to do is respond by asking for more money from people who are already suffering! We need to find ways to operate and make do with less.

Sanchez: In Midland County, we have made sure to consistently plan for the future even though it is always challenging to predict the future. We are aware that revenues that we receive this year will be less than the revenues we received in the previous 3 years. As for this fiscal year, we also know that we may only be receiving the same amount of sales tax revenue that we did in 2012. We have budgeted to receive about $30.8 million dollars in sales tax. In 2012, the total amount collected was approximately $33 million. So far for this fiscal year, we are on track to reach the budgeted number that we proposed. It is always a goal of mine to make sure that we budget for property taxes taking into consideration our estimates in sales tax. Every budget that I have been a part of since taking office in 2009, I can proudly say that Midland County has had the LOWEST property tax rates in the State of Texas! I am proud of the hard work that this Commissioner's Court has done to ensure that residents of Midland County are not overtaxed and that we remain as a stellar example for the rest of the state.

Henry: Cut spending, again making sure that tax dollars are being spent necessarily and responsibly.

Question: The Commissioners' Court has invested tens of millions of dollars into building and improving the Horseshoe complex. At what point do you think the county is done adding on to it?

Ramsey: The Amphitheater is the last major addition to the Horsehoe complex. It is already budgeted and due to be completed in the next few months. After that, no other additions or improvements are planned. From this point forward, it will be up to the Commissioner's Court to maintain and manage this facility so that it continues to provide the citizens of Midland an outstanding venue for a wide range of events while generating millions of dollars annually in increased economic activity in the County.

Jones: I believe we are done adding to it right now because we do not have the money to do anything above and beyond what is absolutely necessary. The topic could be revisited if and when the economy is thriving again, but at that point I would need to be convinced of the merit of any additional improvements as well as the desires of the taxpayer.

Sanchez: I think that the county should be done adding to the Horseshoe. In the budget for the fiscal year of 2011-2012, I was the only Commissioner on the court to vote against additions that were presented to us after we had adopted the Midland County Budget for that year. I felt that the $24 million addition to the budget for the Horseshoe was too much after seeing that many of our Midland County roads were still unpaved and were in need of serious work. One of our main responsibilities as a County Commissioner is to build and maintain county roads within the county. This is why I voted against the Horseshoe Pavilion expansion.

Henry: Yesterday, the Horseshoe

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY Q&A

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Editor's note: The Reporter-Telegram submitted emailed questions to Midland County district attorney candidates Will Lundy and Laura Nodolf. Here are their reponses.

William R Lundy Jr.

Age: 59

Have you ever been married and to whom? Do you have any children? Have you ever been divorced and if so, how many times?

I have never been married or divorced, but I am fortunate to have been raised in Midland in a wonderful family. My parents, Randall and Katherine Lundy raised five of us, as my dad was practicing law here. My sister, Jane, and I both became lawyers and have spent the majority of our careers as Prosecutors.

State educational degrees which you have obtained and from where?

BBA and law degrees from Texas Tech University.

State where you are licensed as an attorney?

Texas, Colorado, Tennessee, Kentucky; federal court in Texas, Tennessee and Kentucky; U.S. 5th Circuit Court of Appeals; U.S. Supreme Court

Between which years have you lived in Midland County after becoming a licensed attorney?

I was raised in Midland where I went to Lee High School and played football. I worked for District Attorney Al Schorre when I graduated from law school, then worked for Texaco in Midland, as a litigator, before being transferred to Denver. I moved back Midland after I left Texaco and lived in Midland but worked for the Ector County District Attorney. I was federal prosecutor in Del Rio. I moved to Tennessee where I worked for Tennessee Attorney General for a number of years. I then moved to Abilene and worked for the district attorney for number of years. While I was living and working in Abilene, Midland District Attorney Teresa Clingman called and asked me to come to work for her as prosecutor, and I moved back to Midland.

What areas of law have typically been the concentrations of your law practice/ experience?

My practice consists of being a trial lawyer. I have concentrated on criminal law practice for the last 20 years. I have done trial practice and appellate work involving criminal law, civil rights, oil and gas, personal injury and environmental law.

Have you ever been subjected to discipline by the State Bar of Texas? If so, what was the discipline and why?

No, I have never been subject to any disciplinary action by any state or federal court in which I am licensed.

Have you ever been accused of, indicted for or convicted of a felony or a crime of moral turpitude? If so, what was the offense and how was it disposed of?

No

Have you ever had a lien filed against you and why? If so, has it been fully paid?

No. I am careful with my finances and would bring the same fiscal responsibility and conservatism to the office if elected.

How many felony jury trials have you tried to a verdict?

I tried nine felony trials to a verdict in 2015. I tried an average of nine to 11 jury trials per year in the past five years while working in other District Attorney's offices.

What do regard to be your duties as a district attorney?

My primary duty is to seek justice in every case - not necessarily to get a conviction. The "get a conviction at any cost" mentality has no place in a district attorney's office.

The vast majority of cases received by the district attorney from law enforcement are good and should be indicted and prosecuted aggressively. However, not all cases are good, and those that are not should be dismissed. Prosecutors must have the good judgment to determine which cases should be dismissed, and to determine and which should be tried to a jury and which should be resolved through the plea bargain process. Young prosecutors that have not yet learned to tell the difference must learn this skill from older, more mature experienced prosecutors — especially through the leadership of the district attorney. That is why it is so important for the district attorney to be a person with maturity and years of criminal law and broad trial experience.

I would establish and stick to a budget for the office.

I would provide leadership by example to the 23 assistant district attorneys in the office.

I would maintain a good working relationship with the Commissioners' Court, law enforcement and all stakeholders in the community.

Describe what the temperament should be for a district attorney?

The primary duty is to seek justice in every case — not necessarily to get a conviction. The district attorney must stand up for justice whether it is a dismissal or a trial.

The district attorney must not be afraid to stand up for victims in court, even when the state's case is not that great. Such cases should be tried because the victim deserves to have their story heard by a jury.

The district attorney must have the wisdom and judgment to know the difference between which cases to try and which to plead. Wisdom and good judgment come only with maturity and years of experience.

The district attorney must be aggressive in pursuing justice, while maintaining civility in all actions.

What special skills or talents do you possess that you believe would be helpful as a district attorney?

I am 59 years old. I have seen and done a lot as a lawyer and as a citizen of the world. I have 29 years of experience as a trial lawyer, most of which has been as a felony prosecutor, and I believe I am a better, more mature person because of this experience.

From maturity and experience springs wisdom and good judgment. I have acquired both at the age of 59, with 29 years as a practicing lawyer, and I have the gray hair to show for it.

What is the most important aspect of handling the activities that take place in a District Attorney's Office?

The district attorney must always be cognizant that it is his or her primary duty to seek justice in every case.

What current programs or methods of the district attorney's office would you keep and which would you do away with?

With due respect, I have committed to running a positive campaign based upon my experience and credentials. Accordingly, I am not going to comment on current policies and practices. I will, however, say that, if elected, I will bring my experience to bear in effectively and efficiently prosecuting those persons who pose a threat to our community.

What new programs or initiatives would you implement in your administration?

Again, as stated above, I am not going to comment on current practices. I will however, conduct a thorough review of all practices and implement the best practices to see that justice is done in every case in a timely, effective and cost effective manner. Because I have worked in several different District Attorney Offices in my career, I have seen what office practices and policies do and do not work. With this experience I will be able to make those changes necessary to improve office efficiency and effectiveness.

Please describe in detail any administrative duties you have performed at the Midland County District Attorney's Office or another district attorney's office in another area (if another area, please be specific).

I have been a trial lawyer at each step along the way. Trying cases, and particularly in a team environment, requires organization skills and the ability to work with others effectively. I believe I demonstrate this both in maintaining the trial and grand jury docket for which I am currently responsible.

Laura Ann Buffum Nodolf

Age. 37

Have you ever been married and to whom? Do you have any children? Have you ever been divorced and if so, how many times?

I have been married to Kurtis Nodolf for 15 years and have 7 year old twins. I have never been divorced.

State educational degrees which you have obtained and from where?

I have a Bachelor of Arts from Schreiner College and a Juris Doctorate from Texas Tech University School of Law

State where you are licensed as an attorney?

Texas

Between which years have you lived in Midland County after becoming a licensed attorney?

2003 to the present.

What areas of law have typically been the concentrations of your law practice/ experience?

I have focused my entire career on criminal prosecution.

Have you ever been subjected to discipline by the State Bar of Texas? If so, what was the discipline and why?

I have never been subjected to discipline by the State Bar of Texas.

Have you ever been accused of, indicted for or convicted of a felony or a crime of moral turpitude? If so, what was the offense and how was it disposed of?

I have never been accused of, indicted for or convicted of a felony or crime of moral turpitude.

Have you ever had a lien filed against you and why? If so, has it been fully paid?

I have never had a lien filed against me.

How many felony jury trials have you tried to a verdict?

I have tried over 120 felony jury trials and over 200 total trials.

What do regard to be your duties as a district attorney?

My first duty is to God, who I believe would want me to lead by example and establish the highest ethical standard by which cases are prosecuted. I will be in trying cases and working just as hard as prosecutors

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complex has been a burden on the county since it was first started, I believe it was poorly designed from the start, when competing with venues like Wagner-Noel, Ector County Coliseum, even the La Hacienda event center, the Horseshoe falls way short of having the necessary seating capacity and amenities to attract the bigger and more profitable events. I have concerns with the new amphitheater project. We already have large outdoor events like Rock the Desert and Crude Fest and even they get shut down do to weather issues from time to time. I believe it may be time to explore privatizing the Horseshoe Complex in order to relieve the burden on the County.

Question: According to the county auditor's office, county reserves — unaudited — contain $52.5 million. That is roughly 82 percent of the operating expenses for the county. A common perception is that government entities should have enough money in reserves to pay for three to six months in operating expenses. What do you think is the right amount of money to have in county reserves?

Ramsey: I agree with the common perception of three to six months in operating expenses set aside in a reserve fund for governments in normal economies. Midland, Texas is not a "normal" economy due to its overwhelming reliance on the oil and gas industry. This makes our economy cyclical with severe ups and downs. Because of these swings, I believe Midland County should maintain at least six months in operating expenses. Nobody knows how long any particular downturn might last. A well-funded reserve fund can help carry the county through tough times.

Jones: I believe that the county should have a minimum of 3 months and a maximum amount of 6 months operating expenses in reserves. Any additional moneys should be returned to the tax payer by way of using reserves to keep the tax rate low, or providing tax rebates. In some circumstances, excess reserves could be used for voter approved projects that expand or improve services offered by the county.

Sanchez: I would definitely agree with our county Auditor. I believe that we should have at least six months of operating expenses in our county reserves due to how fast our economy can change here in Midland County. The reason we have such a healthy reserve balance currently is due to our sales taxes which have increased in such a fast pace. From 2010 to 2015, sales tax revenue has increased by 119 percent. Six months in operating expenses should be sufficient to cover any shortfall that the county may run across if the local economy is not as healthy as we expect. This year, I know that we may be seeing the county use some of the funds currently in our reserves.

Henry: I believe a county can never have enough in reserve funds. We need to make sure that our reserve funds are as high as possible in order to have money available in the event of emergency needs, as to keep core departments operating fully and efficiently, and to have funds available for projects that are in the best interest of it's residents.

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From 6A

and staff. I have a duty to both the victims of crimes and the offenders to ensure that the rule of law, the truth and justice remain at the forefront of prosecution. It is my duty to assist law enforcement when called upon. And finally, I have a duty to the public. My office will always be open and I will ensure that Midland County is represented locally and state wide as a model district attorneys office.

Describe what the temperament should be for a district attorney?

The district attorney sets the tone for the office and as such should have a calm, even handed yet decisive temperament. It is necessary to not simply react, but to act only after careful consideration and deliberation. This applies to charging decisions, managing attorneys and staff, and responding to the public and other inquiries.

What special skills or talents do you possess that you believe would be helpful as a district attorney?

I am committed to the success of the District Attorney's Office, the people of Midland and to the rule of law. I am a good listener and fair minded. I am a fiscal conservative, and I believe in being accountable and transparent. I have handled some very difficult cases and had to make difficult decisions that some people and law enforcement do not like. Yet, I stand by my decisions and am not swayed by the potential repercussions. I have a strong sense of justice and realize that not every case is black and white. Many are gray and justice should be blind. I have tried cases in Midland for the past 13 years continuously. I know what Midland juries are like and want to see. I know what the residents of Midland expect out of a District Attorney's Office. I have gained those skills and experience by being in the Midland County District Attorneys Office. Lastly, I know what is necessary to maintain a docket and management responsibilities. It takes balance, forward vision, and responsibility. I believe that my trial and management experience make me the right person to be your next district attorney.

What is the most important aspect of handling the activities that take place in a District Attorney's Office?

There are several aspects of the District Attorney's office that are equally important: ensuring the constitutional rights of defendants, victims and the community, ensuring justice is done, moving cases effectively and efficiently, management of staff through leadership and communication, working with law enforcement, being watchful to ensure that policies and procedures are being followed and keeping the public's trust in the office through ethical operations and integrity.

What current programs or methods of the district attorney's office would you keep and which would you do away with?

I believe the District Attorney's Office currently runs very efficiently and there is not a program or method I would not keep. I would continue to review all aspects of the office to ensure they are meeting the needs of the offenders and citizens, that they remain relevant, and operate efficiently. The office cannot stay stagnant and must always remain relevant in the Criminal Justice System.

What new programs or initiatives would you implement in your administration?

The Midland County District Attorney's Office has been participating in a pilot software project allowing us to "go paperless" and save taxpayer dollars. I have been instrumental in the development and the implementation of this software and want to see it through to completion. This project is important because it allows for streamlining of the criminal justice process allowing us to move cases quickly and efficiently. It also allows law enforcement to submit cases and evidence electronically, expediting the submission of cases. Defense counsel is able to receive discovery in an electronic format allowing them to work anywhere their computer will go. All of this allows for individuals charged with a crime to make decisions quickly, prosecutors to work more efficiently, and move cases to trial quickly.

Warehousing offenders is costly to the residents of Midland monetarily and in terms of human value. There are offenders and cases where incarceration is necessary and they need to be tried expediently. I want to make sure we are addressing the crime and the offender in a way that hopefully deters future behavior; and, offer programs that encourage offenders to become productive members of society. I have been involved in the development of the Pretrial Intervention program for first-time offenders and want to

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Voting centers

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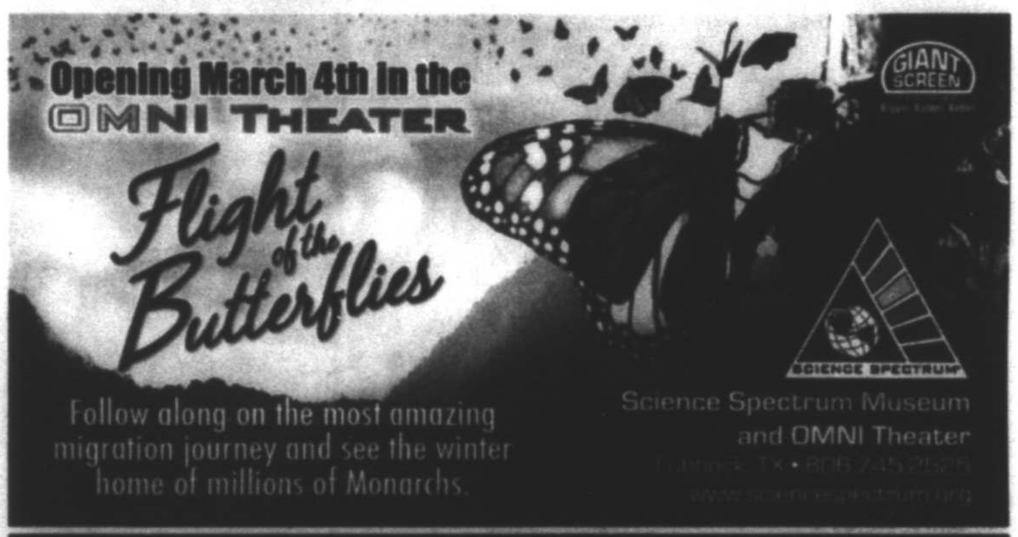
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- Cogdell Learning Center, 211 W. Florida Ave.
- Cotton Flat Baptist Church, 6409 S. Highway 349.
- Fairmont Park Church of Christ, 3813 N. Midland Drive.
- Fellowship Community Church, 5206 N. Midland Drive.
- Golf Course Road Church of Christ, 3500 W. Golf Course Road.
- Great Ideal Baptist Church Life Center, 301 S. Tyler St.
- Greenwood Baptist Church, 10908 Farm-to-Market Road 307.
- Manor Park, 5212 Sinclair Ave.
- MLK Jr. Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane.
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look at expanding this program and services offered. Additionally, I would like to work with the courts to continue utilizing the Mental Health Court, the Veterans Court, and explore establishing a Drug/Intoxication Court.

I strive to show compassion, understanding and honesty with victims of crime. I want to expand our victim services to include a restitution specialist. This individual would work closely with victims of crime, in conjunction with the prosecutor, to see that they are made as whole as possible. This can be accomplished by changing some duties of current employees without adding staff.

Please describe in detail any administrative duties you have performed at the Midland County District Attorney's Office or another district attorney's office in another area (if another area, please be specific).

Six years ago I was assigned as the Trial Team chief for the 441st District Court. This was a newly created district court, and it was imperative that I create a good working relationship with a newly appointed judge and his staff. It was necessary for me to aid the court in how to maintain a criminal docket, move cases effectively and educate the staff.

Almost five years ago, I was promoted to first assistant district attorney for Administration wherein I managed the administrative side of the District Attorney's Office overseeing the management of 27 support staff, implementation of software and worked on policies and procedures for the office. For the past year, I have been the first assistant district attorney for Trial where I supervise all 23 attorneys, assist in the training of new attorneys and establish practices to assist attorneys in their daily work. Over my 13 years with the office, I have assisted in creating policies and procedures for our Pretrial Intervention Program, Jail Screening Program, Protective Order forms, DWI warrant forms, as well as many others.

I have been instrumental in the implementation of our new software program. I have written job descriptions, handled interoffice conflict and had occasion to fire people. I work closely with all law enforcement entities.

What will it will take to maintain a qualified staff?

Communication and stability. My office door will always be open to staff, attorneys and the public. My office will provide a collegiate working environment with the equipment, training and supervision necessary for individuals to do their job. Competitive salaries and benefits are very important. Clear instruction of expectations and guidelines when changes are implemented.

Clinton thunders to big win over Sanders in South Carolina

By Julie Pace and Lisa Lerer
Associated Press

COLUMBIA, S.C. — Hillary Clinton overwhelmed Bernie Sanders in Saturday's South Carolina primary, drawing staggering support from the state's black Democrats and seizing an increasingly strong position as the presidential race barrels toward Super Tuesday's crucial contests.

Clinton's lopsided win provided an important boost for her campaign — and a moment to wipe away bitter memories of her loss to Barack Obama in South Carolina eight years ago. She won the support of nearly 9 in 10 black voters, crucial Democratic backers who abandoned her for Obama in 2008.

During a raucous victory rally, Clinton briefly reveled in her sweeping support from South Carolina voters, hugging backers and posing with them for selfie photos. But then she pivoted quickly to the contests to come.

"Tomorrow this campaign goes national," she said. "We are not taking anything, and we are not taking anyone, for granted."

Sanders, expecting defeat on Saturday, left the state even before voting was finished and turned his attention to some of the states that vote in next Tuesday's delegate-rich contests. In a statement, Sanders vowed to fight on aggressively.

"This campaign is just beginning," he said. "Our grass-roots political revolution is growing state by state, and we won't stop now."

Clinton's victory came at the end of a day that saw Republican candidates firing insults at each other from Super Tuesday states. Donald Trump, working to build an insurmountable lead, was campaigning in Arkansas with former rival Chris Christie and calling Marco Rubio a "light little nothing." Ted Cruz was asking parents in Atlanta if they would be pleased if their children spouted profanities like the brash billionaire, and Rubio was mocking Trump as a "con artist" with "the worst spray tan in America."

Clinton allies quickly touted the breadth of her victory. Besides blacks, she won most women and voters aged 25 and older, according to early exit polls.

Sanders continued to do well with young voters, his most passionate supporters. He also carried those who identified themselves as independents.

A self-described democratic socialist, Sanders has energized his supporters with impassioned calls for breaking up Wall Street banks and making tuition free at public colleges and universities. But the senator from Vermont, a state where about 1 percent of the population is black, lacks Clinton's deep ties to the African-American community.

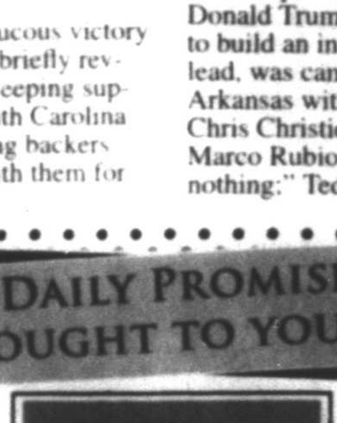
While Sanders spent the end of the week outside of South Carolina, his campaign did invest heavily in the state. He had 200 paid staff on the ground and an aggressive television advertising campaign.

Exit polls showed 6 in 10 voters in the South Carolina primary were black, by far the largest proportion in any of the contests so far. About 7 in 10 said they wanted the next president to continue Obama's policies, and only about 20 percent wanted a more liberal course of action, according to exit polls conducted by Edison Research for The Associated Press and television networks.

Clinton's sweeping victory suggested South Carolina voters had put aside any lingering tensions from her heated 2008 contest with Obama. Former President Bill Clinton made statements during that campaign that were seen by some, including influential South Carolina Rep. James Clyburn, as questioning the legitimacy of the black presidential contender.

This time around, Clyburn endorsed Clinton, and her husband was well-received as he traveled the state on her behalf. She focused on issues with particular resonance in the black community and held an emotional event with black mothers whose children died in shootings.

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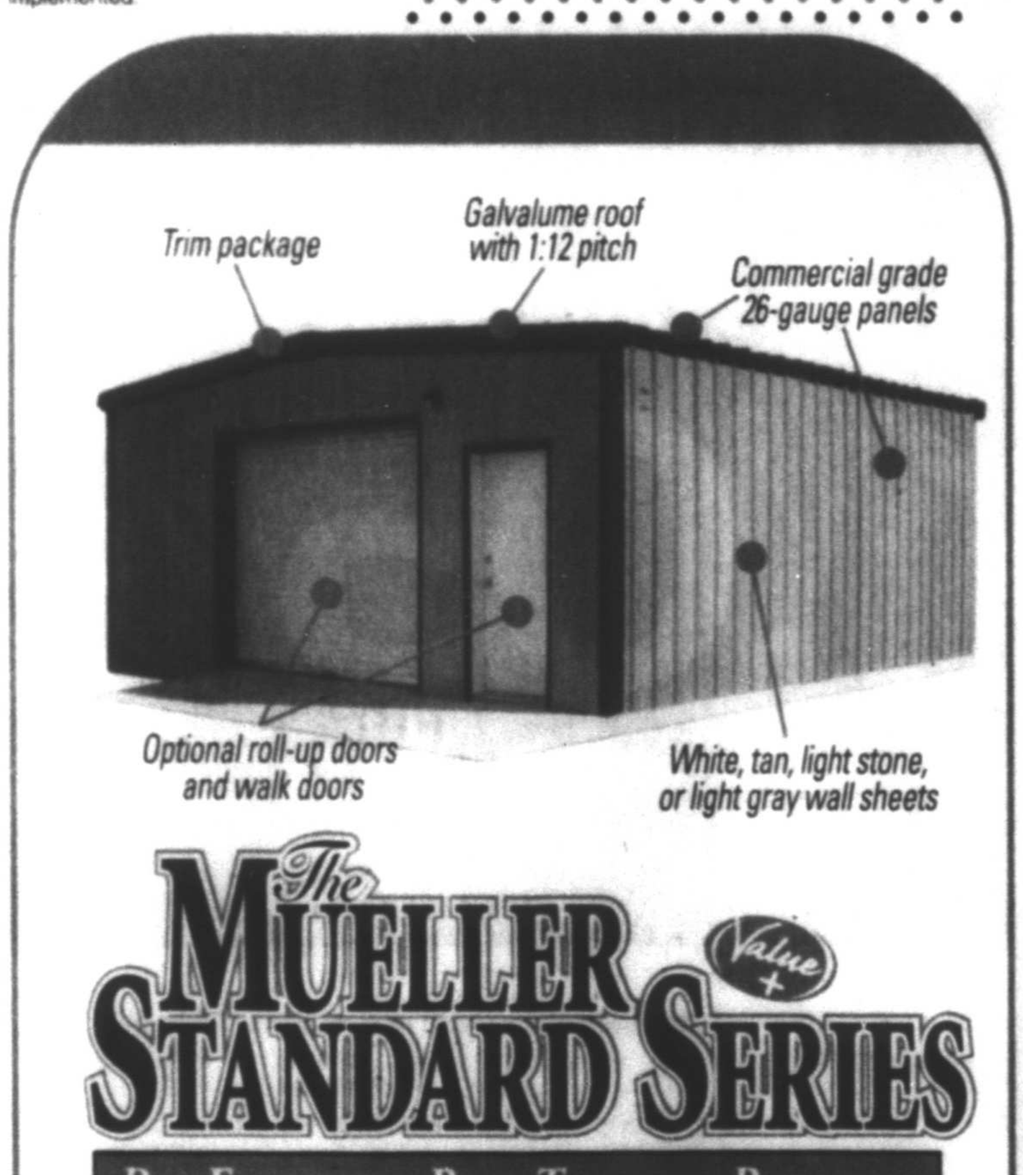
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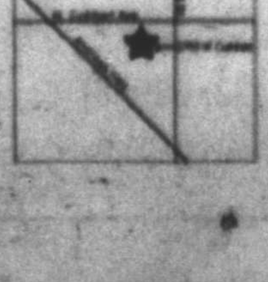
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Police used tear gas to flush killer from house

By Gene Johnson
Associated Press

SEATTLE — Police say they used tear gas to flush a suicidal man who had killed several family members from his house — and that's when he stepped outside and killed himself.

The Mason County Sheriff's Office on Saturday released a timeline of the standoff, which began after David Wayne Campbell, 51, called a sheriff's office supervisor Friday morning to say he had done something bad and was suicidal.

A small number of deputies initially responded, speaking with Campbell by phone and setting up a perimeter to keep him on the property until a SWAT team could arrive.

Over 3½ hours, trained negotiators tried to persuade Campbell to surrender, but "it became evident that the suspect was not going to leave the residence voluntarily," the sheriff's office said. Deputies could see him pacing inside, often holding a handgun to his head.

When they deployed tear gas in the house, Campbell came outside with a gun in his hand and yelled at police. He then returned indoors before coming out once more, putting the gun to his temple and firing as the police watched.

Authorities said they found four other bodies in a chicken coop on the remote, wooded property near Belfair, on the Kitsap Peninsula southwest of Seattle. Mason County Coroner Wes Stockwell released the identities of three of them Saturday: Campbell's wife of six years, Lana J. Carlson, 49, and her sons, Quinn and Tory Carlson, who were 16 and 18, respectively.

Stockwell said he was withholding the identity of the fourth victim pending notification of relatives.

When deputies first contacted Campbell, a 12-year-old girl fled from the home, the timeline said. Authorities said she wasn't shot, but they used a military-surplus armored vehicle to pick her up and bring her safely past the home so she could be evaluated by medical personnel.

"Apparently she's OK," Chief Deputy Ryan Spurling said. "I don't know if this is a daughter, or stepdaughter, or what the relationship is, but she escaped from the house."

Jack Pigott, who lives down the road, said he heard gunshots Thursday night.

Campbell and Carlson were married in November 2009, King County records show. The wife had two teenage sons who were adopted from Russia during a previous marriage, Pigott said, as well as a daughter who was adopted from China. Her previous husband died of cancer, he said.

Campbell ran a business called Campbell Family Heating and Air Conditioning, according to state records, while Carlson — who also went by Lana Jane Campbell — had registered a business called Crispy Edges. She had purchased a food truck, and she and Campbell had been working on the truck but had not been able to secure the county permits needed to operate it, Pigott said.

The neighbor also said Campbell had recently been hospitalized, but he didn't know why.

"He's heavily medicated with something," Pigott said. "I've never seen him drinking."

It was common for the family to do shooting practice, Pigott said. That's what he assumed Thursday's gunfire was.

"I was getting a load of wood into the house, and I hear some gunshots," he said. "Four or five, a pause and then another round."

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Police: 3 stabbed at KKK gathering in California

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Three people were stabbed Saturday, one critically, after a small group of Ku Klux Klan members staging an anti-immigrant rally in Southern California clashed with a larger gathering of counter-protesters, police said.

The violence erupted shortly after noon in Anaheim's Pearson Park, about 3 miles from Disneyland. The KKK had advertised plans for the rally and about 30 anti-Klan protesters showed up beforehand, said Anaheim Police Sgt. Daron Wyatt said. When the Klan members arrived they were attacked as they exited their cars, he said.

One Klansman stabbed a counter-protester with the decorative end of a flag pole, Wyatt said. That stabbing set off a vicious brawl in which Klan members and protesters fought across an entire city block.

Witness video shows Klansmen dressed in black shirts decorated with the Klan cross and Confederate flag patches being surrounded by counter protesters as they arrive at the park. A KKK member appears to hold out a flag to fend off the crowd.

"I got stabbed," a man is then heard screaming, lifting his T-shirt to show a wound to his stomach. A fire hydrant where the man briefly sat was covered in blood.

One Anaheim police sergeant saw another Klan member with a knife in his hand and a counter-protester bleeding nearby, Wyatt said. The sergeant took the KKK member into custody. Meanwhile, counter-protesters stomped on two KKK members, he said.

"All hell broke loose," said Brian Levin, director of California State University, San Bernardino's Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism, who witnessed the violence. "I thought they were going to stomp these Klansmen to death."

Wyatt said police were present when the violence erupted but did not say how many officers were deployed.

Anaheim police had notified the public about the planned KKK protest Friday and said they would be "monitoring the situation for any violations of law." The department also said that while the group's signs and fliers might be controversial, they are protected by the First Amendment.

Levin said he did not see any uniformed officers at the park when the violence erupted. He said he tried to get between counter-protesters and Klansmen to help quell the melee until officers were able to reach the scene.

"I'm still kind of a little bit shaken by it," he said.

Chris Barker, who identified himself as the "imperial wizard" of the Loyal White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, said his members were holding a peaceful anti-immigration demonstration and acted in self-defense.

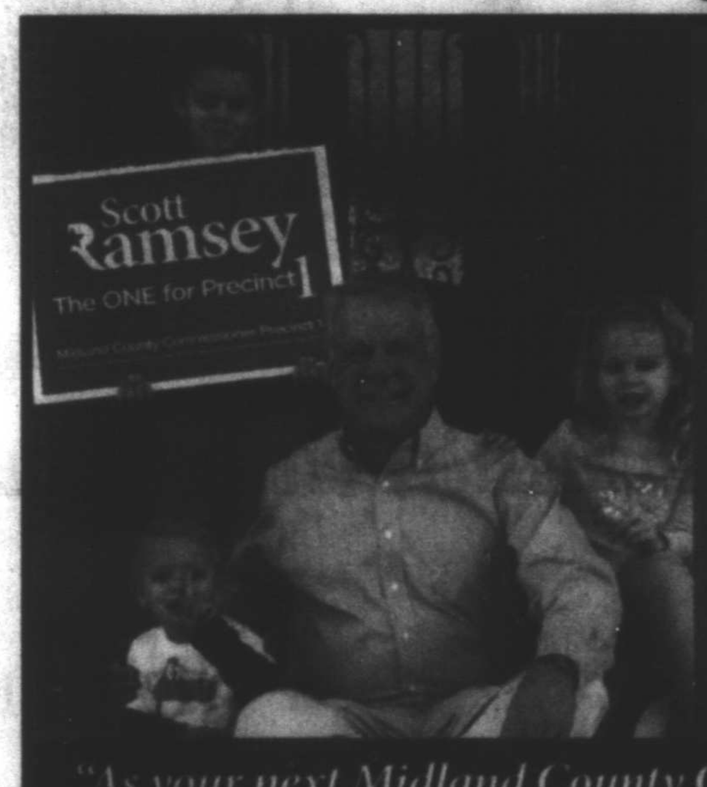
"If we're attacked, we will attack back," said Barker, who did not attend the rally and spoke by phone from North Carolina. The organization lists Pelham, N.C., as its headquarters. Last year, the group drew headlines when it protested the removal of the Confederate flag from the South Carolina Capitol.

In total, 13 people were detained; six Klan members in connection with three stabbings and seven counter-protesters suspected of assaulting KKK members. All the injured were male. None was immediately identified.

The KKK has a long history in Anaheim. In the 1920s some Klansmen held elected office in the city, which was overwhelmingly white but now has a majority of Hispanics among its about 350,000 residents.

In January 2015, packets containing fliers condemning Martin Luther King Jr. and supporting the Ku Klux Klan were left in the driveways of about 40 homes in Santa Ana, about 8 miles south of Anaheim. The fliers opened with the heading "On Martin Luther King Day, you are celebrating a communist pervert." The bottom of the fliers stated they came from the "Loyal White Knights of the Ku Klux Klan."





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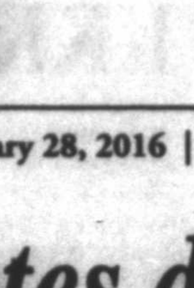
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OPINION

Trump demonstrates destructive nationalism

■ The American version of Putin would not help our nation's place in the world

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The main focus of Donald Trump's media coverage has been his populist disdain for elites. But his main focus has often been a strident version of American nationalism.

Trump has offered this explanation of his own ambitions: "The reason I'm thinking about [running for office]," he told the Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC) in 2011, "is that the United States has become a whipping post for the rest of the world. ... I deal with people from China, I deal with people from Mexico. They cannot believe what they're getting away with."

It is difficult to discern a foreign policy in Trump's oeuvre of rambling, extemporaneous speechmaking and Twitter pronouncements. He usually communicates without a hint of actual argument. But there is some consistency to his various statements.

Trump believes that American allies in Europe and Asia have become free riders that should defend themselves and pay their own way. He calls the U.S.-Japan Security Treaty unfair. In exchange for the protection of South Korea, he argues, "we get practically nothing." Mexico is "ripping us off" and purposely sending us criminals. It must be compelled to pay for a continent-wide wall. Trump proposes to "tax China for each bad act" and has raised the possibility of a 45 percent tariff. Vladimir Putin, in contrast, should be given a free hand in the Middle East to go after Sunni radicals and other opponents of the Syrian regime. And America should focus on killing terrorists as well as targeting their families for murder, apparently on the theory that war crimes are a demonstration of super-duper toughness.

As Trump's political prospects have improved, we are required to give these foreign policy views more serious analysis, which is more than Trump himself has done. When pressed on such issues in debates and interviews, he is utterly incoherent. A man who confuses the Quds (Iran's expeditionary military force) hasn't the slightest familiarity with current events in the Middle East. And it feels like we have, so far, explored only the fringes of his ignorance.

But it is the theory behind Trump's threats that is particularly dangerous. He is not an isolationist, in the Rand Paul sense. He is more of a Jacksonian (in Walter Russell Mead's typology) — preferring a strong America that is occasionally roused to kill its enemies but then returns home and avoids entangling international commitments. America, in this view, should vigorously pursue narrow national interests and seek to be feared rather than loved.

This conception of America's international role was common, before America had a serious international role. A Gallup poll from 1937 showed that 70 percent of Americans thought their intervention in World War I had been a mistake. In early 1940, as German intentions of conquest were clear, less than 10 percent thought America should send its military abroad.

But this view of America is as relevant to current affairs as political events in ancient Rome. "The great need today isn't to 'beat' core allies such as Mexico and Japan, while working with Vladimir Putin," George Mason University's Colin Dueck explains diplomatically. "On the contrary, the urgent need is to constrain aggressors such as Putin while supporting core U.S. allies like Mexico and Japan."

Less gently put, Trump would be a president who could not reliably tell America's enemies from its friends. He contemplates actions like weakening American security assurances to South Korea that might invite war (recall the outcome in 1950 of Secretary of State Dean Acheson's implication that South Korea was outside America's "defensive perimeter"). Trump promises actions — like forcing the Mexican government to fund the great wall of Trump — that are, in the formal language of international relations, loony, unhinged, bonkers. His move to impose massive tariffs against China would earn derisive laughter at the World Trade Organization; if he persisted anyway, it might blow up the global trading order and dramatically increase tensions in Asia.

A Jacksonian role for America is positively dangerous in a world where many threats — terrorism, pandemic disease, refugee flows, drug cartels — emerge in failed states and hopeless places. It has never been more evident that the success of America depends on an expanding system of free trade, free markets, democratic governance and strong alliances — upheld, in Asia, Europe and elsewhere, by American security guarantees.

Trump's version of American nationalism without reference to American principles is Putinism by another name. And it is just one more way that Trump would sully the spirit of the nation he seeks to lead.

OUR VIEW

Midland Center vote raises question: How much is too much?

How much money is too much for a project that doesn't require voter approval?

We don't ask this because the Midland City Council approved a schematic design option for the new Midland Center with an estimated cost of $42.3 million. We ask this question because this is the latest project that has breezed through local government with nothing more than a simple vote of representatives.

A little less than one decade ago, Midland County commissioners decided to build a new county courthouse and approved the spending from its reserves that would eclipse $30 million.

Over the years, there has been spending on the Horseshoe — using both certificates of obligation and reserves — that also eclipsed $30 million.

And now last week, city council members (by a 5-2 vote) followed the county's lead using a hotel-motel fund they said will support such an ambitious project. As is the case with most of the $100 million dedicated to city projects, the burden will not fall on the property owners inside Midland city limits.

The point we are making here has nothing to do with the worthiness of any of the three facilities. The Midland County Courthouse was needed, and we believe Midland County voters would have had no problem making such a determination. We also didn't hear any comments from elected officials that eligible voters in either Midland County or the city of Midland wouldn't have approved Horseshoe or new Midland Center facilities. So we have to believe that each elected representative voted believing eligible voters would also have approved those projects.

However, we have concerns with the concept that because elected officials have access to the revenues supported by taxes (no matter their form) that projects in the tens of millions of dollars don't warrant conversation with the entire community. Remember, we had at least two public forums (outside the city council meetings) on a texting-while-driving ban in Midland, but not one to discuss the Midland Center project.

It raises the question — how much is too much for elected boards to go with a simple vote? $50 million, $60 million, $70 million?

Maybe it is apples and oranges because elected boards have revenue sources that weren't there years and decades ago, but when tens of millions were needed to build a new terminal at Midland International Airport or when $35 million in bonds were needed to be financed to build the Scharbauer Sports Complex, Midlanders stepped up. The same can be said for two $100 million bond elections for the hospital and then the school district within the last decade. In those respective campaigns, concerned residents showed a need and voters responded overwhelmingly in the affirmative.

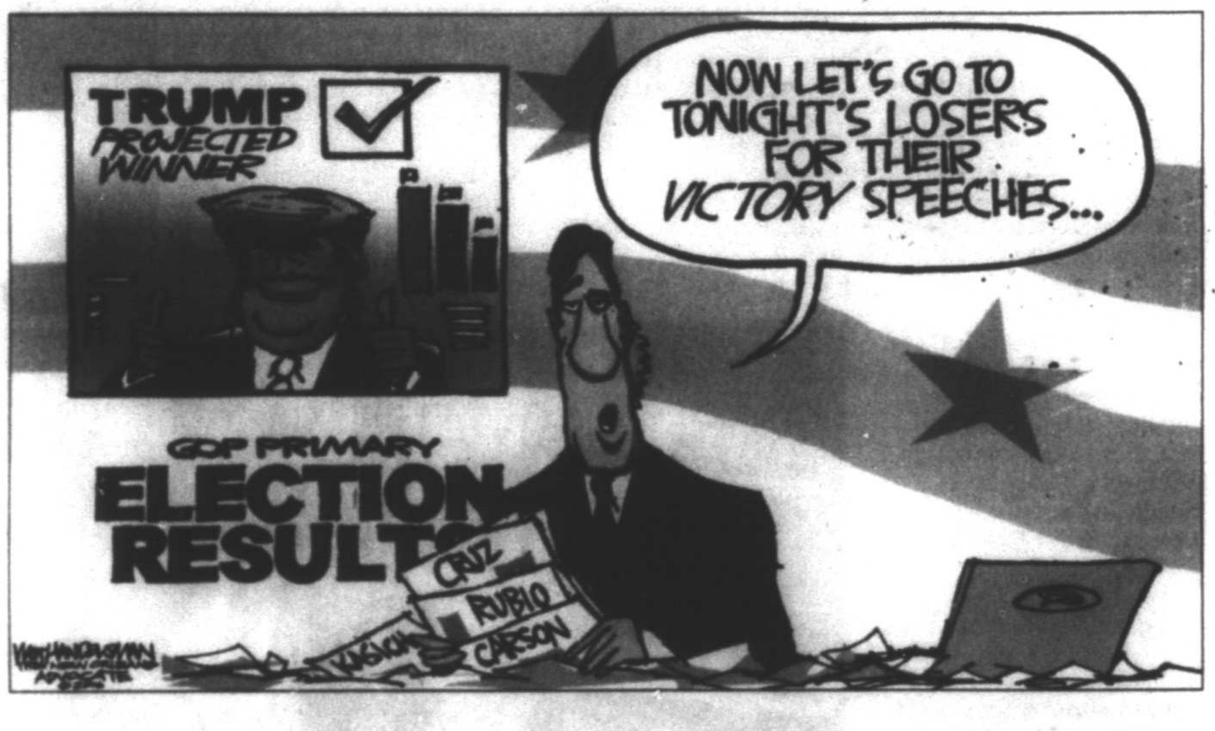
Maybe elected officials believe representative elections — including those without opposition — give them every right to make those decisions — no matter the cost. Last year, there were four city council positions set to go on the ballot. No one stepped up to run against the four incumbents (it is worth noting that two of those four voted against the schematic design). And the talk of building a new Midland Center started well before 2016, so people had opportunities to challenge sitting council members if Midland Center was a big enough issue.

Still, what's the amount that voters finally will say that elected officials have reached that limit? Is there a number? The $40 million threshold has been passed, so we can say we don't have a clue about what that number is. Do you?

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Have you completed the third grade? If so, this may be why you are having trouble understanding the appeal of Donald Trump.

At Thursday night's Republican presidential debate, Ben Carson delivered an opening statement about "the abyss of destruction." An analysis shows he was communicating at the level of a 10th-grader's comprehension. Marco Rubio, who spoke of "the identity of America in the 21st century," was also at the high-school level. Ted Cruz and John Kasich were at middle-school comprehension levels.

And then there was Trump — at a third-grade level:

"We don't win anymore ... We're going to make a great country again. We're going to start winning again. We're going to win a lot. It's going to be a big difference, believe me."

This was no anomaly. Some noticed Trump's peculiarly prosaic prose early in the campaign, but it has become even more pronounced: Simple words. Simple sentences. Simple concepts.

See Donald. See Donald run. See Donald win.

This would appear to confirm polling that indicates Trump draws much of his support from less-educated Americans; "I love the poorly educated," he said after his Nevada victory. This doesn't mean all Trump supporters are dumb. But he is communicating — deliberately, surely —at a much more rudimentary level than any other candidate in either party.

"He says five things," Rubio taunted Thursday night. "Everyone's dumb, he's gonna make America great again, we're going to win, win, win, he's winning in the polls ..."

But, on some primal level, it works. Americans — particularly those who are angry and anxious, as Trump's followers are — wish to be told that they will be OK, that there are simple answers. There is an obvious appeal to Trump's declarative statement on the Middle East — "I am totally pro-Israel" — rather than Cruz's Princetonian version: "The notion of neutrality is based upon the left buying into this moral relativism that is often pitched in the media."

One language gauge, the Flesch-Kincaid Grade Level Index measures sophistication by syllables per word and words per sentence. This is meant for written language, but applied to campaign speeches and debates, it gives a rough sense of the relative levels of candidates' rhetoric.

In speeches the night of the South Carolina primary, Cruz was at a ninth-grade level, Rubio at an eighth-grade level — and Trump at a fifth-grade level. In speeches after Nevada caucuses, Cruz and Democrat Bernie Sanders were at a ninth-grade level, Hillary Clinton was at seventh grade. And Trump? second grade:

"Oh boy."

"We love Nevada."

"Soon the country is going to start winning, winning, winning."

"Now we're going to get greedy for the United States. We're going to grab and grab and grab."

"We're going to bring in so much money and so much everything."

"We're going to build the wall. You know that. Going to build the wall."

"You're going to be proud of your president. And you're going to be even prouder of your country, OK?"

This is campaigning at the level of Captain Underpants, Geronimo Stilton and Rainbow Magic fairies. And it appears to be more effective among this season's Republican voters than, say, Carson, who spoke Thursday night about selecting judges by "the fruit salad of their life."

By contrast, there is no puzzling over Trump's meaning when he calls Cruz a "crazy zealot" or tells Rubio, "You don't know a thing about business — you lose on everything." Trump, asked for details of his budget plan, said, "We will cut so much your head will spin." His response to conservative radio host Hugh Hewitt when pressed at the debate about releasing tax returns: "First of all, very few people listen to your radio show — that's the good news."

Trump only rarely left the primary grades the entire debate. On illegal immigration he was in fifth grade. His views on Mitt Romney and on polling of Hispanics: fourth grade. His record as an employer? Third grade. Through it all, his vocabulary would have suited Dr. Seuss: "They will go out. They will come back. Some will come back. ... The wall just got 10 feet taller. ... We're going to make many cuts. ... We're going to get rid of so many different things."

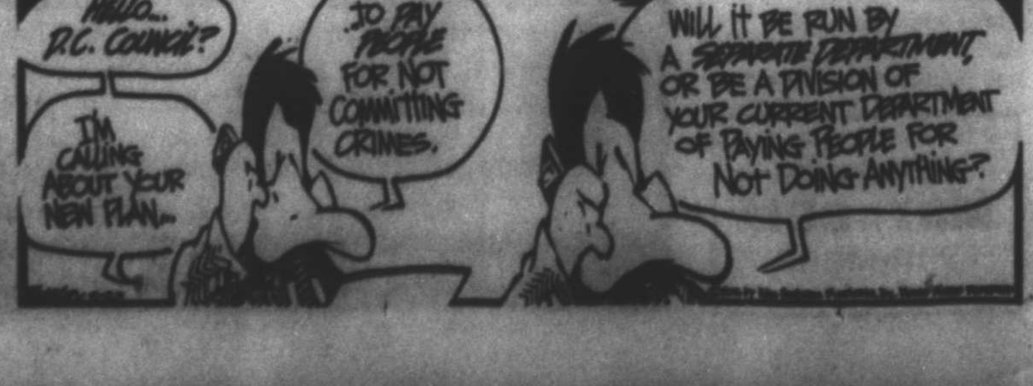
And he ended where he began — in third grade. "I will get it done," he said. "Politicians will never, ever get it done. And we will make America great again. Thank you."

Win, Donald, win. Grab, Donald, grab. See Donald make America great again.

From the Left | Doonesbury



From the Right | Mallard Fillmore



Council was right about election; extending tax still appropriate

Community Editorial Board

The Community Editorial Board has already endorsed the concept of extending a quarter-cent sales tax that can be put to good use improving Midland's parks, upgrading tournament facilities, helping to deal with infrastructure issues and fund future operations and maintenance at the Scharbauer Sports Complex.

That's why we don't have a problem with the Midland City Council delaying an election until at least November.

This campaign deserves more time than it was being afforded by setting an election this spring. Time is needed to paint a picture of what the tax -- which could raise as much as $10 million a year -- would offer our community.

Extra time would give city leaders a chance to produce ballot language more suitable for the electorate. The current ballot was too broad and raised too many questions in the minds of community members. Elections can be sidetracked not by what is said but by what was left unsaid, and up to this point what people didn't know was hurting the process.

There is now time to clarify the issue. There is time to show the entire community what extending a 4B tax can deliver to residents. There is time to answer those groups spreading inaccuracies about what they believe a future 4B is about. There is time to give Midlanders who are undecided reasons to vote for the 4B and silence the voices looking to oppose needed progress in our growing community.

Next year's budget season looks like it will be challenging. Property valuations are on the decline. Sales tax and revenue from minerals likely will not reach what we have seen in recent years. Saying no to the 4B will put some pressure on the Midland City Council to have to increase its general budget to afford the increase in expenses associated with the maintenance and operations at the Scharbauer Sports Complex (funded by the current 4B). And as we mentioned before, extending a 4B tax allows visitors to Midland to shoulder some of the burden for quality-of-place amenities.

We remind this community: A 4B election in November would be about maintaining the city's sales tax rate of 8.25 percent -- not increasing it. With what the 4B could deliver to the community, it's worth a lot more than the quarter for every $100 dollars spent.

Community Editorial Board

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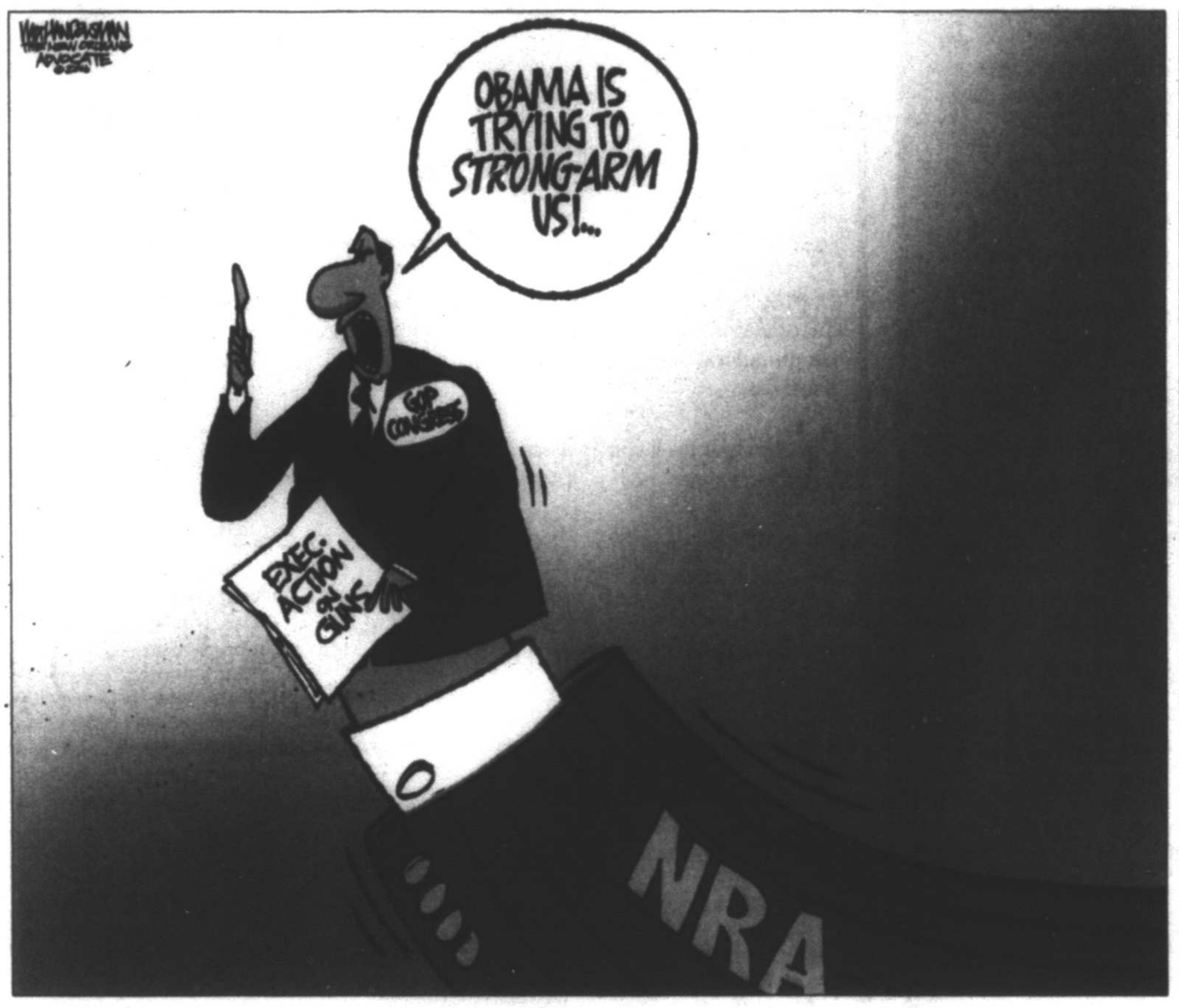
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Editor's note: Election candidate letters are on Page 4A.

Someone, please help with Industrial Road

Once again, West Industrial Road has been made more dangerous. Recently, a railcar derailed at Rockwater Solutions, and this spur had to be replaced. If anyone would take the time to go there and see this, it looks like the work of third-graders (no offense to them).

The rails are about 3 inches above the road surface making it dangerous when trucks and cars go over this. Not quite sure whose responsibility it is — the railroad or Rockwater Solutions — but we know how the railroad handles responsibility. Sure wish they had made an entrance to the bird sanctuary on this road as I am sure we then would have a new and improved West Industrial Road.

Would really like to hear from someone as to why the railroad and the city or county cannot agree to fix this road.

Mike Stewart

Let teachers fix education problems

The CEB editorial of Feb. 21 is an excellent call to action. My response is to suggest a simple first step: conversation.

The editorial endorses the common-sense idea that all of us share a responsibility for our present circumstances. All must participate in the solution and all must be involved in developing solutions. One thing that is not addressed is the role of teachers in the solution.

As a teacher for more than 40 years, I believe that teachers must have a real voice in the solutions that Midland may find to improve education. Teachers are the most qualified to provide real solutions that students face each day. They deal with the students, the distractions and the obstacles each day. They live these problems. Teachers see the impact of unnecessary regulations and poor teaching culture. Teachers are uniquely placed to isolate key things that block learning. Perhaps, most important, they experience the things that work. Teachers are in the awkward position of having little voice in how schools are organized.

We need to ask teachers for learning solutions. Give teachers the opportunity to give unfettered feedback about their situation and how it might be improved. Organize a culture that expects and demands that teachers are constantly encouraged to share their ideas. Reward teachers and administrators who provide feedback for improvement. One meeting will not change the culture for learning in Midland. The answer to improving our schools here in Midland is a continuous and open conversation about how to make schools more effective, each day, in every school in our city.

Treat our teachers as the valued professionals that they are. Teachers care about students and how to help them learn. Our greatest resource is the expertise and the experience of every teacher in our city.

Joe Willis

Let's enforce our traffic laws

Here is just a way to show how lazy the police department is. Same goes with the sign on Deauville, near Avalon, and everywhere else they're at. If you see flashing red and blue lights, don't panic; it's very likely just TxDOT out doing road construction, and not the police department doing a traffic stop. If they really took complaints seriously, they would need to sit there awhile and clock radar. Do they even have radar? Are you even required to work traffic, if so, on what days?

From what I've seen, all these speed-controlled signs I see are just a legal way to test what your car can do. You can rest assured the police won't enforce anything. If only someone would realize how the accident rate would decline if traffic laws were strictly enforced. They don't work enough (or hardly any at all) traffic to enforce anything, so running red lights, speeding well above the limit is a daily practice because people are comfortable and are positive that the police won't do anything about it. Setting up a real speed trap would take a ridiculous amount of effort that they're not willing to put forth. The city has obviously never heard of red-light cameras. They don't know the steps and procedures to take to make sure the roads around here are safe to travel on.

Do they even know where the dangerous intersections are where red lights are blown daily and areas where the speed limit is totally disregarded? Surely they don't care much. They waste money on these Tahoes with invisible decals thinking it will do any good. Why not buy a Chevy Camaro or Dodge Challenger, leave the decals completely off and just throw some lights on it. Imagine how many people they'd surprise when lights are activated when thinking it's not the police. Midland has a weird way to enforce traffic laws and not one works. They're just too lazy to use the manpower to do anything themselves, so they use signs like these thinking it's doing every bit of good.

Daniel Petrusaitis

Don't fall victim to roofer scam

A man came to my door claiming that he had been working on the house across the alley. I hadn't seen anyone working. He said that he noticed the flashing on my chimney was loose and some shingles loose. I asked him for a business card, but he didn't have one. There was a woman in the pickup. I told him I would call my insurance company. He said I probably had a $1,000 deductible and he would only charge me $250 to fix it right now. He claimed to have the same shingles as my house on his truck and all the materials. I told him no thanks because my roof is almost new and would still be under warranty. He said his father was the owner of a roofing company.

After he left, I called my insurance company, and they told me to get an estimate if there was really damage. I looked up the company he told me his father owned. There was one review and it told about a man who got $600 from an 84-year-old woman in Odessa. There was nothing wrong with her roof.

A reputable roofer just said my roof looks great.

Barbara Cornell

MCT's opening musical to continue

On behalf of the volunteers, board and staff of Midland Community Theatre, I would like to thank Midland and the Permian Basin for your amazing support of our 2016 opening musical – "Disney's The Little Mermaid." Despite the downturn in the oil economy in the Permian Basin, sold-out audiences have turned out for our public performances, and we have added extra performances to meet the overall demand.

Our talented and hard-working staff and volunteers started the process of putting together this show in November, and MCT could not have produced this wonderful musical without these remarkable volunteers – both onstage and backstage. If you know someone involved in the show, I hope you will take the time to thank them for their hard work and dedication on behalf of our community theater. If you haven't had a chance to see the show yet, you still have the extra weekend of added performances – March 4 and 5. See you at the Midland Community Theatre.

Tim Jebsen

Letters policy

- There is a 350-word limit; candidate letters have a 200-word limit.
- Letters must be submitted to letters@mrt.com.
- Deadline is noon Thursdays for the following Sunday.
- Reporter-Telegram policy limits individuals to one letter in a 30-day period.
- Letter-writers should include phone number and address. Failure to do so could delay letter's publication.

In pro-gun Texas, a candidate needs firepower

Leonid Bershidsky
Bloomberg View

As Alfonso Sanchez, an instructor at 360 Tactical Training in Houston, gave me my first handgun shooting lesson with a Glock 17, talk turned to the candidates in the 2016 elections. Texas votes on Super Tuesday, and guns are going to be an important issue in the state that will provide the Republican winner with the most delegates on March 1.

Sanchez, 28, who hadn't voted in 2008 or 2012 because he'd been deployed in U.S. Navy operations against drug smugglers, dismissed the Democrats out of hand. Hillary Clinton, he says, ought not to be allowed even to run given how she handled classified information; if Sanchez voted this time around, he says it would be to keep Clinton out. As for the Republicans, Ted Cruz seems to have a decent stance on firearms from Sanchez's point of view, but he isn't sure about Marco Rubio.

"He owns a Taurus," Sanchez's colleague contributed to the conversation through the open door of the shooting range's office. "Ah well, that's a crap gun," the instructor shook his head. "Brazilian. It'll go bang, of course, but it's just a bad design."

So much for Rubio.

Texas, where big urban areas lack a strong gun culture, doesn't have the nation's highest gun ownership rate — Alaska does, followed by some other sparsely populated rural states. Yet 35.7 percent of Texans own firearms, more than the national average of 29.1 percent. Also, it's a conservative state, and even people who don't own guns often feel strongly about their right to do so. A gun dealer in the Houston area, to whom I will refer simply as David because he asked me not to mention his last name or his store, recounts how the store saw a spike in demand for assault rifles while the Democrats still controlled the Senate, soon after President Barack Obama's election in 2008: "People thought this might be their last chance to buy one."

"Second Amendment issues will play an important part in this election in Texas," says Brandon Rottinghaus, an associate professor at the University of Houston. "Candidates will say similar things, and it'll matter how vehemently they say them."

The candidates are already at it. Cruz, expected to do well in Texas because he's local, tells his audiences that a liberal president will pick a Supreme Court judge who will reverse the court's decision in favor of individual gun ownership and only make it possible for members of a militia. Donald Trump says if Parisians had been allowed to buy guns freely, fewer people would have died in the Nov. 13 terror attacks. Rubio, the owner of the wrong gun, is less vehement than the others, but he, too, says gun control laws have proven ineffective.

Both Cruz and Trump overstate their case. According to D. Theodore Rave of the University of Houston Law Center, it is highly unlikely that the Supreme Court will overturn the relatively recent District of Columbia vs. Heller ruling that affirmed individual gun ownership, even if a liberal jurist takes the place of Antonin Scalia. And though Texas has some of the mildest gun laws in the U.S. — the Brady Campaign gave it the lowest possible grade in 2013 — people entering a concert venue like le Bataclan in Paris, where 89 people were killed, wouldn't have been allowed to carry guns here.

Yet David the gun dealer sees allies in Trump and Cruz. To him, gun freedoms are the most divisive issue in the U.S. since slavery. He swears by law-abiding citizens' ability to carry weapons.

"Criminals are looking for victims, and they don't go where people may be armed, " he says. "That's why they shoot up schools and not police stations."

In his line of work, David says, he meets a growing number of worried people. His shop has a hunting specialization, but more and more people are coming in to buy handguns for self-defense, worried about incidents such as the San Bernardino shooting. David sounds mildly paranoid himself.

"I went into this army and navy supply store in my area," he said. "There's a picture of an imam on the wall, and the owner wears what I would describe as Pakistani dress. And all the prices are so high that I have to wonder, is this really a business or a front for something?"

As someone living in Germany, with its tough gun laws, I find it hard to see eye-to-eye with him. In our part of the world, people don't get shot up as often as in the U.S. I can't even buy the argument that where one can't go into a store and buy a handgun for less than $300, murderers use other means.

In Germany, only 24 percent of homicides are committed with firearms, and in neighboring Austria, only 10 percent, compared with 60 percent in the U.S., according to the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. More importantly, the German homicide rate is just 0.8 percent per 100,000 residents, less than one-fifth of the Texan rate. It's much harder to stick someone with a knife or hit them with a brick than to fire a gun in anger. Countries with comparable per capita economic output have fewer murders if they have fewer guns.

It's harder to argue with pro-gun Texans about U.S. gun laws, though. Because the Second Amendment is sacred like the rest of the U.S. constitution, and it's politically impossible to attack it, especially in conservative states, authorities are constantly coming up with nuisance measures that are hard to square with common sense.

"Limits on the magazine size don't solve the problem of violence," David says. "It doesn't take 32 bullets to kill someone; one will do it."

HIV SERVICES PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION

Under the auspices of the Texas Department of State Health Services, StarCare Specialty Health System (formerly Lubbock Regional MHMR Center) serves as the HIV Services Administrative Agency (AA) for the following HIV service funds: Ryan White Part B, State Services, and Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS (HOPWA). The primary role of the Administrative Agency is to manage the funds and monitor the provision of HIV services in a fifty-eight (58) county area, referred to as PanWest, that includes Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland, and Odessa.

The following documents are posted at www.panwest.org in the Download section:

1) 2014-2017 Comprehensive Plan for HIV Services: This is an overview of goals and services.

2) Community Input Plan: This lists multiple ways that the AA uses to get feedback from the community.

3) 2015-2016 Priorities & Allocations: This is a breakdown of how funds are split into the HIV service categories. For the Permian Basin area, Basin Assistance Services (BAS) is the agency that receives funds.

Your comments, questions, and concerns are welcome about the three documents. You may remain anonymous. If you do not have access to a computer, please call the AA to request a copy of the documents.

Please refer questions, comments and concerns to the HIV Services Administrative Agency as follows:

By mail: StarCare Specialty Health System, HIV Services Administrative Agency
P.O. Box 2828, Lubbock, TX 79408-2828

By phone: (806) 766-0308 or toll-free (800) 658-6198 ext. 308 (English and Spanish)

By e-mail: msalazar@starcarelubbock.org or bfernandez@starcarelubbock.org

By attending a meeting:

March 2, 2016 at 10:00am at
Basin Assistance Services
1330 East 8th, 2nd Floor Breakroom
Odessa, Texas

For assistance getting HIV services, please call the AA for the agency contact information in your area.

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INFORMACIÓN DE SERVICIOS DE VIH PARA COMENTARIO PÚBLICO

Bajo los auspicios del Departamento de Estado de Servicios de Salud de Texas (Texas Dept. of State Health Services), StarCare Specialty Health System (antes Centro Regional de MHMR de Lubbock) sirve como la Agencia Administrativa de Servicios de VIH (AA) para los siguientes fondos de servicio del VIH: Ryan White Parte B, Servicios del Estado y oportunidades de vivienda para las personas con SIDA (HOPWA por sus siglas en inglés). La función principal de la Agencia Administrativa es administrar los fondos y la prestación de servicios de VIH en 58 condados, en la área llamada PanWest, que incluye las áreas de Amarillo, Lubbock, Midland y Odessa.

Los siguientes documentos se publican en www.panwest.org en la sección de descarga (Download):

1) Plan Integral de Atención de la Salud de Servicios de VIH de 2014 - 2017 (2014-2017 Comprehensive HIV Services Health Care Plan): un resumen de los servicios de VIH y objetivos para el área.

2) Plan Para Obtener Información de las Comunidad (Community Input Plan): muestra múltiples formas que la AA utiliza para obtener comentarios y información de la comunidad.

3) Prioridades y Asignaciones (Priorities & Allocations): un desglose de la forma de financiación que se divide en las categorías de servicio del VIH. La agencia que recibirá fondos es Permian Basin Community Centers Basin Assistance Services (BAS) para el área de Midland y Odessa.

Le invitamos que envie su opinión, comentarios, o preguntas tocante los documentos. Se aceptan comentarios anónimos. Si no tiene acceso a una computadora, por favor llame a la AA para solicitor una copia gratuita de los documentos.

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Atender una junta pública: 2 de marzo de 2016 a las 10:00am
en Basin Assistance Services
1330 East 8th, Segundo Piso (breakroom)
Odessa, Texas

Para asistencia con servicios de VIH, por favor llame a la AA para información de la agencia en su área.

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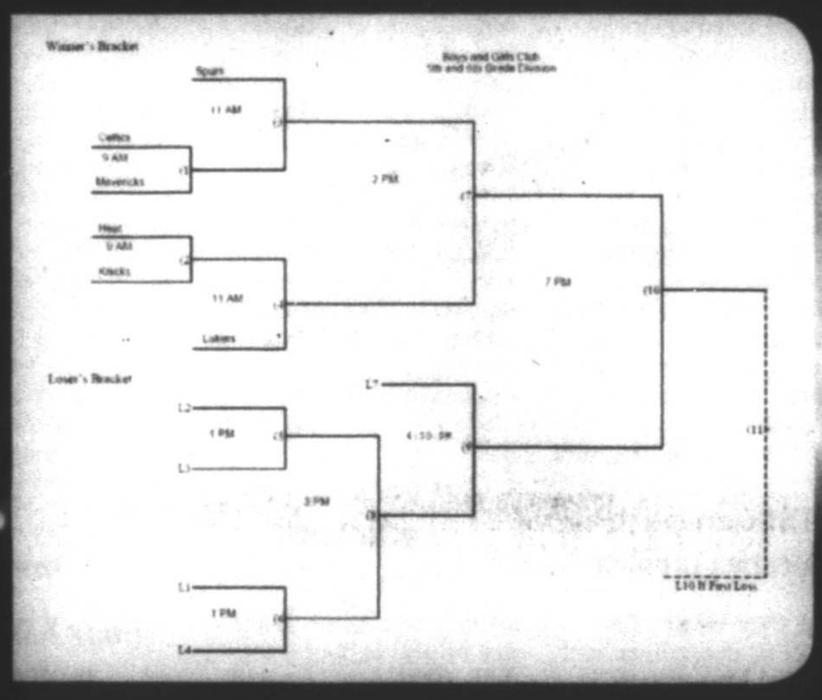
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High: 83 Low: 49	High: 73 Low: 45	High: 77 Low: 48

Local forecast

The National Weather Service is calling for above-normal highs and lows for the next six days. The isn't any rain in the forecast.

The record high for Feb. 27 is 84 set in 2011. The record low is 17 set in 1934. On Feb. 27 of last year, the high was 27 and the low was 19.

Environment brief

Mexico documents big rebound in monarch butterflies

MEXICO CITY — Monarch butterflies have made a big comeback in their wintering grounds in Mexico, after suffering serious declines, experts said Friday.

The area covered by the orange-and-black insects in the mountains west of Mexico City this season was more than three and a half times greater than last winter. The butterflies clump so densely in the pine and fir forests they are counted by the area they cover rather than by individual insects.

Precipitation

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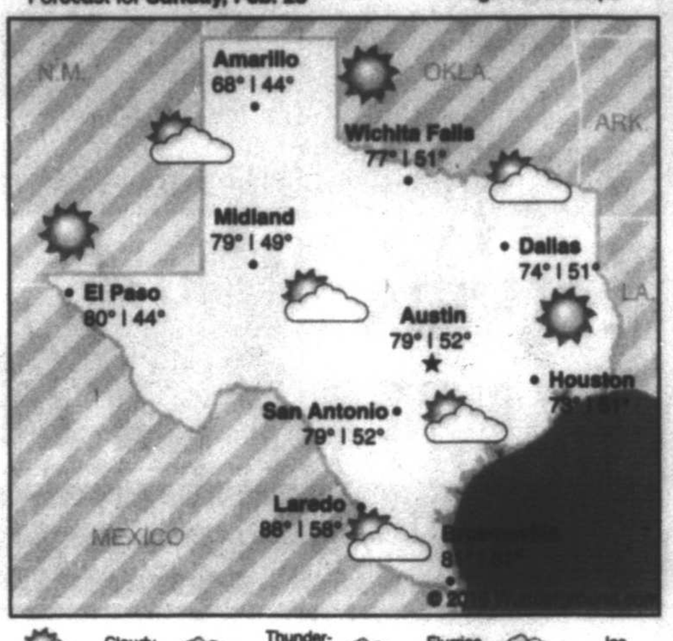
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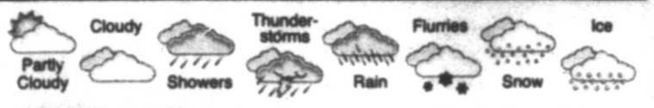
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Today's Forecast

Forecast for Sunday, Feb. 28

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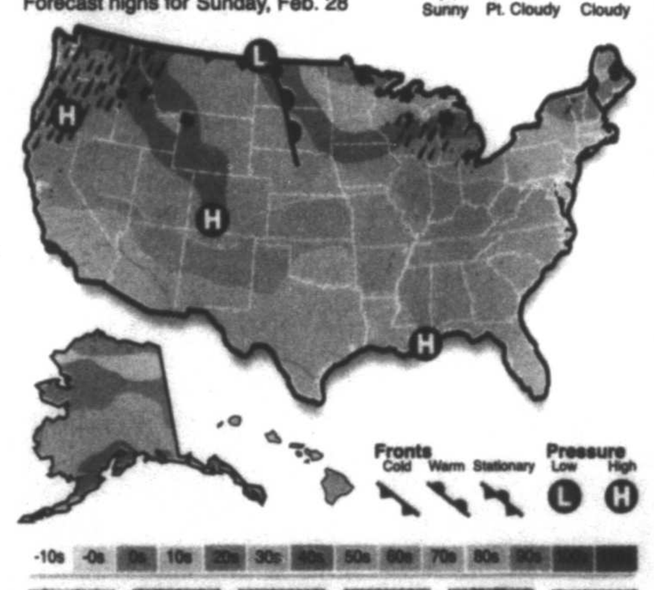




National forecast

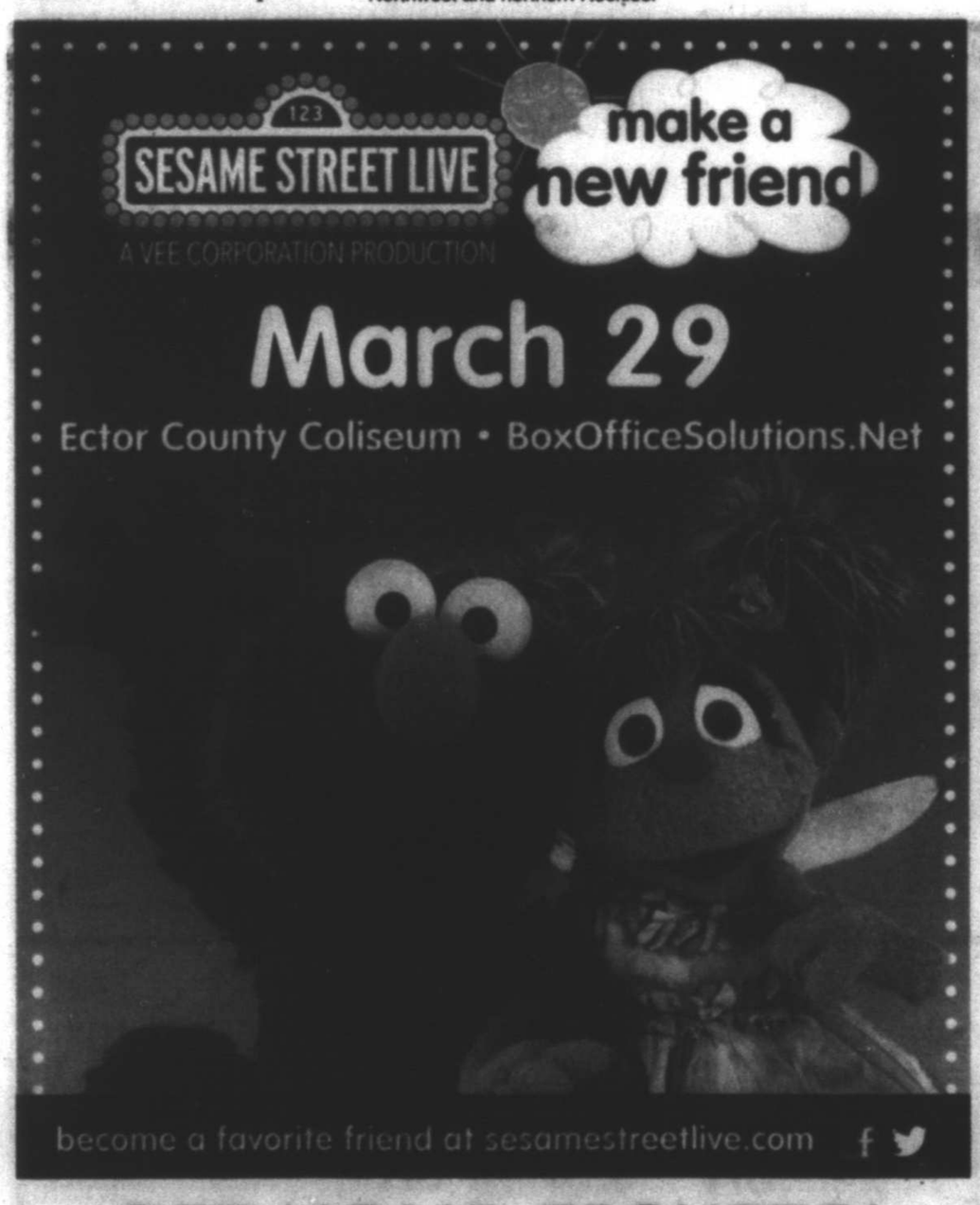
Forecast highs for Sunday, Feb. 28

Sunny Pt. Cloudy Cloudy



Rain And Snow From Upper Midwest To Northeast

Rain and snow will be possible from the Upper Midwest to the Northeast. The Ohio and Mississippi Valleys will have a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Rain and snow are expected in the Northwest and northern Rockies.



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Associated Press

ABOVE: In this photo taken Feb. 18, in New York, Julie Zhuo, product design director at Facebook, demonstrates the new emoji-like stickers customers will be able to press in addition to the like button. Facebook's 'like' button is getting some company, as the company rolls out alternatives worldwide after testing in a few countries. This photo shows the "wow" option. BELOW: Zhuo shows the "angry" option.



Facebook's 'like' button gets 'angry' and 'sad' as friends

By Anick Jesdanun
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Facebook's "like" button isn't going away, but it's about to get some company.

Facebook has been testing alternatives to "like" in about a half dozen countries, including Ireland, Spain and Japan. On Wednesday, Facebook started making "haha," "angry" and three other responses available in the U.S. and the rest of the world.

In changing a core part of Facebook — the 7-year-old "like" button has become synonymous with the social network — the company said it tried to keep things familiar. The thumbs up "like" button will look just as it long has, without the other choices cluttering the screen or confusing people. You have to hold that button or mouse over the "like" link for a second or two for the alternatives to pop up.

Here are seven things to know about Facebook's latest feature, known as Reactions.

What's not to like

When a friend posts that his father has died, or a cousin gets frustrated with her morning commute, hitting "like" might seem insensitive. Users have long requested a "dislike" button, but that was deemed too negative and problematic. Are you disliking the death or the call for sympathy?

Facebook chose to offer more nuanced reactions — "love," "haha," "wow," "sad" and "angry" — alongside "like" — to give users "greater control over their expressivity," says Julie Zhuo, Facebook's product design director.

Why these choices?

Facebook went through comments on friends' posts, as well as emoji-like stickers people were using. It chose the most common ones and tested those. Facebook considered dozens of reactions — but offering them all would have been confusing. Think of having to flip through pages and pages of emojis: Do you want one wink, a tear, a full frown or a half frown?

Facebook ultimately chose these six reactions for their universal appeal — something that could be understood around the world. Even a generic happy face "was a little bit ambiguous and harder for people to understand," Zhuo says.

Each reaction comes with an animated emoji, such as the thumbs up for "like" and a heart for "love." These emojis will look the same around the world, but phrases such as "love" will be translated.

'Like' still takes center stage

Zhuo says people click on "like" more than a billion times a day, so "we didn't want to make that any harder." It's still the go-to reaction for most posts. But Zhuo says in the countries tested, people used the alternatives more frequently over time.

How to get started

The rollout is expected to take a few days to complete. You'll get the feature automatically on Web browsers, but you'll need to update your app on iPhones and Android devices (no word yet on Windows and BlackBerry).

Facebook already shows how many people like a post and lets you tap or click on the count for a list of people. With Reactions, you see how many people have reacted in some way, along with the top three reactions, such as "love" followed by "haha" and "wow." You can get breakdowns for each reaction — the total and specific people. If you don't update your app, you'll just see the number of likes.

Once you have this, you can start marking older posts as "wow" or "sad," too.

A happy bias?

Facebook has a complex formula for deciding which of your friends' posts are more prominent. Ones that get a lot of likes, for instance, will tend to show up higher. Now, posts marked "angry" or "wow" will bump up, too.

But Facebook wants to show what it thinks you're most interested in — and that might ultimately mean mostly happy posts, rather than ones that evoke sadness or anger. Zhuo says Facebook will tweak its formulas based on how people respond.

Express that anger

These alternative reactions are for all posts, including those from groups and brands. A company won't be able to block the ability to mark its posts with anger.

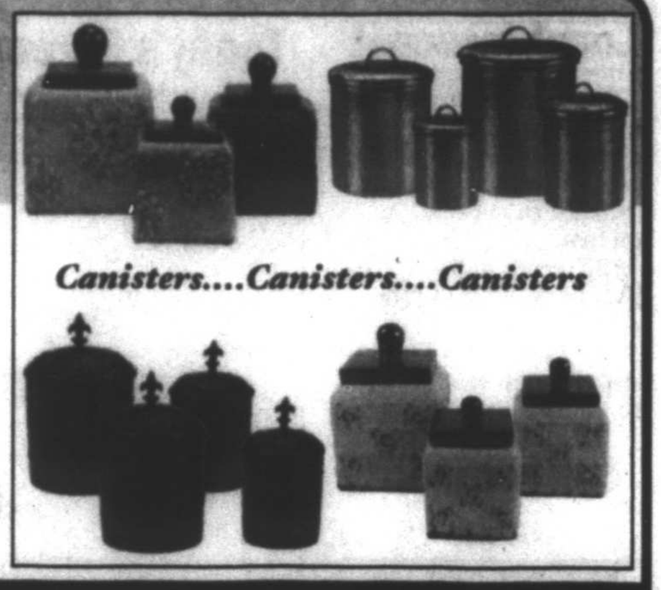
It took a year to develop

Why so long? Besides deciding on how many and which specific reactions to offer, Facebook needed to figure out the right way for people to discover and use it. For instance, a menu might have been harder to find, while offering all six buttons up front might have made it harder to just quickly "like" a post and move on. Zhuo says CEO Mark Zuckerberg pushed for the long-press method as a balance.

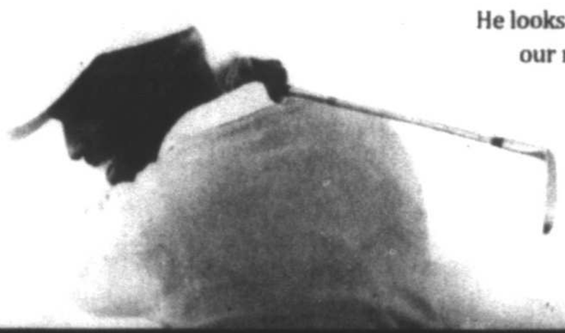
The feature is expected to evolve over time, and Facebook may add or change choices based on feedback.

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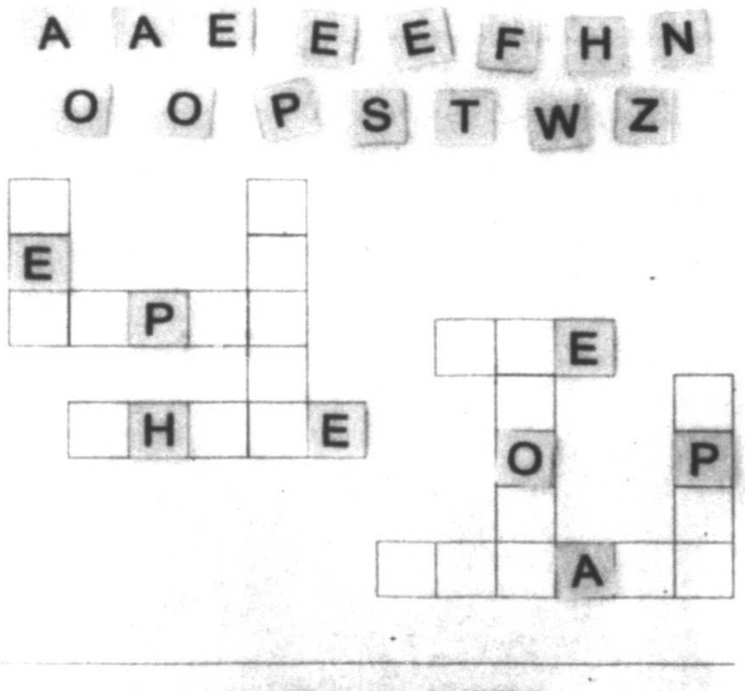
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This photo released by Universal Pictures shows Min-Sik Choi, center in a scene from "Lucy." Movies make more money when exactly half the cast is non-white, according an annual analysis released Thursday that shows an even stronger connection between diversity and profits and suggests how profoundly out of touch the motion picture academy is when giving Oscars only to white actors.

UCLA study: Movies make more money when half the cast is white

By Ryan Nakashima
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Movies make more money when exactly half their casts are non-white, according to an annual analysis released Thursday that shows an increasing demand for diversity in film.

In previous years, movies did better at the box office if two or three of the top eight billed actors were non-white. In 2014, four of eight was the magic number, ticket sales show.

"These aren't momentary glitches. It's the handwriting on the wall." and it points to how profoundly out of touch the motion picture academy is when giving Oscars only to white actors, said Darnell Hunt, who directs the Ralph J. Bunche Center for African American Studies at the University of California, Los Angeles.

The Bunche Center has taken a close look at each year's top-grossing films since 2011, grouping each movie according to how many non-white actors hold the top eight roles, and calculating the median global haul of each level of diversity.

The best performers, with a median ticket revenue of $122.2 million, turned out to be movies in which half the main cast was non-white. That's more than double the $52.6 million median haul for films with no non-white actors in the top eight. Films where more than half the principal actors were non-white also did worse, with a median of $52.4 million.

Casts with non-whites in four of the eight top roles also provided the best return on investment, delivering ticket sales that were 3.4 times the films' budgets, on average.

The study points to "Lucy," a science-fiction film with Morgan Freeman, Min-sik Choi and Amr Waked in prominent roles alongside Scarlett Johansson, grossing $444 million worldwide according to IMDb.com; and "Annie," with Jamie Foxx cast as Daddy Warbucks and Quvenzhane Wallis as the orphan, with Cameron Diaz in a supporting role. That multiethnic update of the classic musical made $119 million, according to IMDB.com.

And for franchises like the widely hailed "Fast and Furious" — which has swallowed $3.9 billion in global ticket sales — marketing campaigns and posters have purposefully played up the multiracial casts of the seven movies.

"The main payoff is always going to be the seven people on that poster," said Kenny Gravillis, chief creative director and co-founder of movie marketing company Gravillis Inc. "The diversity of that ensemble, you feel like it adds to the box office. Absolutely."

Not every box-office hit has a hugely diverse cast — you have to scan down to the eighth listed actor to find Chinese actress Bingbing Li in 2014's top-selling movie, "Transformers: Age of Extinction," which made $1.1 billion worldwide.

But that may be changing — especially with actors who can draw crowds outside the U.S. and Canada. Overseas audiences represented 72 percent of the total global box office of $36.4 billion in 2014, up from 66 percent just four years earlier.

China alone is on pace to overtake the U.S. as the world's largest movie market in a few short years. The trend has given rise to direct appeals to Chinese audiences, with filmmakers inserting scenes with Chinese actors in a handful of recent films, including "Mission Impossible: Rogue Nation" and "Iron Man 3."

Diversity must play a role in Oscar show, but not the lead

By Sandy Cohen
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Today's Academy Awards promise a three-way race for best picture, performances by Lady Gaga, Sam Smith and the Weeknd, and the likelihood of first Oscar wins ever for Leonardo DiCaprio and Sylvester Stallone.

But no one is talking about it.

Oscar host Chris Rock and telecast producers Reginald Hudlin and David Hill — who would typically be promoting the show this week to inspire tune-in — have gone silent. Academy officials are staying mum. Hollywood's diversity issue is dominating buzz, demanding airtime and threatening to overwhelm the industry's biggest night.

That leaves Hudlin and Hill with the unenviable challenge of presenting a show celebrating the best of the movie business when its worst features have been in focus. The producers declined interview requests from The Associated Press, as did Rock and film academy representatives.

It's fair to expect Rock — who called Hollywood "a white industry" in a 2014 essay — to address the diversity issue up front, and industry experts say he's perfectly suited for the job.

Hollywood's lack of diversity has taken center stage since last month's Oscar nominations revealed a second consecutive year of all-white acting contenders.

Producers have assembled a diverse array of presenters for today's show, including Morgan Freeman, Sofia Vergara, Kevin Hart, Whoopi Goldberg, Sarah Silverman, Tina Fey, Kerry Washington, Quincy Jones and "Star Wars: The Force Awakens" director J.J. Abrams and star Daisy Ridley. Last year's winners Eddie Redmayne, Patricia Arquette, J.K. Simmons, Julianne Moore, John Legend and Common are also set to appear.

Then there are the nominees, who've been somewhat overshadowed this awards season by the industry's larger issues. "The Revenant" leads with 12 nominations, including best picture, and it's locked in a three-way battle with the investment dramedy "The Big Short" and the journalism tale "Spotlight" for the night's top prize. Other contenders are "Bridge of Spies," "Brooklyn," "The Martian," "Room" and "Mad Max: Fury Road."

The leading best-picture nominees split the guild awards: "Spotlight" claimed the Screen Actors Guild's top prize, "The Big Short" won with producers and "The Revenant" brought Alejandro Inarritu a second consecutive Directors Guild of America award. Many academy voters are also guild members, which means Inarritu could also take home his second directing Oscar.

He's up against Adam McKay ("The Big Short"), Tom McCarthy ("Spotlight"), George Miller ("Mad Max: Fury Road") and Lenny Abrahamson ("Room").

DiCaprio ("The Revenant") and Brie Larson ("Room") have swept the acting categories at other awards shows this season and are favored to win on Sunday. DiCaprio faces Redmayne ("The Danish Girl"), Bryan Cranston ("Trumbo"), Matt Damon ("The Martian") and Michael Fassbender ("Steve Jobs"). Larson is nominated alongside Cate Blanchett ("Carol"), Jennifer Lawrence ("Joy"), Charlotte Rampling ("45 Years") and Saoirse Ronan ("Brooklyn").

Regardless of what the Oscars' host and producer may add to the diversity conversation, they plan to present the traditional 24 awards and feature musical performances.



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Re: Will Lundy

To the Editor:

Midland County is fortunate to have two qualified candidates running for District Attorney. This is an important position for our community. We need someone to enforce the law and that person also has to have the judgment to make the punishment fit the crime as well as the judgment to know when a case should not be pursued or a lesser charge brought. This is a delicate balance. A great assistant DA has to be a good trial lawyer but the DA also has the final responsibility for the charges to file and the punishment sought. This decision is often unpopular one way or the other. Having considered the candidates, their qualifications, as well as their maturity and judgment, I believe that Will Lundy is the better choice and most qualified. I endorse Will Lundy and urge Midlanders to vote for him.

Sincerely,

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I had the pleasure of serving the State as a Justice on the Eleventh Court of Appeals for several years. I have always been appreciative of our law enforcement officers and those who serve in the criminal justice system. I quickly learned, however, how difficult a job these individuals have and their importance to our society as a whole. T.V. shows and movies often glamorize a prosecutor's job by focusing on a dramatic courtroom moment. What I learned is that prosecutors not only must work hard to handle the workload; they must exercise considerable discretion when deciding which cases to prosecute, what indictments to seek, and when to resolve a case before trial. This later decision is particularly important because no district attorney has unlimited resources. Those resources must be wisely utilized. This type of discretion requires experience. I believe that we are extremely lucky to have the choice of candidates that we have been given but in my opinion, Will Lundy has the experience and judgment necessary to effectively, fairly, and efficiently operate the District Attorney's office. I hope that you will join me in voting for Will Lundy in the Republican Primary.

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Poll: Texans favor background checks on gun sales

By Ross Ramsey
Texas Tribune

Texas voters overwhelmingly support mental and criminal background checks on all gun purchases in the United States — including gun shows and private sales, according to the latest University of Texas/Texas Tribune Poll.

More than half — 54 percent — "strongly support" those checks, and another 24 percent said they "somewhat support" them. Only 17 percent said they oppose those restrictions.

Support varied from one group to another, but virtually every subset of the electorate favors the checks: 92 percent of liberals, 86 percent of moderates, 66 percent of conservatives; 76 percent of whites, 89 percent of blacks, 82 percent of Hispanics; 71 percent of men, 85 percent of women. There was a distinction among conservative voters: Among those who identify more with the Republican Party, 79 percent favor background checks. But among those who identify with the tea party, 48 percent favor the checks, and 51 percent oppose them.

Most Texas voters said they are not particularly alarmed by the state's new open carry law, which allows people with concealed handgun licenses to carry their weapons publicly without concealing them, though there were significant differences among racial and ethnic groups.

While 37 percent said that new law makes them feel "less safe" than before, 22 percent said they feel "more safe" and 34 percent said open carry has "no effect" on their feelings of safety. The law took effect on Jan. 1.

Republican and independent voters were most likely to say they feel no effect from the change, while 62 percent of Democrats said the law makes them feel less safe. Among voters who identify with the tea party, 46 percent said they feel more safe since the new law took effect.

Black (61 percent) and Hispanic voters (50 percent) said they feel less safe. Only 28 percent of white voters said the same.

"It shows some of the shades of ambiguity. There is a default position among a lot of conservatives for whom this is not a front-and-center issue: That (position) is 'no effect,'" said Jim Henson, director of the Texas Politics Project at the University of Texas at Austin and co-director of the

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60 YEARS OF PHILANTHROPY



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Midlanders enjoy the 60th annual Downtown Lion's Club Pancake Jamboree on Saturday at the Lions Club Center.



Scalia's death could alter upcoming abortion ruling

By Mark Sherman and Kim Chandler
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court challenge to a Texas law that has dramatically reduced the number of abortion clinics in the state is the justices' most significant case on the hot-button issue in nearly a quarter-century.

One of this election-year term's biggest cases will be argued Wednesday before a court altered by the death of Justice Antonin Scalia. He was perhaps the most vociferous abortion opponent among the nine justices.

The Texas law has been replicated across the South and elsewhere, part of a wave of state abortion restrictions in the past five years.

States mainly led by Republicans have tried to limit when in a pregnancy abortions can be performed, restricted abortion-inducing drugs that take the place of surgery and increased standards for clinics and the doctors who work in them.

The Supreme Court case involves that last category. A Texas law enacted in 2013 requires doctors who perform abortions to have admitting privileges at nearby hospitals. It also prohibits clinics from providing abortions unless they meet the standards of outpatient or ambulatory surgical centers.

The high court has partially blocked those measures. If allowed to take full effect, all but 10 clinics in Texas would have to close. There would be no abortion providers in the state's rural areas or west of San Antonio. The only clinic in the Rio Grande Valley would be allowed to remain open on a limited basis. Before the law was passed, there were roughly 40 clinics in the state. About half have closed.

The case offers competing views of how to protect women's health. The clinics contend abortions are safer than many other medical procedures that are less stringently regulated and that the clinic regulations have only one purpose: to reduce the availability of abortions.

"These laws are tantamount to an outright ban for too many," said Amy Hagstrom Miller, chief executive of Whole Woman's Health, which operates clinics in Texas and other states.

Defenders of the laws in Texas and elsewhere argue that states have discretion to take steps to make abortions safer. Alabama and other states backing Texas told the Supreme Court that states were within their rights to apply health regulations to clinics for the sake of patients.

"Obviously, I'm pro-life, and I would like to limit the number of abortions, but here we were looking at women's health and safety," said Republican Gov. Robert Bentley of Alabama, a doctor who signed his state's admitting privileges

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Tiny Valentine's annual party draws big crowds

By John MacCormack
San Antonio Express-News

VALENTINE — Whistles blaring and engines blowing, the freight trains stacked high with containers barrel through town around the clock, constant reminders of why this fading settlement was created back in the 1880s.

But it's been decades since crews were stationed here or any train made a regular stop, and Valentine has been in decline since the 1950s.

With the school district down to 44 kids and fewer than 100 people living in town, some wonder if it will share the fate of Lobo, a lifeless, remnant settlement just down U.S. 90.

But once a year, on Valentine's Day, the tiny city that calls itself "Love Station" puts such dreary thoughts aside, as hundreds of people come from afar to share music, beer and all things Valentine.

"For one day, Valentine is thriving and going. It's a celebration, and the local people love it," said Doug Cook Jr., the outgoing school superintendent, who a few years ago, during a drought, saw enrollment drop to 29.

Or, as Chuy Calderon, 65, the city's mayor since 1973, put it: "The enzymes have been flowing since Christmas, looking forward to it. This is the biggest event I've known of in my lifetime."

People from tiny towns all over West Texas, and from as far away as Houston, Dallas and Los Angeles, began homing in at the old mercantile building beside the tracks.

"It would be great, if I could keep from crying for what is lost," said Jannie McDonald, 74, of Sanderson, who grew up here.

"All the homes I lived in are gone. It's very bittersweet," she added.

Others, with only recent memories of Valentine, were having a purely fine time.

"It's our third year to come. Last year, it was so crowded you could barely move, a blast," said Crystial Tanner, 58, of Carlsbad, New Mexico, who had nailed down a seat near the stage.

"I'm a big Jerry Jeff Walker fan, so I'm very excited to be here. It's my first chance to see him live," she said.

And then the singing and dancing began, as David Beebe and Primo Carrasco of Marfa opened a bilingual set with "El Quelite."

"Welcome to paradise," Beebe said to the several hundred early arrivals.

Last year, about 2,000 people attended, according to Mahala Guevara, vice president of the Big Bend Brewing Co. in Alpine, which bought the long-abandoned mercantile building and started the festival four years ago.

"The first year, we had about 400 people, and we planned it in less than 60 days. Everything was free, barbecue, beer and a local band, the Doodlin' Hog-wallops," she said.

Since then, as word has spread, it's become more organized, expensive and popular. And the acts are better known, with Walker being the Sunday headliner.

"You are in the middle of nowhere. There's no plumbing or running water, no ATM, no convenience store, no gas station, and it feels very magical. No one ends up at this party by accident," she said.

"The spirit of this party is so important to us. We view it as a real way to give something back to our community," she said.

It's also a great way to create good vibes for a new brewery that offers such regional-named suds as La Frontera IPA and Terlingua Gold.

And as Calderon is quick to acknowledge, the brewery makes big donations to the city and to other local causes. The shiny new stop signs and street signs in Valentine were the fruit of last year's party.

The small city northwest of Marfa is best known for the thousands of Valentine's Day cards it receives and forwards

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Obituaries



Betty J. Williams

Betty J. Williams, 84, of Midland, Texas, passed away on Thursday, February 25, 2016 in Midland.

Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Memorial services will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church Chapel in Midland, Texas.

Betty was born on January 1, 1932 to Pete and Denzil Loomis in Lindsay, Oklahoma. She went to grade school in Lindsay, graduated high school in Liberal, Kansas, and attended college at East Central State in Ada, Oklahoma, where she met her future husband, Bill J. Williams. They married October 16, 1953.

She was a devoted wife and loving mother to their three children, Kent, Brad, and Kim. The couple joined First Baptist Church of Midland in 1972 and remained faithful members for 44 years. She was a member of the James Department Sunday school class and was very active in church activities, including church building programs throughout the USA.

Betty loved to spend time golfing and was a member of Green Tree Country Club. Women's Golf Association for many years. Bill and Betty enjoyed traveling with their Motor Home Travel Club. She had a huge heart and donated 19 years to Meals on Wheels and was active in the Senior Citizen's Garage Sale.

She never met a stranger and was always kind to everyone. She was an incredible wife, mother, a doting grandmother and great-grandmother. Her face would light up whenever she was around her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Betty believed in living every day to its fullest and always put God and her family first. Spending time with her loved ones was extremely important to her and always attended the annual family reunion at Lake Texoma. She will be greatly missed by her family and friends.

Betty is survived by her husband of 62 years, Bill J. Williams; son, Kent Williams and wife Diane; son, Brad Williams and wife Vickie; daughter, Kim Morris, all of Midland; grandchildren, Leann Hayes and husband Zach, Lisa Sims, Miranda Williamson, Ali Williams, Dylan Williams, Colton Morris, Colby Morris, and Kasey Morris; four great-grandchildren; and by numerous friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Pete and Denzil Loomis; and brother, Ben Loomis.

The family would like to extend their gratitude toward Suzette, Lucy, Maria, and Beverly at Comfort Keepers for their in-home care in the final months of life; Dr. P.K. Patel; the entire staff and nurses at Midland Memorial's Continued Care for their care in the final weeks of her life; and to David Johnson, Jana Boyd, and their friends at First Baptist Church for their many hospital visits.

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



Betty Simpson

Betty Simpson passed away on Wednesday, February 24, 2016, in Midland, Texas, following an extended stay at Midland Memorial Hospital and Manor Park Rehab Center. She was the daughter of John J. Steinmetz and Faye Clements Steinmetz originally of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Betty raised her two children and worked as a dental hygienist. After retirement she served in various volunteer positions as a member of the En-Amie Book Review Club, St. Ann's Altar Society, Life on Stage, Active Troop Leader with Girl Scouts, and Cub Scout Den Mother.

She is predeceased by her husband Julian Tex Simpson, her parents, and a sister, Barbara Hogan. She is survived by her daughter, Mary Lou Hartman of Midland, and her son John C. Simpson and wife Annetta of Ruidoso, New Mexico, and granddaughters, Juli Anne Simms (husband-James) of Plano, Texas, and Morgan Simpson of Rhome, Texas.

The family wishes to extend their thanks and appreciation to the staff at Midland Memorial Hospital and the Manor Park Rehab Center for their kindness and care shown to their mother and grandmother.

A memorial service will be at St. Ann's Catholic Church, with the Monsignor Larry Droll officiating. The Rosary will be held Sunday Evening, March 6, 2016 at 7 pm. Mass will be held on Monday, March 7, 2016 at 1:00pm. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to your favorite charity.



Bradley Keith Walker

Bradley Keith Walker, 63, of Midland, passed away on Friday, February 26, 2016. Memorial services will be held at Fairmont Park Church of Christ on Sunday, February 28, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

Bradley was born on August 19, 1952 in Wichita Falls, Texas to Gareth and Marie Walker. He worked as the Manager of Western Auto for 30 years. He will be greatly missed by all of his friends and family.

He is survived by his daughter, Miranda Pursley and husband Bryson; grandchildren, Braydon and Skyler Pursley; brother, Dwight Walker; and sister, Lisa Kaufhold.

He is preceded in death by his father, Gareth Walker; mother, Marie Walker; and brother, Charles Walker.

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Dale A. Carter

Dale A. Carter, 68, of Midland, Texas, passed away on Thursday, February 25, 2016 in Midland.

The family will receive friends on Monday, February 29, 2016 from 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home in Midland.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Bellview Baptist Church in Midland. Interment will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Dale was born on October 20, 1947 to George and Zettie Carter in Hominy, Oklahoma. He married the love of his life of 35 years, Pam Carter, on March 18, 1981. Dale lived his life to the fullest and made the best out of every situation. He enjoyed being around family, watching his OU Sooners, westerns, and bowling with the church league. Dale also loved singing in the church choir. He was a dedicated church member at Bellview Baptist Church that loved everyone in his church family.

Dale was a wonderful husband, father, son, brother, grandfather, great grandfather, and friend. His pride and joy were his children and being a grandad to everyone.

He is survived by his children, Carise Brown, Ashley Driver (Thomas), Billy Brown (Kristy), Kevin Carter (Wendy), Angela Vantine (Ronnie), and Kristen Griffin (Brad); brother, Thomas Carter (Nancy); and by 15 grandchildren, Christopher Kirkpatrick, Kasey Kirkpatrick, Kaylie Kirkpatrick, Tori Brown, Tiffany Carter, Scott Driver, Chelsea Driver, Cloe Driver, Christopher Carter, Jonathan Carter, Elizabeth Carter, Danielle Carter, Nathan Vantine, Madison Griffin, and Zachary Griffin.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Pam Carter; and parents, George and Zettie Carter.

The family suggests memorials be donated to Bellview Baptist Church, 1710 N Big Spring St, Midland, TX 79701.

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



Jerry Benjamin Morgan

Jerry Morgan, Major in the United States Army in World War II, recipient of the Silver Star Medal for gallantry in action near Valbonne, France in 1944, toy maker, golfer extraordinaire until his nineties, humanitarian, and a man with an incredibly kind heart, completed his earthly journey at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of February 24, 2016. He was a man of modesty and humility, never striving to be in the limelight or receive the praise of others. Instead, he quietly brought kindness, a generosity of spirit, and an innate understanding of the human condition to every person he met; never criticizing, never judging, never condemning. His wit was charming, his endurance, amazing; and his enjoyment of children, when he gave them his little hand-made toy cars, was among his most treasured moments. In fairness, it must be known that he also had serious faults for which there was no remedy: he had an unwavering affection for the University of Oklahoma, and he spoiled his dogs to a fault.

Jerry loved to know things, and the amount of time he studied and read and talked to folks only increased his remarkable memory. For every year he lived until the afternoon he died, he could clearly recall events, places and people, and his interest in the Permian Basin and in our beautiful United States made him one of the most well-informed of its citizens and patriots. There is an African proverb that says when an old man dies, a library burns to the ground. Surely that was the case with Jerry Morgan. May he forever rest in peace and in the arms of his merciful Savior, Jesus, for whom he had the greatest love of all.

He is survived by his daughter, Karen Brenner Mason, his grandchildren, Jane Swartz and her husband, Andrew; Julia Barrett and her husband, Bobby; John Brenner and his wife, Traci; Emily Klemme and her husband, Bob; and eleven great grandchildren.

Before he died, his grandson John informed him that he had lived for 35,332 days since his birth in Cordell, Oklahoma on June 1, 1919. No doubt he appreciated the use of that valuable information.

Services will be held at 3 PM on Tuesday, March 1, 2016, at All Saints Anglican Church at the Genesis Center, 2800 W. Louisiana St., Midland, TX 79701.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be sent to the Jubilee Center at 3311 Andrews Highway, Midland, TX 79703 or to All Saints Anglican Church, 1001 Andrews Highway, Midland, TX 79701.

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



Katherine Williams

Katherine Williams, 67, of Midland, passed away at her residence on February 25, 2016. Katherine was born on August 23, 1948 to Rufus and Lottie Williams in Houston, Texas.

Memorial services will be held on Monday, February 29, 2016 at 2:30 p.m. at Christian Church of Midland with Steve Knisley officiating.

Kathy grew up in Houston and attended schools there. She moved to Midland seven years ago following Hurricane Ike to be near her family. She loved being around her family and church family. She enjoyed crochet and ceramics, and loved going to swim class at the YMCA.

Survivors include her sister-in-law, Bonnie Williams of Spring, Texas; niece, Susan O'Banion and husband Jim of Midland; niece, Patricia Rains and husband Bill of Shreveport, Louisiana; nephew, Michael Williams and wife Karen of Truth or Consequences, New Mexico; and by several great nieces, nephews and great-great nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Wallace Williams; and a sister, Dorothy Peevey.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials be made to Midland Soup Kitchen, 1401 Orchard Lane, Midland, Texas 79701.

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

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MARY ANN MCRAE

WIFE OF JOHN E. MEYER

I was born on November 23, 1934, at Ranger, Texas to Hamilton E. McRae, Jr. and Adrian Hagaman McRae. My father, a graduate of The University of Texas School of Law, was practicing law with his uncle John D. McRae in Eastland, Texas, and my mother was a graduate of the College of Industrial Arts in Denton, Texas with a degree in Costume Design and taught home economics at Ranger High until she and my father married in 1933.

We lived in Eastland until 1936 when we moved to Midland, Texas where my father started a law firm with Frank Stubbeman and Tom Sealy and was engaged in the practice of law there until his death in 1991.

My parents built a house at 406 South L Street in 1937. It was on an unpaved street and a cornfield was cleared to build the house. Soon afterwards the Tom Sealy family built a house next door on the corner of L and Holloway Streets.

I attended public schools in Midland, graduating Salutatorian from John M Cowden Junior High School and then graduating again as Salutatorian from Midland High School in 1952.

I received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1955 from Southern Methodist University, majoring in Spanish with a minor in Comparative Literature. At SMU I was a member of Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, along with many Spanish and English honoraries. I graduated from SMU Magna Cum Laude in 1955.

After graduating from SMU, I worked for the law firm of Stubbeman, McRae and Sealy until my marriage to Thomas Menzies Sloan, the son of Thomas Nettleton Sloan and Mary Frances Menzies Sloan, also of Midland.

Of that union two children were born, Thomas McRae Sloan and Mary Katherine Sloan in 1961. Thomas Menzies Sloan and I divorced in 1985, and I studied at Midland College to obtain an Associate Degree as a Legal Assistant, obtaining my certification as a Certified Legal Assistant in 1987 and began work as a Legal Assistant with the firm of Kerr, Fitzgerald, Kerr and later for the McRae Management Trust.

In 1993, I began a relationship with John Edward Meyer who had moved to Midland with his parents from Wichita, Kansas, where he was born. We married at the MacRae Castle, Eileen Donan at Dornie by Kyle, Scotland on August 8, 2000, where my ancestors had been christened and married for hundreds of years, attended by two of my MacRae family who now own the castle.

John and I the joined the Millenium Gathering of Clan MacRae and traveled with that group for two weeks. Then, when that Clan Gathering was over, we traveled to the Outer Hebrides for two weeks.

I have owned and operated a sporting goods business by the name of Comanche Outfitters, selling all manners of hunting, fishing, and camping supplies. For many years, I even held a Federal Firearms License in my own name in the 1970's and 1980's. I was active in work with the Buffalo Trails Council of the Boy Scouts of America and served as a merit badge counselor for many years, and with a great deal of research in hiking and canoeing, was able to establish the Grand Comanche War Trail as a hiking trail for the Boy Scouts of America.

I have enjoyed hunting, fly fishing and camping for many years, and sold Grumman and Old Town Canoes. I have enjoyed skeet shooting at the Midland Gun Club for many years.

My memberships include the Episcopal Church, Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority, the Clan MacRae Society of North America, of which I am now a Director Emeritus, the Clan MacRae Society of Scotland, the Clan Macleod Society, the Celtic Heritage Club of the Permian Basin, the Scottish Heritage of the Permian Basin, and the Republican National Committee.

I am survived by my husband John Edward Meyer, my son Thomas McRae Sloan and his wife Shirley Sutton Sloan and their children Regan Spence, Cavan Spence, Thomas Sloan, Joshua Mims, my daughter Katie Sloan Goggans, her husband Chris Goggans and their children Christopher Cherryhomes, Sarah Cherryhomes, and Cody Goggans and two great grandchildren, Luke and Rose. My brother Hamilton E. McRae III and his wife, Betty Hawkins McRae and their children Beth McRae and husband Bill Doherty, Stephanie and Todd Campbell and their children, Cole and Lauren, and Scott McRae and his children, Alex, Chris and Bradley.

My first cousin, Suzanne McRae Clay lives in Jackson, Mississippi, and her children Mark and his wife, Dixie, and their family as well as my father's brother Bryan and Jamie Clay and their children also in Jackson, Mississippi. My other McRae first cousins are Adrienne Doss Ford and her son Robert Lyndle Garrett, and Dudley Doss; also a second cousin Katherine Clancy Olson and her husband Sean Olson of California.

I have numerous McRae cousins and double cousins in Arkansas and North Carolina as well as my cousins from the Hagaman family, Betty Lou Hagaman Doebbler and her family, and Patrick Horrigan of New York City.

A Memorial Service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 3, 2016 at St. Nicholas' Episcopal Church with a reception following.

In lieu of flowers, I request donations to Noah's Ark Animal Sanctuary, a no-kill for animals, at P.O. Box 51051, Midland, TX 79710 to an Alcoholics Anonymous Group.

Online condolences may be offered at *www.ellisfunerals.com*.

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Ricardo Reyes, Sr.

Ricardo Reyes, Sr., 64, passed Thursday, February 25, 2016. He was a hard worker and a funny man that loved his family more than anyone could imagine.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Ramona Ruiz; and his father, Bernardo Reyes.

He is survived by his five sisters, Esiquia Reyes, Isela Rodriguez, Santos Rodriguez, and Ramona Rodriguez, all of Juarez, Mexico, and Teresa Rodriguez, of El Paso, Texas; and by his two brothers, Ruperto Ruiz of Roswell, New Mexico, and Natividad Rodriguez, of El Paso.

He also is survived by his wife of 41 years, Lucy V. Reyes; his son, Ricardo Reyes, Jr.; and his daughter, Gabriela Cano, all of Midland, Texas. He had seven grandchildren, Christopher R. Reyes, Mercedes Reyes, Ricardo Reyes, III, Natalie A. Urias, Rene Reyes, Joe E. Gonzalez, Jr., and Savannah Gonzalez, all from Midland; and two great-grandchildren, Avery and Penelope Reyes, both of Midland, Texas.

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He left behind a legacy of love and laughter. He was a man that would do anything for his family, including his sisters-in-laws that he had tons of love for. He was born in Amador, Durango. He moved around to Roswell where he met and married the love of his life, Lucy. They moved to Midland and made a wonderful home for 35 years. He was a wonderful husband, father, and grandfather. Anyone who got to know him is a lucky person.

Rosary will be Sunday, February 28, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. and a prayer service on Monday, February 29, 2015, also at 7:00 p.m., both at Heavenly Gate Chapel.

A funeral service is set for Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at Heavenly Gate Chapel. Burial will follow at Serenity Memorial Gardens.

Funeral service is under the direction of Heavenly Gate Funeral Home and Chapel. Family messages and condolences may be emailed to *pipkin@nts-online.net* or you can visit our website at *www.lewallengarciapipkinfh.com*.

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Funeral Home & Chapel
405 N. Terrell Midland, TX - (432) 687-1927



Tom Junior Sellers

Tom Junior Sellers, 76, of Midland, Texas, passed away on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 in Midland.

The family will receive friends on Monday, February 29, 2016 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Funeral Home.

Funeral services will be held on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel with burial to follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Tom was born on December 13, 1939 in Rock Hall, Maryland. He moved to Midland in September of 1985. He worked on a Dairy Farm for 30+ years. He always had a sense of humor. Loved to laugh and making people smile. He was at his happiest when he was fishing, playing horseshoes and spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife, Mandy Sellers; daughter, Birdy Guesfeird; son, Lester Sellers, and son, Ethen Sellers, bothers, sisters, and several grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his parents.

Pallbearers will be son, Lester Sellers, grandson, Joshua Adams, and friends, Lonnie Willingham, Nathan Gardner, Preston Gardner, and Charles Williams.

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



William Edwin Combest

William Edwin Combest, 73, left this world, February 24, 2016, with fishing pole in hand. He headed off to the beautiful lakes in Heaven. He was born to William Hill and Octa Combest, in Clarendon, Texas, on October 12, 1942.

He graduated from Odessa High School in 1961 where he enjoyed playing baseball. Following high school, he joined the Army Reserve where he served from 1965-1972. William enjoyed family, friends, stories, jokes, fishing, NASCAR, and Fox News. He was patriotic and supported our troops.

William was preceded in death by his mother and father, his brother Marion Frank Combest, his sister Carol Bains, and his brother Wallace Combest.

He is survived by his loving wife, Debi Combest; his son Todd Combest and wife Elizabeth; his son Gregg Stroud; his daughter Tasha Long and husband Brad; his nephew (whom he loved like a son) Matt Vann and wife Nicole; and his "adopted" son Stephen Smith. He was "Pop-o" to 7 grandchildren.

The family asks that in lieu of sending flowers that loved ones make a donation to Home Hospice of Midland or Reel Thanx (a local non-profit organization that takes our wounded soldiers fishing). He also wanted me to mention that not voting for Hillary would be a great option as well.

The family will not be having a service but will be having a get together, following cremation, to celebrate the life of William Combest.

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

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Carla Paul

Carla Paul passed away on February 25, 2016. Graveside services will be held at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, March 5, 2016 at Fairview Cemetery.

She is survived by one brother.

Coy Mae Anthony

Coy Mae Anthony, 83, of Midland, passed away Saturday, February 27, 2016.

Coy is survived by her sons, Olen Travis Reese and Donnie Sims; daughter, Lois Love Reese of Odessa; and by one brother and two sisters.

A memorial service will be held Monday, February 29, 2016 at 2:00 p.m. at West Kentucky Avenue Baptist Church.

Elnora Towery

Elnora McEwen Towery, 76 of Midland, passed away Thursday, February 25, 2016.

Family will receive friends for visitation on Tuesday, March 1, 2016 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home.

Funeral service is set for Wednesday, March 2, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. at Lewallen-Garcia-Pipkin Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow at Resthaven Memorial Park.

She is survived by her daughter, Pam Christian.

Faye Thurman

Faye Thurman, 68, of Midland passed away on Friday, February 26, 2016.

Memorial services will be held on Thursday, March 3, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. at Nalley-Pickle & Welch Chapel.

She is survived by her daughter, Natalie Seigler; and by one brother.

Martha Irece Jordan

Martha Irece Jordan, 67, of Midland, passed away on Friday, February 26, 2016.

Funeral arrangements are pending with Sunset Memorial Gardens & Funeral Home.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Marino Bravo, 20, was charged Feb. 12 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Ricky A. Cortez, 23, was charged Feb. 12 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Angela Juarez, 32, was charged Feb. 12 with injury to a child/elderly/disabled person.

Gilbert H. Licon, 22, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Justin C. Nelson, 28, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with failing to register as a sex offender.

James M. Norvell Jr., 33, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with failing to register as a sex offender.

Eduardo A. Saenz, 26, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with evading arrest/detention with a vehicle.

Gabriel V. Sandoval, 49, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram and tampering with/fabricating physical evidence.

Garrett B. Scott, 48, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Felicia S. Tryon, 45, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Alberto Velazquez, 44, of Midland was charged Feb. 12 with abandonment/endangerment of a child.

Jose R. Monarrez, 28, of Huntsville was charged Feb. 13 with aggravated assault of a date/family/household member.

Luis A. Rubio-Olmos, 35, was charged Feb. 13 with assault of a public servant.

Richard Small, 39, was charged Feb. 13 with aggravated assault of a date/family/household member.

Beau B. Walker, 34, of Midland was charged Feb. 13 with credit card or debit card abuse.

Matthew D. Badger, 32, of Midland was charged Feb. 13 with manufacturing/delivering a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Crystal O. Barela, 27, of Midland was charged Feb. 14 with tampering with/fabricating physical evidence and possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Gabriel O. Barela, 30, of Midland was charged Feb. 14 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Mallory F. Dunlap, 30, of Odessa was charged Feb. 14 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Miranda M. Govea-Arenivas, 22, of Midland was charged Feb. 14 with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Alberto B. Rangel, 24, of Midland was charged Feb. 14 with manufacturing/delivering a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Christopher Yancy, 45, of Midland was charged Feb. 14 with failing to register as a sex offender.

Chadrick D. Allen, 30, of Midland was charged Feb. 15 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Manuel R. Carrasco, 29, of Midland was charged Feb. 15 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Tyrone G. Everett, 33, of Midland was charged Feb. 15 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Valerie S. Oliver, 34, of Odessa was charged Feb. 15 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Robert L. Osborne, 41, of Midland was charged Feb. 15 with theft of property under $30,000.

Guillermo Galindo III, 19, of Midland was charged Feb. 16 with online solicitation of a minor under 14 years old.

Angel H. Hernandez, 30, of Midland was charged Feb. 16 with possession of a controlled substance under 400 grams.

Hardy Lenard, 43, of Midland was charged Feb. 16 with failing to register as a sex offender.

Jorge A. Ocampo, 57, of Midland was charged Feb. 16 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Don E. Powell, 65, of Midland was charged Feb. 16 with failing to register as a sex offender.

Saul Sigala, 30, of Odessa was charged Feb. 16 with assault of a family/house member.

Stoney D. Slate, 24, of Midland was charged Feb. 16 with failing to register as a sex offender.

Dominique N. Stone, 27, of Stanton was charged Feb. 16 with possession of a controlled substance under 400 grams and possession of marijuana under 5 pounds.

Kevin R. Buschardt, 28, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with indecent exposure with a child.

Christian J. Bustillos, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with burglary.

Christian R. Corona, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with burglary.

Shane J. Gilbert, 26, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Jonathan R. Gutierrez, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Joseph B. Mancha, 19, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with possession of marijuana under 5 pounds.

Cody Mclaughlin, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with burglary.

Brandon C. Moorer, 37, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with failing to register as a sex offender.

Georgia A. Mungia, 48, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with theft under $1,500.

Craig D. Swearengin, 18, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with burglary.

Caleb Urias, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 17 with burglary.

Jose J. Chavez, 25, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with indecency with a child, sexual contact.

Korin Heinzman, 28, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams and tampering/fabricating physical evidence.

Eloy A. Hernandez Jr., 25, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with evading arrest/detention with a vehicle.

Mark E. Mull, 36, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with aggravated sexual assault of a child.

Armando Ramirez Jr., 39, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Sean M. Ramirez, 26, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Seturnino Tucker, 72, of Midland was charged Feb. 18 with aggravated assault causing serious bodily injury.

Edmond J. Adams, 40, of Midland was charged Feb. 19 with driving while intoxicated.

Nicholas C. Hyden, 36, of Midland was charged Feb. 19 with unlicensed possession of a firearm by a felon.

Brian Lavender, 26, of Midland was charged Feb. 19 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Kristina M. Maldonado, 29, of Midland was charged Feb. 19 with claiming lottery prize under $10,000.

Pedro Olmedo Jr., 26, of Midland was charged Feb. 19 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Casey E. Butler, 36, of Midland was charged Feb. 20 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram.

Margarita F. Castillo, 39, of Midland was charged Feb. 20 with manufacturing/delivering a controlled substance under 200 grams.

James M. Davidson, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana under 2 ounces in a drug-free zone.

Brandon I. Martinez, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana under 2 ounces in a drug-free zone.

Quincy D. Ramirez, 34, of Austin was charged Feb. 20 with sexual assault.

Angel G. Zubia, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 20 with possession of marijuana under 2 ounces in a drug-free zone.

Janell L. Agbaje, 24, of Midland was charged Feb. 21 with aggravated assault of a date/family/house member.

Jesus E. Maldonado-Hernandez, 22, was charged Feb. 21 with unlawful carrying of a weapon.

Adrian R. Trevino, 22, of Midland was charged Feb. 21 with burglary.

Lorenzo Cano Jr., 18, of Midland was charged Feb. 22 with aggravated robbery.

Efrain Garcia Moren, 18, of Midland was charged Feb. 22 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Miranda M. Govea-Arenivas, 22, of Midland was charged Feb. 22 with unauthorized use of a vehicle.

Alberto B. Hernandez, 19, of Midland was charged Feb. 22 with aggravated robbery.

Eduardo A. Hernandez, 17, of Midland was charged Feb. 22 with aggravated robbery.

Martez C. Maggitt, 23, of Midland was charged Feb. 22 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Anthony R. Sandoval, 45, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was charged Feb. 22 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram, possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams and possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Jeffrey Tovarportillo, 23, was charged Feb. 22 with possession of a controlled substance under 1 gram, possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams and possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Larry R. Carlisle, 38, of Midland was charged Feb. 23 with impersonating/exercising the function of a public servant.

Jose M. Desantiago-Coliz, 23, of Midland was charged Feb. 23 with driving while intoxicated, third offense.

Christopher A. Escamilla, 18, of Midland was charged Feb. 23 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and deadly conduct, discharge of firearm.

Simon M. Garcia Jr., 47, of Midland was charged Feb. 23 with aggravated sexual assault of a child and indecency with a child, sexual contact.

Fabian M. Hernandez, 25, of Midland was charged Feb. 24 with possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Howard E. Taylor, 44, of Midland was charged Feb. 24 with failing to comply with sex offender registration.

Toni L. Coronado, 29, of Midland was charged Feb. 25 with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and abandonment/endangerment of a child.

Kenneth Sanchez-Hernandez, 19, of Midland was charged Feb. 25 with evading arrest/detention with a vehicle.

Ricardo Sidas, 19, of Midland was charged Feb. 25 with possession of a controlled substance under 200 grams.

Deborah A. Sosa, 43, of Odessa was charged Feb. 25 with five counts of forgery of a financial instrument of elderly person and theft under $30,000.

Martie L. Vidal, 20, of Midland was charged Feb. 25 with two counts of possession of a controlled substance under 4 grams.

Jeffrey A. Wallis, 27, of Choctaw, Oklahoma, was charged Feb. 25 with accident involving injury.

Catarino Yabarra, 42, of Midland was charged Feb. 25 with aggravated assault against a public servant and evading arrest/detention with a vehicle.

Source: Midland County Sheriff's Office

GUILTY PLEAS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Guilty pleas accepted and sentences imposed Feb. 15-19 by district Judges Robin Darr, George D. Gilles, Elizabeth B. Leonard and Rodney W. Satterwhite:

Wally Salvador Burciaga, 21, manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance, deferred adjudication, four years community supervision, pay fine, 340 hours community service.

Ramon Bustamante, 29, tampering with physical evidence, two years TDCJ suspended for three years community supervision, 120 hours community service.

Richard Bobby Champion, 30, possession of a controlled substance, 10 years TDCJ suspended for seven years probation, 45 days jail, fine, $180 restitution, driver's license suspended for 365 days, TAIP.

Cory Lee Flores, 26, assault family violence, four years deferred adjudication, fine, court cost, Project Adam.

Gilbert Flores, 33, indecency with a child sexual contact, deferred adjudication five years, 30 days jail, fine, 300 hours community service, register as a sex offender.

Jaime Galan, 40, forgery of a financial instrument, two years TDCJ.

Sandra Elizabeth Galindo, 32, evading arrest/detention with a motor vehicle, five years TDCJ suspended five years probation, court cost, TAIP, drug-abuse program, 200 hours community service.

Hernan Gonzalez, 19, forgery, deferred adjudication, four years community supervision, 120 hours community service.

Tricia Dee Hawthorne, 27, possession of a controlled substance, two years deferred adjudication, fine, court cost, TAIP, 100 hours community service.

David Lane Lampkin, 54, possession of a controlled substance, revoke supervision, two years TDCJ.

September A. Lawandoski, 42, possession of a controlled substance, six months state jail.

Brandi Lee Lavarlo, 24, possession of a controlled substance, adjudicate, 10 years TDCJ suspended for 10 years probation, fine, 200 hours community service, driver's license suspended for 365 days, CRTC; tampering with physical evidence, adjudicate, 10 years TDCJ suspended for 10 years probation, fine, 200 hours community service, driver's license suspended for 365 days, CRTC.

Miguel Loya III, 24, fraudulent use or possession of identifying information, deferred adjudication, four years community supervision, pay fine, 120 hours community service.

Dennis William-Way Olaughlin, 28, credit card or debit card abuse, revoked, 10 months state jail; failure to appear, revoked, two years TDCJ.

Kendall Marie Roemisch, 34, burglary of a habitation, extend probation one year, additional fine, 20 hours community service.

Carry Shenell Ryals, 37, possession of a controlled substance, 10 months state jail.

Jose Spencer Sotelo, 49, theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, four years TDCJ; theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, four years TDCJ.

Kion Dequann Spears, 20, possession of a controlled substance, deferred adjudication, five years community supervision, pay fine, 250 hours community service, TAIP.

Marisol Aranda Spencer, 43, theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000, five years deferred adjudication, court cost, restitution, TAIP, 100 hours community service; forgery, five years deferred adjudication, court cost, TAIP, 100 hours community service.

Ramon Castro Villa, 25, possession of a controlled substance, revoke, six months state jail.

Samuel Madrid Villa, 24, driving while intoxicated, three years TDCJ.

Patricia Whitfield, 42, theft of property more than $1,500 but less than $20,000 with two or more previous convictions, nine months state jail.

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

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poll. "We're a state where the default position is a relatively pro-gun-rights culture."

Income inequality and the minimum wage

Most Texans see income inequality as a problem but don't think the federal government should do anything about it, the UT/TT Poll found.

A substantial number of the state's likely voters — 44 percent — consider income inequality a "major problem." Another 30 percent said it's a "minor problem." One in five said it's no problem at all.

What to do about it? Only 12 percent said the federal government should be about as involved as it is now in solving the problem, while 37 percent said it should do more, 15 percent said it should do less, and 25 percent said the federal government shouldn't be doing anything at all about income inequality.

Daron Shaw, co-director of the poll and a government professor at UT-Austin, said many voters are conceding the point that incomes are out of balance without agreeing that the federal government is the best source of a solution. "Those who think it's a major problem and who think the government should do more are about the same size," he noted.

That said, 62 percent of those Texans said they would favor an increase in the federal minimum wage, which is currently $7.25 an hour. About a quarter of them, 27 percent, oppose an increase.

Those numbers hide

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MPD: Woman crashes into man's vehicle

From staff reports

A Midland woman was arrested Thursday for allegedly purposefully attempting to hit a man with a car with her child inside the vehicle, according to court documents.

Toni L. Coronado, 29, was being held Friday on two $20,000 bonds for a second-degree felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and abandonment/endangerment of a child.

Officers were dispatched on Nov. 13 because a vehicle had run into an apartment complex.

An altercation had occurred between Coronado and a man the night before, according to the affidavit.

The altercation became physical, and the man left the apartment while Coronado followed with her 2-year-old child, according to the affidavit.



Coronado

Coronado said she tried to leave the apartment first and that, when she did, the man brandished a knife and said he was going to slash her body, according to the affidavit.

Coronado said the man then followed her to her vehicle and hit her in the face with a closed fist, according to the affidavit.

The man said he left the apartment first and was standing outside of his vehicle when Coronado drove into his vehicle in an attempt to hit him, according to the affidavit.

He said he was able to throw himself out of the way and was injured, according to the affidavit.

Coronado hit the man's vehicle and then hit a vacant apartment, causing damage, according to the affidavit.

Her child was in the car throughout the altercation, according to the affidavit.

If convicted of the two second-degree felonies, Coronado could face up to 40 years in prison total.

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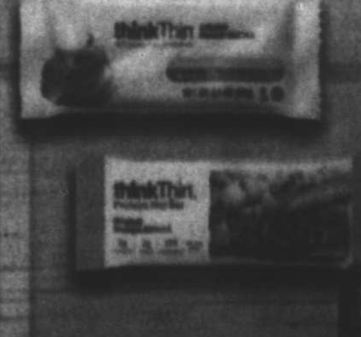
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The Nutrition Reporter™

by Jack Challem

Probiotic Supplements Also Enhance Immunity in Seniors

Researchers have long known that intestinal bacteria influence the integrity of our immune systems, but gut health sometimes affects people differently, depending on their age.

"Elderly adults have alterations in their gut microbiota and immune functions that are associated with higher susceptibility to infections and metabolic disorders," wrote Caroline E. Childs, PhD, of the University of Reading, United Kingdom.

Childs and her colleagues asked 37 seniors to participate in a four-phase study to test the effects of a specific probiotic, *Bifidobacterium lactis*. Each phase of the study lasted three weeks and was separated by a four-week washout period, intended to avoid overlapping effects.

During the four phases, participants received supplements containing the prebiotic galacto-oligosaccharide (which bacteria use as a food source), *B. lactis*, a combination of *B. lactis* and the prebiotic, and maltodextrin as a placebo. The *B. lactis* dose contained 1 billion CFUs (colony forming units).

Among other things, the researchers looked at the phagocytosis of white blood cells—that is, how well the white blood cells attacked and digested disease-causing bacteria or infected cells.

Childs and her colleagues reported that the *B. lactis* significantly increased the phagocytic index, or activity, of two important types of white blood cells, monocytes and granulocytes.

The researchers noted one other finding. Although most studies of probiotics in adults found that a four-week washout was sufficient, it was not in the seniors. Instead, they seemed to retain the probiotics for a longer time.

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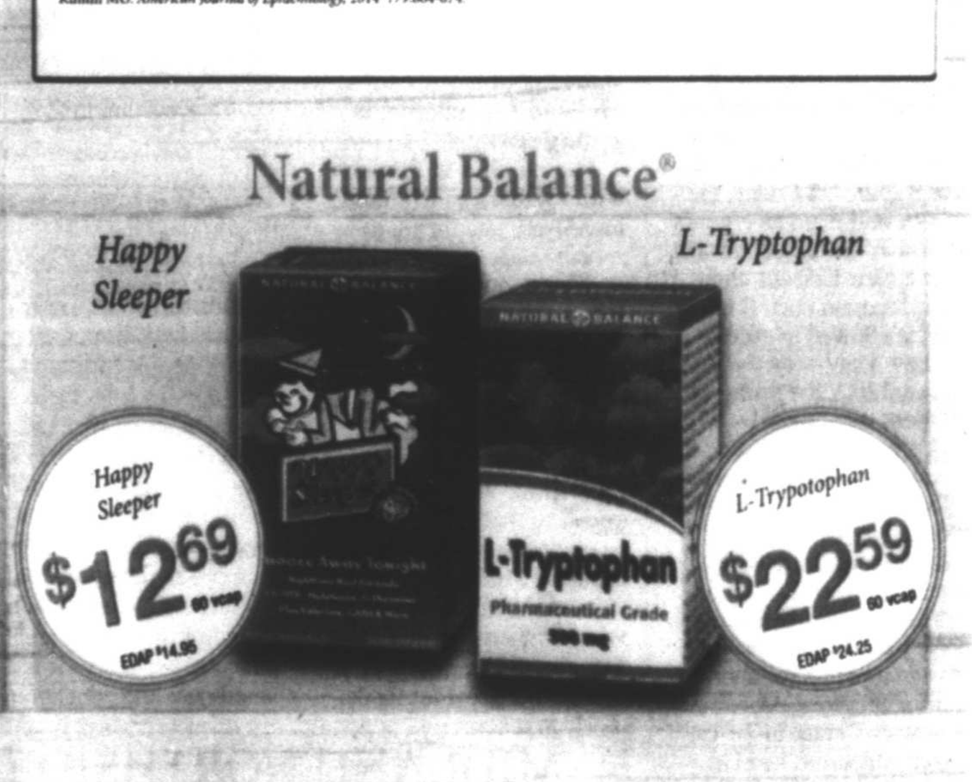
Vitamin C May Reduce Risk of Some Strokes

Vitamin C is needed for the formation of collagen, a protein necessary for the integrity of blood-vessel walls. In hemorrhagic stroke, which accounts for about 10 percent of all strokes, a blood vessel in the brain ruptures. A researcher at Pontchaillous University Hospital, France, and his colleagues measured vitamin C levels in 135 subjects, 65 of whom had previously suffered a hemorrhagic stroke. Vitamin C levels in the stroke patients were significantly lower than in the healthy subjects.

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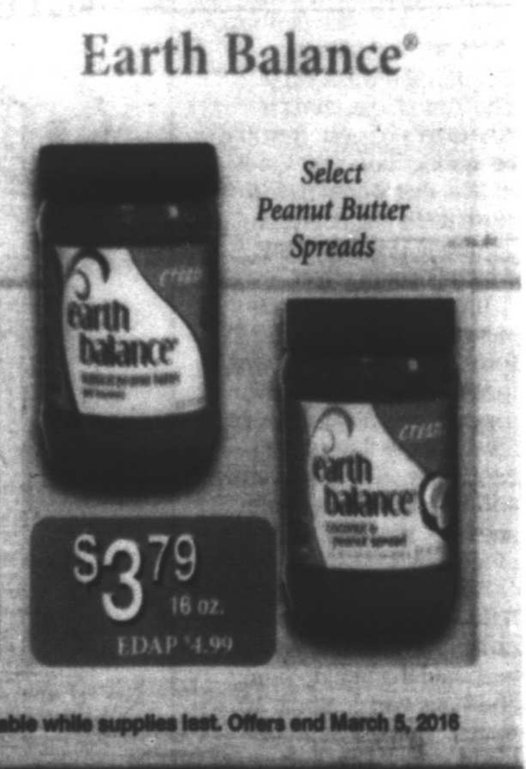












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law.

Texas Solicitor General Scott Keller, who will defend the law at the Supreme Court, said Texas acted in response to the high-profile case of Philadelphia abortion doctor Kermit Gosnell. He is serving a life sentence after his conviction for killing three babies born alive and for the overdose death of a woman who was a clinic patient.

A federal judge in Texas struck down parts of the law as not intended to promote women's health and clearly aimed at reducing access to abortion. But the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans largely accepted the state's argument.

The justices' June 2015 order putting the appellate ruling on hold at least suggests that there is a majority to cut back on the regulations. The clinics and abortion-rights groups are hoping for a ruling that might bolster challenges to other restrictions on abortion.

To prevail, they still need Justice Anthony Kennedy's vote, along with the reasonably certain votes of four more liberal justices, just as they did before Scalia's death. Kennedy was part of the 5-4 majority to reaffirm abortion rights in 1992, then wrote the court's decision in 2007 that upheld a federal law banning a certain procedure that opponents call partial-birth abortion. That was also a 5-4 split.

A broad high court ruling striking down the Texas provisions would show that the court's 1992 decision still "has some teeth in it," said Stephanie Toti, the lawyer who will argue the clinics' case.

Without Scalia, the best that supporters of these laws can hope for is a 4-4 tie, which would uphold the appeals court's endorsement of the Texas law and perhaps affect similar laws in Louisiana and Mississippi because they are part of the same judicial circuit as Texas.

A trial judge also struck down Louisiana's admitting privileges law, but the 5th Circuit has allowed Louisiana to enforce the law as the case makes its way through the courts.

Two of the state's four clinics have closed in response and a third will have to close soon, said Nancy Northup, president of the Center for Reproductive Rights. On Friday, the clinics said in an emergency appeal to the high court that only a New Orleans clinic would remain open if the state is allowed to enforce the law. They want the justices to block the ruling and let them stay open.

A split decision in the Texas case would have no effect on laws that have been blocked in Alabama and Oklahoma, among other states.

Women already make the drive from Louisiana and Mississippi to have abortions at the West Alabama Women's Center in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, said Dr. Willie Parker, who performs abortions in Alabama, Georgia and Mississippi. The Tuscaloosa clinic is Alabama's busiest. It would be among four clinics, out of five, that would have to close under the Alabama admitting privileges law, which is not in effect.

If the Texas law stands and others like it are enforced, Parker said, "it won't mean fewer unintended pregnancies. It won't mean fewer fatally flawed pregnancies. It will mean women will be left without a safe and legal means of ending pregnancy."

Ashley McGuire, a senior fellow with the anti-abortion group The Catholic Association, said the fight to limit abortions will continue no matter what the Supreme Court says. "This fight is not going away anytime soon," McGuire said.

The case is Whole Woman's Health v. Hellerstedt, 15-274.

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Mario Fernandez sings "La Perfidia" accompanied by musicians gathered to play Mexican romantic ballads, rancheras and boleros at Flor de Chiapas restaurant, 1045 Bandera Road, Feb. 9. The musicians are old friends who gather to relive memories and entertain guests at the restaurant.

Classic Mexican ballads still mainstay of San Antonio cafe

By Hector Saldana
San Antonio Express-News

SAN ANTONIO — Manuel Lopez hadn't sung in front of people for nearly 60 years, since he was a young member of the New Orleans Opera.

That all changed a couple of Tuesdays ago on his 83rd birthday.

Sitting with his wife and some old friends at the back of a humble West Side Mexican restaurant that morning, Lopez decided to sing with the aging guitarists who had just serenaded him with the traditional birthday song "Las Mananitas."

"I don't even know the songs, but I love the music," said Lopez, a Korean War veteran, after his impromptu "El Rey" with the musicians. "They helped me with the words."

It was a typical Tuesday morning at Flor de Chiapas, owner Andrea Garcia's down-home spot on Bandera Road near Woodlawn Avenue where the breakfast tacos are cheap, interior walls are painted lime green and DayGlo orange and clear plastic tablecloths sport a kitschy grapes 'n' cherries motif.

Tuesdays and Thursdays at the small restaurant, which is always bustling and can seat about 75, have long been known for the casual, unscripted midmorning trio music concerts that get started around 10:30 a.m.

For a dozen years, a handful of graying, guitar-toting semi-retired professional trio musicians led by Albino Alonzo, Ezequiel Martinez and Rogelio Arzola have gathered around the same three small tables pushed together to jam on the romantic songs so associated with Eydie Gorme & the Trio Los Panchos.

The Panchos' music, which enjoyed its heyday in the late 1940s and throughout the '50s, is characterized by nylon string Spanish guitars, soothing major seventh chords, plucked melody lines, lightning-fast flourishes, the pulsing bass of the guitarron and harmonized voices swaddling the lead singer.

Their greatest songs include "Sin Ti," "Perfidia," "Besame Mucho," "Sabor a Mi," "La Ultima Noche" and "La Barca" — songs rich with the romantic poetry of love and longing.

It's not blaring — and it's free. "Mexican music is not all mariachi," Carmen Lopez, Manuel's wife, told the San Antonio Express-News. But it is as beautifully old-fashioned. Silver-haired Alonzo, for example, plays by ear and still tunes his monstrous 1940s guitarron by sounding out each note — La, Re, Sol, Do, Mi, La.

"I don't know of any other place that lets you bring your instruments and just start playing," said Alonzo, 82.

It really began that simply, says Arzola, who leads Trio Los Yaquiz and lives nearby.

Midland's population of families with children increases

From staff reports

Recent data shows that Midland's population is getting younger.

The number of families with children in Midland increased, according to a recent study by Consumeraffairs.com. Between 2005 and 2014, the overall population's percentage of families with children increased by 2.1 percent, from 14.6 to 16.7 percent.

"For consumers considering a move, for instance, knowing that a certain area is experiencing a swell in families with young children can help them understand whether the type of lifestyle that city offers — is it family oriented or great for those seeking an active nightlife or both, aimed at young professionals or geared toward people looking to slow down — fits their needs," content manager Ryan Daly said in an email. "For cities and state governments, understanding that an area is experiencing a sharp increase in the number of children in the area can help them adjust budgets and allocate resources toward healthcare and education."

More info

An interactive map of the data can be found at https://www.consumeraffairs.com/movers/index.html#moving-trends-family.

In that same period, Odessa's percentage of families with children increased by 0.6 percent.

The study also found that the percentage of Midland's population of retirees decreased by 1.5 percent, from 11.3 percent in 2005 to 9.8 percent in 2014.

Nationwide, certain trends emerged: Millennials settled in smaller cities, retirees moved to coastlines and the southwestern high desert area — states in the southern part of the country — are having fewer children and fewer people are getting married.

The study analyzed U.S. Census Bureau data, a ConsumerAffairs.com spokeswoman said.

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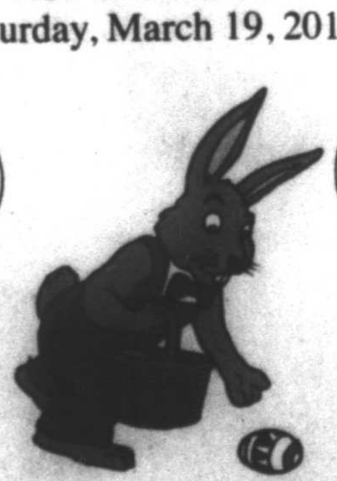
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SALES

From 3B

some underlying disagreements. While 90 percent of Democrats and 52 percent of independents favor an increase, only 37 percent of Republicans are with them. Nearly half of Republican voters oppose an increase. That's driven by strong antipathy among those who identify with the Tea Party, 74 percent of whom said they oppose an increase in the minimum wage.

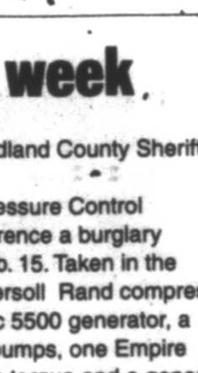
The University of Texas/Texas Tribune Internet survey of 1,200 registered voters was conducted from Feb. 12 to Feb. 19 and has an overall margin of error of +/- 2.83 percentage points. Among self-identified Republican primary voters, the margin of error is +/- 4.27 percentage points; among self-identified Democratic primary voters, it is +/- 4.57 percentage points. Among likely voters in the Republican primary race, the margin of error is +/- 4.86 percentage points. Among likely voters in the Democratic primary race, the margin of error is +/- 5.44 percentage points. Numbers in charts might not add up to 100 percent because of rounding.

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Crime Stoppers fugitive

EUGENIO LOPEZ

DOB: 7-29-1979
Height and weight: 5 feet, 6 inches; 160 pounds
Charge: Sexual Assault of a Child - Grand Jury Indictmen



Lopez

- Wanted as of 2/26/16
- Warrant #CR43883
- $500 Reward to the first person who calls Midland Crime Stoppers this week with information that leads to this fugitive's arrest.
- Call 694-TIPS or 1-800-7-LOCK-UP, online at midlandcrimestoppers.com or text TIP247 plus your message to 274637
- As always you will remain anonymous
- NEVER attempt to apprehend this subject yourself. Subject may be armed or dangerous.

Crime of the week

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

Deputies were called to Tri-State Pressure Control located at 29 East Industrial Loop reference a burglary that occurred between Feb. 12 and Feb. 15. Taken in the burglary was a trailer containing a Ingersoll Rand compressor, a Lincoln grease pump, a Generac 5500 generator, a Ridgid toolbox full of tools, two Titan pumps, one Empire set of torque tools and two sets of high torque and a general tool box full of tools. The value of the items taken is more than $103,000.

If you are the first person to call with information leading to the arrest of these lowdown snakes, it will be worth a $1,000 cash reward. You will remain anonymous and no caller ID is EVER used.

How to submit a secure tip

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

Helping Hands of Midland
An All Volunteer Organization Assisting Our Neighbors
1301 BRINSON LANE
(BEHIND ROGERS FORD)
520-8900
www.helpinghandsmidland.com

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

Electric	4 families	$ 719.00
Water	3 families	$ 387.57
Rent	33 families	$22,214.08
Transportation	1 family	$ 880.62
Medical	2 families	$ 1,000.00
Home Repairs	1 family	$ 88.75
Food		$ 473.39
Total		$25,763.41

We received a call from a local landlord pleading on behalf of one of his tenants. She had never asked for help before and so when she called our helpline we immediately set up an appointment to meet with her.

Several months ago she had fallen and injured her back. She was unable to work for close to one month. She did not have paid sick time or medical benefits with her job. What little money she had saved for rent ended up going to doctor bills and medicine and she was unable to pay either her rent or her electric bill.

She eventually went back to work but late charges had accumulated on her past-due rent. She made payments to try to bring her rent current, but because of the ongoing late charges she was unable to make any headway. The money she paid on her rent caused her to fall even further behind on her electric bill. Eventually her electricity was disconnected. In order to have her electric reconnected she had to pay the entire past-due plus a deposit. Doing so made it impossible for her to continue paying extra on her rent. She received an eviction notice to vacate her apartment.

When we looked at her payment history, the amount she currently owed plus her income, we did not feel she was a good candidate for help. At the rate she was going, even if we were to get her completely caught up, she simply did not make enough to afford the rent, her electric and the simple necessities of life. One tiny bump in the road would put her over the edge. Not a good risk for the money you entrust to us. We counseled her to find a cheaper place to live that she could afford, and if she did we would be more than happy to help her with move-in costs.

But she is a good tenant, and her landlord did not want to lose her. He interceded on her behalf by calling both Helping Hands and the management company that owned the complex. He was able to get the management company to waive all of the late fees, and was even able to get her rent reduced to something that she could afford. We jumped on the new offer and were so happy to be able to help her get a new start by paying all of her past-due rent plus get her electricity back on and the past-due bill paid. What a special place Midland is...where a landlord will plead to keep a good tenant, and where people like you, who that tenant doesn't even know, will come forth to help that person through a tough time. Are we not blessed? Thank you for blessing us!

PARTY

From 1B

with a special stamp each year.

And though a motorist passing through would get the impression of crumbling adobes, closed stores and deserted trailers, Valentine is a long way from going under, said Calderon, who was born and raised here.

In recent years, he said, the city has gotten a new sewage system, new paved roads, a large new community center, an improved water system and a food pantry.

Valentine is kept alive in part by its exemplary school district, which currently has an enviable student-teacher ratio of 5-to-1.

"We never think about dying. I've been here 65 years, and ever since I can remember, they were supposed to close the school down, but it's never happened," Calderon said.

Consolidation always looms, but rather than have Valentine students go to Van Horn, Fort Davis or Marfa, their students should come to Valentine, which has a higher rated school, he said.

The city's soon-to-be-a-ghost-town look belies a rollicking past, replete with gunfights, train wrecks, earthquakes, bandits and get-rich-quick land schemes, according to the Fort Davis Historical Society.

Valentine was founded as a water stop for the Southern Pacific Railroad shortly after the tracks were laid here in late 1881. The city's "Hispanic Cemetery" still has grave markers of Chinese laborers who died while laying track.

Saloons and churches were soon built, a post office was established and, within a decade, Valentine was a thriving frontier town, although not a place for the meek or foolhardy.

In 1889, one Samuel R. Taylor killed a railroad conductor in a difference of opinion over a fare. Taylor was hurried away ahead of a lynch mob to Alpine, to later be shot dead in a card game.

About the same time, notorious train robber "Black Jack" Ketchum and two others robbed a store in Valentine, making off with $325, a sack of sweets and a new Winchester rifle. One bandit was shot dead, but the other two escaped.

In 1915, with the Mexican Revolution raging and fears of border bandits traumatizing the region, a posse from Valentine killed Gen. Pascual Orozco and his gang southwest of Van Horn. Members of the posse were acquitted of murder.

In 1931, a powerful earthquake shook Valentine, and more than 100 adobe homes were damaged beyond repair. Chimneys collapsed and tombstones shifted in the graveyard.

On July 19, 1947, Valentine was wracked by a head-on collision between two Southern Pacific freight trains. Three train men were killed, others were injured and fruits and vegetables were scattered on the prairie.

It was during that era, when more crews were stationed in Valentine, that the city likely reached its peak. In 1949, a gymnasium and six classrooms were added to the school.

But eventually, diesel engines eliminated the need for water stops, and the Southern Pacific crews ran straight from Sanderson to El Paso, with no turnaround in Valentine.

Vivian Grubb, 97, of Fort Davis, was raised in Valentine when the city had a car dealership, nice hotels and good restaurants for travelers.

"For a kid, it was a big thing to go down to the station and see everyone get off the train," she recalled, also remembering the legions of "hobos" who came through during the Depression.

"They rode the trains, stopping and begging to cut some wood for a meal," she said.

When she went to the big party in Valentine last year, she was melancholic.

"It felt kind of sad. You get to thinking about what was where and things you did with that family," she said.

Calderon, whose grandparents fled the Mexican Revolution and are buried here, is confident that Valentine will endure.

"This little town doesn't grow, but it doesn't die. I'm confident something will happen for it to grow," he said.

Most people believe that as long as the school is healthy, Valentine will survive.

"I've been in some really good schools, but I've never seen a community support a school like Valentine," said Cook, the superintendent.

"Nearly every program we have, there will be three or four generations. The group that's on the school board now has no interest in consolidation," he said.







Photos by Edward A. Ornelas





TOP: Johnny Vasquez (left) and Gus Valenzuela of the band Exito perform with the group during the 4th Annual Valentine's in Valentine festival Feb. 14 in Valentine.
CLOCKWISE: Detail of post cards.
Jerry Jeff Walker fans enjoy the show. Walker Kibbe (left) dances with his mother Fawn Kibbe to the music of Jerry Jeff Walker.
Amber Arpin (left) and Laurel Coniglio take in the sights
Allison Tidwell (left) and her fiance Matthew Brown pose for photos Tidwell and Brown got engaged Feb. 12.
People meander around the old mercantile building.





STATEBRIEFS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

PALESTINE

1 wounded, 1 arrested after shooting in high school lot

One man is in police custody and another is hospitalized with a gunshot wound after a shooting in an East Texas high school parking lot outside a gym where a basketball playoff game was to be played.

The shooting happened about 6 p.m. Friday in the Palestine (PAL'-uh-steen) High School parking lot just before a playoff game between high school teams from the East Texas towns of Teague and Malakoff.

Palestine school district spokeswoman Suzanne Eiben tells the Palestine Herald-Press that the shooting involved two men from Teague.

Palestine police Capt. James Muniz says the wound was not thought to be life-threatening, and he and Eiben said there was no further threat to the public.

No identities or charges have been released.

AUSTIN

Man sentenced in case that led to missing-child law

A 31-year-old man has been sentenced to 20 years in prison for his role in the death of a child whose case brought a new law giving authorities greater discretion in hunting for missing children in immediate danger.

Michael Turner was sentenced Friday after earlier pleading guilty to charges that include injury to a child by reckless omission.

Turner was dating Meagan Work in 2014 when Work's 2-year-old son went missing. The remains of Colton Turner were later found in a shallow grave.

IRVING

Texas district sues to prevent release of clock details

A suburban Dallas school district has sued the state of Texas to prevent the release of details of a federal investigation into the arrest of a student who brought a homemade clock to class that was seen as a possible bomb.

The Texas attorney general's office earlier this month ordered the Irving school district to provide a copy of the U.S. Department of Justice letter to The Dallas Morning News. Instead, the district on Thursday sued to prevent the release of the multi-page letter, which outlined allegations of "discipline of students on the basis of race, religion and national origin," the newspaper reported.

The district has been turning over sealed documents to comply with the investigation into the September arrest of 14-year-old Ahmed Mohamed. A charge of having a hoax bomb was later dropped but the Muslim teen was suspended.

His family has said the boy's religion was a factor in the school's response, but officials have denied the claim. The district has argued it's withholding the letter because it expects to be sued by the Mohamed family.

Mohamed's family eventually left Irving after reporting threats and now lives in Qatar.

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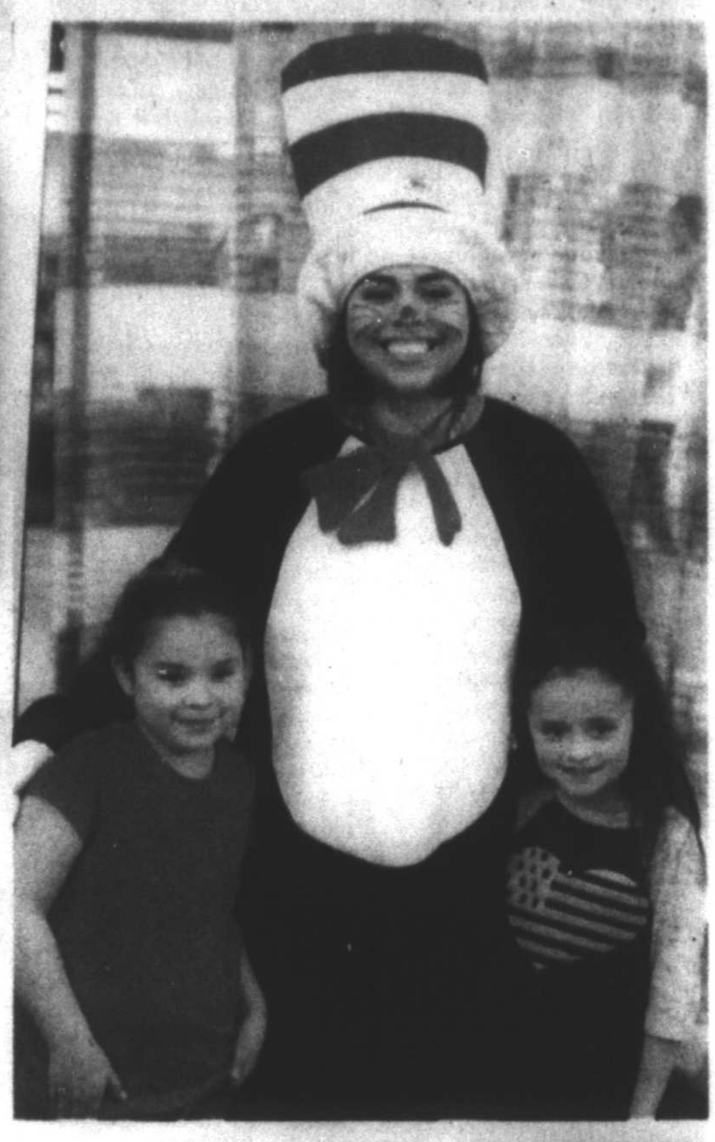
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Kids attend the Dr. Suess birthday party event Saturday at Midland County Public Library Centennial Branch.

SENIOR LINE

AN EVENING WITH THE

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Walinder, Andrews win the Tall City Invite

By Will Korn
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The second round of the Midland Girls Tall City Invitational just happened to fall on Andrews senior Libby Walinder's 18th birthday.

She made quite the memory on her special day by winning the tournament after topping Lee freshman Rebecca Reed in a one-hole playoff, Saturday at Hogan Park Golf Course.

Walinder entered Saturday's play trailing Reed by one stroke for first place. But she and Reed each finished 36 holes with a score of 144 and then played Hogan Park GC's 10th hole in the tiebreaker. Walinder birdied the hole to claim the weekend victory and her first tournament title of the season.

Walinder also birdied on the fourth, 11th and 18th holes to set up the showdown.

Reed finished in second, while Midland High sophomore Faith DeLaGarza won a one-hole playoff against Andrews' Rachel Huffman to take third place with a score of 153.

The Andrews girls (317-306—623) took home the tournament championship by a margin of 22 strokes over second-place Lee (323-322—645). It was the second straight tournament victory for the Lady Mustangs, as they also won the Class 4A State Preview earlier this month.

Odessa Permian's top group (327-328), Odessa High (333-328—661) and El Paso Eastwood's top team (352-342—694) rounded out the top five in order.

Walinder acknowledged that it was a coincidence that she found herself competing for a tournament title on her birthday.

She said she was in a real battle with Reed all day for the lead. But when she stepped onto the tee box on hole 10 for the playoff, she found it within herself to relax and treat it just as she would any other hole.

"I wasn't nervous or excited," Walinder said. "You have to do your best to maintain your demeanor

Please see **INVITE**/3C



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Andrews' Libby Walinder watches her shot Friday at the Girls Tall City Golf Invitational.

Rangerettes fall



Tommy Metthe/Abilene Reporter-News

Midland Greenwood's Layne Banks (21) fights for a loose ball with Wylie's Julia Lovelace (34) during the second quarter of Greenwood's 52-32 loss in the Region I-4A championship game Saturday at the Rip Griffin Center in Lubbock.

Wylie's post players overwhelm Greenwood

By Oscar LeRoy
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Rangerettes	52
Lady Bulldogs	32

LUBBOCK — Abilene Wylie's post players Brittany Brewer and Makaela Mosley made Greenwood's night inside the paint a very difficult one.

Brewer, with her out-stretched arms on her 6-foot-4 frame, and the 5-11 Mosley, with her prowess on the glass, helped to end Greenwood's season in the Region I-4A championship game with a decisive 52-32 victory at Lubbock Christian University's Rip Griffin Center.

Brewer finished with 14 points and 18 rebounds, while tournament MVP Makaela Mosley added eight points and 18 boards for the No. 7-ranked Lady Bulldogs (30-5), who clinched their fourth straight region title.

"Just our high-low and having us together with our height compared to theirs was a big difference," said Brewer, the Texas Tech University signee about the combination inside with Mosley. "Our big rebounds were definitely a big difference as well as Makaela's aggressiveness."

Not only did Wylie dominate on the glass 50-25 but it held Greenwood (26-12) to just 15.8 percent shooting.

"Brewer is so big, she's the real deal and she can turn and score," Greenwood coach Quint Anthony said. "And Mosley back there, we knew had our hands full inside. I thought my girls really stepped up, I thought they got some calls go their way that should have not gone our way that made a little bit of a difference, but then we needed to shoot the ball better than what we did tonight."

Wylie jumped out to 10-3 lead in the first quarter, before Greenwood went on a little run to pull to within 10-7 early in the second quarter. But behind Brewer's

Please see **GREENWOOD**/3C

Wall prevails in defensive battle, heads to state

By Christopher Hadorn
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This year's Region I-3A girls basketball tournament had a defensive theme, and that knockdown, drag out style of play reached a crescendo in Saturday's final.

Idalou and Wall played a physical defensive game where field goals made seemed as impactful as touchdowns at times.

However, the Lady Hawks were able to assemble some offensive rhythm in the second half and prevailed with a 28-14 victory over the Lady Cats at Chaparral Center.

Wall (32-4) captured the Region I-3A championship with the win, securing a berth in the UIL Class 3A state tournament, which begins Thursday at the Alamodome in San Antonio.

Before the Lady Hawks found offensive success in the second half, both teams were mired in a defensive quagmire in the first half. Both the Lady Cats (28-8) and Wall headed into halftime in a 6-6 tie after both teams made a total of two field goals apiece before intermission.

"I don't think we ever scored only six so that was kind of weird for us," Lady Hawks senior Maddi Chitsey said.

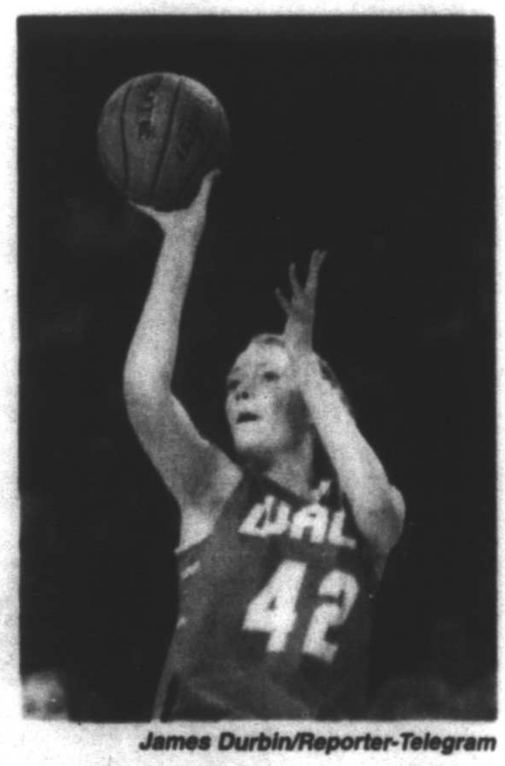
During the first half, Wall went 2-for-23 (8.7 percent) from the field, while Idalou shot 2 of 18 (11.1).

Wall led the Lady Cats, 3-1, after only one quarter.

"Scoring was at a premium, it was hard," Lady Hawks head coach Tate Lombard said. "I was proud of our kids to not get frustrated and just being patient. If you go on a 2-0 run, that's a big deal. 2-0 (run) is kind of funny."

In the second half, Wall generated

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James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Wall's Maddi Chitsey shoots against Idalou in the UIL Region I-3A championship game Saturday at Chaparral Center.

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DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV

BASKETBALL

CBA Semifinal Gm 2: Xinjiang VS. Sichuan, 5:30 a.m., OWSPN

CBA Semifinal Gm 2: Liaoning Guangdong, 10:30 a.m., OWSPN

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Arkansas vs. Texas Tech, 11 a.m., ROOT, MLB

Stanford at Texas, 12:30 p.m., LHN

TCU vs. Houston, 2:30 p.m., ROOT, MLB

Louisiana vs. Rice, 6 p.m., ROOT, MLB

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Weber State at Texas, 10 a.m., LHN

Tulsa vs. Illinois, 3:30 p.m., LHN

College Swimming & Diving Pac-12 Championships, Day 4, 1 p.m., P12, P12 AZ, P12 BAY, P12 LA, P12 Mtn, P12 OR, P12 WA

GOLF

PGA: Honda Classic, Final Round, Noon, GOLF

PGA: Honda Classic, Final Round, 2 p.m., CBS

HOCKEY

Eastern Conference Quarterfinal: Avangard vs. Neftekhimik, 8 a.m., OWPSN

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Penn State at Michigan State, 11 a.m., BTN

Xavier at Seton Hall, 11:30 a.m., FS1

Houston at Connecticut, Noon, CBSSN

Duke at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m., CBS

St. John's at Creighton, 1:30 p.m., FS1

Tulane at SMU, 2 p.m., CBSSN

Iowa at Ohio State, 3 p.m., CBS

Tulsa at Memphis, 3 p.m., ESPNU

Arizona State at Colorado, 3:30 p.m., P12, P12 AZ, P12 Mtn

Michigan at Wisconsin, 5 p.m., BTN

Virginia Tech at Wake Forest, 5:30 p.m., ESPNU

Washington State at Oregon State, 5:30 p.m., P12, P12 OR, P12 WA

USC at California, 7 p.m., FS1

Minnesota at Illinois, 7 p.m., BTN

Washington at Oregon, 7:30 p.m., ESPNU

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

US U-18 at Arizona State, 8 p.m., P12, P12 AZ

MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

North Carolina at Johns Hopkins, 11 a.m., ESPNU

MEN'S SOCCER

Italian Serie A: UC Sampdoria vs. Frosino Calicio, 7:50 a.m., beIN

English Premier: Manchester United vs. Arsenal-, 8:05 a.m., NBCSN, TELE

English Premier: Tottenham vs. Swansea City, 8:05 a.m., NBCET

Bundesliga: FC Augsburg vs. Borussia Monchengladbach, 8:30 p.m., FS2, FXDEP

Eredivisie: AFC Ajax vs. AZ, 10 a.m., UDN

Bundesliga: FSV Mainz vs. Bayer Leverkusen, 10:30 a.m., FS2, FXDEP

Bundesliga: Borussia Dortmund vs. 1899 Hoffenheim, 10:30 a.m., FSP, GolTV

Capital One Cup Final: Liverpool vs. Manchester City, 10:30 a.m., beIN, beIN2

Bundesliga: Eintracht Frankfurt vs. FC Schalke 04, 12:30 p.m., FSP, FXDEP

La Liga: Barcelona vs. Sevilla, 1:30 p.m., beIN2

Italian Serie A: Juventus vs. Internazionale Milano, 1:40 p.m., beIN

Brazil: Palmeiras vs. Ferroviaria, 2 p.m., GolTV

Brazil: Palmeiras vs. Ferroviaria, 4:30 p.m., GolTV

Liga MX: CD Guadalajara vs. Club Tijuana, 5 p.m., Uni-Mas, UDN

Uruguay: Plaza Colonia vs. Nacional, 6:30 p.m., GolTV

Portugal: Benfica vs. Uniao de Madeira, 6:30 p.m., GolTV

MOTORSPORTS

Sprint Cup: Folds of Honor Quicktrip 500, Noon, FOX

NHRA: CARQUEST Auto Parts NHRA Nationals, 4 p.m., FS1

NBA

Minnesota at Dallas, 6 p.m., FSSW

NBA D-League

Oklahoma City at Austin, 5 p.m., FSSW+, FSSWSA

NFL

Scouting Combine: DL's, LB's, 8 a.m., NFL

NHL

Washington at Chicago, 11:30 a.m., NBC

St. Louis at Carolina, 2 p.m., NHL

Tampa Bay at Boston, 5:30 p.m., NBCSN

Los Angeles at Anaheim, 8 p.m., NBCSN

TENNIS

ATP: Brasil Open Final, 1 p.m., TENNIS

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Pittsburgh at Louisville, 11:30 a.m., FSSW+

Georgia at Tennessee, Noon, ESPN2

LSU at South Carolina, 1 p.m., ESPNU

Vanderbilt at Missouri, 1 p.m., SEC

Michigan at Rutgers, 1 p.m., BTN

Oregon at Stanford, 1 p.m., P12 BAY

Oregon State at California, 1 p.m., P12 OR

Arizona at UCLA, 1 p.m., P12, P12 AZ, P12 LA

Miami-FL at Florida State, 2 p.m., ESPN2

Creighton at St. John's, 2 p.m., FS2

Kentucky at Texas A&M, 3 p.m., ESPN

Ole Miss at Arkansas, 3 p.m., SEC

Northwestern at Nebraska, 3 p.m., BTN

Minnesota at Maryland, 4 p.m., ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

Junior college

GOLF

MC at Bronco Invitational, Roswell, N.M.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to terms with SS Hanser Alberto, OF Deino DeShields, RHP Sam Dyson, LHP Andrew Faulkner, LHP Sam Freeman, 3B Joey Gallo, RHP Chi Chi Gonzalez, RHP Luke Jackson, RHP Keone Kela, Pat Kivlehan, RHP Phil Klein, RHP Jose Leclerc, OF Nomar Mazara, 2B Rougned Odor, RHP Anthony Ranaudo, OF Ryan Rua and RHP Connor Sadzeck on one-year contracts. Agreed to terms OF Drew Stubbs on a minor league contract

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Signed INF OF Rickie Weeks to a minor league contract

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

MIAMI HEAT — Signed G Joe Johnson

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Claimed F Jiri Sekac off waivers from Chicago

BOSTON BRUINS — Placed F Max Talbot on waivers.

COLORADO AVALANCHE — Recalled F Andreas Martinsen from San Antonio (AHL)

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Reassigned D Viktor Svedberg to Rockford (AHL)

DETROIT RED WINGS — Traded D Jakub Kindl to Florida for a 2017 sixth-round draft pick.

EDMONTON OILERS — Acquired G Niklas Lundstrom and a 2016 fifth-round draft pick from St. Louis for G Anders Nilsson.

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Acquired F Jiri Hudler from Calgary for a 2016 second-round draft pick and a 2016 fourth-round draft pick. Acquired F Teddy Purcell from Edmonton for a 2017 third-round draft pick.

MINNESOTA WILD — Placed F Chris Porter on waivers.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Assigned D Seth Helgeson to Albany (AHL). Activated F Stefan Matteau off injured reserve and loaned him to Albany (AHL) for conditioning.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS — Acquired D Justin Schultz from Edmonton for a 2016 third-round draft pick.

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Acquired G James Reimer and F Jeremy Morin from Toronto for G Alex Stalock, F Ben Smith and a conditional 2016 fourth-round draft pick.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled G Andrew Vasilevskiy from Syracuse (AHL). Reassigned G Kristers Gudlevskis to Syracuse.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Placed F Brooks Laich on waivers.

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Bridgeport D CJ Ludwig three games and Providence C Colby Cave one game for their actions in a Feb. 26 game between the teams.

BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Announced G Laurent Brossoit was recalled by Edmonton (NHL). Announced G Ty Rimmer was recalled from Norfolk (ECHL)

ECHL

READING ROYALS — Announced G Martin Ouellette was recalled by Lehigh Valley (AHL)

COLLEGE

MIAMI — Suspended men's basketball G Ja'Quan Newton for the final three games of the regular season for a violation of team rules.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Wednesday

At Chonburi, Thailand, Wanheng Menayothin vs. Go Odaira, 12, for Menayothin's WBC World strawweight title.

Thursday

At Kyoto, Japan, Shinsuke Yamanaka vs. Liborio Solis, 12, for Yamanaka's WBC bantamweight title; Yu Kimura vs. Carrigan Loyless, 12, for Kimura's WBC junior flyweight title.

Friday

At Grozny, Russia, Ruslan Chagaev vs. Lucas Browne, 12, for Chagaev's WBA World heavyweight title.

At DC Armory, Washington, D.C. (HBO), Luis Ortiz vs. Tony Thompson, 12, for Ortiz's interim WBA World heavyweight title; Robrsom Castellnos vs. Oscar Escandon, 12, for the interim WBC World featherweight title; Sedam Ali vs. Jesus Vargas, 12, for the vacant WBO welterweight title.

At Sands Bethlehem Events Center, Bethlehem, Pa. (SHO), Julian Williams vs. Marcello Matano, 12, IBF super welterweight eliminator; Tony Harrison vs. Fernando Guerrero, 10, middleweights; Antwaun Douglas vs. Antendil Khurbalize, 10, middleweights.

March 12

At Neubrandenburg, Germany, Jurgen Brahmer vs. Eduard Gutknecht, 12, for Brahmer's WBA World light heavyweight title.

At Olympia Theatre, Montreal, David Lemieux vs. James De La Rosa, 12, middleweights.

At Downtown Las Vegas Events Center, Zab Judah vs. Josh Torres, 10, super lightweights.

March 13

At Nice, Calif. (FS1), Sergey Lipinets vs. Lenin Ghramchelia, 10, junior welterweights; Ngabayi Nyambayo vs Rafael Vasquez, 10, featherweights.

March 19

At Kempton Park, South Africa, Hekkie Budler vs. Byron Rojas, 12, for Budler's WBA Super World-ISO World strawweight title.

March 26

At Sheffield Arena, Sheffield, England, Kell Brook vs. Kevin Bizier, 12, for Brook's IBF welterweight title; Dave Allen vs. Richard Towers, 10, heavyweights; Andy Townend vs. Craig Poxton, 10, junior lightweights.

At Oracle Arena, Oakland, Calif. (HBO), Andre Ward vs. Sullivan Barrera, 12, light heavyweights; Joseph Diaz vs. Jayson Velez, 10, featherweights.

April 1

At DC Armory, Washington, D.C. (Spike), Adrien Broner vs. Ashley Theophane, 12, for Broner's WBA Super World junior welterweight title; Robert Easter vs. Algenis Mendez, 10, lightweights.

April 8

At Moscow, Grigory Drozd vs. Ilunga Makabu, 12, for Drozd's WBC World cruiserweight title; Eduard Troyanovsky vs. Cesar Rene Cuenca, 12, for Troyanovsky's IBF and IBO World super lightweight title.

April 9

At O2 Arena, London, Charles Martin vs. Anthony Joshua, 12, for Martin's IBF heavyweight title; Matthew Macklin vs. Brian Rose, 12, super welterweights.

At MGM Grand, Las Vegas (PPV), Timothy Bradley Jr. vs. Manny Pacquiao, 12, for Bradley's WBO welterweight title; Arthur Abraham vs. Gilberto Ramirez, 12, for Abraham's WBO super middleweight title; Oscar Valdez vs. Evgeny Gradovich, 10, featherweights; Jose Ramirez vs. Manny Perez, 10, junior welterweights; Oleksandr Gvozdyk vs. Nadjib Mohammedi, 10, light heavyweights.

April 16

At Manila, Philippines, Mickie Arroyo vs. Jerwin Ancajas, 12, for Arroyo's IBF junior bantamweight title.

At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. (NBC), Errol Spence Jr. vs. Chris Algieri, 12, welterweights; Krzysztof Glowacki vs. Steve Cunningham, 12, for the WBO World Cruiserweight title; Marcus Browne vs. Razvan Kalaljdzic, 10, light heavyweights.

April 23

At the Forum, Inglewood, Calif. (HBO), Gennady Golovkin vs. Dominic Wade, 10, for Golovkin's WBA Super World-IBF-interim WBC middleweight titles; Roman Gonzalez vs. Michitsuna Arroyo, 12, for Gonzalez's WBC flyweight title.



James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

Lee's Abby Jordan hits against Alpine in a West Texas Softball Classic match Saturday at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

MHS, Lee end West Texas Classic on high note

By Christopher Hadorn

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With six games in three days, the Lee and Midland High softball coaches had a better grasp of their team's strengths and weaknesses following Saturday's conclusion of the West Texas Classic.

MHS (8-5) went 5-1 during the tournament held at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex, while the Lady Rebels (6-6) finished with a 3-3 mark.

The Lady Bulldogs scored in double digits in the tournament three times, which included a 24-0 pummeling of Irving MacArthur on Thursday.

Brooke Ryan, Abbi Sanchez and Natalie Gamboa socked home runs for MHS during the West Texas Classic.

Despite some of the offensive highlights, Lady Bulldogs head coach Shawnda Vines said her lineup needs to be more consistent throughout the batting order. MHS had difficulty scoring in its only tournament loss, a 4-3 defeat to El Paso Hanks on Friday.

Deandra Allen, Ryan and Alli Monarrez split pitching duties for Midland High during the tournament.

MHS held its foes to four runs or less in all six contests, including shutouts of MacArthur and Andrews.

"Overall, I thought our pitchers did really well this weekend," Vines said. "We only made a couple of mistakes. Overall, our pitching staff did a really good job. We are really pleased with their performance all weekend long."

Ryan's success at the plate and in the circle is an encouraging sign after Midland High missed the senior's services in both district play and the postseason during the 2015 campaign.

"She is starting to work her way back in," Vines said. "She is recovering from that knee injury. She's getting a little bit stronger every day so we're real pleased with how she is coming along."

Like Midland High, Lee eclipsed the 10-run mark in three games.

Lady Rebels head coach Wes Overton said that catcher Kirklynd Newsom, infielder Jasmine Gonzales and outfielders Shelby Olivas and Lindsey Greenlee hit the ball with consistency throughout the tournament. Newsom clubbed the Lady Rebs' only homer of the tournament.

Outside of being shutout in a 6-0 loss to El Paso Eastlake, Overton was pleased with his team's hitting during the West Texas Classic.

"We got to keep it going," Overton said of the hitting. "Slumps come along in every season. We don't want to peak too early. We want to be able to hold back and save some of those hits for later when they count."

Lee closed out the tournament on a high note as junior Melanie Marin hurled a shutout during her team's 7-0 victory over Alpine on Saturday.

"Melanie pitched a good game this time, but we just have to have more consistency out of our pitching, which we will," Overton said of his pitching staff. "It will come. Those girls are fighters too."

The Lady Rebels had their bright moments as they rolled in some tournament games, which included a 15-3 victory over San Angelo Lake View and a 10-2 win over MacArthur.

Lee also was on the wrong end of an 18-11 defeat to El Paso Hanks and dropped its first game, 7-2, to Monahans on Thursday.

Even with the peaks and valleys they've experienced, Overton likes the makeup of his Lady Rebels.

"They have a lot of competitive spirit," Overton said. "We don't feel like we're ever out of any game. Sometimes we have a long way to go to get back into some of those games, but they fight hard."

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WEST TEXAS CLASSIC
All games at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex at Ulmer Park
Friday's Scores
1 p.m.

Midland High JV vs. Presidio JV, n/a; Lubbock Christian 13, Monahans JV 3; Andrews JV vs. San Angelo Lake View JV, n/a; Odessa High vs. Monahans, n/a; Fort Stockton vs. Presidio, n/a; Midland High vs. Alpine, n/a; Coronado JV vs. Greenwood JV, n/a

3 p.m.

Kermit JV vs. Lubbock Monterey JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. Lubbock Christian, n/a; Greenwood 11, San Angelo Lake View 0; Big Spring 6, Midland Christian 5; Colorado City vs. Alpine, n/a; Dumas vs. Brownfield, n/a; Coronado JV vs. Odessa JV, n/a

5 p.m.

Midland High JV vs. Lubbock Monterey, n/a; El Paso Eastlake vs. Pecos, n/a; Pecos JV vs. San Angelo Central JV, n/a; Shallowater vs. Amarillo Palo Duro, n/a; Presidio JV vs. Andrews JV, n/a; Midland High vs. El Paso Hanks, n/a; Monahans JV vs. Odessa JV, n/a

7 p.m.

Midland High JV vs. Andrews JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. San Angelo-Lake View, n/a; Monahans 15, Midland Christian 4; Odessa High 15, Andrews, n/a; Lee 10, Irving MacArthur 2

Saturday's Scores
8 a.m.

Pecos JV vs. Kermit JV, n/a; Lubbock Monterey JV vs. San Angelo Lake View JV, n/a; Lubbock Christian 18, Midland High JV 3; Odessa JV vs. Presidio JV, n/a; Greenwood JV vs. San Angelo Central JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. Monahans JV, n/a; Midland Christian 15, Amarillo Palo Duro 0

11 a.m.

Pecos 16, Alpine 11; El Paso Hanks 14, Andrews 3 ; Presidio vs. San Angelo Lake View, n/a; Monahans 2, Sweetwater 0; Midland High 13, Dumas 4; Fort Stockton vs. Irving MacArthur, n/a; El Paso Eastlake 6, Lee 0; Lubbock Coronado JV 13, Andrews JV 8

1 p.m.

Lubbock Monterey JV vs. Monahans JV, n/a; Lubbock Christian vs. San Angelo Central JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. Presidio JV, n/a; Colorado City vs. Shallowater, n/a; Big Spring 10, Greenwood 0; Odessa High vs. Irving MacArthur, n/a; Midland High JV vs. Kermit JV, n/a; Midland Christian 11, Kermit 5

3 p.m.

Lubbock Monterey JV vs. Odessa JV, n/a; Fort Stockton vs. Brownfield, n/a; Pecos JV vs. Greenwood JV, n/a; El Paso Eastlake vs. Amarillo Palo Duro, n/a; Lee 7, Alpine 0; El Paso Hanks 10, Monahans 8; Midland High 6, Andrews 0; Lubbock Coronado JV vs. San Angelo Lake View JV, n/a

5 p.m.

Andrews JV vs. Lubbock Christian, n/a; Pecos vs. Brownfield, n/a; San Angelo Lake View vs. Shallowater, n/a; Odessa High 6, Colorado City 4; Midland Christian 9, Greenwood 5; Big Spring 15, Dumas 0; Kermit vs. Presidio, n/a; Lubbock Coronado JV vs. Pecos JV, n/a

HIGHSCHOOLBASEBALLROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MHS SWEEPS FINAL DAY IN ROUND ROCK

ROUND ROCK — On the strength of a pair of spectacular pitching performances, the Midland High baseball team shut out its opponent in both of its final two games in the Round Rock Tournament on Saturday.

MHS blasted host and No. 2-ranked Round Rock, 11-0 in the first game and then topped Austin Akins, 2-0 in the second game to finish the weekend with a 5-1 record.

Junior left-hander Jordan Luna-Howell got the start for the Bulldogs in the first game and ended up tossing a complete game, one-hitter. The MHS bats staked him to an early 2-0 lead in the top of the first and then added five runs in the fifth inning to pull away.

In the second game, junior Jaxon Hallmark threw a complete game, three-hitter for MHS. The Bulldogs were locked in a scoreless battle for five innings before plating what turned out to be the game-winning run in the sixth.

MHS will take on Lee at 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark to open the 2016 Tournament of Champions.

MIDLAND HIGH 11, NO. 2 ROUND ROCK 0

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Round Rock ..... 000 000 0—0 1 3

Jordan Luna-Howell and Cole Dickie, Miller, Ostrowinsky (5), Bannister (7) and Cole. W — Howell. L — Miller. 2B — MHS: Luke Edmondson, Sam Bertelson, Jacob Mata. Round Rock: Todd.

MIDLAND HIGH 2, AUSTIN AKINS 0

MHS ..... 000 001 1—2 7 0
Akins ..... 000 000 0—0 3 0

Jaxon Hallmark and Logan Hatfield, Cole Dickie (5), Nico Olivera, Justin Cabazos (6), Austin Nicholes (7) and Rudy Reyna. W — Hallmark. L — Cabazos.

Record: MHS 5-1

Next: MHS vs. Lee, 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark, Tournament of Champions

LEE PICKS UP 2 MORE WINS

LEWISVILLE — The Lee baseball team ended the Lewisville Tournament on a high note, winning both of its Saturday's games.

The Rebels beat The Colony, 4-0 in the first game and then thrashed Frisco Lonestar, 9-1 in the second game to finish the weekend with a 3-2 mark.

In the first game, Blake Blessie and Brayden Payne combined to limit The Colony to just two hits. Junior John Wuthrich led Lee with a pair of doubles in the win.

In game 2, Wyatt Hernandez put together a complete game, five-hit performance on the mound for Lee. The Rebels took a 5-0 lead after the first two innings and then added three more insurance runs in the top of the fifth.

Lee (3-2) will take on MHS (5-1) at 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark to open the Tournament of Champions.

LEE 4, THE COLONY HS 0

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Blake Blessie, Brayden Payne (4) and Hunter Coleman. Byreon Lyro and Chase Law. W — Blessie. L — Lyro. 2B — Lee: John Wuthrich 2, Blake Blessie, Hunter Colemap.

LEE 9, FRISCO LONESTAR 1

Lee ..... 330 021 0 — 9 7 3
Frisco LS ..... 000 010 0 — 1 5 3

Wyatt Hernandez and Colby Standard, Kenny Foster, Jake (4) and Jason Shelley. W — Hernandez. L — Foster. 2B — Frisco LS: Peyton Clark.

Record: Lee 3-2

Next: MHS vs. Lee, 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark, Tournament of Champions

Friday's late linescores

AUSTIN ANDERSON 8, MIDLAND HIGH 7, 9 INNINGS

MHS ..... 104 002 00 —7 6 0
Anderson ..... 000 001 01 —8 12 1

Sam Bertelson, Madrid (4) and Logan Hatfield, Mitchell, Kurio (4) and Blackburn. W — Kurio, L — Madrid. 2B — MHS: Luke Edmondson. Anderson: Graves, Mitchell, Blackburn. HR — MHS: Sam Bertelson

MIDLAND HIGH 7, NO. 21 BELTON 2

MHS ..... 330 010 1 —7 12 0
Belton ..... 020 000 0 —2 5 2

Jackson Anuszkiewicz, Garrett Garmon (7) and Cole Dickie. Mejia, Castner (2), Haines (7) and Stafford. W — Anuszkiewicz, L — Mejia. 2B — MHS: Jaxon Hallmark, Cole Dickie, Logan Hatfield. Belton: Lutz. 3B — MHS: Cort Hale, Ethan Barker. HR — Belton: Mask.

Record: MHS 3-1

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Trinity reviving program after hiatus

By Will Korn
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Earlier this academic semester, seven girls walked into the office of Trinity Athletic Director Jeff Young with a desire to revive a golf program that had been dormant for nearly a decade and a half.

After some discussion with Young and first-year head coach Todd Freese, Trinity's team was re-formed by members Rebecca Young, Kinzie Roemer, Hannah George, Karoline Watson, Avery Evans, Julissa Carrasco and Haley Wacker. Six of the seven girls also participate in other sports at Trinity.

Each of them are proud to be in the group that is bringing Trinity girls golf back to local courses in a competitive format.

"It's great," Roemer said. "Knowing that people below us, maybe in the lower grades, will start to play golf and then we will have a better program eventually."

Freese said he was pleasantly surprised with the girls' sudden level of interest in the sport.

"I was shocked to be honest with you," Freese said. "I was very surprised. We didn't have any girls as we were coming into the second semester. We had a golf meeting and seven girls showed up and other girls wanted to play."

This is a completely new endeavor for Freese and his newly forged team, as none of the current seven players had ever played organized golf until three weeks ago.

"None of them had picked up a club before," Freese said. "Maybe they've tinkered around in the front yard but no one's played before. Ever."



Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Trinity's Avery Evans watches her shot Friday at the Girls Tall City Golf Invitational.

For the first time in their lives, three of the seven Trinity girls took the course at the Monahans Sandhills Tournament in early February.

Freese said it was a true learning experience for his girls, who were initially unaware of even the proper etiquette when playing golf.

"It was pretty rough," Freese said. "Some of the teams they played, some of the girls they played with are from really good programs. And they (the Trinity girls) were challenged. They didn't understand golf, or even tournament golf."

Roemer said she and her teammates were at first a bit intimidated by the competition at the Monahans tournament.

"We sat in the car for 20 minutes trying to get ourselves to come out because everybody (else) looked so good," Roemer said laughing. "They knew what they were doing and we had no clue what was going on."

But it didn't take long for the Lady Charger golfers to want to get back on the course every chance they could get.

And in the team's second tournament — the Midland Girls Tall City Invitational on Friday and Saturday — Trinity competed with five players and made noticeable strides in development.

The team finished the TC Invitational in last place among teams with complete two-day scores. But Trinity cut six strokes off of its first-round score (526).

"In the first tournament, they just hit it (the ball), hit it, hit it," Freese said. "This tournament (the TC Invitational), they had a little bit of an idea of what they wanted to do. They were thinking about club selection, they were thinking about 'How hard do I hit this ball?' They were reading putts. None of that happened in the first tournament."

For Freese and Jeff Young, that improvement highlights the girls' self-determination and real desire to morph into golfers.

"I think our scores are getting better with practice," Roemer said. "It just takes a lot of time."

Added Freese: "They have resilience and they want to be better. They're going to play a lot this summer and we have other tournaments scheduled and they're going to get better and better."

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FROM STAFF REPORTS

2016 District 3-6A boys soccer

Team	W	PW	PL	L	Pts.
Midland High (13-0-0)	3	0	0	1	10
Odessa High (5-10-2)	3	0	1	2	10
Abilene High (19-5-0)	3	0	0	3	9
San Angelo Central (7-7-2)	3	0	0	3	9
Lee (9-6-2)	3	1	1	2	9
Odessa Permian (8-10-2)	1	0	1	4	4

Note: 3 points for a win, 2 points for a penalty kick win, 1 point for a penalty kick loss

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 4, Abilene High 2; Lee 5, Odessa Permian 0; San Angelo Central 3, Odessa High 1

Tuesday's Matches
Odessa Permian at Midland High; Lee at San Angelo Central; Abilene High at Odessa High. All matches start at 5:30 p.m.

2016 District 3-6A girls soccer

Team	W	PW	PL	L	Pts.
Midland High (8-0-0)	5	0	0	1	15
San Angelo Central (15-3-2)	4	0	1	1	13
Odessa Permian (10-6-2)	3	1	0	2	11
Abilene High (13-7-0)	2	1	0	3	8
Lee (7-7-1)	2	0	1	4	6
Odessa High (10-7-1)	1	0	0	5	3

Note: 3 points for a win, 2 points for a penalty kick win, 1 point for a penalty kick loss

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 4, Abilene High 3; Odessa Permian 5, Lee 0; San Angelo Central 2, Odessa High 0

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Odessa Permian at Midland High; Lee at San Angelo Central; Abilene High at Odessa High. All matches start at 7:30 p.m.

Boys

LEE BLASTS PERMIAN WITH FIVE GOALS

ODESSA — Carlos Aranda notched a hat trick and helped Lee race to a 5-0 rout of District 3-6A rival Odessa Permian on Saturday at Ratliff Stadium.

Aranda scored in the fourth minute to give the Rebels (8-6-2, 2-1-1-2-9 pts) a quick 1-0 advantage. Nate Ortiz added a goal in the 13th minute and then Aranda struck for a second time in the 17th minute and again in the 36th minute.

Isael Ramirez capped off the match's scoring with a tally in the 75th minute.

Lee will travel to San Angelo to take on the Bobcats (7-7-2, 3-0-0-3-9 pts) at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

MHS JUMPS ON AHS EARLY IN WIN

The MHS boys scored early and did more than enough to hold off visiting District 3-6A foe Abilene High in a 4-2 regulation win, Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Alex VonHolle led MHS with a goal and two assists on the afternoon.

Courtesy of an assist by VonHolle, Homero Vasquez got the Bulldogs 13-5-0, 3-2-0-1-13 pts) on the board first in the 10th minute. Less than two minutes later, VonHolle scored a goal of his own with an assist by Christian Fuentes.

Brian Natividad tallied to extend the MHS lead to 3-0 in the 49th minute, before AHS answered with a pair of goals spaced six minutes apart.

MHS will next host Odessa Permian (8-10-2, 1-0-1-4-4 pts) at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday

Girls

MHS EDGES LADY EAGLES AT HOME

Midland High edged AHS, 4-3 in regulation in a District 3-6A match on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

No other information was reported.

MHS (8-9-0, 5-0-0-1—15 pts) will host Odessa Permian (10-6-2, 3-1-0-2—11 pts) at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

OHS SHUTS OUT LADY REBELS

ODESSA — Odessa Permian rolled to a 3-0 regulation win in a District 3-6A match on Saturday at Ratliff Stadium.

No other information was reported.

Lee (7-7-1, 1-0-1-4—4 pts) will travel to San Angelo to play the Lady Bobcats (15-3-2, 4-0-1-1-13 pts) at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

SPORTSBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Tennis

MHS PLACES FOURTH IN ABILENE

ABILENE — Midland High's Kate Daugherty and Allison Stewart placed second in girls doubles during Saturday's Cooper Cougar Classic.

In the girls doubles final, Austin Vandergriff's nationally ranked pair of Gabi Cusano and Meghan O'Malley defeated Stewart and Daugherty, 6-4, 6-4.

It was the first time during the 2015-16 tennis season that Daugherty and Stewart lost a doubles match.

MHS seniors Hannah Rey and Brandt Schneider finished third in mixed doubles, after defeating Austin Vandergriff's Nick Cusano and Danielle Cuteri, 7-6, 6-2, in the third-place match.

Midland High placed fourth out of 16 teams, finishing behind tournament champion Vandergrift, runner-up Lubbock High and third-place Lubbock Coronado.

Powerlifting

MHS WINS HOST TOURNAMENT

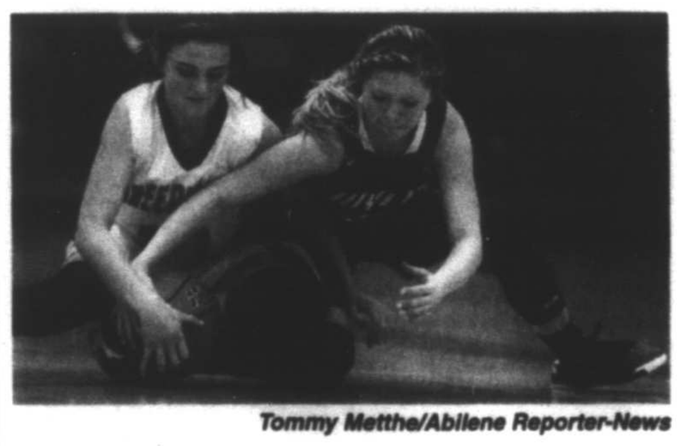
The Midland High boys powerlifting team won the Midland High Power Invitational with a first-place score of 67 points on Saturday.

MHS boys champions included Chase Rheilander in the 165-pound weight division, Tyler Gonzales at 181 pounds, Josh Chandler at 198 pounds, Turner Phillips at 220 pounds, Devon Miller at 275 pounds and Braxton Gardner in the super heavyweight division.

Miller received the meet's Best Lifter Award on the heavy platform.

Midland High Power Invitational
Saturday's results

123 — 2. Tucker Craig, MHS, 760
165 — 1. Chase Rheilander, MHS, 1,130. 3. JP Estrada, MHS, 1,010
181 — 1. Tyler Gonzales, MHS, 1,175
198 — 1. Josh Chandler, MHS, 1,230
220 — 1. Turner Phillips, MHS, 1,380
242 — 1. Kaoni Garcia, MHS, 1,515
275 — 1. Devon Miller, MHS, 1,800. 2. Hating, MHS, 1,450
Super heavyweight — 1. Braxton Gardner, MHS, 1,530. 2. Cesar Juarez, MHS, 1,485. 3. Juan Vasquez, MHS, 1,260



Tommy Metthe/Abilene Reporter-News

Midland Greenwood's Caity Payne (10) fights for a loose ball with Wylie's Skylar Williams (32) during the third quarter in the Region I-4A championship game on Saturday at the Rip Griffin Center in Lubbock.

GREENWOOD

From 1C

shot-blocking ability and rebounding, plus Wylie hitting three 3-pointers, the Lady Bulldogs took a 24-16 halftime advantage.

Wylie put the game away with a 10-2 run in the third quarter.

"We have capabilities, because of our speed, to make a little run," Anthony said. "Wylie did a great job of settling down on offense, got the ball back inside and scored a couple of buckets, and we couldn't hit, especially when they got that lead."

Unlike the night before when Seminole pushed Wylie to the limit before the Lady Bulldogs prevailed 41-38, Brewer said her team came out with a better mindset.

"We had a lot more intensity to start this game and we were a lot more patient on offense," she said.

Madi Garcia added 10 points for Wylie.

Natalee Karcher had 14 points to lead Greenwood.

While this was a tough loss for the Rangerettes, Anthony said he was proud of his team, considering not many people gave his young team a chance to even make it this far.

"We go into the playoffs unranked, of course we don't pay attention to rankings anyway," Anthony said. "But at the same time the girls proved to themselves that (we belonged here). (We had) two great seniors in Callie Rose Gilbert and Layne Banks and that group of sophomores and juniors really upped their game so much that we're going to be a team to contend and compete with next year."

ALL-REGION PICKS: Greenwood's Karcher and Caity Payne were selected to the Region I-4A All-Tournament Team.

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NO. 7 ABILENE WYLIE 52, GREENWOOD 32
Wylie (20-5) - Britney Brewer 14, Madi Garcia 10, Lauren Fullenwider 8, Makaela Mosley 8, Shannon Seale 5, Gabby Zullo 3, Kami Jackson 2, Julia Lovelace 1
Greenwood (26-12) - Natalee Karcher 14, Cylie Mebane 9, Caity Payne 4, Madison Ucak 3, Layne Banks 2

Wylie	10	14	19	10 —52
Greenwood	3	10	2	14 —32

Free throws - Wylie 21-29, Greenwood 12-14. 3-point goals - Wylie 3 (Garcia, Fullenwider 2), Greenwood 2 (Karcher, Ucak). Total fouls - Wylie 14, Greenwood 23. Fouled out - GHS: Callie Rose Gilbert, Banks, Karcher. Rebounds - Wylie 50 (Brewer 18, Mosley 18), Greenwood 25 (Banks 6). Turnovers - Wylie 21, Greenwood 4.

WALL

From 1C

some scoring finally as it scored nine points in the third quarter, and followed with 14 points in the fourth quarter.

After intermission, the Lady Hawks decided to feed the ball to Chitsey inside, their standout 6-foot-1 post, and hopefully draw fouls if she was unsuccessful in converting field goal attempts.

Chitsey spearheaded Wall's offensive efforts, registering 17 of her team's 28 points. In addition to her inside scoring, Chitsey sank a 3, made a mid-range, pull-up jumper and shot 8-for-13 from the free-throw line.

"We talked about getting it low, getting it to the post and being aggressive so that we could get fouls and just finish," Chitsey said of Lombard's halftime speech.

In the fourth quarter, Wall began to separate from Idalou after Sawyer Lloyd and Macy Gully scored layups. Lloyd made an easy transition basket after a Gully rebound and Gully scored after the Lady Hawks beat a full-court press from the Lady Cats. The Lady Hawks led 23-13 with a little more than three minutes to play.

In addition to her offensive contributions, Chitsey had a marvelous game on the defensive side defending Idalou's 6-foot-2 center Rachel Zahn.

Zahn made only one field goal during a game in which the Lady Cats shot 4-for -43 as a team.

"I thought we got some looks, but they were all contested," Idalou head coach Tyler Helms said. "We got very few non-contested looks. That's a credit to them. They contest every shot and limit you to one shot if you miss it and we needed to make some of those. We did get looks, but we missed them for a reason. They were contesting them."

The Lady Hawks outrebounded the Lady Cats, 45-33.

Chitsey had a team-high nine rebounds, while Idalou's Andrea Conklin grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds.

Wall, the 2014 state champion, will join Region II champion Brock, Region III champion Little River Academy and Region IV champion San Antonio Cole among the Class 3A state tournament contingent.

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WALL 28, IDALOU 14
Wall (32-4) - Sawyer Lloyd 4. Hannah Carr 2. Macy Gully 5. Maddi Chitsey 17.
Idalou (28-8) - Williams 5, Ashlyn Shelley 3. Bailey Conklin 3, Rachel Zahn 3

Wall	3	9	13	—28
Idalou	1	5	5	3—14

Free throws - Wall 13-22, Idalou 5-10. 3-point goals - Wall 1 (Chitsey), Idalou 1 (Williams) Total fouls - Wall 15, Idalou 17. Fouled out - None.

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and so I feel like I did that pretty well. But I knew I was going to have to make birdie to beat her (Reed)."

Andrews head coach Mark Burgen said he spoke with Walinder just before the playoff began. His message to her: Don't change anything.

"(It was) similar to what I would tell her at the first tee of the state tournament," Burgen said. "Your heart beat is going to be beating pretty fast. Slow your swing down, but just keep going through the same routine and same process that got (her) to that point. Don't do anything differently. Just a little reassurance and then she handled the pressure quite well."

After her victory, Walinder said that she would have been satisfied with her finish even if she had lost the playoff hole. She was pleased with her play in both rounds over the weekend.

"Coming into today one down, I just knew I had to play my best golf," Walinder said. "I knew that if I played my best and she (Reed) played her best, then I wouldn't be upset with wherever the cards fell."

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Midland Girls Tall City Invitational
Friday-Saturday
Green Tree Country Club and Hogan Park Golf Course
Final results
Team standings

1. Andrews, 317-306—623; 2. Lee I, 323-322—645; 3. Odessa Permian I, 327-328—655; 4. Odessa High, 333-329—661; 5. El Paso Eastwood I, 352-342—694; 6. El Paso Coronado, 355-348—703; 7. El Paso Eastwood II, 413-349—762; 8. Odessa Permian II, 395-377—772; 9. High, 402-403—805; 10. Lee II, 418-395—813; 11. Pecos, 425-435—860; 12. Midland Christian, 449-418—867; 13. Trinity, 526-520—1,046; 14. Lubbock Monterey, NS; 15. Midland High, NS

Individual standings

1. Libby Wallinder, Andrews, 72-72—144; 2. Rebecca Reed, Lee, 71-73—144; 3. Faith DeLaGarza, Midland High, 78-75—153; 4. Rachel Huffman, Andrews, 78-75—153; 5. Hailey Carnoch, Odessa High, 79-76—155; 6. Jordan Digby, Odessa Permian I, 79-78—157; T7. Madee McAllister, Andrews, 81-76—159; Chloe Bice, Lee, 80-79—159; Reygan Rodriguez, Odessa High, 79-80—159

Team results

Andrews (317-306—623) — Libby Wallinder, 72-72—144; Rachel Huffman, 78-75—153; Madee McAllister, 81-78—159; Kinzee McAllister, 85-81—166; Savannah Pinson, 86-84—170
Lee I (323-322—645) — Rebecca Reed, 71-73—144; Chloe Bice, 80-79—159; Alexis Adkisson, 85-83—168; Ryleigh Stump, 87-87—174; Alex Sparks, 88-89—177
Odessa Permian I (327-328—655) — Jordan Digby, 79-78—157; Briana Venegas, 82-83—165; Emily Serrano, 82-86—168; Shelby Knighton, 89-81—170; DeAnna Flores, 84-87—171
Odessa High (333-329—661) — Hailey Carnoch, 79-76—155; Reygan Rodriguez, 79-80—159; Aubree Cox, 85-88—173; Lexi Carter, 90-85—175; Caitlyn Thomas, 84-87—181
El Paso Eastwood I (352-342—694) — Ally Chavez, 85-85—170; Valeria Enriquez, 89-86—175; Julia Enriquez, 90-85—175; Daniella Uribarri, 88-93—181; Audra Miller, 95-86—181
El Paso Coronado (355-348—703) — Brittany Baffert, 83-82—165; Rosie Schoeman, 86-82—170; Kayla Molina, 86-84—182; Taylor Wharton, 96-92—188; Elizabeth Vega, 103-92—195
El Paso Eastwood II (413-349—762) — Breanna Cochran, 101-75—176; Amanda Portillo, 97-83—180; Kristin Rios, 99-95—194; Anna Aguilar, 119-96—215; Amber Martinez, 116-100—216
Odessa Permian II (395-377—772) — Katelynn Winchell, 93-87—180; Adrianne Hernandez, 94-92—186; Kristen Parsons, 95-94—189; Kayla Gonzalez, 113-104—217
Abilene High (402-403—805) —Allie Rodriguez, 91-95—186; Erin Luna, 95-93—188; Laci Davis, 111-103—214; Kestie Willborn, 105-112—217; Chloe Boyd, 111-118—229
Lee II (418-395—813) — Kendall Kincaid, 101-94—195; Laura Werner, 101-101—202; Kristyn Anderson, 105-101—207; Rachel Holder, 114-99—213; Michaela McClinton, 110-103—213
Pecos (425-435—860) — Natalia Romo, 93-93—186; Esmi Cano, 112-103—215; Valeria Mendiola, 114-114—228; Jazlyn Rodriguez, 138-125—263
MCS (449-418—867) — Blaire Neatherlin, 96-95—181; Abby Platt, 109-98—207; Hannah Brunson, 112-108—220; Victoria Golobac, 132-127—259
Trinity (526-520—1,046) — Avery Evans, 132-123—255; Rebecca Young, 123-136—259; Kinzie Roemer, 136-131—267; Karoline Watson, 270; Hannah George, 144-131—275
Lubbock Monterey, NS — Tiera Shobe, 93-89—181; Cat Carinon, 117-108—225; Lauren Caudill, NS
MHS, NS — Faith DeLaGarza, 78-75—153; Riley Grunewald, 95-93—188; Av rea Curles, 115-103—218; Kelly Anne Hernandez, 113-NS—NS

Other medalists

Mikala Hayne, Andrews, 88-94—170
Hallie Morton, El Paso Coronado, 97-96—193
Camryn Jackson, Lee, 102-97—199
Kristen Jones, Lee, 115-104—219
Iris Ramirez, Odessa High, 110-112—222
Hannah Lyon, El Paso Eastwood, 119-104—223
Ashley Rios, El Paso Eastwood, 127-131—258

HS BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

CLASS 6A
Regional quarterfinal
North Crowley (30-3, W4) vs. Lubbock Coronado (25-5, R2), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS
DeSoto (31-2, W9) vs. Justin Northwest (23-12, T3), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Lamar HS
Amarillo Tascosa (31-0, W2) vs. Arlington Martin (26-6, R4), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Snyder HS
Plano East (27-7, W6) vs. South Grand Prairie (22-6, R6), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Conrad HS

CLASS 4A
Regional quarterfinal
Levelland (15-10, T2) vs. Lamesa (25-7, R2), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Bridgeport (24-7, W8) vs. Kennedale (24-12, W7), Lubbock Estacado (25-7, W2) vs. Burkburnett (18-8, W1), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Plainview
Abilene Wylie (28-5, W6) vs. Decatur (25-8, R8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Glen Rose

CLASS 3A
Regional quarterfinal
Kermit (30-2, W4) vs. Brownfield (23-3, W3), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews
Texas Leadership Charter Academy (23-8, T6) vs. Tuscola Jim Ned (22-9, R6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Bronte
Slaton (17-8, R3) vs. Childress (29-1, W1), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon
Wall (25-6, W6) vs. Colorado City (23-7, W5), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene

CLASS 1A
Regional quarterfinal
Borden County (W12) vs. Imperial Buena Vista, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, New Mexico JC, Hobbs
Menard (W16) vs. Water Valley (24-2, W14), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, El Dorado
Grady (28-4, W11) vs. Klondike (T11), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Denver City
May (W15) vs. Jayton, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS

HS GIRLS BASKETBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

CLASS 6A
Regional finals
Duncanville (W8, 37-0) 73, Plano West (W9, 33-5) 58
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinal
Duncanville (37-0, W8) vs. North Shore (36-1), 7 p.m. Friday
Delaney (30-1) vs. Cibolo Steele (30-3), 8:30 p.m. Friday

CLASS 4A
Regional semifinals
Greenwood (W4, 25-11) 64, Brownwood 39
Abilene Wylie (W6, 28-5) 41, Seminole 39
Regional finals
Abilene Wylie (W6, 30-5) 52, Greenwood (W4, 26-12) 32
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinal
Abilene Wylie (W6, 30-5) vs. Waco La Vega (32-2), 1:30 p.m. Friday
Argyle (33-1) vs. Liberty Hill (36-3), 3 p.m. Friday

CLASS 3A
Regional semifinals
Idalou (W3, 27-7) 50, Tuscola Jim Ned 23
Wall (W6, 30-4) 40, Denver City 19
Regional finals
Wall (W6, 31-4) 39, Idalou (W3, 29-7) 14
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinals
Wall (W6, 31-4) vs. Little River Academy (17-6), 1:30 p.m. Thursday
Brock (33-4) vs. San Antonio Cole (36-3), 3 p.m. Thursday

CLASS 2A
Regional semifinals
Panhandle (W3, 32-1) 67, Christoval 44
Grover (W1, 29-4) 40, Sudan 34
Regional finals
Panhandle (W3, 34-1) 40, Grover (W1, 30-5) 27
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinals
Panhandle (W3, 34-1) vs. LaPoynor (35-2), 8:30 a.m. Friday
Martins Mill (31-6) vs. Weimar (37-2), 10 a.m. Friday

CLASS 1A
Regional semifinals
Eula (W15, 24-8) 39, Grady 34
Roby (W13, 29-2) 53, O'Donnell 35
Regional finals (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Roby (W13, 31-2) 47, Eula (W15, 25-9) 43
State Tournament
Semifinals
Roby (W13, 31-2) vs.Chireno (34-1), 8:30 a.m. Thursday
Nazareth (21-5) vs. Lipan (23-5), 10 a.m. Thursday

DAILY RUNDOWN

FROM STAFF & WIRE REPORTS

ON THE AIR

ON TV

BASKETBALL

CBA Semifinal Gm 2: Xinjiang VS. Sichuan, 5:30 a.m., OWSPN

CBA Semifinal Gm 2: Liaoning Guangdong, 10:30 a.m., OWSPN

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Arkansas vs. Texas Tech, 11 a.m., ROOT, MLB

Stanford at Texas, 12:30 p.m., LHN

TCU vs. Houston, 2:30 p.m., ROOT, MLB

Louisiana vs. Rice, 6 p.m., ROOT, MLB

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Weber State at Texas, 10 a.m., LHN

Tulsa vs. Illinois, 3:30 p.m., LHN

College Swimming & Diving Pac-12 Championships, Day 4, 1 p.m., P12, P12 AZ, P12 BAY, P12 LA, P12 Mtn, P12 OR, P12 WA

GOLF

PGA: Honda Classic, Final Round, Noon, GOLF

PGA: Honda Classic, Final Round, 2 p.m., CBS

HOCKEY

Eastern Conference Quarterfinal: Avangard vs. Neftekhimik, 8 a.m., OWPSN

MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Penn State at Michigan State, 11 a.m., BTN

Xavier at Seton Hall, 11:30 a.m., FS1

Houston at Connecticut, Noon, CBSSN

Duke at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m., CBS

St. John's at Creighton, 1:30 p.m., FS1

Tulane at SMU, 2 p.m., CBSSN

Iowa at Ohio State, 3 p.m., CBS

Tulsa at Memphis, 3 p.m., ESPNU

Arizona State at Colorado, 3:30 p.m., P12, P12 AZ, P12 Mtn

Michigan at Wisconsin, 5 p.m., BTN

Virginia Tech at Wake Forest, 5:30 p.m., ESPNU

Washington State at Oregon State, 5:30 p.m., P12, P12 OR, P12 WA

USC at California, 7 p.m., FS1

Minnesota at Illinois, 7 p.m., BTN

Washington at Oregon, 7:30 p.m., ESPNU

MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

US U-18 at Arizona State, 8 p.m., P12, P12 AZ

MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

North Carolina at Johns Hopkins, 11 a.m., ESPNU

MEN'S SOCCER

Italian Serie A: UC Sampdoria vs. Frosino Calicio, 7:50 a.m., beIN

English Premier: Manchester United vs. Arsenal-, 8:05 a.m., NBCSN, TELE

English Premier: Tottenham vs. Swansea City, 8:05 a.m., NBCET

Bundesliga: FC Augsburg vs. Borussia Monchengladbach, 8:30 p.m., FS2, FXDEP

Eredivisie: AFC Ajax vs. AZ, 10 a.m., UDN

Bundesliga: FSV Mainz vs. Bayer Leverkusen, 10:30 a.m., FS2, FXDEP

Bundesliga: Borussia Dortmund vs. 1899 Hoffenheim, 10:30 a.m., FSP, GolTV

Capital One Cup Final: Liverpool vs. Manchester City, 10:30 a.m., beIN, beIN2

Bundesliga: Eintracht Frankfurt vs. FC Schalke 04, 12:30 p.m., FSP, FXDEP

La Liga: Barcelona vs. Sevilla, 1:30 p.m., beIN2

Italian Serie A: Juventus vs. Internazionale Milano, 1:40 p.m., beIN

Brazil: Palmeiras vs. Ferroviaria, 2 p.m., GolTV

Brazil: Palmeiras vs. Ferroviaria, 4:30 p.m., GolTV

Liga MX: CD Guadalajara vs. Club Tijuana, 5 p.m., UniMas, UDN

Uruguay: Plaza Colonia vs. Nacional, 6:30 p.m., GolTV

Portugal: Benfica vs. Uniao de Madeira, 8:30 p.m., GolTV

MOTORSPORTS

Sprint Cup: Folds of Honor Quickrip 500, Noon, FOX

NHRA: CARQUEST Auto Parts NHRA Nationals, 4 p.m., FS1

NBA

Minnesota at Dallas, 6 p.m., FSSW

NBA D-League Oklahoma City at Austin, 5 p.m., FSSW+, FSSWSA

NFL

Scouting Combine: DL's, LB's, 8 a.m., NFL

NHL

Washington at Chicago, 11:30 a.m., NBC

St. Louis at Carolina, 2 p.m., NHL

Tampa Bay at Boston, 5:30 p.m., NBCSN

Los Angeles at Anaheim, 8 p.m., NBCSN

TENNIS

ATP: Brasil Open Final, 1 p.m., TENNIS

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Pittsburgh at Louisville, 11:30 a.m., FSSW+

Georgia at Tennessee, Noon, ESPN2

LSU at South Carolina, 1 p.m., ESPNU

Vanderbilt at Missouri, 1 p.m., SEC

Michigan at Rutgers, 1 p.m., BTN

Oregon at Stanford, 1 p.m., P12 BAY

Oregon State at California, 1 p.m., P12 OR

Arizona at UCLA, 1 p.m., P12, P12 AZ, P12 LA

Miami-FL at Florida State, 2 p.m., ESPN2

Creighton at St. John's, 2 p.m., FS2

Kentucky at Texas A&M, 3 p.m., ESPN

Ole Miss at Arkansas, 3 p.m., SEC

Northwestern at Nebraska, 3 p.m., BTN

Minnesota at Maryland, 4 p.m., ESPN2

WHAT'S ON DECK

Junior college

GOLF

MC at Bronco Invitational, Roswell, N.M.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

American League

TEXAS RANGERS — Agreed to terms with SS Hanser Alberto, OF Delino DeShields, RHP Sam Dyson, LHP Andrew Faulkner, LHP Sam Freeman, 3B Joey Gallo, RHP Chi Chi Gonzalez, RHP Luke Jackson, RHP Keone Kela, Pat Kivlehan, RHP Phil Klein, RHP Jose Leclerc, OF Nomar Mazara, 2B Rougned Odor, RHP Anthony Ranaudo, OF Ryan Rua and RHP Connor Sadzeck on one-year contracts. Agreed to terms OF Drew Stubbs on a minor league contract.

National League

ARIZONA DIAMONDBACKS — Signed INF-OF Ricky Weeks to a minor league contract.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

MIAMI HEAT — Signed G Joe Johnson

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

ARIZONA COYOTES — Claimed F Jiri Sekac off waivers from Chicago.

BOSTON BRUINS — Placed F Max Talbot on waivers.

COLORADO AVALANCHE — Recalled F Andreas Martinsen from San Antonio (AHL).

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS — Reassigned D Viktor Svedberg to Rockford (AHL).

DETROIT RED WINGS — Traded D Jakub Kindl to Florida for a 2017 sixth-round draft pick.

EDMONTON OILERS — Acquired G Niklas Lundstrom and a 2016 fifth-round draft pick from St. Louis for G Anders Nilsson.

FLORIDA PANTHERS — Acquired F Jiri Hudler from Calgary for a 2016 second-round draft pick and a 2016 fourth-round draft pick.

Acquired F Teddy Purcell from Edmonton for a 2017 third-round draft pick.

MINNESOTA WILD — Placed F Chris Porter on waivers.

NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Assigned D Seth Helgeson to Albany (AHL). Activated F Stefan Matteau off injured reserve and loaned him to Albany (AHL) for conditioning.

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS — Acquired D Justin Schultz from Edmonton for a 2016 third-round draft pick.

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Acquired G James Reimer and F Jeremy Morin from Toronto for G Alex Stalock, F Ben Smith and a conditional 2018 fourth-round draft pick.

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING — Recalled G Andrei Vasilevskiy from Syracuse (AHL). Reassigned G Kristers Gudlevskis to Syracuse.

WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Placed F Brooks Laich on waivers.

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Bridgeport F C.J. Ludwig three games and Providence C Colby Cave one game for their actions in a Feb. 26 game between the teams.

BAKERSFIELD CONDORS — Announced G Laurent Brossoit was recalled by Edmonton (NHL). Announced G Ty Rimmer was recalled from Norfolk (ECHL).

ECHL

READING ROYALS — Announced G Martin Ouellette was recalled by Lehigh Valley (AHL).

COLLEGE

MIAMI — Suspended men's basketball G Ja'Quan Newton for the final three games of the regular season for a violation of team rules.

FIGHT SCHEDULE

Wednesday

At Chonburi, Thailand, Wanheng Menayothin vs. Go Odaira, 12, for Menayothin's WBC World strawweight title.

Thursday

At Kyoto, Japan, Shinsuke Yamanaka vs. Liborio Solis, 12, for Yamanaka's WBC bantamweight title; Yu Kimura vs. Damigan Lopes, 12, for Kimura's WBC junior flyweight title.

Friday

At Grozny, Russia, Ruslan Chagaev vs. Lucas Browne, 12, for Chagaev's WBA World heavyweight title.

At DC Armory, Washington, D.C. (HBO), Luis Ortiz vs. Tony Thompson, 12, for Ortiz's interim WBA World heavyweight title; Robinson Castellanos vs. Oscar Escandon, 12, for the interim WBC World featherweight title; Sadam Ali vs. Jessie Vargas, 12, for the vacant WBO welterweight title.

At Sands Bethlehem Events Center, Bethlehem, Pa. (BHO), Julian Williams vs. Marcelo Matano, 12, IBF super welterweight eliminator; Tony Harrison vs. Fernando Guerrero, 10, middleweights; Antoine Douglas vs. Artemiti Khurtsidze, 10, middleweights.

March 12

At Neubrandenburg, Germany, Juergen Braehmer vs. Eduard Gutknecht, 12, for Braehmer's WBA World light heavyweight title.

At Olympia Theatre, Montreal, David Lemieux vs. James De La Rosa, 12, middleweights.

At Downtown Las Vegas Events Center, Zab Judah vs. Josh Torres, 10, super lightweights.

March 13

At Nice, Calif. (FS1), Sergey Lipinets vs. Levan Ghvamichava, 10, junior welterweights; Tugstsogt Nyambayar vs. Rafael Vanoyan, 10, featherweights.

March 19

At Kempton Park, South Africa, Hekkie Budler vs. Byron Rojas, 12, for Budler's WBA Super World-IBO World strawweight title.

March 20

At Sheffield Arena, Sheffield, England, Kell Brook vs. Kevin Bizier, 12, for Brook's IBF welterweight title; Dave Allen vs. Richard Towers, 10, heavyweights; Andy Townend vs. Craig Poston, 10, junior lightweights.

At Oracle Arena, Oakland, Calif. (HBO), Andre Ward vs. Sullivan Barrera, 12, light heavyweights; Joseph Diaz vs. Jayson Velez, 10, featherweights.

April 1

At DC Armory, Washington, D.C. (Spike), Adrien Broner vs. Ashley Theophane, 12, for Broner's WBA Super World junior welterweight title; Robert Easter vs. Algenis Mendez, 10, lightweights.

April 8

At Moscow, Grigory Drozd vs. Ilunga Makabu, 12, for Drozd's WBC World cruiserweight title; Eduard Troyanovsky vs. Cesar Rene Cuenca, 12, for Troyanovsky's IBF and IBO World super lightweight title.

April 9

At O2 Arena, London, Charles Martin vs. Anthony Joshua, 12, for Martin's IBF heavyweight title; Matthew Macklin vs. Brian Rose, 12, super welterweights.

At MGM Grand, Las Vegas (PPV), Timothy Bradley Jr. vs. Manny Pacquiao, 12, for Bradley's WBO welterweight title; Arthur Abraham vs. Gilberto Ramirez, 12, for Abraham's WBO super middleweight title; Oscar Valdez vs. Evgeny Gradovich, 10, featherweights; Jose Ramirez vs. Manny Perez, 10, junior welterweights; Oleksandr Gvozdyk vs. Nadjib Mohammedi, 10, light heavyweights.

April 15

At Manila, Philippines, Mzuke Arroyo vs. Jerwin Ancajas, 12, for Arroyo's IBF junior bantamweight title.

At Barclays Center, Brooklyn, N.Y. (NBC), Erislandy Lara vs. Chris Algieri, 12, welterweights; Krzysztof Glowacki vs. Steve Cunningham, 12, for the WBO World cruiserweight title; Marcus Browne vs. Radivoje Kalajdzic, 10, light heavyweights.

April 23

At the Forum, Inglewood, Calif. (HBO), Gennady Golovkin vs. Dominic Wade, 12, for Golovkin's WBA Super World-IBF-interim WBC middleweight titles; Roman Gonzalez vs. Wilfredo Arroyo, 12, for Gonzalez's WBC flyweight title.



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Lee's Abby Jordan hits against Alpine in a West Texas Softball Classic match Saturday at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex.

MHS, Lee end West Texas Classic on high note

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With six games in three days, the Lee and Midland High softball coaches had a better grasp of their team's strengths and weaknesses following Saturday's conclusion of the West Texas Classic.

MHS (8-5) went 5-1 during the tournament held at the Freddie Ezell Softball Complex, while the Lady Rebels (6-6) finished with a 3-3 mark.

The Lady Bulldogs scored in double digits in the tournament three times, which included a 24-0 pummeling of Irving MacArthur on Thursday.

Brooke Ryan, Abbi Sanchez and Natalie Gamboa socked home runs for MHS during the West Texas Classic.

Despite some of the offensive highlights, Lady Bulldogs head coach Shawnda Vines said her lineup needs to be more consistent throughout the batting order. MHS had difficulty scoring in its only tournament loss, a 4-3 defeat to El Paso Hanks on Friday.

Deandra Allen, Ryan and Alli Monarrez split pitching duties for Midland High during the tournament.

MHS held its foes to four runs or less in all six contests, including shutouts of MacArthur and Andrews.

"Overall, I thought our pitchers did really well this weekend," Vines said. "We only made a couple of mistakes. Overall, our pitching staff did a really good job. We are really pleased with their performance all weekend long."

Ryan's success at the plate and in the circle is an encouraging sign after Midland High missed the senior's services in both district play and the postseason during the 2015 campaign.

"She is starting to work her way back in," Vines said. "She is recovering from that knee injury. She's getting a little bit stronger every day so we're real pleased with how she is coming along."

Like Midland High, Lee eclipsed the 10-run mark in three games.

Lady Rebels head coach Wes Overton said that catcher Kirklynd Newsom, infielder Jasmine Gonzales and outfielders Shelby Olivas and Lindsey Greenlee hit the ball with consistency throughout the tournament. Newsom clubbed the Lady Rebs' only homer of the tournament.

Outside of being shutout in a 6-0 loss to El Paso Eastlake, Overton was pleased with his team's hitting during the West Texas Classic.

"We got to keep it going," Overton said of the hitting. "Slumps come along in every season. We don't want to peak too early. We want to be able to hold back and save some of those hits for later when they count."

Lee closed out the tournament on a high note as junior Melanie Marin hurled a shutout during her team's 7-0 victory over Alpine on Saturday.

"Melanie pitched a good game this time, but we just have to have more consistency out of our pitching, which we will," Overton said of his pitching staff. "It will come. Those girls are fighters too."

The Lady Rebels had their bright moments as they rolled in some tournament games, which included a 15-3 victory over San Angelo Lake View and a 10-2 win over MacArthur.

Lee also was on the wrong end of an 18-11 defeat to El Paso Hanks and dropped its first game, 7-2, to Monahans on Thursday.

Even with the peaks and valleys they've experienced, Overton likes the makeup of his Lady Rebels.

"They have a lot of competitive spirit," Overton said. "We don't feel like we're ever out of any game. Sometimes we have a long way to go to get back into some of those games, but they fight hard."

WEST TEXAS CLASSIC
All games at Freddie Ezell Softball Complex at Ulmer Park
Friday's Scores

1 p.m.

Midland High JV vs. Presidio JV, n/a; Lubbock Christian 13, Monahans JV 0; Andrews JV vs. San Angelo Lake View JV, n/a; Odessa High vs. Monahans, n/a; Fort Stockton vs. Presidio, n/a; Midland High vs. Alpine, n/a; Coronado JV vs. Greenwood JV, n/a

3 p.m.

Kermit JV vs. Lubbock Monterey JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. Lubbock Christian, n/a; Greenwood 11, San Angelo Lake View 0; Big Spring 6, Midland Christian 5; Colorado City vs. Alpine, n/a; Dumas vs. Brownfield, n/a; Coronado JV vs. Odessa JV, n/a

5 p.m.

Midland High JV vs. Lubbock Monterey, n/a; El Paso Eastlake vs. Pecos, n/a; Pecos JV vs. San Angelo Central JV, n/a; Shallowater vs. Amarillo Palo Duro, n/a; Presidio JV vs. Andrews JV, n/a; Midland High vs. El Paso Hanks, n/a; Monahans JV vs. Odessa JV, n/a

7 p.m.

Midland High JV vs. Andrews JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. San Angelo Lake View, n/a; Monahans 15, Midland Christian 4; Odessa High vs. Andrews, n/a; Lee 10, Irving MacArthur 2

Saturday's Scores

9 a.m.

Pecos JV vs. Kermit JV, n/a; Lubbock Monterey JV vs. San Angelo Lake View JV, n/a; Lubbock Christian 18, Midland High JV 3; Odessa JV vs. Presidio JV, n/a; Greenwood JV vs. San Angelo Central JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. Monahans JV, n/a; Midland Christian 15, Amarillo Palo Duro 0

11 a.m.

Pecos 16, Alpine 11; El Paso Hanks 14, Andrews 3 ; Presidio vs. San Angelo Lake View, n/a; Monahans 2, Sweetwater 0; Midland High 13, Dumas 4; Fort Stockton vs. Irving MacArthur, n/a; El Paso Eastlake 6, Lee 0; Lubbock Coronado JV 13, Andrews JV 8

1 p.m.

Lubbock Monterey JV vs. Monahans JV, n/a; Lubbock Christian vs. San Angelo Central JV, n/a; Lee JV vs. Presidio JV, n/a; Colorado City vs. Shallowater, n/a; Big Spring 10, Greenwood 0; Odessa High vs. Irving MacArthur, n/a; Midland High JV vs. Kermit JV, n/a; Midland Christian 11, Kermit 5

3 p.m.

Lubbock Monterey JV vs. Odessa JV, n/a; Fort Stockton vs. Brownfield, n/a; Pecos JV vs. Greenwood JV, n/a; El Paso Eastlake vs. Amarillo Palo Duro, n/a; Lee 7, Alpine 0; El Paso Hanks 10, Monahans 9; Midland High 6, Andrews 0; Lubbock Coronado JV vs. San Angelo Lake View JV, n/a

5 p.m.

Andrews JV vs. Lubbock Christian, n/a; Pecos vs. Brownfield, n/a; San Angelo Lake View vs. Shallowater, n/a; Odessa High 6, Colorado City 4; Midland Christian 9, Greenwood 5; Big Spring 15, Dumas 0; Kermit vs. Presidio, n/a; Lubbock Coronado JV vs. Pecos JV, n/a

HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MHS SWEEPS FINAL DAY IN ROUND ROCK

ROUND ROCK — On the strength of a pair of spectacular pitching performances, the Midland High baseball team shut out its opponent in both of its final two games in the Round Rock Tournament on Saturday.

MHS blasted host and No. 2-ranked Round Rock, 11-0 in the first game and then topped Austin Akins, 2-0 in the second game to finish the weekend with a 5-1 record.

Junior left-hander Jordan Luna-Howell got the start for the Bulldogs in the first game and ended up tossing a complete game, one-hitter. The MHS bats staked him to an early 2-0 lead in the top of the first and then added five runs in the fifth inning to pull away.

In the second game, junior Jaxon Hallmark threw a complete game, three-hitter for MHS. The Bulldogs were locked in a scoreless battle for five innings before plating what turned out to be the game-winning run in the sixth.

MHS will take on Lee at 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark to open the 2016 Tournament of Champions.

MIDLAND HIGH 11, NO. 2 ROUND ROCK 0

MHS ..... 200 001 3—11 13 3
Round Rock ..... 000 000 0—0 1 3

Jordan Luna-Howell and Cole Dickie. Miller, Ostrominsky (5), Bannister (7) and Cole. W — Howell. L — Miller. 2B — MHS: Luke Edmondson, Sam Bertelson, Jacob Mata. Round Rock: Todd.

MIDLAND HIGH 2, AUSTIN AKINS 0

MHS ..... 000 001 1—2 7 0
Akins ..... 000 000 0—0 3 0

Jaxon Hallmark and Logan Hatfield, Cole Dickie (5), Nico Olivera, Justin Cabazos (5), Austin Nicholas (7) and Rudy Reyna. W — Hallmark. L — Cabazos.

Record: MHS 5-1

Next: MHS vs. Lee, 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark, Tournament of Champions

LEE PICKS UP 2 MORE WINS

LEWISVILLE — The Lee baseball team ended the Lewisville Tournament on a high note, winning both of its Saturday's games.

The Rebels beat The Colony, 4-0 in the first game and then thrashed Frisco Lonestar, 9-1 in the second game to finish the weekend with a 3-2 mark.

In the first game, Blake Blessie and Brayden Payne combined to limit The Colony to just two hits. Junior John Wuthrich led Lee with a pair of doubles in the win.

In game 2, Wyatt Hernandez put together a complete game, five-hit performance on the mound for Lee. The Rebels took a 5-0 lead after the first two innings and then added three more insurance runs in the top of the fifth.

Lee (3-2) will take on MHS (5-1) at 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark to open the Tournament of Champions.

LEE 4, THE COLONY HS 0

Lee ..... 020 002 0—4 8 2
The Colony ..... 000 000 0—0 2 1

Blake Blessie, Brayden Payne (4) and Hunter Coleman. Bynson Lyon and Chase Law. W — Blessie. L — Lyon. 2B — Lee: John Wuthrich 2, Blake Blessie, Hunter Coleman.

LEE 9, FRISCO LONESTAR 1

Lee ..... 330 001 0—9 7 3
Frisco LS ..... 000 010 0—1 5 3

Wyatt Hernandez and Colby Standard. Kenny Foster, Jake (4) and Jason Shelley. W — Hernandez. L — Foster. 2B — Frisco LS: Payton Clark.

Record: Lee 3-2

Next: MHS vs. Lee, 7 p.m. Thursday at Security Bank Ballpark, Tournament of Champions

Friday's late linescores

AUSTIN ANDERSON 8, MIDLAND HIGH 7, 8 INNINGS

MHS ..... 104 002 00—7 6 0
Anderson ..... 000 001 01—8 12 1

Sam Bertelson, Madrid (4) and Logan Hatfield, Mitchell, Kurio (4) and Blackburn. W — Kurio. L — Madrid. 2B — MHS: Luke Edmondson. Anderson: Graves, Mitchell, Blackburn. HR — MHS: Sam Bertelson

MIDLAND HIGH 7, NO. 21 BELTON 2

MHS ..... 320 010 1—7 12 0
Belton ..... 000 000 0—2 5 2

Jackson Anuszkiewicz, Garrett Garmon (7) and Cole Dickie. Mejia, Castner (2), Haines (7) and Stafford, W — Anuszkiewicz. L — Mejia. 2B — MHS: Jaxon Hallmark, Cole Dickie, Logan Hatfield. Belton: Lutz. 3B — MHS: Cori Hale, Ethan Barker. HR — Belton: Mask

Record: MHS 3-1

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Trinity reviving program after hiatus

By Will Korn
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Tim Fischer/Reporter-Telegram

Trinity's Avery Evans watches her shot Friday at the Girls Tall City Golf Invitational.

Earlier this academic semester, seven girls walked into the office of Trinity Athletic Director Jeff Young with a desire to revive a golf program that had been dormant for nearly a decade and a half.

After some discussion with Young and first-year head coach Todd Freese, Trinity's team was re-formed by members Rebecca Young, Kinzie Roemer, Hannah George, Karoline Watson, Avery Evans, Julissa Carrasco and Haley Wacker. Six of the seven girls also participate in other sports at Trinity.

Each of them are proud to be in the group that is bringing Trinity girls golf back to local courses in a competitive format.

"It's great," Roemer said. "Knowing that people below us, maybe in the lower grades, will start to play golf and then we will have a better program eventually."

Freese said he was pleasantly surprised with the girls' sudden level of interest in the sport.

"I was shocked to be honest with you," Freese said. "I was very surprised. We didn't have any girls as we were coming into the second semester. We had a golf meeting and seven girls showed up and other girls wanted to play."

This is a completely new endeavor for Freese and his newly forged team, as none of the current seven players had ever played organized golf until three weeks ago.

"None of them had picked up a club before," Freese said. "Maybe they've tinkered around in the front yard but no one's played before. Ever."

For the first time in their lives, three of the seven Trinity girls took the course at the Monahans Sandhills Tournament in early February.

Freese said it was a true learning experience for his girls, who were initially unaware of even the proper etiquette when playing golf.

"It was pretty rough," Freese said. "Some of the teams they played, some of the girls they played with are from really good programs. And they (the Trinity girls) were challenged. They didn't understand golf, or even tournament golf."

Roemer said she and her teammates were at first a bit intimidated by the competition at the Monahans tournament.

"We sat in the car for 20 minutes trying to get ourselves to come out because everybody (else) looked so good," Roemer said laughing. "They knew what they were doing and we had no clue what was going on."

But it didn't take long for the Lady Charger golfers to want to get back on the course every chance they could get.

And in the team's second tournament — the Midland Girls Tall City Invitational on Friday and Saturday — Trinity competed with five players and made noticeable strides in development.

The team finished the TC Invitational in last place among teams with complete two-day scores. But Trinity cut six strokes off of its first-round score (526).

"In the first tournament, they just hit it (the ball), hit it, hit it," Freese said. "This tournament (the TC Invitational), they had a little bit of an idea of what they wanted to do. They were thinking about club selection, they were thinking about 'How hard do I hit this ball?' They were reading putts. None of that happened in the first tournament."

For Freese and Jeff Young, that improvement highlights the girls' self-determination and real desire to morph into golfers.

"I think our scores are getting better with practice," Roemer said. "It just takes a lot of time."

Added Freese: "They have resilience and they want to be better. They're going to play a lot this summer and we have other tournaments scheduled and they're going to get better and better."

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2016 District 3-6A boys soccer

Team	W	PW	PL	L	Pts.
Midland High (10-6-0)	3	3	0	1	13
Odessa High (5-10-0)	3	0	1	2	10
Abilene High (13-5-0)	3	0	0	3	9
San Angelo Central (7-7-2)	3	0	0	3	9
Lee (9-6-0)	2	1	1	2	9
Odessa Permian (8-10-2)	1	0	1	4	4

Note: 3 points for a win, 2 points for a penalty kick win, 1 point for a penalty kick loss

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 4, Abilene High 2; Lee 5, Odessa Permian 0; San Angelo Central 3, Odessa High 1

Tuesday's Matches
Odessa Permian at Midland High; Lee at San Angelo Central; Abilene High at Odessa High. All matches start at 5:30 p.m.

2016 District 3-6A girls soccer

Team	W	PW	PL	L	Pts.
Midland High (8-6-0)	4	0	0	1	12
San Angelo Central (13-3-0)	4	0	1	1	12
Odessa Permian (10-6-2)	3	1	0	2	11
Abilene High (12-7-0)	2	1	0	3	8
Lee (7-7-1)	1	0	1	4	4
Odessa High (10-7-1)	1	0	0	5	3

Note: 3 points for a win, 2 points for a penalty kick win, 1 point for a penalty kick loss

Saturday's Scores
Midland High 4, Abilene High 3; Odessa Permian 3, Lee 0; San Angelo Central 2, Odessa High 0

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Boys

LEE BLASTS PERMIAN WITH FIVE GOALS

ODESSA — Carlos Aranda notched a hat trick and helped Lee race to a 5-0 rout of District 3-6A rival Odessa Permian on Saturday at Ratliff Stadium.

Aranda scored in the fourth minute to give the Rebels (8-6-2, 2-1-1-2-9 pts) a quick 1-0 advantage. Nate Ortiz added a goal in the 13th minute and then Aranda struck for a second time in the 17th minute and again in the 36th minute.

Isael Ramirez capped off the match's scoring with a tally in the 75th minute.

Lee will travel to San Angelo to take on the Bobcats (7-7-2, 3-0-0-3-9 pts) at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

MHS JUMPS ON AHS EARLY IN WIN

The MHS boys scored early and did more than enough to hold off visiting District 3-6A foe Abilene High in a 4-2 regulation win, Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

Alex VonHolle led MHS with a goal and two assists on the afternoon.

Courtesy of an assist by VonHolle, Homero Vasquez got the Bulldogs 13-5-0, 3-2-0-1-13 pts) on the board first in the 10th minute. Less than two minutes later, VonHolle scored a goal of his own with an assist by Christian Fuentes.

Brian Natividad tallied to extend the MHS lead to 3-0 in the 49th minute, before AHS answered with a pair of goals spaced six minutes apart.

MHS will next host Odessa Permian (8-10-2, 1-0-1-4-4 pts) at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday

Girls

MHS EDGES LADY EAGLES AT HOME

Midland High edged AHS, 4-3 in regulation in a District 3-6A match on Saturday at Grande Communications Stadium.

No other information was reported.

MHS (8-9-0, 5-0-0-1—15 pts) will host Odessa Permian (10-6-2, 3-1-0-2—11 pts) at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

OHS SHUTS OUT LADY REBELS

ODESSA — Odessa Permian rolled to a 3-0 regulation win in a District 3-6A match on Saturday at Ratliff Stadium.

No other information was reported.

Lee (7-7-1, 1-0-1-4—4 pts) will travel to San Angelo to play the Lady Bobcats (15-3-2, 4-0-1-1-13 pts) at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

SPORTSBRIEFS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Tennis

MHS PLACES FOURTH IN ABILENE

ABILENE — Midland High's Kate Daugherty and Allison Stewart placed second in girls doubles during Saturday's Cooper Cougar Classic.

In the girls doubles final, Austin Vandergrift's nationally ranked pair of Gabi Cusano and Meghan O'Malley defeated Stewart and Daugherty, 6-4, 6-4.

It was the first time during the 2015-16 tennis season that Daugherty and Stewart lost a doubles match.

MHS seniors Hannah Rey and Brandt Schneider finished third in mixed doubles, after defeating Austin Vandergrift's Nick Cusano and Danielle Cuteri, 7-6, 6-2, in the third-place match.

Midland High placed fourth out of 16 teams, finishing behind tournament champion Vandergrift, runner-up Lubbock High and third-place Lubbock Coronado.

Powerlifting

MHS WINS HOST TOURNAMENT

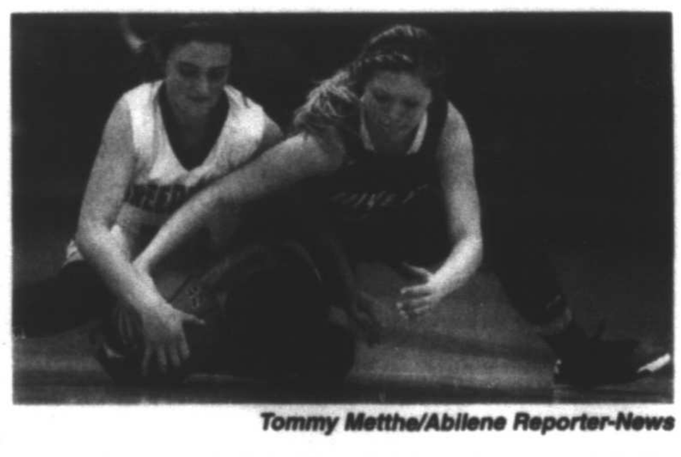
The Midland High boys powerlifting team won the Midland High Power Invitational with a first-place score of 67 points on Saturday.

MHS boys champions included Chase Rheilander in the 165-pound weight division, Tyler Gonzales at 181 pounds, Josh Chandler at 198 pounds, Turner Phillips at 220 pounds, Devon Miller at 275 pounds and Braxton Gardner in the super heavyweight division.

Miller received the meet's Best Lifter Award on the heavy platform.

Midland High Power Invitational
Saturday's results

123 — 2. Tucker Craig, MHS, 760
165 — 1. Chase Rheilander, MHS, 1,130; 3. JP Estrada, MHS, 1,010
181 — 1. Tyler Gonzales, MHS, 1,175
198 — 1. Josh Chandler, MHS, 1,230
220 — 1. Turner Phillips, MHS, 1,380
242 — 1. Keoni Garcia, MHS, 1,515
275 — 1. Devon Miller, MHS, 1,800; 2. Heining, MHS, 1,450
Super heavyweight — 1. Braxton Gardner, MHS, 1,530; 2. Cesar Juarez, MHS, 1,485; 3. Juan Vasquez, MHS, 1,260



Tommy Metthe/Abilene Reporter-News

Midland Greenwood's Caity Payne (10) fights for a loose ball with Wylie's Skylar Williams (32) during the third quarter in the Region I-4A championship game on Saturday at the Rip Griffin Center in Lubbock.

WALL

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some scoring finally as it scored nine points in the third quarter, and followed with 14 points in the fourth quarter.

After intermission, the Lady Hawks decided to feed the ball to Chitsey inside, their standout 6-foot-1 post, and hopefully draw fouls if she was unsuccessful in converting field goal attempts.

Chitsey spearheaded Wall's offensive efforts, registering 17 of her team's 28 points. In addition to her inside scoring, Chitsey sank a 3, made a mid-range, pull-up jumper and shot 8-for-13 from the free-throw line.

"We talked about getting it low, getting it to the post and being aggressive so that we could get fouls and just finish," Chitsey said of Lombard's halftime speech.

In the fourth quarter, Wall began to separate from Idalou after Sawyer Lloyd and Macy Gully scored layups. Lloyd made an easy transition basket after a Gully rebound and Gully scored after the Lady Hawks beat a full-court press from the Lady Cats. The Lady Hawks led 23-13 with a little more than three minutes to play.

In addition to her offensive contributions, Chitsey had a marvelous game on the defensive side defending Idalou's 6-foot-2 center Rachel Zahn.

Zahn made only one field goal during a game in which the Lady Cats shot 4-for -43 as a team.

"I thought we got some looks, but they were all contested," Idalou head coach Tyler Helms said. "We got very few non-contested looks. That's a credit to them. They contest every shot and limit you to one shot if you miss it and we needed to make some of those. We did get looks, but we missed them for a reason. They were contesting them."

The Lady Hawks outrebounded the Lady Cats, 45-33.

Chitsey had a team-high nine rebounds, while Idalou's Andrea Conklin grabbed a game-high 10 rebounds.

Wall, the 2014 state champion, will join Region II champion Brock, Region III champion Little River Academy and Region IV champion San Antonio Cole among the Class 3A state tournament contingent.

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WALL 28, IDALOU 14

Wall (32-4) - Sawyer Lloyd 4, Hannah Carr 2, Macy Gully 5, Maddi Chitsey 17
Idalou (28-8) - Williams 5, Ashlyn Shelley 3, Bailey Conklin 3, Rachel Zahn 3

Wall	3	3	9	13	—28
Idalou	1	5	5	3	—14

Free throws - Wall 13-22, Idalou 5-10. 3-point goals - Wall 1 (Chitsey), Idalou 1 (Williams). Total fouls - Wall 15, Idalou 17. Fouled out - None

INVITE

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and so I feel like I did that pretty well. But I knew I was going to have to make birdie to beat her (Reed)."

Andrews head coach Mark Burgen said he spoke with Walinder just before the playoff began. His message to her: Don't change anything.

"(It was) similar to what I would tell her at the first tee of the state tournament," Burgen said. "Your heart beat is going to be beating pretty fast. Slow your swing down, but just keep going through the same routine and same process that got (her) to that point. Don't do anything differently. Just a little reassurance and then she handled the pressure quite well."

After her victory, Walinder said that she would have been satisfied with her finish even if she had lost the playoff hole. She was pleased with her play in both rounds over the weekend.

"Coming into today one down, I just knew I had to play my best golf," Walinder said. "I knew that if I played my best and she (Reed) played her best, then I wouldn't be upset with wherever the cards fell."

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Midland Girls Tall City Invitational
Friday-Saturday
Green Tree Country Club and Hogan Park Golf Course
Final results
Team standings

1. Andrews, 317-306—623; 2. Lee I, 323-322—645; 3. Odessa Permian I, 327-328—655; 4. Odessa High, 333-328—661; 5. El Paso Eastwood I, 352-342—694; 6. El Paso Coronado, 355-348—703; 7. El Paso Eastwood II, 413-349—762; 8. Odessa Permian II, 395-377—772; 9. High, 402-403—805; 10. Lee II, 418-395—813; 11. Pecos, 425-435—860; 12. Midland Christian, 449-418—867; 13. Trinity, 526-520—1,046; 14. Lubbock Monterey, NS; 15. Midland High, NS

Individual standings

1. Libby Wallinder, Andrews, 72-72—144; 2. Rebecca Reed, Lee, 71-73—144; 3. Faith DeLaGarza, Midland High, 78-75—153; 4. Rachel Huffman, Andrews, 78-75—153; 5. Hailey Cernoch, Odessa High, 79-76—155; 6. Jordan Digby, Odessa Permian I, 79-78—157; T7. Madee McAllister, Andrews, 81-78- -'59; Chloe Bice, Lee, 80-79—159; Reygan Rodriguez, Odessa High, 79-80—159

Team results

Andrews (317-306—623) — Libby Wallinder, 72-72—144; Rachel Huffman, 78-75—153; Madee McAllister, 81-78—159; Kinzee McAllister, 86-81—169; Savannah Pinson, 86-84—170

Lee I (323-322—645) — Rebecca Reed, 71-73—144; Chloe Bice, 80-79—159; Alexis Addison, 85-83—168; Ryleigh Stump, 87-87—174; Alex Sparks, 88-89—177

Odessa Permian I (327-328—655) — Jordan Digby, 79-78—157; Briana Venegas, 82-83—165; Emily Serrano, 82-86—168; Shelby Knighten, 89-81—170; DeAnna Flores, 84-87—171

Odessa High (333-328—661) — Hailey Cernoch, 79-76—155; Reygan Rodriguez, 79-80—159; Aubree Cox, 85-88—173; Lexi Carter, 90-85—175; Caitlyn Thomas, 94-87—181

El Paso Eastwood I (352-342—694) — Ally Chavez, 85-85—170; Valeria Enriquez, 88-86—176; Julia Enriquez, 90-85—175; Daniella Urbarri, 88-93—181; Audra Miller, 95-86—181

El Paso Coronado (355-348—703) — Brittany Ballard, 83-82—165; Rosie Schoemann, 88-82—170; Karla Molina, 88-84—182; Taylor Wharton, 96-90—186; Elizabeth Vega, 103-92—195

El Paso Eastwood II (413-349—762) — Breanne Cochran, 101-75—176; Amanda Portillo, 97-83—180; Kristin Rios, 99-95—194; Anna Aguilar, 119-96—215; Amber Martinez, 116-100—216

Odessa Permian II (395-377—772) — Katelynn Winchell, 92-87—180; Adrianna Hernandez, 94-92—186; Kristen Parsons, 95-94—189; Kayla Gonzalez, 113-104—217

Abilene High (402-403—805) - -Allie Rodriguez, 91-95—186; Erin Luna, 95-93—188; Laci Davis, 111-103—214; Kaelle Wilborn, 105-112—217; Chloe Boyd, 111-118—229

Lee II (418-395—813) — Kendall Kincaid, 101-94—195; Laura Werner, 101-101—202; Kristyn Anderson, 106-101—207; Rachel Hulder, 114-99—213; Michaela McClinton, 110-103—213

Pecos (425-435—860) — Natalia Romo, 93-93—186; Esmi Cano, 112-103—215; Valeria Mendoza, 114-114—228; Jazlyn Rodriguez, 136-125—263

MCS (449-418—867) — Blaire Neatherlin, 96-85—181; Abby Flatt, 109-98—207; Hannah Brunson, 112-108—220; Victoria Golobac, 132-127—259

Trinity (526-520—1,046) — Avery Evans, 132-130—255; Rebecca Young, 123-136—259; Kinzie Roemer, 136-131—267; Karoline Watson, 270; Hannah George, 144-131—275

Lubbock Monterey, NS — Tiana Shobe, 93-88—181; Cat Cannon, 117-108—225; Lauren Caudill, NS

MHS, NS — Faith DeLaGarza, 78-75—153; Riley Grunewald, 95-93—188; Av'rie Curtes, 115-103—218; Kelly Anne Hernandez, 113-NS—NS

Other medalists

Mikaila Haynie, Andrews, 86-84—170
Hallie Morton, El Paso Coronado, 87-96—193
Camryn Jackson, Lee, 102-97—199
Kristen Jones, Lee, 115-104—219
Iris Ramirez, Odessa High, 110-113—222
Hannah Lyon, El Paso Eastwood, 119-104—223
Ashley Rios, El Paso Eastwood, 127-131—258

GREENWOOD

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shot-blocking ability and rebounding, plus Wylie hitting three 3-pointers, the Lady Bulldogs took a 24-16 halftime advantage.

Wylie put the game away with a 10-2 run in the third quarter.

"We have capabilities, because of our speed, to make a little run," Anthony said. "Wylie did a great job of settling down on offense, got the ball back inside and scored a couple of buckets, and we couldn't hit, especially when they got that lead."

Unlike the night before when Seminole pushed Wylie to the limit before the Lady Bulldogs prevailed 41-38, Brewer said her team came out with a better mindset.

"We had a lot more intensity to start this game and we were a lot more patient on offense," she said.

Madi Garcia added 10 points for Wylie.

Natalee Karcher had 14 points to lead Greenwood.

While this was a tough loss for the Rangerettes, Anthony said he was proud of his team, considering not many people gave his young team a chance to even make it this far.

"We go into the playoffs unranked, of course we don't pay attention to rankings anyway," Anthony said. "But at the same time the girls proved to themselves that (we belonged here). (We had) two great seniors in Callie Rose Gilbert and Layne Banks and that group of sophomores and juniors really upped their game so much that we're going to be a team to contend and compete with next year."

ALL-REGION PICKS: Greenwood's Karcher and Caity Payne were selected to the Region I-4A All-Tournament Team.

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NO. 7 ABILENE WYLIE 52, GREENWOOD 32

Wylie (29-5) - Brittany Brewer 14, Madi Garcia 10, Lauren Fulenwider 9, Makaela Mosley 5, Shannon Seale 5, Gabby Zullo 3, Kami Jackson 2, Julia Lovelace 1
Greenwood (26-12) - Natalee Karcher 14, Cylie Mobley 5, Caity Payne 4, Madison Ulcak 3, Layne Banks 2

Wylie	10	14	10	18	—52
Greenwood	3	13	3	14	—32

Free throws - Wylie 21-29, Greenwood 12-14. 3-point goals - Wylie 3 (Garcia, Fulenwider 2), Greenwood 2 (Karcher, Ulcak). Total fouls - Wylie 14, Greenwood 23. Fouled out - GHS: Callie Rose Gilbert, Banks, Karcher. Rebounds - Wylie 50 (Brewer 18, Mosley 10), Greenwood 25 (Banks 6). Turnovers - Wylie 21, Greenwood 4.

HS BOYS BASKETBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

CLASS 6A
Regional quarterfinal
North Crowley (30-3, W4) vs. Lubbock Coronado (25-5, R2), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS
DeSoto (31-2, W6) vs. Justin Northwest (23-12, T5), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Arlington Lamar HS
Amarillo Tascosa (31-0, W2) vs. Arlington Martin (25-6, R4), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Snyder HS
Plano East (27-7, W6) vs. South Grand Prairie (22-8, R8), 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Conrad HS

CLASS 4A
Regional quarterfinal
Levelland (15-10, T2) vs. Lamesa (25-7, R2), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Rip Griffin Center, Lubbock
Bridgeport (24-7, W8) vs. Kennedale (24-12, W7), Lubbock Estacado (25-7, W2) vs. Bushland (18-9, W1), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Plainview
Abilene Wylie (28-5, W6) vs. Decatur (25-8, R8), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Glen Rose

CLASS 3A
Regional quarterfinal
Kermit (30-2, W4) vs. Brownfield (23-3, W3), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Andrews
Texas Leadership Charter Academy (23-8, T6) vs. Tuscola Jim Ned (22-9, R6), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Bronte
Slaton (17-8, R3) vs. Childress (25-1, W1), 7 p.m. Tuesday, Canyon
Wall (25-6, W6) vs. Colorado City (23-7, W5), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, McMurry University, Abilene

CLASS 1A
Regional quarterfinal
Borden County (W12) vs. Imperial Buena Vista, 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, New Mexico JC, Hobbs
Menard (W16) vs. Water Valley (24-3, W14), 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, El Dorado
Grady (28-4, W11) vs. Klondike (T11), 6 p.m. Tuesday, Denver City
May (W15) vs. Jayton, 8 p.m. Tuesday, Clyde HS

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CLASS 6A
Regional finals
Duncanville (W8, 37-0) 73, Plano West (W6, 39-9) 58
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinal
Duncanville (37-0, W8) vs. North Shore (36-1), 7 p.m. Friday
Delaney (30-1) vs. Cibolo Steele (36-3), 8:30 p.m. Friday

CLASS 4A
Regional semifinals
Greenwood (W4, 25-11) 64, Brownwood 35
Abilene Wylie (W6, 28-5) 41, Seminole 38
Regional finals
Abilene Wylie (W6, 30-5) 52, Greenwood (W4, 26-12) 32
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinal
Abilene Wylie (W6, 30-6) vs. Waco La Vega (32-2), 1:30 p.m. Friday
Argyle (33-1) vs. Liberty Hill (36-3), 3 p.m. Friday

CLASS 3A
Regional semifinals
Idalou (W3, 27-7) 52, Tuscola Jim Ned 23
Wall (W6, 30-4) 40, Denver City 19
Regional finals
Wall (W6, 31-4) 58, Idalou (W3, 28-7) 14
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinals
Wall (W6, 31-4) vs. Little River Academy (17-6), 1:30 p.m. Thursday
Brock (33-4) vs. San Antonio Cole (36-3), 3 p.m. Thursday

CLASS 2A
Regional semifinals
Panhandle (W3, 35-1) 67, Chilcoscal 44
Grover (W1, 29-4) 40, Sudan 34
Regional finals
Panhandle (W3, 34-1) 40, Grover (W1, 30-5) 27
State Tournament (Alamodome, San Antonio)
Semifinals
Panhandle (W3, 35-1) vs. LaPoynor (35-2), 8:30 a.m. Friday
Martins Mill (31-6) vs. Weimar (37-2), 10 a.m. Friday

CLASS 1A
Regional semifinals
Eula (R15, 24-8) 39, Grady 34
Roby (W13, 29-2) 52, O'Donnell 35
Regional finals
Eula (R15, 24-8) vs. Chilton (24-1), 8:30 a.m. Thursday
Nazareth (21-6) vs. Lipan (23-5), 10 a.m. Thursday
Roby (W13, 31-2) 47, Eula (R15, 25-6) 43
State Tournament
Semifinals
Roby (W13, 31-2) vs Chilton (24-1), 8:30 a.m. Thursday
Nazareth (21-6) vs. Lipan (23-5), 10 a.m. Thursday

Scott, Garcia tied at Honda Classic after wild day

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. — Adam Scott looked as though he couldn't miss as he began to pull away Saturday in the Honda Classic.

He hit every green through 13 holes at PGA National. He made seven birdies through 14 holes. He turned a three-shot deficit at the start of the round into a three-shot lead over Sergio Garcia. No one else was closer than seven shots.

One hole changed everything.

"Just one of those ones where it's the wrong time to make an error," Scott said.

Make that two errors. Scott put two balls into the water on the par-3 15th and made a quadruple bogey to lose the lead. He still managed a 4-under 66 to share the lead with Garcia going into the final round.

It was the other 17 holes that left Scott so optimistic about a chance to win for the first time since May 2014.

"I'm playing great," he said. "I have to say, I've played better every day this week, and it started pretty good. It's disappointing not to have walked out of here and shot 62 or something like that. But it might be tomorrow that I can do that."

Garcia lost the lead again with a bogey from the bunker on the 17th, but a birdie on the final hole gave him a 67 to catch Scott.

They were at 9-under 201.

Blayne Barber had a 69 and was four shots behind.

Scott and Garcia were quick to point out that Sunday might not be a two-man race, and there was plenty of evidence to back them up.

Rickie Fowler had a one-shot lead going into the third round and was the first player at the Honda Classic to go bogey-free through the opening 36 holes. And then on Saturday, he couldn't make a birdie. Fowler made bogey on the easiest hole at PGA National, the par-5 third, and wound up with a 74 to fall five shots behind.

Nothing went right for Jimmy Walker, starting with the first tee. Playing alongside Fowler, he was introduced as "Jimmy Fowler." Walker had the lead with his birdie on the third hole. He didn't make another birdie until the 18th hole, and that was to break 80. Walker was 11 shots back.

"Who can tell me that the guys that are 4 under are not going to go and play like Adam did today?" Garcia said. "We'll see how the day goes. And then if it becomes a two-horse race on the last three or four holes, I'll welcome that. But I will expect some of the guys behind to shoot a good number and make it tough for all of us."

Thanks to one swing by Scott, those guys at least have a chance.

Justin Thomas opened with three straight birdies and had to settle for a 68, putting him at 4-under 206 with Fowler. Graeme McDowell had a 67 and was six shots behind at 207 along with Scott Brown and Vijay Singh (68). Singh made a double bogey on the 15th hole without hitting in the water, hitting in the bunker or hitting in the rough. His problem was the golf ball hit the putter four times from 20 feet.

Still, nothing was more shocking than Scott how quickly his fortunes turned.

The former Masters champion with one of the prettiest swings in golf was flawless. He ran off four straight birdies to close out the back nine, starting with a 50-footer on No. 6, the toughest hole of the day. Garcia's three-putt bogey on the 13th made the deficit three shots, and he was in danger of falling too far behind.

Astros' Springer hopes to stay healthy, reach potential

By Dick Scanlon
Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — The Houston Astros are still waiting to get a whole season out of George Springer.

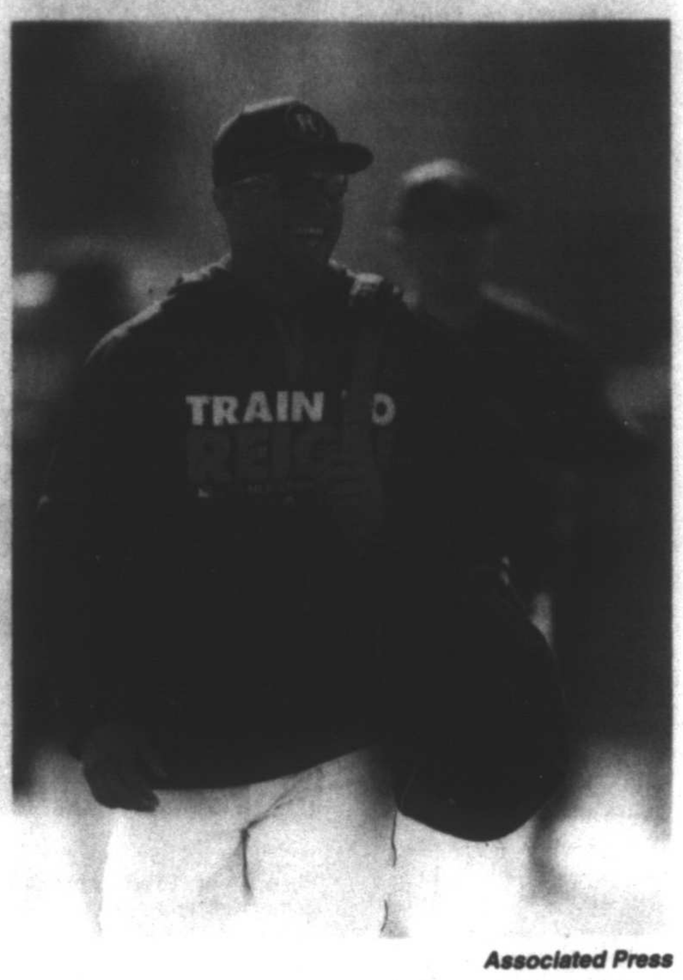
"Obviously, the goal is to stay on the field, but there's some stuff you can't control," the 26-year-old outfielder said Saturday. "I was able to take some strides and figure some stuff out as a player, and obviously I was happy with the stuff the team was able to do."

Obscured by the success of the Astros' breakthrough year was the disappointment that Springer, their high-energy right fielder, had to sit out two months after a pitch from Edinson Volquez broke his right wrist in midseason. He returned for most of September and the playoffs, finishing with a .276 average, 16 home runs and 41 RBIs in 102 games.

"Because he hasn't played 150 or 155 games in a year, there's certainly (the assumption that) the numbers would increase if we could keep him on the field for that length time," manager A.J. Hinch said. "Unfortunately for him, some of the things that have hurt him during the season have been very bizarre circumstance — he gets him by a 97 mph fastball, he runs head-first into a wall ... He plays at a style that's very aggressive, but he can do anything on this field. There's a vibe and an excitement that comes when Springer's playing."

Springer's big rookie season of 2014, in which he hit 20 homers in a 59-game span, ended in July due to a quad strain. Last year the Astros went 26-27 without him. General manager Jeff Luhnow referred to him as "the heart and soul of this team."

When he returned on Sept. 4, he was "good enough to play, I felt fine," Springer said. "This isn't a try-hard league. When they stick you out there, you can't make excuses, you go out and play."



Associated Press

Houston Astros outfielder George Springer laughs after warmups during a spring training baseball workout in Kissimmee, Fla., on Friday.

Said Hinch: "He had to get up and running very quickly. There weren't any rehab games. There wasn't enough time to get him ramped up like you normally would to build the hand strength. He had to play while rehabbing, and that's not always easy to do in a pennant race."

So as the new season looms, there is the sense that Springer's best has yet to be seen.

"There's not one aspect of this game that I can say that I've gotten figured out," he said. "I need to improve on anything I can."

He spent the winter in Houston "doing anything and everything" to stay in shape.

"I like to play basketball, soccer, just for different movements and different this and that," he said. "It's fun; I like it. I use it as a condition tool."

And maybe this is the year of 40 homers and/or 120 RBIs?

"It's not about that," Springer said. "It's about what I can do to help us that day. If that's a walk, a stolen base, a sac fly, that's what counts, not the stats at the end of the day. But the game is starting to slow down for me. I'm starting to get more relaxed, and that's a good thing."

NOTES: Veteran LHP Neal Cotts, signed by the Astros on Friday, threw a bullpen session Saturday afternoon.

GOLF SCORES

Honda Classic

Saturday
At PGA National (Champions Course)
Palm Beach Gardens, Fla
Purse: $6.1 million
Yardage: 7,140; Par: 70
Third Round

Sergio Garcia	65-69-67—201
Adam Scott	70-65-66—201
Blayne Barber	70-66-69—205
Justin Thomas	69-69-68—206
Rickie Fowler	66-66-74—206
Graeme McDowell	71-69-67—207
Vijay Singh	69-70-68—207
Scott Brown	70-67-70—207
Kevin Na	73-65-70—208
John Senden	71-66-71—208
Billy Horschel	73-70-66—209
Gary Woodland	70-72-67—209
Greg Owen	69-71-69—209
Sam Saunders	69-74-67—210
Bronson Burgoon	72-71-67—210
Brooks Koepka	70-71-69—210
Camilo Villegas	72-69-69—210
Sean O'Hair	69-72-69—210
Alex Cejka	71-70-69—210
Jamie Donaldson	72-67-71—210
David Lingmerth	67-71-72—210
Tom Hoge	70-73-68—211
Smylie Kaufman	70-72-69—211
Shane Lowry	67-75-69—211
Graham DeLaet	72-70-69—211
Daniel Summerhays	70-70-71—211
Will MacKenzie	71-70-70—211
Chesson Hadley	70-71-70—211
Sung Kang	71-69-71—211
Russell Knox	70-70-71—211
William McGirt	66-72-73—211
Paul Casey	69-74-69—212
Spencer Levin	73-70-69—212
George McNeel	67-75-70—212
Erik Compton	68-74-70—212
Andy Sullivan	71-71-70—212
Derek Fathauer	70-72-70—212
Brendan Steele	71-68-73—212
Jason Dufner	68-73-71—212
Morgan Hoffmann	75-65-72—212
Hudson Swafford	71-65-76—212
Jimmy Walker	67-66-79—212
Kyle Stanley	73-70-70—213
Kevin Kisner	72-71-70—213
Phil Mickelson	69-74-70—213
Freddie Jacobson	72-71-70—213
Will Wilcox	70-73-70—213
Steve Wheatcroft	71-71-71—213
Jeff Overton	72-69-72—213
Padraig Harrington	73-68-72—213
Stewart Cink	73-68-72—213
David Lowe III	71-69-73—213
Brett Stegmaier	72-67-74—213
Ken Duke	75-65-73—213
Andrew Loupe	71-68-74—213
John Huh	71-72-71—214
Ryan Palmer	73-68-73—214
Ian Poulter	71-69-74—214
Patton Kizzire	75-64-75—214
Retief Goosen	71-72-72—215
Ben Martin	71-72-72—215
Colt Knost	73-67-75—215
Stuart Appleby	70-72-73—215
Emiliano Grillo	72-70-73—215
Seung-Yul Noh	75-67-73—215
Justin Hicks	67-75-73—215
Luke Donald	75-67-73—215
Robert Streb	73-68-74—215
Tyrone Van Aswegen	71-70-74—215
Ernie Els	71-72-73—216
Francesco Molinari	73-68-75—216
Darron Stiles	69-72-75—216
Michael Kim	72-71-74—217
Mark Hubbard	71-70-76—217
Dawie van der Walt	71-68-78—217
Michael Thompson	65-75-79—217
Si Woo Kim	68-74-77—219

LPGA Thailand

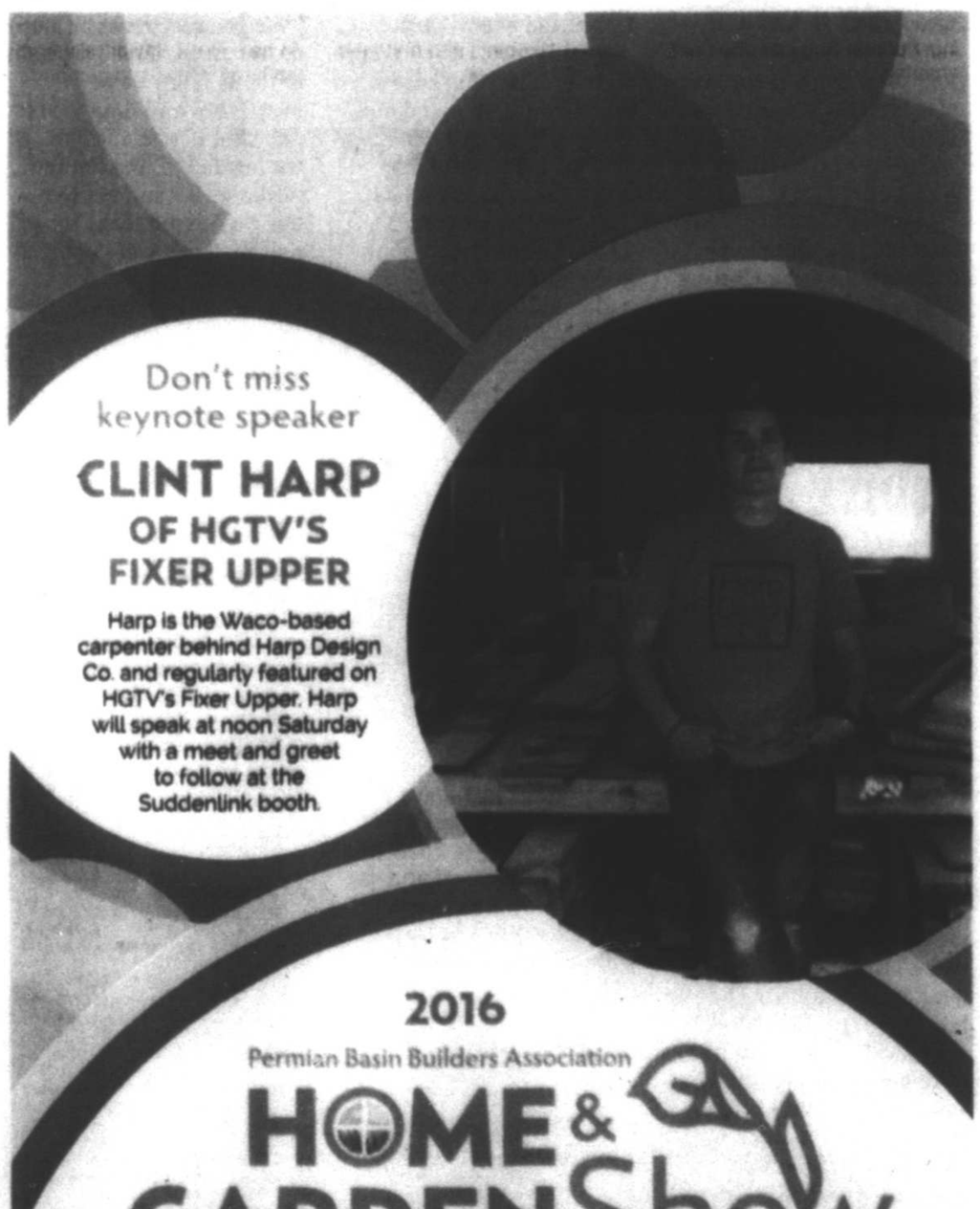
Saturday
At Siam Country Club (Pattaya Old Course)
Chonburi, Thailand
Purse: $1.8 million
Yardage: 6,568; Par: 72
Third Round
a-amateur

Lee Thompson	64-72-64—200
In Gee Chun	69-69-66—204
Amy Yang	66-69-70—205
Hee Young Park	72-69-66—207
Xi Yu Lin	71-68-69—208
Ha Na Jang	69-69-70—208
Haru Nomura	72-66-70—208
Chella Choi	70-68-71—209
Minjee Lee	69-71-70—210
Pernilla Lindberg	69-70-71—210
Jessica Korda	70-69-71—210
Q Baek	65-71-75—211
Anna Nordqvist	69-75-68—212
Candie Kung	72-71-69—212
Lakrita Ogunda	70-72-70—212
K Kim	73-71-69—213
Lee-Anne Pace	74-68-71—213
Bo-Mee Lee	73-69-71—213
Paula Creamer	69-73-71—213
Jenny Shin	68-71-74—213
Kris Tamulis	75-72-67—214
Mo Martin	73-72-69—214
So Yeong Kim	69-76-69—214
Charley Hull	75-69-70—214
Austin Ernst	71-72-71—214
Pornanong Phatlum	72-70-72—214
Wei-Ling Hsu	71-71-72—214
Brittany Lang	69-73-72—214
Kim Kaufman	72-68-74—214
Sun Young Yoo	77-70-68—215
Na Yeon Choi	73-71-71—215
So Yeon Ryu	74-69-72—215
Monya Jutanugarn	73-70-72—215
Jessica Porter	72-71-72—215
Cristie Kerr	70-73-72—215
Inbee Park	72-76-68—216
Angela Stanford	73-73-70—216
Sandra Gal	74-71-71—216
Mika Miyazato	74-70-72—216
Shiho Oyama	73-70-73—216
Stacy Lewis	75-67-74—216
Eun-Hee Ji	70-70-76—216
Karine Icher	72-74-71—217
Brittany Lincicome	75-70-72—217
Budsabakorn Sukapan	72-73-72—217
Hyo Joo Kim	73-70-74—217
Ariya Jutanugarn	73-73-72—218
Lizette Salas	73-73-72—218
Ilhee Lee	71-75-72—218
Shanshan Feng	73-76-70—219
Mirim Lee	73-76-70—219
Sydnee Michaels	73-76-70—219
Suzann Pettersen	71-72-76—219
Kamie Webb	76-77-67—220
Caroline Masson	73-74-73—220
Azahara Munoz	68-79-73—220
a-Pasharangkorn Tavatanakit	72-74-74—220
Sakura Yokomine	71-76-74—221
Mariajo Uribe	71-75-75—221
A Miyazato	73-70-78—221
Mi Hyang Lee	74-74-74—222
Julieta Granada	76-70-76—222
Pannarat Thanapolboonyaras	75-74-75—224
Yani Tseng	75-77-73—225
Beatriz Recari	72-75-78—225
Michelle Wie	74-74-78—226
Jaye Marie Green	76-71-79—226
Thidapa Suwannapura	73-74-79—226
Morgan Pressel	72-80-75—227
Jane Park	80-73-81—234

Perth International

Saturday
At Lake Karrinyup Country Club
Perth, Australia
Purse: $1.27 million
Yardage: 7,143; Par: 72
Third Round

Louis Oosthuzen, South Africa	70-64-67—201
Romain Wattel, France	66-73-65—204
Peter Uihlein, United States	65-68-71—204
Jason Scrivener, Australia	69-67-69—205
Brett Rumford, Australia	68-68-73—206
Marcus Fraser, Australia	69-73-65—207
Mikko Korhonen, Finland	71-70-66—207
Richard Lee, Canada	68-71-68—207
Mardan Mamat, Singapore	69-69-69—207
Alexander Levy, France	70-67-70—207
Matthew Griffin, Australia	72-71-65—208
Peter Senior, Australia	69-73-66—208
Benjamin Hebert, France	70-70-68—208
David Drysdale, Scotland	69-70-69—208
Gregory Bourdy, France	73-71-65—209
Andrew Johnston, England	70-71-68—209
Michael Sim, Australia	69-72-68—209
Jens Fahrbring, Sweden	72-68-69—209
Scott Arnold, Australia	68-71-70—209
Stephen Leaney, Australia	71-72-67—210
Masahiro Kawamura, Japan	70-72-68—210
Robert Dinwiddie, England	70-71-69—210
Panuphol Pittayarat, Thailand	73-67-70—210
Shiv Kapur, India	66-73-71—210
Magnus A. Carlsson, Sweden	68-71-71—210
Nick Cullen, Australia	68-76-67—211
Ricardo Gouveia, Portugal	72-71-68—211
Ryan Evans, England	72-70-69—211
Julien Quesne, France	73-69-69—211
Daniel Nebbet, Australia	70-70-71—211
Jamie McLeary, Scotland	71-69-71—211
David Lipsky, United States	72-67-72—211
Terry Pilkadaris, Australia	73-69-70—212
Richard McEvoy, England	75-67-70—212
Ashley Hall, Australia	69-73-70—212
Wade Ormsby, Australia	69-73-70—212
Darren Valente, Australia	71-70-71—212
Brad Kennedy, Australia	70-71-71—212
Adilson da Silva, Brazil	72-67-73—212
David Branadon, Australia	71-68-73—212
Soomin Lee, South Korea	74-70-69—213
Jav Colomo, Spain	72-71-70—213
Michael Wright, Australia	71-70-72—213
Rhein Gibson, Australia	67-68-78—213
Josh Geary, New Zealand	72-72-70—214
Thitiphun Chuayprakong, Thailand	73-71-70—214
Stephen Dartnall, Australia	73-69-72—214
Aron Price, Australia	71-71-72—214
Adrian Otaegui, Spain	71-71-72—214
Himmat Rai, India	74-67-73—214
Anthony Houston, Australia	68-73-73—214
Ulrich Van Den Berg, South Africa	72-69-73—214
Jeunhung Wang, South Korea	71-68-75—214
Adam Bland, Australia	73-71-71—215
Gaganjeet Bhullar, India	77-67-71—215
Cormac Sharvin, Ireland	68-75-72—215
Ryan Fox, New Zealand	72-70-73—215
Steven Jeffress, Australia	69-72-74—215
Scott Strange, Australia	70-70-75—215
Anthony Summers, Australia	73-71-72—216
Mathew Goggin, Australia	70-74-72—216
Peter Lonard, Australia	72-72-72—216
Gary Stal, France	72-72-73—217
Stuart Manley, Wales	72-72-73—217
Chiragh Kumar, India	71-72-74—217
Matthew Guyatt, Australia	71-70-76—217
Todd Sinnott, Australia	69-71-78—217
Max McCardle, Australia	73-71-74—218
Nino Bertasio, Italy	69-75-74—218
Peter O'Malley, Australia	76-68-74—218
David McKenzie, Australia	74-69-75—218
Chien-yao Hung, Taiwan	73-71-76—220





Kansas beats Texas Tech for Big 12 title

By Amie Just
Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Jamari Traylor handed Kansas forward Perry Ellis a pair of navy blue scissors to take the final snips of the net, and with them the crowd in Allen Fieldhouse began to chant his name.

"It feels great," Ellis said after celebrating the second-ranked Jayhawks' 67-58 victory over Texas Tech on Saturday that wrapped up a share of their 12th straight Big 12 title.

"You think of all the hard work and all of the hours you put in. It all pays off in the end. It's a relief."

Svi Mykhailiuk came off the bench to score 17 points, and Frank Mason III added 16 for the Jayhawks (25-4, 13-3), while Ellis — the stoic senior who's been a part of four of those titles — contributed eight points and five rebounds in helping to extend one of college basketball's remarkable streaks.

The only school to win more consecutive conference championships was UCLA, which won 13 in a row during the 1960s and '70s. The Jayhawks can win their eighth outright title during their streak with a win Monday night at No. 25 Texas or in their regular-season finale against No. 17 Iowa State.

"Sometimes winning is a relief and losing is the end of the Earth," Jayhawks coach Bill Self said. "This feels better than a relief. I'm really proud of our kids. They've really tried hard and they've given us what they've got."

Toddrick Gotcher hit five 3s and led the Red Raiders (18-10, 8-8) with 20 points.

"We made a lot of mistakes," Texas Tech coach Tubby Smith said. "We turned the ball over 14 times. We can't do that against any team, let alone Kansas on the road."

Chaps split DH vs. Weatherford

From staff reports

The Midland College baseball team split its double header with visiting Weatherford College, winning the first game, 14-9 but dropping the second, 14-10 on Saturday at Christensen Stadium.

Brady Moxham got the start for MC (3-7) in the first game and got into trouble in the second inning, as he allowed nine Weatherford runs. But Brock Barger relieved him, stopped the bleeding and the Chaps' bats came alive and took the lead in the bottom of the fifth with a six-run outburst.

Barger earned the win for the Chaps.

Midland High grad Connor Beck doubled and homered with two runs scored and four RBI. The Chaps ended up pounding out 15 hits and four long balls in the win.

In game 2, Hill Alexander led MC with a 3-for-6 day at the plate with a home run and a double. But Weatherford took control of the game with five runs in both the fifth and seventh innings. MC committed five errors in the loss.

The two teams combined for 34 hits in the game.

MC will next travel to Odessa to take on Odessa College at 3 p.m. Saturday.

MIDLAND COLLEGE 14, WEATHERFORD COLLEGE 9, 7 INNINGS

Weatherford.....000 060 0 —6 12 1
Midland.....212 360 X—14 15 2

Reagan MacDonald, Dylan Smith (4), Tyler Wesley (4) and Blake Maddox. Brady Moxham, Brock Barger (2) and Dally Burney. W — Barger. L — Smith. 2B — WC: Levi Zants, Sam Maholski, Taylor Jirsa; MC: Hill Alexander, Yahir Guzmola, Connor Beck. HR — WC: Chace Serchet, Cameron Salvaggio; MC: Hill Alexander, Nolan Retal, Yahir Guzmola, Connor Beck

WEATHERFORD COLLEGE 14, MIDLAND COLLEGE 10

Weatherford.....402 001 510—14 18 1
Midland.....102 001 240—10 16 5

Cole Has...sen, Andreus Feltreak (7), Alex Acker (8), Brett Bumington (9) and Jaime Lowell, Zach Murphy, Jesse Borden (5), Jason Conway (6), Ryan Minnix (6), Brock Freeman (7), Coleman Watts (8) and Dally Burney. W — Cole Hasnesen. L — Zach Murphy. 2B — WC: Dalton Dunn, Levi Zants, Zachary Copple, Cameron Salvaggio; MC: Hill Alexander, Dally Burney, Connor Beck. 3B — WC: Dalton Dunn, Chace Serchet. HR — WC: Chace Serchet; MC: Braden Hayward, Connor Gesell, Hill Alexander

Record: Midland College 3-7
Next: Midland College at Odessa College, 3 p.m. Saturday

No. 25 Texas overwhelms No. 3 Oklahoma

By Jim Vertuno
Associated Press

AUSTIN — Buddy Hield was scoring in bunches again, only to watch the Texas Longhorns counterpunch just about everything he did.

And when Texas finally started its own late-game run, Hield and the Oklahoma Sooners had nothing of their own to stop it.

Isaiah Taylor scored 18 points and No. 25 Texas overwhelmed Oklahoma over the final 7 minutes to beat the third-ranked Sooners 76-63 on Saturday. Texas trailed 58-51 before Taylor converted a three-point play to start a 25-5 run down the stretch.

"We need to be more poised," said Hield, who scored 33 points in another impressive performance by one of the leading candidates for national player of the year.

The Texas scoring wave broke open what had a been a back-and-forth matchup between intense Big 12 rivals and saw Hield on a record scoring pace until Oklahoma (22-6, 10-6) faded late.

"That's winning time, the last 6 minutes," Texas senior forward Connor Lammert said.

Lammert made a big 3-pointer early in the run, a shot that came after Hield missed a potential dagger 3-point attempt for the Sooners. Lammert and Javan Felix each scored 14 points for the Longhorns (19-10, 10-6).

After Lammert's 3-pointer, the Longhorns got two more free throws from Taylor, a tip-in from Prince Ibeh and a twisting layup by Felix in a nine-point burst.

TEXASCOLLEGEROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Men

NO. 21 TEXAS A&M 84 MISSOURI 69

COLUMBIA, Mo. —Jalen Jones had 20 points and six rebounds to lead No. 21 Texas A&M to an 84-69 victory over Missouri on Saturday.

Admon Gilder and Danuel House added 14 points each for the Aggies (22-7, 11-5 Southeastern Conference), who are on a four-game winning streak. House had 12 points in the first half, shooting 4 for 8 from 3-point range.

Tramaine Isabell had 17 points, five assists and three rebounds in his first start of the season, matching his season-high point total.

Ryan Rosburg had 15 points and five rebounds for Missouri (10-19, 3-13), which ended the game on an 11-0 run after trailing by as many as 36 points.

Kevin Puryear, who leads the Tigers in scoring at 11.6 points per game, finished with seven points on 1-for-8 shooting. Puryear had just one point entering the final 2 minutes.

NO. 19 BAYLOR 86 TCU 71

FORT WORTH — Taurean Prince scored 22 points and Johnathan Motley led a dominant effort inside with 22 points and nine rebounds to carry No. 19 Baylor to an 86-71 victory against TCU on Saturday night.

The Bears (21-8, 10-6 Big 12) outrebounded the Horned Frogs 45-21 and had a 25-17 edge in second-chance points while matching a school record with their sixth Big 12 road win.

On the same day Kansas clinched at least a share of the league's regular-season title, Baylor ended up in a three-way tie for third with third-ranked Oklahoma and No. 25 Texas with two games remaining before the conference tournament. No. 14 West Virginia (11-5) is alone in second.

Women

NO. 8 TEXAS 71 TCU 58

AUSTIN — Brooke McCarty scored 16 points and matched a career-best with eight assists and No. 8 Texas defeated TCU 71-58 Saturday.

The Longhorns (26-2, 15-2 Big 12) can tie Baylor for the conference championship with a win in Waco on Monday night in the final regular season game.

McCarty, a sophomore guard, made four 3-pointers. Imani Boyette, one of four seniors playing in their final regular season home game, contributed 12 points and nine rebounds.

Zahna Medley led TCU (15-13, 7-10) with 15 points. Jada Butts scored 12.

The Longhorns have won 15 Big 12 games for the first time since 2002-03, when they reached the NCAA Final Four. Texas finished 15-1 that season.

NO. 4 BAYLOR 63 KANSAS STATE 52

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Coach Kim Mulkey was proud that Baylor's remarkable string of Big 12 titles will continue for another season.

Nina Davis scored 14 points to help No. 4 Baylor rally from an early deficit and ensure at least a share of their sixth-straight Big 12 Conference regular season crown with a 63-52 win over Kansas State on Saturday night.

"This team lost their very first conference game at Oklahoma State. The string of wins we've put together here — I know I've coached a 40-0 team, but that's just clutch," Baylor coach Kim Mulkey said. "That's clutch to lose your first game and be able to win a championship without losing another one."

The Lady Bears can win the title outright on Monday with a win over second-place No. 8 Texas.

"As a competitor, you want to win every game. But win or lose Monday, we're still going to get a ring and cut those nets down," Mulkey said. "We're never going to take that for granted. But as a competitor, we've got one more game on our schedule."

Alexis Jones added nine points for Baylor (29-1, 16-1) in the victory over the Wildcats, including a pair of critical 3-pointers in the first half.

Leonard leads Spurs to 50th win

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Kawhi Leonard scored 27 points and LaMarcus Aldridge added 26 to lead the San Antonio Spurs to 104-94 win over the Houston Rockets on Saturday night, tying the mark as the seventh-fastest team in NBA history to reach 50 wins.

It was the fifth straight win for the Spurs (50-9), who have a double-digit lead in the Southwest Division and the second-best record in the NBA behind Golden State.

The Spurs were wrapping up a season-high eight-game road trip, but showed no signs of fatigue as they never trailed and held a double-digit lead for most of the night.

San Antonio led by as many as 31 points in the second half, but Houston slowly chipped away at the lead. James Harden and Jason Terry both made a 3-pointer to power a 6-2 run that made it 94-83 with less than four minutes left.

The Spurs slowed Houston down after that by intentionally fouling Dwight Howard, and Leonard and Aldridge both added baskets to secure the victory.

NBA GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	39	18	.684	—
Boston	35	25	.583	5½
New York	25	35	.417	15½
Brooklyn	16	42	.276	23½
Philadelphia	8	50	.138	31½

Southeast Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Miami	32	26	.552	—
Atlanta	32	27	.542	½
Charlotte	30	27	.526	1½
Washington	27	30	.474	4½
Orlando	25	32	.439	6½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	41	16	.719	—
Indiana	31	27	.534	10½
Chicago	30	28	.517	11½
Detroit	30	29	.508	12
Milwaukee	24	35	.407	18

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Southwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	50	9	.847	—
Memphis	34	23	.596	15
Dallas	31	28	.525	19
Houston	29	30	.492	21
New Orleans	23	35	.397	26½

Northwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oklahoma City	41	18	.695	—
Portland	31	28	.525	10
Utah	28	29	.491	12
Denver	23	36	.390	18
Minnesota	19	40	.322	22

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	53	5	.914	—
L.A. Clippers	38	20	.655	15
Sacramento	24	33	.421	28½
Phoenix	14	44	.241	39
L.A. Lakers	11	49	.183	43

Scores and schedule

Saturday's Scores

Boston 101, Miami 89
Minnesota 112, New Orleans 110
Portland 103, Chicago 95
San Antonio 104, Houston 94
Detroit 102, Milwaukee 91
Golden State 121, Oklahoma City 118, OT
Brooklyn at Utah, late
Memphis at Phoenix, late

Today's Games

Cleveland at Washington, Noon
Charlotte at Atlanta, 2:30 p.m.
Portland at Indiana, 5 p.m.
Toronto at Detroit, 5 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 5 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 6 p.m.
Miami at New York, 6:30 p.m.

Klein scores with 2:53 left, Rangers beat Stars 3-2

Associated Press

DALLAS — Ryan McDonagh scored an important goal in the third period for the New York Rangers on Saturday night. The one he prevented might have been even more crucial.

McDonagh's late play set the stage for Kevin Klein's winner with 2:53 left as the New York Rangers beat the Dallas Stars 3-2.

McDonagh banked in a shot off goalie Kari Lehtonen's back for a 2-1 lead 8:26 into the third. Less than a minute later, he helped prevent a tying goal by sliding over a loose puck behind goalie Henrik Lundqvist at the goal line.

Referees whistled the play dead and said a video replay couldn't determine whether the puck crossed the line.

NHL GLANCE

Standings

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Florida	61	35	18	8	78	170	143
Tampa Bay	61	35	22	4	74	169	149
Boston	62	34	22	6	74	194	171
Detroit	61	30	24	7	67	153	159
Montreal	62	30	27	5	65	171	189
Ottawa	62	29	27	6	64	179	192
Buffalo	62	25	30	7	57	147	169
Toronto	60	21	29	10	52	146	180

Metropolitan Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	60	45	11	4	94	200	139
N.Y. Rangers	62	36	20	6	78	178	158
N.Y. Islanders	59	33	19	7	73	170	146
Pittsburgh	60	31	21	8	70	159	157
Philadelphia	61	28	22	11	67	152	165
New Jersey	63	30	26	7	67	139	153
Carolina	63	28	25	10	66	153	169
Columbus	63	26	29	8	60	166	194

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Dallas	63	38	19	6	82	204	181
Chicago	63	36	20	5	81	177	151
St. Louis	64	35	20	9	79	157	157
Nashville	63	31	21	11	73	167	159
Colorado	63	32	27	4	68	176	176
Minnesota	62	27	25	10	64	161	169
Winnipeg	61	26	28	4	56	159	183

Pacific Division

	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Los Angeles	60	36	20	4	76	161	139
Anaheim	60	33	19	8	74	146	142
San Jose	60	32	22	6	70	179	164
Vancouver	60	24	24	12	60	147	171
Arizona	62	27	29	6	60	168	192
Calgary	60	26	30	4	56	162	184
Edmonton	63	22	34	7	51	153	192

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

Scores and schedule

Saturday's Scores

Columbus 4, Florida 3, SO
Philadelphia 4, Arizona 2
Pittsburgh 4, Winnipeg 1
Nashville 5, St. Louis 0
N.Y. Rangers 3, Dallas 2
Montreal 4, Toronto 1
Detroit 5, Colorado 3
Ottawa at Calgary, late
Buffalo at Los Angeles, late

Today's Games

Washington at Chicago, 11:30 a.m.
St. Louis at Carolina, 2 p.m.
Florida at Minnesota, 2 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Boston, 5:30 p.m.
San Jose at Vancouver, 6 p.m.
Los Angeles at Anaheim, 6 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL GLANCE

Saturday's scores

MEN

SOUTHWEST

Abilene Christian 87, New Orleans 84
Alabama St. 73, Prairie View 69
Incarnate Word 89, Lamar 70
Stephen F. Austin 82, Houston Baptist 54
Texas 76, Oklahoma 63
UALR 73, Texas St. 68
West Virginia 70, Oklahoma St. 56

SOUTH

Alabama 65, Auburn 57
Alcorn St. 70, Southern U. 58
Ark.-Pine Bluff 53, Grambling St. 51
Arkansas 75, Tennessee 65
Austin Peay 83, SE Missouri 75
Bethune-Cookman 69, NC Central 61
Charlotte 88, UTEP 76
Chattanooga 77, Samford 66
Cincinnati 65, East Carolina 56
Coastal Carolina 81, UNC Asheville 79
ETSU 71, Wofford 66
FIU 71, FAU 63
Florida St. 77, Notre Dame 56
Georgia 80, Mississippi 66
Georgia St. 83, Appalachian St. 70
Hampton 68, Howard 67
High Point 80, Presbyterian 60
James Madison 71, William & Mary 65
Liberty 88, Gardner-Webb 81
Longwood 90, Radford 81
Louisiana Tech 86, Rice 69
Louisiana-Monroe 69, Troy 51
McNeese St. 71, Nicholls St. 69, OT
Md.-Eastern Shore 74, Delaware St. 65
Miami 73, Louisville 69
Middle Tennessee 83, Marshall 74
Mississippi St. 68, South Carolina 58
Morehead St. 82, Jacksonville St. 71
Morgan St. 74, Coppin St. 72, OT
NC A&T 77, Florida A&M 70, OT
Old Dominion 78, UTSA 58
SE Louisiana 75, Cent. Arkansas 56
Savannah St. 78, SC State 64
South Alabama 83, Louisiana-Lafayette 70
UAB 71, W. Kentucky 67
UNC Wilmington 74, Towson 68
VMI 111, The Citadel 95
Vanderbilt 74, Kentucky 62
Virginia 79, North Carolina 74
W. Carolina 73, Furman 62
Winthrop 87, Campbell 71

FAR WEST

Boise St. 66, San Diego St. 63
Denver 70, N. Dakota St. 59
Idaho 68, E. Washington 62
Long Beach St. 68, UC Riverside 55
Loyola Marymount 90, Pepperdine 83, 2OT
S. Utah 69, N. Arizona 59
Stanford 79, UCLA 70
Utah 70, Arizona 64

MIDWEST

Ball St. 115, E. Michigan 79
Cent. Michigan 76, Toledo 74
Drake 83, Loyola of Chicago 58, OT
IUPUI 80, IPFW 77
Indiana St. 77, Bradley 58
Iowa St. 80, Kansas St. 61
Kansas 67, Texas Tech 58
Miami (Ohio) 74, Kent St. 65
N. Illinois 76, W. Michigan 67
N. Iowa 54, Evansville 52
New Mexico St. 62, UMKC 61
North Dakota 87, Sacramento St. 71
Northwestern 68, Rutgers 59
Ohio 103, Buffalo 96, OT
Purdue 83, Maryland 76
Rhode Island 75, Dayton 66
S. Dakota St. 73, Oral Roberts 65
Texas A&M 84, Missouri 69
Villanova 86, Marquette 79
Wichita St. 74, Illinois St. 57
Wright St. 85, Cleveland St. 51
Youngstown St. 94, N. Kentucky 75

EAST

Albany (NY) 75, Hartford 59
American U. 67, Loyola (Md.) 66
Binghamton 76, Maine 68
Boston U. 83, Holy Cross 68
Bryant 66, LIU Brooklyn 63
Bucknell 77, Navy 73
Butler 90, Georgetown 87, OT
Columbia 83, Penn 65
Elon 77, Delaware 69
Fairleigh Dickinson 81, CCSU 75
Fordham 91, Davidson 82
George Tech 76, Boston College 71
Harvard 81, Brown 52
Hofstra 72, Col. of Charleston 63
La Salle 76, George Mason 68
Lafayette 79, Colgate 77
Lehigh 82, Army 72
New Hampshire 78, UMBC 69
Northeastern 81, Drexel 39
Princeton 74, Cornell 60
Providence 87, DePaul 66
Richmond 83, Duquesne 67
Sacred Heart 68, St. Francis (Pa.) 78
St. Bonaventure 85, UMass 83
St. Francis Brooklyn 55, Mount St. Mary's 49
St. Peter's 72, Fairfield 58
Syracuse 75, NC State 66
Temple 83, UCF 61
VCU 69, George Washington 65
Vermont 76, Stony Brook 62
Wagner 82, Robert Morris 54

WOMEN

SOUTHWEST

Abilene Christian 80, New Orleans 70
Arkansas St. 86, Texas-Arlington 44
Houston 63, SMU 54
Lamar 67, Incarnate Word 61
North Texas 57, Southern Miss. 55
Oklahoma 85, Iowa St. 54
Prairie View 63, Alabama St. 60
Rice 84, Louisiana Tech 77
Stephen F. Austin 86, Houston Baptist 54
Texas Southern 72, Alabama A&M 41
UALR 57, Texas St. 45
UTEP 94, Charlotte 91, 2OT
UTSA 70, Old Dominion 67

SOUTH

Alcorn St. 85, Southern U. 74
Appalachian St. 72, Georgia St. 69
Austin Peay 74, SE Missouri 71
Bethune-Cookman 82, NC Central 50
Campbell 64, UNC Asheville 59
Cent. Arkansas 64, SE Louisiana 60
Chattanooga 66, ETSU 42
Coppin St. 82, Morgan St. 38
E. Kentucky 71, Tennessee Tech 67, OT
FAU 63, FIU 52
Florida Gulf Coast 60, Stetson 47
Gardner-Webb 61, Coastal Carolina 51
George Washington 73, George Mason 66
Grambling St. 67, Ark.-Pine Bluff 49
Hampton 77, Howard 48
High Point 78, Charleston Southern 72
Jackson St. 70, MVSU 43
Jacksonville 65, North Florida 51
Kennesaw St. 68, Lipscomb 64
Liberty 67, Longwood 47
McNeese St. 86, Nicholls St. 62
Md.-Eastern Shore 54, Delaware St. 49
Memphis 93, East Carolina 83, OT
Mercer 64, Furman 62
Middle Tennessee 79, Marshall 73
Morehead St. 70, Jacksonville St. 66
NC A&T 70, Florida A&M 66
Presbyterian 77, Winthrop 44
SC-Upstate 67, NJIT 47
Saint Joseph's 59, Richmond 57
Samford 50, Wofford 48
Savannah St. 62, SC State 39
South Alabama 68, Louisiana-Lafayette 59
South Florida 76, Temple 62
Troy 74, Louisiana-Monroe 64
UT Martin 70, Murray St. 49
VCU 74, Davidson 59
W. Carolina 84, UNC-Greensboro 80
W. Kentucky 64, UAB 55

FAR WEST

Boise St. 68, San Diego St. 63
Cal Poly 66, UC Santa Barbara 60
Colorado St. 74, Nevada 58
E. Washington 84, Idaho 76
Fresno St. 51, New Mexico 43
Gonzaga 73, BYU 55
Long Beach St. 67, UC Irvine 49
Loyola Marymount 83, Pepperdine 77
Montana 84, Weber St. 75
N. Colorado 70, Portland St. 59
Nebraska-Omaha 70, Denver 60
New Mexico St. 78, UMKC 74, OT
North Dakota 86, Sacramento St. 79
Saint Mary's (Cal) 72, San Francisco 59
San Diego 77, Portland 61
San Jose St. 83, Utah St. 65
Santa Clara 66, Pacific 60
UC Davis 72, CS Northridge 50
Utah 75, Washington St. 69
Utah Valley 79, Seattle 48
Washington 68, Colorado 47
Wyoming 80, UNLV 57

MIDWEST

Akron 70, Kent St. 60
Ball St. 67, E. Michigan 63
Baylor 63, Kansas St. 52
Bowling Green 76, Miami (Ohio) 56
Buffalo 70, Ohio 58
Cent. Michigan 73, W. Michigan 61
DePaul 98, Marquette 85
Detroit 66, Oakland 57, OT
Green Bay 52, N. Kentucky 40
IPFW 85, N. Dakota St. 66
Indiana 76, Penn St. 55
Iowa 91, Illinois 59
Michigan St. 107, Ohio St. 105, 3OT
Milwaukee 68, Wright St. 57
Missouri St. 74, Wichita St. 45
Notre Dame 70, Boston College 58
S. Dakota St. 80, W. Illinois 65
SIU-Edwardsville 68, E. Illinois 56
Saint Louis 77, Rhode Island 60
South Dakota 74, IUPUI 63
Toledo 89, N. Illinois 83, OT
Tulsa 76, Cincinnati 63

EAST

Army 69, Lehigh 49
Bryant 62, LIU Brooklyn 53
Bucknell 64, Navy 52
CCSU 71, Fairleigh Dickinson 59
Colgate 70, Lafayette 55
Harvard 82, Brown 79
Holy Cross 74, Boston U. 50
Loyola (Md.) 55, American U. 50
Maine 69, Binghamton 37
Marist 67, Canisius 55
Mount St. Mary's 57, St. Francis Brooklyn 40
Niagara 54, Siena 45
Princeton 94, Cornell 57
Robert Morris 79, Wagner 49
Sacred Heart 80, St. Francis (Pa.) 67
UConn 80, Tulane 46
UMass 80, La Salle 57
West Virginia 82, Oklahoma St. 48
Yale 65, Dartmouth 62

Today's games

MEN

SOUTHWEST

Tulane at SMU, 2 p.m.

SOUTH

Mercer at UNC Greensboro, Noon
Tulsa at Memphis, 3 p.m.
Virginia Tech at Wake Forest, 5:30 p.m.

FAR WEST

Arizona St. at Colorado, 3:30 p.m.
Colorado St. at Nevada, 4 p.m.
Washington St. at Oregon St., 5:30 p.m.
Southern Cal at California, 7 p.m.
Washington at Oregon, 7:30 p.m.

MIDWEST

Penn St. at Michigan St., 11 a.m.
St. John's at Creighton, 1:30 p.m.
Valparaiso at Green Bay, 2 p.m.
Ill.-Chicago at Milwaukee, 2 p.m.
Iowa at Ohio St., 3 p.m.
Texas Rio Grande Valley at Chicago St., 4 p.m.
Michigan at Wisconsin, 5 p.m.
Minnesota at Illinois, 7 p.m.

EAST

Xavier at Seton Hall, 11:30 a.m.
Saint Louis at Saint Joseph's, Noon
Houston at UConn, Noon
Duke at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Quinnipiac at Siena, 1 p.m.
Canisius at Iona, 3 p.m.
Niagara at Monmouth (NJ), 4 p.m.
Manhattan at Rider, 5 p.m.

WOMEN

SOUTHWEST

Kentucky at Texas A&M, Noon
Mississippi at Arkansas, 3 p.m.

SOUTH

LSU at South Carolina, 11 a.m.
Georgia at Tennessee, 11 a.m.
Pittsburgh at Louisville, 11:30 a.m.
N.C. State at Clemson, 1 p.m.
Auburn at Florida, 1 p.m.
Wake Forest at Georgia Tech, 1 p.m.
Elon at James Madison, 1 p.m.
Delaware at UNC Wilmington, 1 p.m.
Virginia at Virginia Tech, 1 p.m.
Miami at Florida St., 2 p.m.
Alabama at Mississippi St., 2 p.m.
Duke at North Carolina, 2 p.m.
Minnesota at Maryland, 4 p.m.

FAR WEST

Oregon St. at California, 1 p.m.
Oregon at Stanford, 1 p.m.
Arizona St. at UCLA, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Southern Cal, 4 p.m.

MIDWEST

Vanderbilt at Missouri, 1 p.m.
Wisconsin at Purdue, 1 p.m.
S. Illinois at Indiana St., 1:05 p.m.
Bradley at Drake, 2 p.m.
Evansville at Illinois St., 2 p.m.
Loyola of Chicago at N. Iowa, 2 p.m.
Northwestern at Nebraska, 3 p.m.
Fordham at Dayton, 4 p.m.

EAST

Xavier at Georgetown, 11 a.m.
Quinnipiac at Iona, Noon
Duquesne at St. Bonaventure, Noon
New Hampshire at UMBC, Noon
Butler at Villanova, Noon
Hartford at Albany (N.Y.), 1 p.m.
William & Mary at Drexel, 1 p.m.
Coll. of Charleston at Hofstra, 1 p.m.
Rider at Manhattan, 1 p.m.
Saint Peter's at Monmouth (N.J.), 1 p.m.
Michigan at Rutgers, 1 p.m.
Northeastern at Towson, 1 p.m.
Stony Brook at Vermont, 1 p.m.
Penn at Columbia, 2 p.m.
Creighton at St. John's, 2 p.m.
Providence at Seton Hall, 5 p.m.

Top 25 fared

MEN

Saturday

1. Villanova (25-4) beat Marquette 89-79. Next: vs. DePaul, Tuesday.
2. Kansas (25-4) beat Texas Tech 67-58. Next: at No. 25 Texas, Monday.
3. Oklahoma (22-6) lost to No. 25 Texas 76-63. Next: vs. No. 19 Baylor, Tuesday.
3. Virginia (22-6) beat No. 7 North Carolina 79-74. Next: at Clemson, Tuesday.
5. Xavier (25-3) did not play. Next: at Seton Hall, Sunday.
6. Michigan State (23-5) did not play. Next: vs. Penn State, Sunday.
7. North Carolina (23-6) lost to No. 3 Virginia 79-74. Next: vs. Syracuse, Monday.
8. Iowa (20-7) did not play. Next: at Ohio State, Sunday.
9. Arizona (22-7) lost to No. 22 Utah 70-64. Next: vs. California, Thursday.
10. Maryland (23-6) lost to No. 20 Purdue 83-79. Next: vs. Illinois, Thursday.
11. Louisville (22-7) lost to No. 12 Miami 73-65. Next: vs. Georgia Tech, Tuesday.
12. Miami (23-5) beat No. 11 Louisville 73-65. Next: at No. 23 Notre Dame, Wednesday.
13. Oregon (22-6) did not play. Next: vs. Washington, Sunday.
14. West Virginia (22-7) beat Oklahoma State 70-56. Next: vs. Texas Tech, Wednesday.
15. Duke (21-7) did not play. Next: at Pittsburgh, Sunday.
16. Kentucky (21-8) lost to Vanderbilt 74-62. Next: at Florida, Tuesday.
17. Iowa State (20-9) beat Kansas State 80-61. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Monday.
18. Indiana (23-6) did not play. Next: at No. 8 Iowa, Tuesday.
19. Baylor (21-8) beat TCU 86-71. Next: at No. 3 Oklahoma, Tuesday.
20. Purdue (22-7) beat No. 10 Maryland 83-79. Next: at Nebraska, Tuesday.
21. Texas A&M (22-7) beat Missouri 84-69. Next: at Auburn, Tuesday.
22. Utah (23-7) beat No. 9 Arizona 70-64. Next: vs. Colorado, Saturday.
23. Notre Dame (19-9) lost to Florida State 77-58. Next: vs. No. 12 Miami, Wednesday.
24. SMU (23-4) did not play. Next: vs. Tulane, Sunday.
25. Texas (19-10) beat No. 3 Oklahoma 76-63. Next: vs. No. 2 Kansas, Monday.

WOMEN

Saturday

1. UConn (28-0) beat Tulane 80-40. Next: vs. No. 21 South Florida, Monday.
2. Notre Dame (28-1) beat Boston College 70-58. Next: ACC Tournament.
3. South Carolina (27-1) did not play. Next: vs. LSU, Sunday.
4. Baylor (29-1) beat Kansas State 63-52. Next: vs. No. 8 Texas, Monday.
5. Ohio State (23-6) lost to No. 20 Purdue State 107-105, 3OT. Next: Big Ten Tournament.
6. Maryland (26-3) did not play. Next: vs. Minnesota, Sunday.
7. Oregon State (24-4) did not play. Next: at California, Sunday.
8. Texas (26-2) beat TCU 71-58. Next: at No. 4 Baylor, Monday.
9. Arizona State (25-4) did not play. Next: at No. 14 UCLA, Sunday.
10. Louisville (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. Pittsburgh, Sunday.
11. Texas A&M (21-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 15 Kentucky, Sunday.
12. Florida State (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. No. 17 Miami, Sunday.
13. Stanford (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. Oregon, Sunday.
14. UCLA (21-7) did not play. Next: vs. No. 9 Arizona State, Sunday.
15. Kentucky (20-6) did not play. Next: at No. 11 Texas A&M, Sunday.
16. Mississippi State (23-6) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama, Sunday.
17. Miami (22-6) did not play. Next: at No. 12 Florida State, Sunday.
18. Syracuse (23-6) did not play. Next: ACC Tournament.
19. DePaul (24-7) beat Marquette 98-65. Next: Big East Tournament.
20. Michigan State (22-7) beat No. 5 Ohio State 107-105, 3OT. Next: Big Ten Tournament.
21. South Florida (21-7) beat Temple 76-62. Next: at No. 1 UConn, Monday.
22. Oklahoma State (20-8) lost to West Virginia 82-48. Next: vs. Kansas State, Monday.
23. Oklahoma (19-9) beat Iowa State 85-54. Next: at Texas Tech, Tuesday.
24. Missouri (21-7) did not play. Next: vs. Vanderbilt, Sunday.
25. Colorado State (26-1) beat Nevada 74-58. Next: vs. Fresno State, Tuesday.

Kyle Busch takes Xfinity race at Atlanta for 77th career win

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

HAMPTON, Ga. — Shaking off the disappointment of losing the Sprint Cup pole, Kyle Busch claimed his first Xfinity Series victory at Atlanta Motor Speedway by holding off Kyle Larson on Saturday.

Busch and Larson pulled away from the field after the final yellow flag. Larson closed the gap to about a half-second in the closing laps, but the rally ended when he got caught up briefly behind the lapped car of Ryan Preece.

Busch crossed the line 0.466 seconds ahead of Larson, then did his customary burnout and bow in front of the main grandstand, holding the checkered flag.

The winner has plenty of experience celebrating in the second-tier series, claiming his career-best 77th victory, though Atlanta was one of three active tracks where he'd never won an Xfinity race.

Not anymore.

"This is a pretty neat deal," Busch said. "I'm glad get it out of the way. I checked another off the list."

The victory was especially sweet coming less than 24 hours after Busch surrendered the pole for Sunday's Cup race when his car failed inspection.

He won the pole for the Xfinity race in the morning and then dominated the race on a sunny afternoon, leading 119 of 163 laps.

Of course, that didn't lessen the disappointment of having to start from the back of the field in the Sprint Cup race on Sunday.

"This is Xfinity, that's Cup," Busch said. "But it is what it is. It's not that big a deal."

Busch was thrilled to add another track to his victory list, especially since he had had five runner-up finishes in Atlanta. Watkins Glen and Las Vegas — site of next week's event — are the only other Xfinity tracks where he hasn't won.

He's looking forward to checking another off the list at his hometown track.

"I've not won at Vegas," Busch said. "That seems kind of odd."



Associated Press

Ty Dillon (14) gets ready to go out on the track during a NASCAR Sprint Cup auto race practice at Atlanta Motor Speedway Saturday in Hampton, Ga.

Ty Dillon looks to make good impression subbing for Stewart

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

HAMPTON, Ga. — As an heir in one of stock car racing's royal families, Ty Dillon longs to have a Sprint Cup ride of his own.

For now, he'll have to settle for being a NASCAR sub.

Dillon is filling in for injured Tony Stewart in Sunday's race at Atlanta Motor Speedway, a chance to bolster his fledgling career behind the wheel of one of the sport's most recognized machines.

"It gives me a chance to showcase what I can do in these cars," he said. "Any time I can get more laps and more experience, it's always going to help."

Dillon celebrated his 24th birthday on Saturday by finishing fifth in the Xfinity race at Atlanta, a precursor to his ninth Cup event — and first in Stewart's No. 14 Chevrolet.

Smoke is recovering from back surgery after wrecking an all-terrain vehicle last month, keeping him on the sideline at the start of his farewell season. Brian Vickers filled in at the season-opening Daytona 500, and now it's Dillon stepping into the seat.

The youngster had hoped to at least have a part-time Cup deal this season, after finishing third in the Xfinity series a year ago. Being the grandson of longtime car owner Richard Childress and younger brother of Cup regular Austin Dillon would certainly seem to give one the inside track to a sponsorship deal.

But, showing just how tight dollars are these days, Ty Dillon was forced to settle for five races in the low-budget Circle Sport-Leavine Family Racing No. 95 car, with Michael McDowell handling the bulk of the races.

"It was a little bit of a sting," Dillon conceded.

He drove the No. 95 in the Daytona 500, where he started 12th and finished 25th. Now, he's taking over Stewart's machine.

"It does take away a little bit of the sting from not running more of a schedule than I was hoping for this year in the Sprint Cup series," he said. "Now that I have the opportunity, I can go out there and do what I want to do."

Stewart made a surprise appearance in Atlanta, talking with Dillon after he took the 18th spot in qualifying.

For Dillon, this is a chance to spread his wings after spending his entire career racing for his grandfather or, in the case of the No. 95 car, a team allied with Richard Childress Racing.

"Everything is different for me," Dillon said. "It's helped me grow not just as a driver but as a person, and learning how to go about things different. I'm excited for what this brings."

Here's some other things to watch for in Sunday's race:

JIMMIE'S JAM: Keep an eye on six-time Cup champion Jimmie Johnson, who always seems to run up front in Atlanta. He won this race a year ago, his fourth career victory at the 1.54-mile trioval, to go along with 11 other top-10 finishes.

"Expectations are high," said Johnson, who finished fifth at the Daytona 500. "This track, with the high tire wear and the bumpy conditions and the fact that you have to search around for (racing) lines, really suits my style."

ELLIOTT HOMECOMING: Rookie Chase Elliott will be looking for redemption at the track where he grew up.

After claiming the pole at Daytona in his first event since taking over the No. 24 car from Jeff Gordon, the son of Bill Elliott wrecked early in the race and settled for a 37th-place showing.

"Not wrecking on lap 20 would be a good start," the 20-year-old said, joking. "But we're already here at Atlanta, so getting drowned in last week isn't going to do any good."

BUSCH AT THE BACK: Kyle Busch will have to start from the back of the field, even though he put up the fastest speed in qualifying. His car failed inspection afterward, handing the pole to his brother Kurt.

Kyle won the Xfinity race with a dominating performance, but that didn't lessen his disappointment.

"This is Xfinity, that's Cup," Busch said. "But it is what it is. It's not that big a deal."

HAMLIN'S ENCORE: Denny Hamlin will start from the 12th spot after winning the Daytona 500, leading a dominant Toyota performance.

The manufacturer swept the top three and four of the first five spots in the season opener.

In Atlanta, Chevrolet and Ford locked up the top three rows in qualifying after Kyle Busch's failed inspection. Carl Edwards will start seventh, the highest spot for a Toyota.

NEW RULES: This is the first race with a new aerodynamic package that is designed to create more passing and competitive racing, a response to rising complaints from a bored fan base.

Just don't expect there be any big shake-up at the front.

"The same groups of guys and the same teams who have run well the past couple of years will continue to run well," Elliott said. "I do hope it opens doors for better racing and being around cars a little easier."

Nemechek wins Truck race in Atlanta after 2 late wrecks

By Paul Newberry
Associated Press

HAMPTON, Ga. — John Hunter Nemechek emerged from the carnage that took out the front runners to win the NASCAR Truck series race at Atlanta Motor Speedway on Saturday.

Nemechek, the son of longtime Cup driver Joe Nemechek, held off Cameron Hayley by 0.431 seconds to capture his second career Truck victory.

On a restart with two laps to go, the 18-year-old came through the trioval side by side with John Wes Townley. When Townley got loose, Nemechek pulled away to win for a team that lacks a major sponsor.

Matt Crafton led much of the race, only to get taken out in a huge wreck caused by Christopher Bell with 19 laps to go. The wreck also claimed Bell's teammate, Daniel Suarez, who was running second.

Bell surged to the lead after the race was briefly halted and the wreckage cleared. But he cut a tire with seven laps remaining and slammed into the wall.

Nemechek credited his pit crew for continually helping him move through the field during pit stops.

Not bad for a low-budget team run by his father.

Crafton led 76 of 130 laps. After a restart, Suarez attempted to slide around Crafton on the outside coming out of turn two.

Suarez couldn't get by and Bell clipped the Mexican driver, which sent him spinning into Crafton, who slammed head-on into the outside wall while Suarez's truck skidded hard into the inside wall. Fortunately for Crafton, he hit the wall at a spot where extra padding was added over the past year, cushioning the blow. Both drivers were able to walk away.

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NASCAR XFinity results

Saturday
At Atlanta Motor Speedway
Hampton, Ga.
Lap length: 1.54 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (1) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 163 laps, 148, running, 0 points.
2. (4) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 163, 125.0, 43.
3. (2) Erik Jones, Toyota, 163, 108.8, 38.
4. (11) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 163, 108.0, 35.
5. (6) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 163, 98.3, 36.
6. (7) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 163, 115.9, 0.
7. (3) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 163, 100.9, 34.
8. (12) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 163, 74, 34.
9. (16) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 163, 86.9, 32.
10. (15) Jeb Burton, Ford, 163, 94.2, 30.
11. (19) Brandon Jones, Chevrolet, 163, 90.1, 30.
12. (10) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 162, 109.4, 0.
13. (9) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 162, 80.6, 26.
14. (5) Brennan Poole, Chevrolet, 162, 65.8, 27.
15. (17) Ryan Reed, Ford, 162, 81.3, 26.
16. (8) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 162, 72.1, 25.
17. (14) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 162, 74.3, 24.
18. (18) Darrell Wallace Jr., Ford, 162, 74.2, 23.
19. (22) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 162, 68.5, 22.
20. (13) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, 161, 68.1, 21.
21. (20) Dakoda Armstrong, Toyota, 160, 62.7, 20.
22. (21) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet, 159, 61.8, 19.
23. (23) Corey LaJoie, Toyota, 159, 62.6, 18.
24. (26) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, 159, 52.1, 17.
25. (32) Mario Gosselin, Chevrolet, 158, 55.1, 16.
26. (29) B.J. McLeod, Ford, 157, 46.1, 15.
27. (34) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, 156, 43.8, 14.
28. (24) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 152, 52.5, 13.
29. (40) Chris Cockrum, Chevrolet, 152, 37.5, 12.
30. (36) Mike Harmon, Dodge, 151, 39, 11.
31. (37) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, 151, 43.5, 10.
32. (33) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, suspension, 127, 49, 9.
33. (27) Ray Black Jr., Chevrolet, 113, 47.5, 8.
34. (38) Josh Reaume, Dodge, suspension, 87, 35.2, 7.
35. (25) Harrison Rhodes, Chevrolet, rear gear, 68, 45.5, 6.
36. (30) Carl Long, Toyota, handling, 29, 30.5, 5.
37. (39) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, overheating, 25, 32.8, 4.
38. (35) Todd Peck, Ford, engine, 15, 26.3, 3.
39. (28) David Starr, Toyota, engine, 7, 28.8, 2.
40. (31) Jeff Green, Toyota, electrical, 1, 23.2, 1.

NASCAR Trucks results

After Saturday qualifying; race Saturday
Saturday
At Atlanta Motor Speedway
Hampton, Ga.
Lap length: 1.54 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (18) John Hunter Nemechek, Chevrolet, 130 laps, 36 points.
2. (5) Cameron Hayley, Toyota, 130, 32.
3. (12) Timothy Peters, Toyota, 130, 30.
4. (9) Daniel Hemric, Ford, 130, 29.
5. (4) Grant Enfinger, Chevrolet, 130, 28.
6. (7) Ben Rhodes, Toyota, 130, 27.
7. (2) John Wes Townley, Chevrolet, 130, 26.
8. (17) Parker Kligerman, Ford, 130, 25.
9. (25) Caleb Holman, Toyota, 130, 24.
10. (11) Spencer Gallagher, Chevrolet, 130, 23.
11. (27) Rico Abreu, Toyota, 130, 22.
12. (23) Austin Hill, Ford, 130, 21.
13. (22) Tyler Young, Chevrolet, 130, 20.
14. (21) Tyler Reddick, Ford, 130, 19.
15. (10) Ben Kennedy, Toyota, 130, 18.
16. (20) Austin Wayne Self, Toyota, 130, 17.
17. (6) Cole Custer, Chevrolet, 130, 16.
18. (19) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, 129, 0.
19. (24) Brandon Brown, Chevrolet, 128, 14.
20. (8) Ryan Truex, Toyota, 127, 13.
21. (30) Timmy Hill, Chevrolet, 127, 12.
22. (14) Justin Marks, Toyota, 127, 0.
23. (29) Travis Kvapil, Chevrolet, 127, 10.
24. (26) J.J. Yeley, Chevrolet, 125, 0.
25. (28) Tommy Joe Martins, Chevrolet, 125, 8.
26. (3) Christopher Bell, Toyota, accident, 122, 8.
27. (31) Carlos Contreras, Chevrolet, 122, 6.
28. (16) Johnny Sauter, Chevrolet, 121, 5.
29. (32) Jennifer Jo Cobb, Chevrolet, 120, 4.
30. (1) Matt Crafton, Toyota, accident, 111, 5.
31. (13) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, accident, 111, 0.
32. (15) William Byron, Toyota, engine, 59, 1.

NASCAR Atlanta lineup

After Saturday qualifying; race today
At Atlanta Motor Speedway
Hampton, Ga.
Lap length: 1.54 miles
(Car number in parentheses)
1. (18) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 185.499.
2. (20) Erik Jones, Toyota, 185.078.
3. (19) Daniel Suarez, Toyota, 185.022.
4. (42) Kyle Larson, Chevrolet, 184.689.
5. (48) Brennan Poole, Chevrolet, 183.333.
6. (3) Ty Dillon, Chevrolet, 183.2.
7. (22) Brad Keselowski, Ford, 182.904.
8. (39) Ryan Sieg, Chevrolet, 182.735.
9. (62) Brendan Gaughan, Chevrolet, 182.717.
10. (88) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 182.585.
11. (2) Paul Menard, Chevrolet, 182.147.
12. (7) Justin Allgaier, Chevrolet, 181.794.
13. (11) Blake Koch, Chevrolet, 182.32.
14. (51) Jeremy Clements, Chevrolet, 182.284.
15. (43) Jeb Burton, Ford, 182.003.
16. (1) Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 181.967.
17. (16) Ryan Reed, Ford, 181.899.
18. (6) Darrell Wallace Jr., Ford, 181.58.
19. (33) Brandon Jones, Chevrolet, 180.17.
20. (28) Dakoda Armstrong, Toyota, 179.012.
21. (01) Ryan Preece, Chevrolet, 179.178.
22. (14) J.J. Yeley, Toyota, 177.898.
23. (24) Corey LaJoie, Toyota, 177.812.
24. (4) Ross Chastain, Chevrolet, 179.918.
25. (97) Harrison Rhodes, Chevrolet, 179.023.
26. (0) Garrett Smithley, Chevrolet, 177.808.
27. (07) Ray Black Jr., Chevrolet, 177.573.
28. (44) David Starr, Toyota, 176.42.
29. (78) B.J. McLeod, Ford, 175.872.
30. (40) Carl Long, Toyota, 175.51.
31. (10) Jeff Green, Toyota, 175.083.
32. (90) Mario Gosselin, Chevrolet, 173.239.
33. (52) Joey Gase, Chevrolet, 172.131.
34. (70) Derrike Cope, Chevrolet, Owner Points.
35. (99) Todd Peck, Ford, Owner Points.
36. (74) Mike Harmon, Dodge, Owner Points.
37. (15) Cody Ware, Chevrolet, Owner Points.
38. (13) Josh Reaume, Dodge, Owner Points.
39. (89) Morgan Shepherd, Chevrolet, Owner Points.
40. (25) Chris Cockrum, Chevrolet, Owner Points.

American rider Evelyn Stevens sets cycling's hour record

Associated Press

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — Gritting her teeth in pain, and wobbling ever so slightly aboard her sleek time trial bike, Evelyn Stevens kept churning her legs even as the clock hit one hour and she could finally let up.

Just call it a victory lap.

The American rider shattered the hour record, one of cycling's most revered marks, by riding just under 30 miles (47.98 kilometers) inside the Olympic Training Center Velodrome on Saturday. Stevens covered more than 143 laps on the 333-meter track, easily surpassing the 46.833 kilometers Bridie O'Donnell went last month.

"I worked a lot on the mental prep for this," Stevens said. "In the beginning, I really wanted to just stay calm. At the end, I think anybody who saw me, I was going in like; S-shape turns. But more than anything, it was an opportunity to be great."

Wearing the skin suit of her Boels-Dolmans trade team, Stevens rolled off to a cheer from about 200 fans — the maximum allowed inside the training facility because of fire codes. She quickly got into her time-trial tuck and stayed there for the next 60 minutes, her Specialized bike tracking through the thin air of Colorado Springs along the black line near the bottom of the indoor track.

As the time ticked away, Stevens' record attempt began trending on Twitter, and thousands of people tuned into a live stream of her that was broadcast on the Internet.

"I can't believe this many people came to watch me. Knowing that made me go a little harder," she said later. "I think the coolest thing about today is all the support."

Stevens passed O'Donnell's mark with more than a minute remaining and nearly eclipsed Jeannie Longo's mark of 48.149 set in 1996. But that distance, referred to as the "best human effort," was set using a "superwoman" position no longer allowed under current hour-record rules set by cycling's governing body two years ago — and would have merely been a nice exclamation mark on her record.

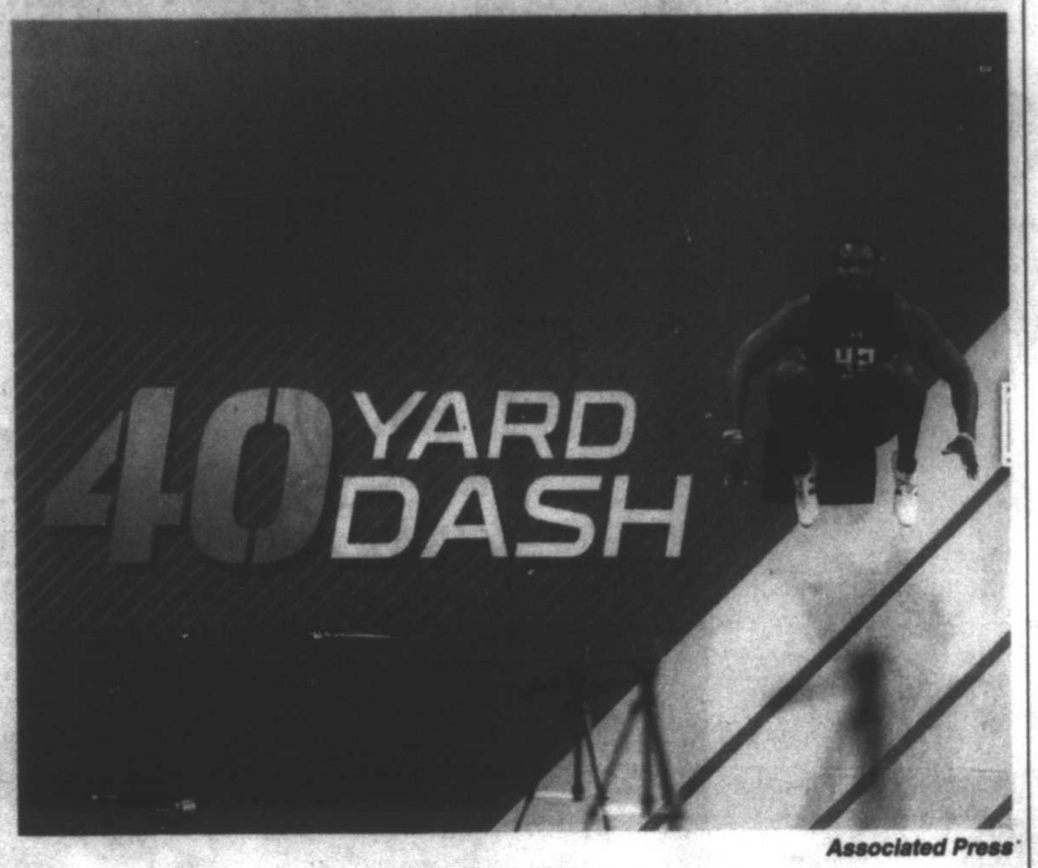
"I was able to really hit my splint times. I wanted to bring it down faster at the end," Stevens said, "but you don't really know your limit until you get there."

Stevens, a member of the 2012 London Olympic team, plans to return to Boulder for some rest before joining the rest of her road team for their upcoming European season. And she hopes strong performances there will help secure her spot on the U.S. team for the Rio Olympics.

"I can't wait to join my teammates, who are kicking butt over there," she said.

Some draft hopefuls have much more to prove off field in Indy

By Michael Marot
Associated Press



Associated Press

Auburn receiver Duke Williams leaps before running the 40-yard dash at the NFL scouting combine in Indianapolis on Saturday.

INDIANAPOLIS — Duke Williams had something to prove this week in Indianapolis — that he has learned his lesson.

It's a job that will continue long after he leaves town.

Four months after being booted off the Auburn football team for allegedly hitting several people including a teammate during a fight, the humbled Williams was trying to take advantage of his invite to NFL's annual scouting combine by persuading someone, anyone, to give him a second chance.

"If I didn't get in any trouble, I know I'm a legit first-round pick," Williams said earlier this week. "I'm a first-round pick no matter what, but off the field I'm a seventh-round pick. My character is a seventh-round pick."

There's little doubt Williams has some NFL traits.

At 6-foot-2, 229 pounds, Williams is a potential mismatch against smaller cornerbacks even though he ran a 4.72-second 40-yard dash Saturday.

But in Williams' case, and dozens of others, character could count more than numbers.

In an effort to avoid costly mistakes, team officials find ways to scrutinize everything in Indianapolis — interviews with teams, test scores, drills on the field, mannerisms off of it, even how they handle the media.

"The people that we or the public deems are busts in the league, 90 percent has to do with what goes on above the neck," said Tampa Bay Buccaneers general manager Jason Licht, who took Jameis Winston with last year's No. 1 pick. "Whether it is a character issue or a mental issue, we put a lot of resources into that to find out about a player. You can't gauge that from watching them run around out there and do drills. It's mostly when you talk to them face to face."

Regardless of how much research is done, though, decision-makers don't always get it right.

Cleveland gambled two years ago by using a first-round pick on the flamboyant Johnny Manziel. Instead of becoming a franchise quarterback, though, Manziel wound up in rehab and has had a rash of off-the-field problems. He is expected to be cut soon.

One thing that has become almost standard fare for team officials is asking players with checkered pasts how they've changed.

Williams said he sought counseling.

Michigan offensive lineman Graham Glasgow, who was arrested for drunken driving in 2014 and tested positive for alcohol a year later while still on probation, said he stopped drinking beer.

TCU quarterback Trevone Boykin explained he's surrounding himself with better people after allegedly hitting an officer outside a bar two days before last season's bowl game.

"I told them (the teams) the truth," Boykin said Saturday. "I told them exactly what happened from every detail. Either they accept it or they don't, I mean I'm truly remorseful for what happened."

Team officials must then judge whether the answers are believable.

Not all infractions come under the same umbrella.

Offensive lineman Alex Lewis transferred from Colorado to Nebraska after being involved in a fight that left an Air Force cadet unconscious. Lewis accepted a plea deal that included a 45-day jail sentence and two years of probation.

A former teammate recently alleged Tennessee linebacker Curt Maggitt punched him in the mouth after the former teammate tried to help a woman who claimed she was raped by two other football players.

And troubling patterns create bigger worries.

North Carolina State running back Shad Thornton was kicked off the team in September after being charged with failure to stop and render aid and failure to provide information after hitting a pedestrian while riding a moped. Previously, he had received deferred prosecution for a misdemeanor count of assaulting a female.

Eastern Kentucky defensive end Noah Spence left Ohio State after twice failing drug tests for Ecstasy. If he stays clean between now and draft weekend, Spence could be a first-round pick.

"There's a group of people I can't hang with," he said. "I have to be more myself and stay away from that party scene. It was more like partying and going out. Every time I did it, it was me going out and partying."

But for Williams, who was suspended for a 2014 bowl game and missed multiple practices because of an undisclosed "discipline issue" before the fight, there's far more uncertainty.

All he can do now is convince NFL decision-makers that he's turned his life around and hope someone gives him a shot in April.

"Plenty of nights I went to sleep and I cried, I really cried because I didn't just hurt myself, I also hurt myself my family, my friends, my teammates, coaches who gave me chance after chance. I hurt them," Williams said. "So I had to really collect myself as a person because when I lost football I felt like I lost a lot of things. That's something I put my heart into, and just to lose it overnight, it wasn't worth it."

Bosa leads pass-rush pack as teams seek the next Miller

By Dave Campbell
Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — The most coveted players in the NFL draft are, of course, the franchise-caliber quarterbacks.

The most important prospects might be the pass rushers. Just ask the Super Bowl champion Denver Broncos how they snagged that shiny trophy.

"That's pretty much the whole example I have to give. Defense won that game, 100 percent. Von Miller, he really showed what a pass rush can do for a team," said Joey Bosa, the Ohio State defensive end who's first in line to be the next Miller.

Widely pegged for the first pick, held this year by the Tennessee Titans, Bosa's 6-foot-5, 269-pound frame ought to fit well in the lineup for some team at the top of the draft seeking an instant impact for the defense. He was an end in a 4-3 scheme in college, but he said Friday at the league's scouting combine that he has incorporated pass-coverage drops into his offseason training to prepare for possibly playing outside linebacker in a 3-4 system.

"I never could have dreamed to be in this situation, being considered the No. 1 pick," Bosa said. "It's kind of mind blowing."

Taking an outside pass rusher with the top slot in the draft would hardly be startling. Miller, voted the Super Bowl MVP less than three weeks ago, was the No. 2 pick in 2011 by the Broncos. Defensive end Jadeveon Clowney was the first selection by the Houston Texans in 2014. These days, the role is even more in demand.

"Von Millers aren't just falling out of the sky, all over the place," said Indianapolis Colts coach Chuck Pagano, whose team could use one.

Once elite quarterbacks are established, they rarely go anywhere until retirement. Plus, only one can play at a time. With pass rushers, teams can't have enough. Miller wouldn't have been nearly as dominant had the Broncos not had DeMarcus Ware pressuring the pocket from the other side.

"Only so many people are walking the earth with the skill set to be big enough, athletic enough and have the traits to be able to rush the passer," Arizona Cardinals general manager Steve Keim said. "That's generally why they are either drafted high or get overpaid in free agency."

The players realize this, too.

"Watching the Super Bowl, it was evident that the pass rushers took over that game," Northwestern DE Dean Lowry said. "Even with Cam Newton and Peyton Manning, the guys on the defensive lines decided to take over. Von Miller and DeMarcus Ware won that game. That just shows how important pass rushers are and how important defensive line pressure on the quarterback is. That focus is not just in the Super Bowl. It's all the way back into the college game."

In a deep draft for defensive linemen, tackles included, Bosa is the consensus leader of the pass-rushing pack on a list highlighted by UCLA outside linebacker Myles Jack, Oregon end DeForest Buckner, Clemson end Shaq Lawson, Ohio State outside linebacker Darron Lee, Notre Dame outside linebacker Jaylon Smith, and Eastern Kentucky end Noah Spence. Spence started at Ohio State before being kicked off the team due to a drug problem.

Bosa, whose father and uncle were each drafted in the first round by the Miami Dolphins in the late 1980s, came from the football factory St. Thomas Aquinas in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, which had the most alumni of any high school on NFL rosters last season. His younger brother, Nick, signed with Ohio State for 2016.

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What: The YMCA needs officials for Youth Flag Football games Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
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Where: Perez Martial Arts Academy, 350 N. Midland Dr., Suite A
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When: Monday through Thursday, 5-8 p.m.
What: Karate-Juco-Jujitsu-Kempo-KungFu
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What: Professional wrestling school for all ages
Where: 404 E. 61st St., Odessa
When: 7-10 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday; 2-6 p.m. Sunday
Cost: $60 down; $35 a month.
For more info: Call Fred, 770-7001, or Sam, 349-3055

Rugby

Mad Dog Rugby Football Club
Practices: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. at Royse-Maxsbum Park (north field)
For more info call: 432-697-9418

Running

Permian Basin Running Club
Cost: $20 per year for individual membership, $30 for per year for family membership
For more info: Go to www.pbrunningclub.com or email Shawn Holley, president at haileyshawn@pbrunningclub.com

Gunsten Training Group
When: 6 a.m. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday
For more info: Call Popcorn Leonard at 512-762-1020 or 682-0988

Shooting

Comanche Trail Shootists
What: Single Action Shooting Society affiliated club in Midland
When: Monthly shoots first Saturday and third Sunday of each month, first Saturday beginning at 10 a.m.; Third Sunday from 1 p.m. (Mandatory safety meeting at 12:30 p.m.) Also shoot on 5th Sunday on months that have them (begin at 1 p.m. and are no cost to the shooter); Mandatory safety meeting at 9:30 a.m.
Where: Timberline Ranch adjacent to Jale's Clays
For more info: Go to comanchetrailshootists.org or call Hoodoo Brown 682-1422.

Midland Shooters Association
What: All types of shooting practice and competition, featuring archery, benchrest rifle, bulls-eye rifle, high power rifle, pistol silhouette, centre silhouette, 3 gun, practical pistol, steel, trap 5 state and sporting clays.
When: Members can access rifle and pistol ranges from sunrise to sunset seven days a week. Shotgun ranges open 11 a.m. until dusk Wednesday to Sunday.
For more info: Go to www.midlandshooters.com

Soccer

Permian Basin Soccer Association
What: Registration for women's spring/summer season
When: Dunegan Park, located at corner of Giel and Terrell
When: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
For more info: Contact Jesus Chavez at 557-7032 anytime or Josh Chavez at 235-6947 after 6:30 p.m.

Midland Soccer Association
For: Youth Recreational League Ages 4-18
When: Spring/Fall Games
Note: Also information on becoming a certified referee
For more info: Register online at www.midlandsoccer.com and go to 432-694-5425

Softball

Midland Softball Association Tournament Schedule
Now available at www.midlandsoftball.com
For more info: call Tommy Hawkins at 520-9100

Midland Men's Woodbat Fastpitch Association
What: Men's fastpitch softball
For more info: Call 634-6474 or visit www.facebook.com/pages/Midland-Texas-Mens-Fastpitch or wyofastpitch@gmail.com

Midland United Girls Softball Registration
What: Online registration is now open and registration will only be available online
Fees: Tball ($75), 8U-18U ($100), late fee $25
For ages: A girl must be 4 by Jan. 1, 2015 to play Tball. The same date will used to place child in each division. A parent may have opportunity to bump their child up one division.
To register: go to Midlandfastpitch.com or registration will also be available at Midland Park Mall on March 7 and March 14 from 1-5 p.m.

Swimming

CCM Pre-competitive swimming
Where: Midsee Aquatic Center
Cost: $49 per month
Prerequisite: Must be able to swim 25 yards or freestyle or backstroke
For more info: 684-7755

CCM Water Aerobics Classes
When: All times, Monday through Saturday
Who: All skill levels
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

CCM Learn to Swim
Ages: All ages
Note: Private, semi-private and group lessons are available
For more info: 684-7755

CCM Masters Swimming
What: Competitive or non-competitive program for adults of all skill levels
When: 5-6 a.m., 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday
Cost: $40 per month (includes cardio training)
For more info: Call 684-7755

CCM Diving Instruction
Who: All ages and levels invited
For more info: 684-7755

CCM Learn to Dive
What: Learn basic skills for beginners then advance to pre-competitive and competitive diving that emphasize skilled diving techniques and participation in diving meets
Ages: 4 and up
For more info: 684-7755

CCM Competitive Dive Team
Who: Try out for Bronze, Silver, Gold Prep or Gold levels of CCM Dive Team.
What: Emphasizes is on diving techniques and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

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For more info: 684-7755

CCM Competitive Swim Team
Who: Try out for CCM Swim Team, tryouts available by appointment
What: Emphasizes stroke correction and participation in local and out of town competitive meets
For more info: 684-7755

CCM Adult Conditioning
What: Allows adult participation use of top quality lap pools and fitness room during specified hours
For more info: 684-7755

CCM Water Walking Class
What: Unstructured, self-paced class
For more info: Call Tommy McAlister at 684-7755

CCM Senior Fitness Class
Who: Senior citizens that need help with physical conditions resulting from injury, disease, chronic conditions, advanced age, etc.
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Central YMCA Water Aerobics Classes
When: Early morning, morning and evening
For more info: Call Leaf Feller 682-2551

Central YMCA Arthritis Water Exercise Classes
When: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
For more info: Call Leaf Feller 682-2551

Central YMCA Swimming Lessons
Who: All ages and ability
For more info: Call Leaf Feller 682-2551

Central YMCA Synchronized Swimming
For: Ages 6 and up
For more information: Call Leaf Feller 682-2551

Tennis

West Texas Tennis Association
What: West Texas Tennis Association, a non-profit community tennis association, promotes and oversees USTA leagues, programs and events in the area.
For more info: Call 432-210-0611 or www.westtexastennis.com for more information.

Bush Tennis Center Clinics
What: Balloon Tennis 34 (ages 3-4); Redball 58 (ages 5-8); Orange and Green Ball 910 (ages 9-10); Junior Development (6th-8th grade; freshman-JV); Junior Select (varsity); RSR Adults (adult beginners); Intermediate Adults; 4.0-5.0 Adults (advanced adults); Also Junior Team Tennis registration now open
Where: Bush Tennis Center
For more info: Visit www.bushtenniscenter.com and or call. 620-8180.

USTA Team Tennis Adult Leagues
When: Leagues run May through November
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Sherry 620-8610 or Email www.midlandtennis@aol.com

Midland College Tennis
What: Clinics, lessons, leagues, tournaments
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
For more info: Call 687-4046

Midland College Tennis Club
When: A community tennis club
Where: Midland College Tennis Center
Annual Dues: Adults $65, youths $30, families $140
For more info: Call 563-1333 or email midlandtennis-club@aol.com
Note: Will be holding its annual meeting on Saturday, Jan. 30 at 11 a.m.

Midland Women's Tennis Association
For more info: 559-7208

Ultimate Frisbee

Midland Drought Ultimate Frisbee Club
What: The Club plays weekly casual pick-up games on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and offer occasional opportunities for tourney travel
For ages: Males and females from the high school level to adult
For more info: Go to www.midlandultimatefrisbee.weebly.com or call Matt at 432-208-9130

Walking

Midland Walkabout AVA Club
For: All Ages
Annual dues: $15 per family
Walks: One Saturday morning per month
When: First Monday of the month at Murray's Deli on Wadley at 6 p.m.
Who: All ages
For more info: Call 432-697-4310, email goatsend@suddenlink.net or visit midlandwalkabout.wordpress.com

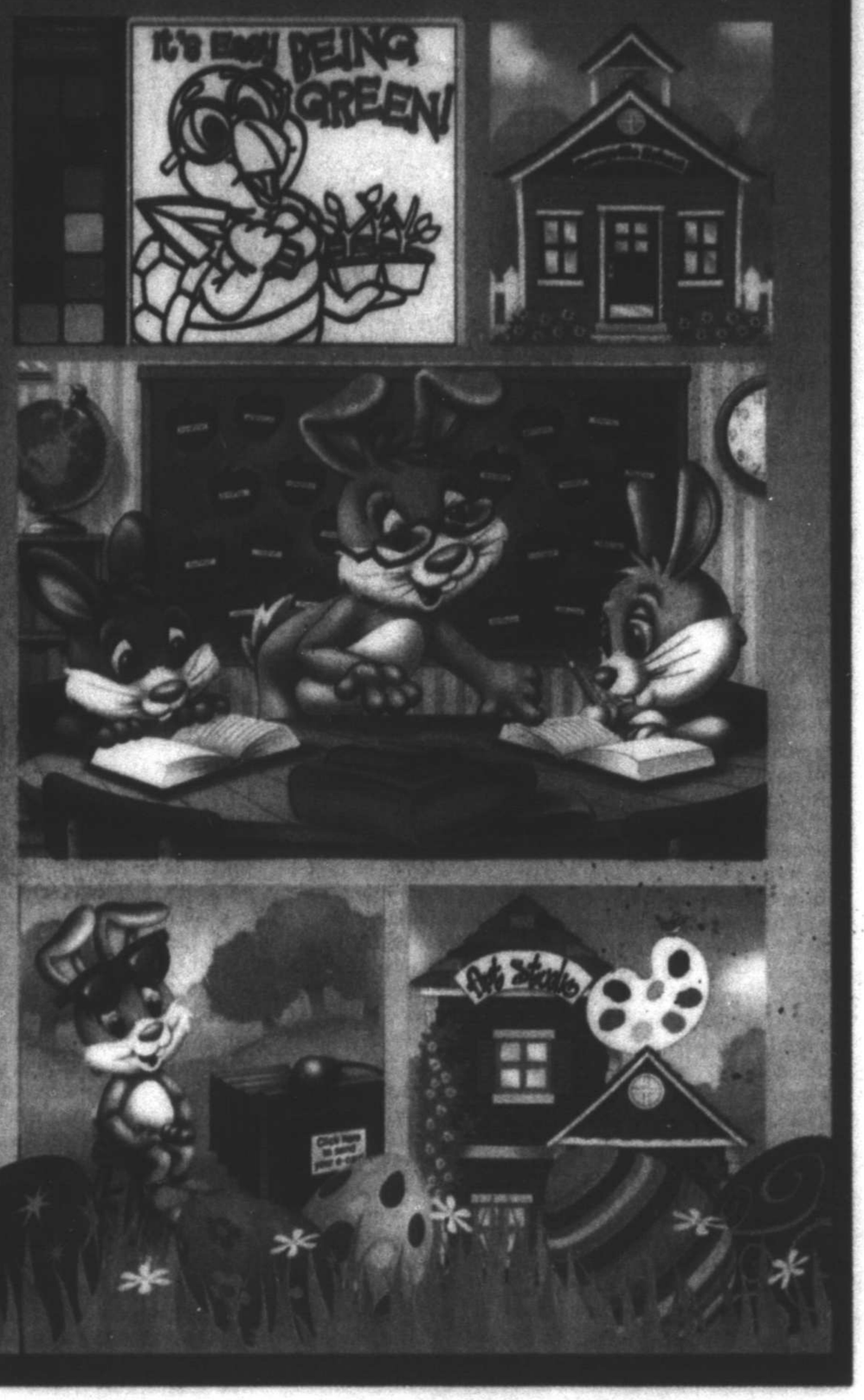
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Program Manager and a Program Coordinator

West Texas Food Bank is a nonprofit organization working to address hunger in Odessa, Midland and surrounding rural areas. We serve as a clearinghouse to solicit, store, inspect and repack food for distribution to our 80 partners in 19 counties of West Texas.

WTFB has 2 job openings:

Program Manager: plans, manages, and coordinates programs in accordance with federal, state, and local government regulations and performance standards. Work includes program planning and development; contract compliance; management of program budgets, personnel and activities. Bachelor's degree from an accredited university in business administration, public administration, social services or related field is required; Master's preferred. Minimum of 2 years experience in managing programs, one of which includes supervisory experience.

Program Coordinator: coordinates the WTFB Client Choice Pantry, as well as participates in the coordination of other program activities. The Client Choice Pantry is a food distribution program for clients who walk in to the Odessa Distribution Facility, which periodically allows them to select food commodities of their choice in a small grocery store setting. Bachelor's degree from an accredited university in business administration, public administration, social services or related field is preferred; may be replaced with comparable experience.

Send job inquiries to the attention of: **Libby Campbell, Executive Director, West Texas Food Bank, P.O. Box 4242, Odessa, TX 79760**

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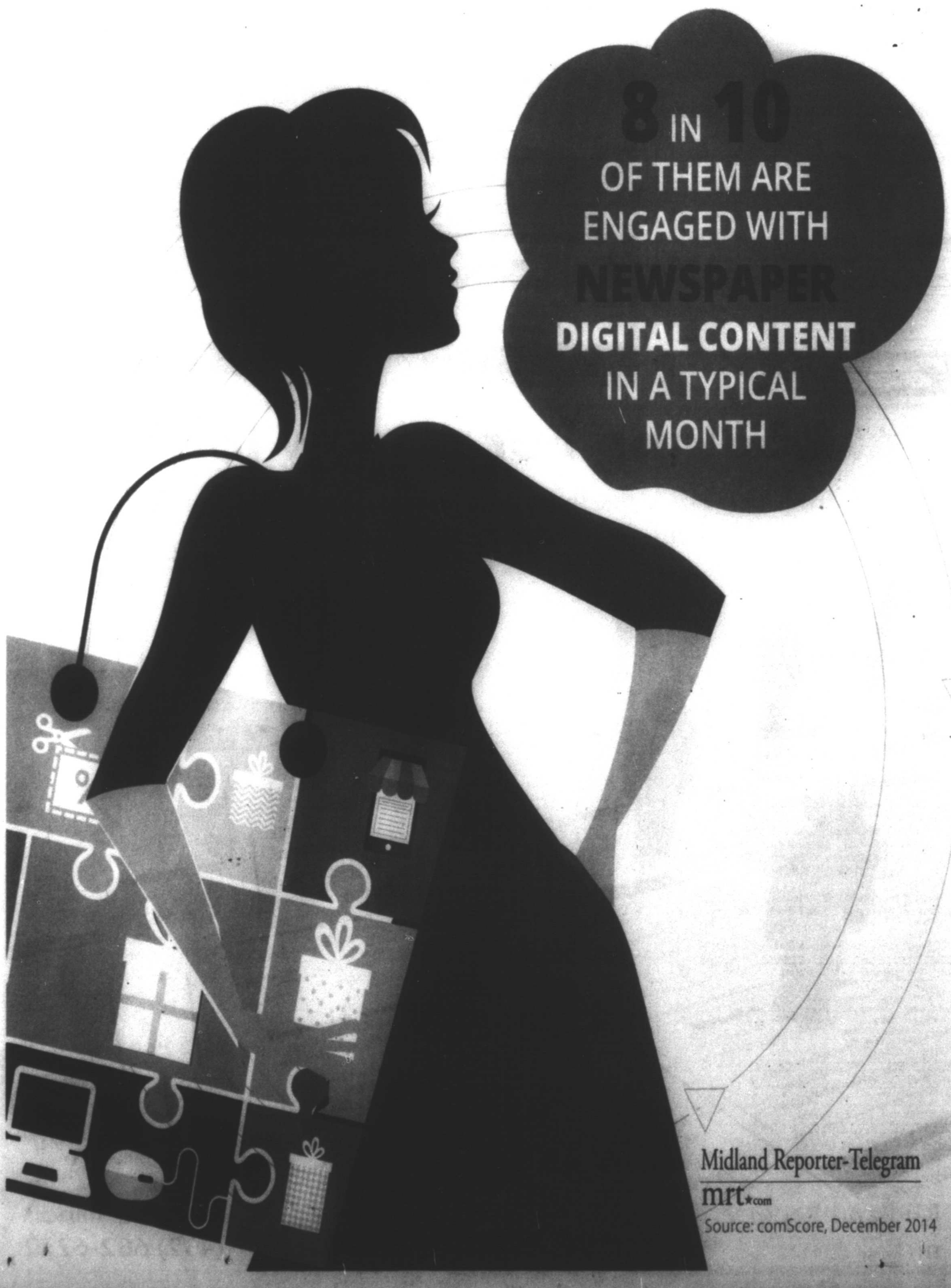
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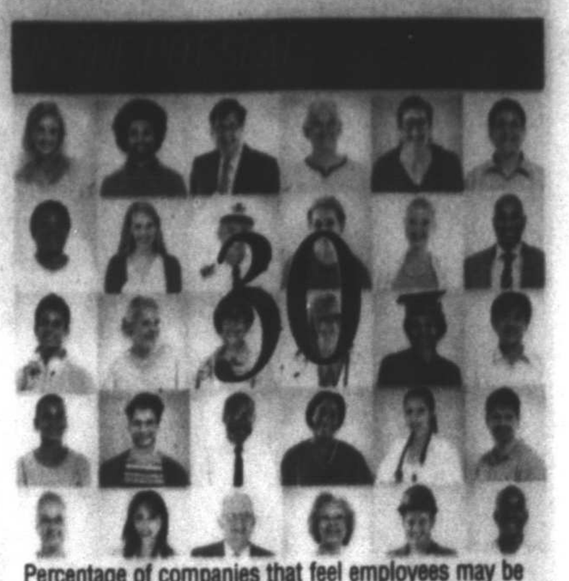


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By MARILYN KENNEDY MELIA
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U.S. economy watchers have been heartened by the lower numbers of new unemployment claims.

The numbers are certainly something to cheer about, but not if all those who should be receiving benefits aren't filing claims, say worker advocates.

Indeed, in late 2015, the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) issued a directive to states, mandating that unemployed workers who are eligible for benefits shouldn't encounter barriers like struggles with online procedures for claiming.

"Many state do not maintain local offices for unemployment insurance (UI) applications," says Wayne Vroman of the Urban Institute, Washington, D.C. Instead, states maintain "One-Stop Centers" and "workforce development offices," that provide other career services as well as filing assistance, listed on state websites.

In a recent report, the National Employment Law Project (NELP) said it "applauds" the DOL mandate that states should make it easy to file by telephone or in-person, as well as through online applications.

But it's not just difficulties reaching an office or filing online that prevent some from receiving unemployment benefits they qualify for, it's simply because "they believe they are ineligible," says Claire McKenna of NELP.

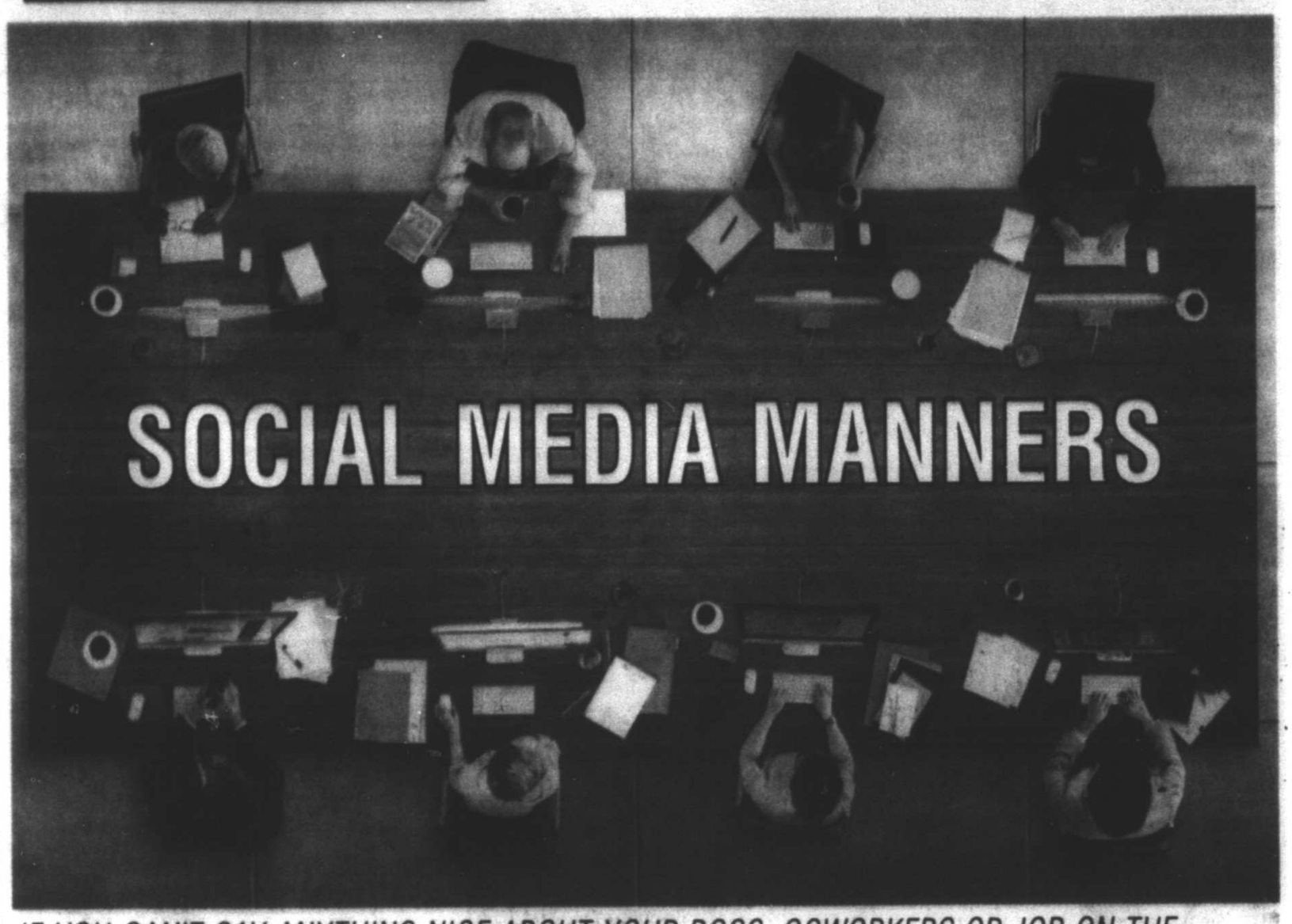
Although each state's rules vary somewhat, even those workers who quit voluntarily may be eligible if they resigned because of "something that the employer did that made their work situation less attractive," Vroman says.

And in some states, those who quit to take care of ill family members are eligible for benefits, he points out.

But an AARP Public Policy Institute report last year underscored that many caregivers don't access benefits because they're unaware that they can, or because of technicalities in the rules, like asking an employer for an accommodation for caregiving prior to quitting.

With the recent focus on states making claims easier to understand and file, those out of a job should investigate their eligibility. "There is considerable variation in UI rules across states," McKenna says.

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SOCIAL MEDIA MANNERS

IF YOU CAN'T SAY ANYTHING NICE ABOUT YOUR BOSS, COWORKERS OR JOB ON THE INTERNET, DON'T SAY ANYTHING AT ALL

By MARILYN KENNEDY MELIA
CTW FEATURES

Most people live two lives: A virtual one depicted by their online postings, and a real, day-to-day existence.

Now, in the wake of a court decision, employers may be advised to take a blind eye to derogatory – even profane – comments a current worker lodges against his company or boss in his virtual life.

At the same time, however, employers are increasingly scrutinizing candidates' online persona in deciding whom to hire.

All this duality can be confusing, for both employers and ambitious workers intent on advancing their career.

Due to a U.S. Court of Appeals decision to uphold a National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) ruling viewing online criticism of an employer as a protected discussion of labor issues, "employers should make sure that legal off-duty conduct is not used unfairly," says Lester Rosen, CEO of Employment Screening Resources, Novato, California.

Still, because employers can learn a lot about a job candidate from his virtual persona that might not be uncovered in a physical interview, some 43 percent of hiring professionals reported using online screening in a recent survey from the Society for Human Resource Management.

If, when a hiring manager is conducting an online search he uncovers a job applicant made "negative comments made in a public forum about a past employer," he should be careful not to use this "legal off-duty conduct" against the applicant, Rosen says.

But it would be easier for both individuals and employers, Rosen says, if workers close virtual doors on some of their discussions, using "some sort of private, password protected forum that is off limits to anyone not invited."

Likewise, "if a person has made negative comments in a public forum about a past employer," and that person is hoping to impress a future employer, it's advisable to "put such comments behind privacy protection," Rosen says.

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WANT SUCCESS? PLEASE YOUR BOSS

Forget what your job description says.

Your real job is to make your boss successful, argues Geoffrey James, a veteran business journalist in Boston, columnist for Inc. magazine and author of "Business Without the Bullsh*t" (Business Plus, 2014).

Having clarity on the new office dynamics is crucial to achieve lasting success – and that starts with being very clear about your relationship with your boss.

Gone are the days that you're an employee, even if you are on staff at a company. James says successful workers must see themselves as freelancers or contractors, because they can no longer rest in the illusion that their job is secure.

"Even if you've got a salaried position with benefits, perks, paid vacations and a fancy title, you're still a freelancer. If you aren't constantly selling and reselling your services, you'll be unemployed faster than you can say pink slip," he explains.

If you're now a freelancer, your boss is your client, perhaps your best client. Your relationship is more symbiotic, because you need each other. And your job is to keep him or her happy.

To better manage your relationship and keep your boss happy, James says you must embrace a few truths.

The hardest for people to swallow is that bosses lie. Because of the inherent inequality of power with those in their charge, most bosses will want to keep some knowledge to themselves and away from employees.

"When bosses tell self-serving lies about salaries, raises, layoffs, work hours, etc., they set themselves beyond the limits of ethical human behavior. That being the case, they no longer have any right to ask for total honesty from the people they employ," James explains.



Recognize instances when you don't need to tell your boss everything. For instance, you're not helping your boss when you communicate a truth that puts him or her into such a position that he or she must lie in order to keep from being fired, or to prevent your team's budget from being cut.

James offers more tips for keeping your boss happy:

1. Keep your promises

Whenever you accept an assignment, follow through on what you say you're going to do. Never over commit.

2. No surprises, ever

No boss wants to think about a worker who is screwing up but not saying anything about it. Don't wait until the last minute to deliver bad news.

3. Advise, then obey

Offer your boss your advice and perspective. When your boss deviates from your recommendation, attempt to convince him or her to make a better choice. But then stop second-guessing the decision and implement it effectively.

—Patricia Rivera

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CITATION BY PUBLICATION DETERMINATION OF HEIRSHIP

The State of Texas § L. **SHANE STOKES**, Applicant's Attorney
County of Midland § **300 NORTH MARIENFELD 700**
§ **MIDLAND, TX 79701**

To all persons interested in the estate of

ROBERT CLINTON JONES, Deceased
Cause No. **P18432**
in COUNTY COURT, Midland County, Texas

The alleged heir(s) at law in the above-numbered and entitled estate filed an Application to Determine Heirship in this estate on **2/02/2016**, requesting that the Court determine who are the heirs and only heirs of **ROBERT CLINTON JONES**, Deceased and their respective shares and interests in such estate

The court may act on this application at any call of the docket on or after 10:00 a.m. **3/07/2016**, which is the first Monday next after the expiration of 10 days from the date of posting this citation, at the Midland County Courthouse, 500 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas 79701

All persons interested in this case are cited to appear before this Honorable Court by **filing a written contest or answer** to this Application should they desire to do so. **To ensure its consideration, you or your attorney must file any objection, intervention, or response in writing** with the County Clerk of Midland County, Texas **on or before the above-noted date and time.**

Given under by hand and seal of the COUNTY COURT of Midland County, Texas at the office of the Midland County Clerk in Midland, Texas on February 23rd 2016

Alison Haley
County Clerk, Midland County, Texas
Box 1350, Midland, Texas 79702
By SHON BRENT, Deputy

Legal & Public Notices

CITATION BY PUBLICATION (DIVORCE - CHILDREN)

THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: HORACE WITTMORE BYGRAVE

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT: "YOU HAVE BEEN SUED. YOU MAY EMPLOY AN ATTORNEY. IF YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY DO NOT FILE A WRITTEN ANSWER WITH THE CLERK WHO ISSUED THIS CITATION **BY 10:00 A.M. ON THE MONDAY** NEXT FOLLOWING THE EXPIRATION OF TWENTY DAYS AFTER YOU WERE SERVED THIS CITATION AND PETITION, A DEFAULT JUDGMENT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU."

GREETINGS: HORACE WITTMORE BYGRAVE

"**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED** to appear and answer before the Honorable Judge David W. Lindewood and the 318th District Court, Midland, Texas, at the Courthouse in Midland County, Texas, at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. of the Monday next after the expiration of 20 days from the date of service of this Citation, then and there to answer the ORIGINAL PETITION OF DIVORCE of VERONICA ROSEMARIE BYGRAVE - Petitioner, filed in said Court on the 20th of September, 2015 against HORACE WITTMORE BYGRAVE - Respondent and said suit being Cause Number FM59484 on the docket of said court and entitled

IN THE MATTER OF MARRIAGE OF: VERONICA ROSEMARIE BYGRAVE - PETITIONER, AND HORACE WITTMORE BYGRAVE - RESPONDENT, AND IN THE INTEREST OF JOSHUA THEODORE BYGRAVE, MINOR CHILD

The nature of which suit is a request to dissolve marriage by divorce and matter of conservatorship of minor child/children.

The Court has authority in this suit to enter any judgment or decree dissolving the marriage and providing for division of property for any matter in the interest of the child/children including, but not limited to, the appointment of a conservator and order for child-support, all of which will be binding upon you."

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Texas on February 19, 2016.

Ross Bush, District Clerk
Midland County, Texas

By Gilda Morales, Deputy

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF A PROGRAMMATIC

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR A

BUSINESS PARK DEVELOPMENT

AT THE MIDLAND INTERNATIONAL AIR & SPACE PORT
MIDLAND, TEXAS

The City of Midland and the Federal Aviation Administration are evaluating the potential effects of the following proposed improvements at the Midland International Air & Space Port (Airport):

- Demolition of an existing dilapidated storage and cargo building
- Removal of an abandoned railroad spur
- Construction of a two-lane, 51-foot-wide access road from LaForce Boulevard to the northeast portion of the Park (dead end)
- Division of land into approximately 17 parcels/lots ranging in size from 0.95 acres to 7.37 acres
- Construction of new hangar, office, and warehouse facilities based on tenant requirements
- Extension or upgrade of existing utilities to serve new the facilities

The purpose of the proposed action is to establish a 45-acre development park to provide buildable space for aviation/aerospace and non-aeronautical uses to meet the demands of businesses looking to begin or expand commercial operations at the Airport.

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are notified of the availability of the Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment evaluating the potential effects of the proposed improvements. The Draft Programmatic Environmental Assessment will be available on the Airport's website (www.flymaf.com) and during regular business hours beginning on February 28, 2016 at:

- Midland International Air & Space Port, 9506 La Force Blvd. Midland, TX 79706
- Midland County Public Library, 301 W. Missouri Ave., Midland, TX 79701
- City of Midland, Office of the City Secretary, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, TX 79701
- FAA Southwest Regional Office, Texas Airports Development Office, 10101 Hillwood Parkway, Fort Worth, TX 76177.

Citizens are also encouraged to submit written comments or concerns by mail or email. Comments submitted in this manner must be received by **Wednesday, March 30, 2016,** to be included in the transcript of the project. Send written comments to:

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

City of Midland will hold a Public Vehicle Auction at Action Wrecker Service, Inc., 1109 S. Midland Dr. on Saturday, March 5, 2015. Gates open at 8:00 AM. Auction begins at 10:00 AM. All vehicles will be sold to the highest bidder. Full payment is due at the time of purchase. Buyer has five days to remove vehicles from impound lot. For more information visit www.actionwrecker.com or contact Action Wrecker Service Inc., 1109 S Midland Drive, Midland, TX (432) 697-8697.

Legal & Public Notices

APPLICATION HAS been made with the Texas Alcohol Beverage Commission for BQ Wine and Beer Retailers Permit by Bowen's Mini Super to be located at 3400 W. Thomason Drive, Midland, icMidland County, Texas 79703. Owner Diana Villarreal.

Legal & Public Notices

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
#303-6-20549

The Texas Facilities Commission seeks a lease of approx. 16,717 sq. ft. of space that consists of 16,522 sq. ft. of office space and 195 sq. ft. of outdoor employee lounge area space in Midland or Odessa, TX for the Department of Public Safety (DPS). Proposal deadline is March 29, 2016. For details contact Evelyn Esquivel at (512) 463-6494 or go to http://esbd.cpa.state.tx.us/bid_show.cfm?bidid=122900.

Legal & Public Notices

Notice #3

Callon Petroleum Operating Company is hereby providing Notice of Intent to Move in Equipment and Spud the **Pecan Acres 22A4 115H well located 310' FNL and 610' FEL of Section 22, Block 40, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, within the City Limits of Midland.** This notice is a requirement of the City of Midland Under Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 23 labeled "Ordinance No. 8769" more particularly found under Section L (7) effective January 1, 2010.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE #2

CALLON Petroleum Operating Company is hereby providing Notice of Intent to Move in Equipment and Spud the **Pecan Acres 22A3 105H well located 280' FNL and 610' FEL of Section 22, Block 40, T-1-S, T&P RR Co. Survey, Midland County, Texas, within the City Limits of Midland.** This notice is a requirement of the City of Midland Under Title VI, Chapter 1, Section 23 labeled "Ordinance No. 8769" more particularly found under Section L (7) effective January 1, 2010.

Legal & Public Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR DISPOSAL WELL PERMIT

PT Petroleum, LLC, c/o Box 953, Midland, TX 79702 is applying to the Railroad Commission of Texas for a permit to dispose of produced formation water/fluid into a formation that is not productive of oil or gas.

The applicant proposes to dispose of fluids into the: Spraberry (Trend Area) (formation), University Red 515 (lease), Well Number: 1D. The proposed injection wells are located 11.25 miles in a SE direction from: Rankin, in the Spraberry (Trend Area) field, in Upton County, TX.

Fluid will be disposed into strata in the subsurface depth interval from 3700 to 4800 feet.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Texas Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Environmental Services Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 12967, Austin, Texas 78711-2967 (Telephone 512-463-6792).



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Autos For Sale or Lease

Passenger Cars

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FORD FLEX Limited , 2012 with EcoBoost for sale. Seats 7 people using automatic 3rd seat. 67,300 miles, leather seats, heated front seats, sun roofs. Asking $22,000 OBO. 432-528-1191.

Passenger Cars

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Legal & Public Notices

IN THE MATTER OF THE CHANGE OF NAME OF RICHARD NASIAH BELL "A CHILD"	§ § § § §	IN THE DISTRICT COURT 318TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT MIDLAND COUNTY, TEXAS

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF TEXAS

TO RICHARD MARLIN BELL, RESPONDENT and to all whom it may concern:

You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00 am on the Monday next following the expiration of 20 days after you were served this citation and petition, a default judgement may be taken against you. The petition of Penny Deannna Valdez, Petitioner, was filed against Richard Marlin Bell, defendant, on February 17th, 2016, in the 318th Judicial District Court of Midland County, Texas, and is numbered FM60202, and entitled "In the Matter of the Name Change of Richard Nasiah Bell.

The Court has the authority in this suit to enter any judgement or decree in the Petitioner's interest which will be binding upon you.

Issued and given under my hand and seal of said Court at Midland, Midland County, Texas
This 22nd day of February 2016.

Ross Bush
Clerk of the District Court of
Midland County, Texas

By: Gilda Morales, Deputy

Legal & Public Notices

COMMUNITY MEETINGS

The City of Midland will hold the following public meetings on the city's community development program:

March 8, 2016
Casa de Amigos, 1101 E Garden Lane
Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

March 10, 2016
MLK Community Center, 2300 Butternut Lane
Meeting begins at 6:30 p.m.

For the 2015/16 program, $656,282 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development was allocated to the City. The City expects to receive $712,799 for 2016/17. A minimum 70% of CDBG funds must be allocated to projects that benefit low and moderate-income persons. Examples of activities eligible for CDBG funding are: housing rehabilitation, sidewalk and street improvement, park improvements, code enforcement, lot clearance, economic development and public services.

For further information, call the Community Development Office at 685-7472 or 685-7408.

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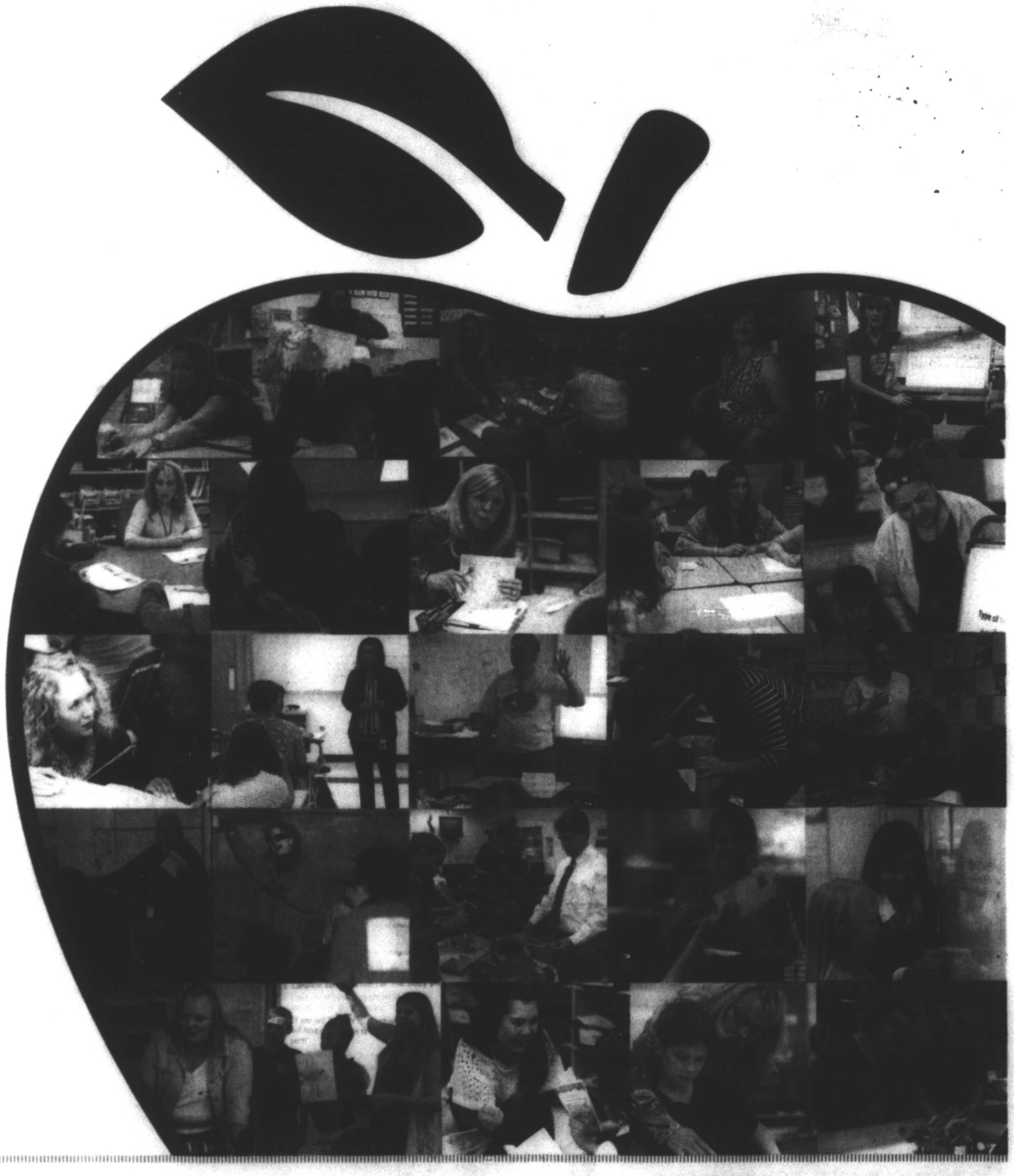
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In 2015, the government established the "Know Before You Owe" program, or what is formally called the "TILA RESPA Integrated Disclosure" plan (TRID). Now, there are several new disclosure statements that a buyer must receive, with set time periods for receipt and consideration, before a loan can close:

• The Loan Estimate is a 3-page document a lender must send to the homebuyer within three business days after they apply for a loan. It includes the estimated interest rate, monthly payment and total closing costs for the loan, and more information to help borrowers understand the cost and terms.

• The Closing Disclosure sent to the borrower at least three business days before closing so a borrower has time to review it and resolve any discrepancies from the terms they expected.

• Certain changes in the originally disclosed terms can trigger an additional 3-day review period: an increase in annual percentage rate (APR) of more than a certain amount; the addition of a loan prepayment penalty; and basic loan product changes, such as a switch from fixed rate to adjustable interest rate.

Only big changes made to your loan will reset the clock. And many lenders are dealing well with the new requirements.

It took 49 days to close mortgages settled in November versus 48 days for loans that closed in July, according to mortgage processor Ellie Mae.

Longer closings may actually benefit sellers. Who doesn't need more time to find a replacement residence and then pack and move?

In the same way that it took lenders time to get comfortable with the new rules under RESPA, it will also take time with the Know Before You Owe program. To help out, the introduction of the TRID rules was pushed back from August to October and enforcement of the rules has been delayed so lenders can get the bugs out of their software and systems without penalty.

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8 WAYS CASH DEALS MAKE LIFE EASY



By MADHUSMITA BORA
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Despite economic gains, many homebuyers are still struggling to cough up a 10 or 20 percent down payment. At the same time, there are quite a few buyers willing to pay all cash for a home.

In November, cash sales accounted for 38 percent of all homes and condominiums sold, according to RealtyTrac. That's up from 31 percent a year ago.

"We believe that's a knee jerk reaction to the new regulations on mortgage disclosures," says Daren Blomquist, vice president at RealtyTrac. "That threw a wrench on buyers using financing."

Blomquist also attributes the increase to global economic weakness, especially in China.

"That is driving more foreign investment in real estate, and many times the foreign buyers are cash buyers."

Whatever the reason, cash buyers have some definite advantages over buyers who borrow money. Often these buyers are investors, not the traditional buyer looking for their dream home.

Here are some advantages to buying a home in cash:

1. No. Mortgage.

Anyone who's been through the mortgage application process will tell you, it's not easy. There's lot of documentation and anxiety tied to borrowing money.

Since the housing bust, mortgage lenders have been obliged to more strictly scrutinize applicants. Squeaky clean credit and solid income records aren't the only qualifying criteria these days. Mortgage lenders are still adjusting to working with new disclosure documents, such as the Loan Estimate and the Closing Disclosure, that provide homebuyers with additional time to scrutinize loan terms.

2. Sellers are your new BFFs

The mortgage process is time-consuming and it comes with no guarantee. Sellers often prefer cash buyers and take them more seriously.

"It makes everything easier," says Adam DeSanctis, economics issues and media manager at National Association of Realtors. "Closings are quicker since you don't have to go through a lender."

3. You have power

At least in this market, cash is king, Blomquist says. If you have cash, you automatically jump to the front of the line. Not just that, you also have the power to bargain.

Motivated sellers are always looking to quickly close a deal and move on to the next investment. The cash buyer is well positioned to bargain for the best deal.

4. Lower closing costs

There are a lot of fees that come along with applying for a mortgage. A cash buyer can save money on closing costs, bank appraisals, mortgage applications and fees and title insurance.

5. Instant equity

When you buy a home with cash, you own the property free and clear. There's no fear of losing your home because of a lost job, bad investment or missed payment. You have instant equity instead of paying mortgage to free your home over a 30-year period.

6. More disposable monthly income

If you pay all at once, you don't have to worry about the monthly mortgage ticket or missed payments.

"Many buyers would love to be in that position," Blomquist says.

With the money you save on interest, you could invest elsewhere and grow your assets.

7. Laugh at appraisal oddities

According to the National Association of Realtors, all-cash buyers avoid the risk of a low appraisal and a potential deal breaker. Home appraisals, which are devised by taking into consideration comparable sales, can be unpredictable. A low appraisal means a lower loan offer, which could mean that the buyer can no longer afford the home. All-cash buyers don't have to deal with this uncertainty.

8. Peace of mind

Of course, there's no question that all-cash buyers have the ultimate sense of security. There are no looming deadlines to pay off debt and no lenders hanging over your head. That is something that no money can buy.

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THE MARKET

GOING FORWARD ON REVERSE MORTGAGES

Stricter rules help strengthen program for senior homeowners



Thanks to the TV commercials touting its virtues, the reverse mortgage is a familiar term but it's hardly a well-understood product.

Just as the foreclosure crisis prompted changes in other mortgages, the federal government, which insures nearly all reverse mortgages through its Home Equity Conversion Mortgages or "HECM" program, has revised rules in response to past problems with the loan.

The basic idea, though, is unchanged: Homeowners aged 62 who have paid off a mortgage or paid down a considerable amount and who live in the home, can withdraw a portion of the home's equity. Payback of the loan comes from the proceeds of the sale of the home after the owner dies or moves.

Reforms, like a stricter assessment of whether the homeowner will have enough total resources to pay living expenses and taxes on their home, have come just in time for a new wave of retirees, says Steven Sass of the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

Originally, the reverse mortgage was devised for seniors who had paid off their home, wanted to stay in it but didn't have income to cover expenses.

Now, retirees who still have a significant mortgage can use an HECM to pay off that loan and live mortgage-free, notes Sasser.

Because of the fees to take out an HECM, however, it may not be the right way to pay off a small mortgage, he adds.

John Salter, a professor of personal financial planning at Texas Tech University, thinks it's appropriate for many retirees to take an HECM line of credit and draw cash from it when the stock market tanks, or it's otherwise not an advantageous time to cash out retirement investments.

One thing that hasn't changed about the HECM: before anyone takes out these loans, they must take counseling by a non-profit approved by the U.S. Dept. of Housing and Urban Development. These non-profits and lenders making the HECM are listed at www.hud.gov.

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A gourmet kitchen is open to the den and features Thermador Professional appliances including a 6-burner gas range, double ovens, built-in microwave drawer, dishwasher and ice maker. Center island makes a great workspace and adds even more storage. Cabinets in the entire home are made of Knotty Alder with a five-step staining process and have soft close drawers and doors. Built in wine cabinet and coffee bar. Casual dining area is nearby and looks out to the porch and yard. A home office is off the kitchen as well as the laundry room with half-bath and access to the porte-cochere and garage.



Immediately to the right of the front door is another living area (it could also be a formal dining room.) Large windows look to the front yard. A full bathroom is attached with dual sinks, lots of cabinets and a walk-in closet with built-in shelves in addition to a sequestered bedroom.

To the left of the entry is a hallway with a full bathroom with floor to ceiling marble covering the shower. A second bedroom is down the hall with a large closet and windows to the front.



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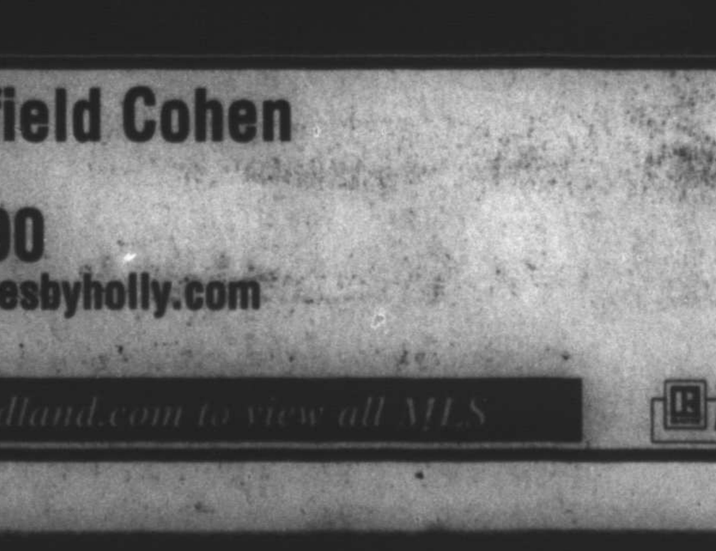
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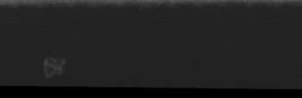
Directions: Follow Loop 250 east as it leads to Greenwood. When you get to Hwy. 307 (the main road in Greenwood that runs East and West), continue across and go until you reach ECR 110. Turn left and continue until you see a big gated entrance for Chaney Ranch. Turn right and 7208 ECR 113 is straight ahead at the end of the road on the left. MLS#108395.

For more information, come to the open house or contact Holly Cohen Co-Owner/Broker, Real Estate One at (432) 638-3090, or visit her website at www.midlandhomesbyholly.com.





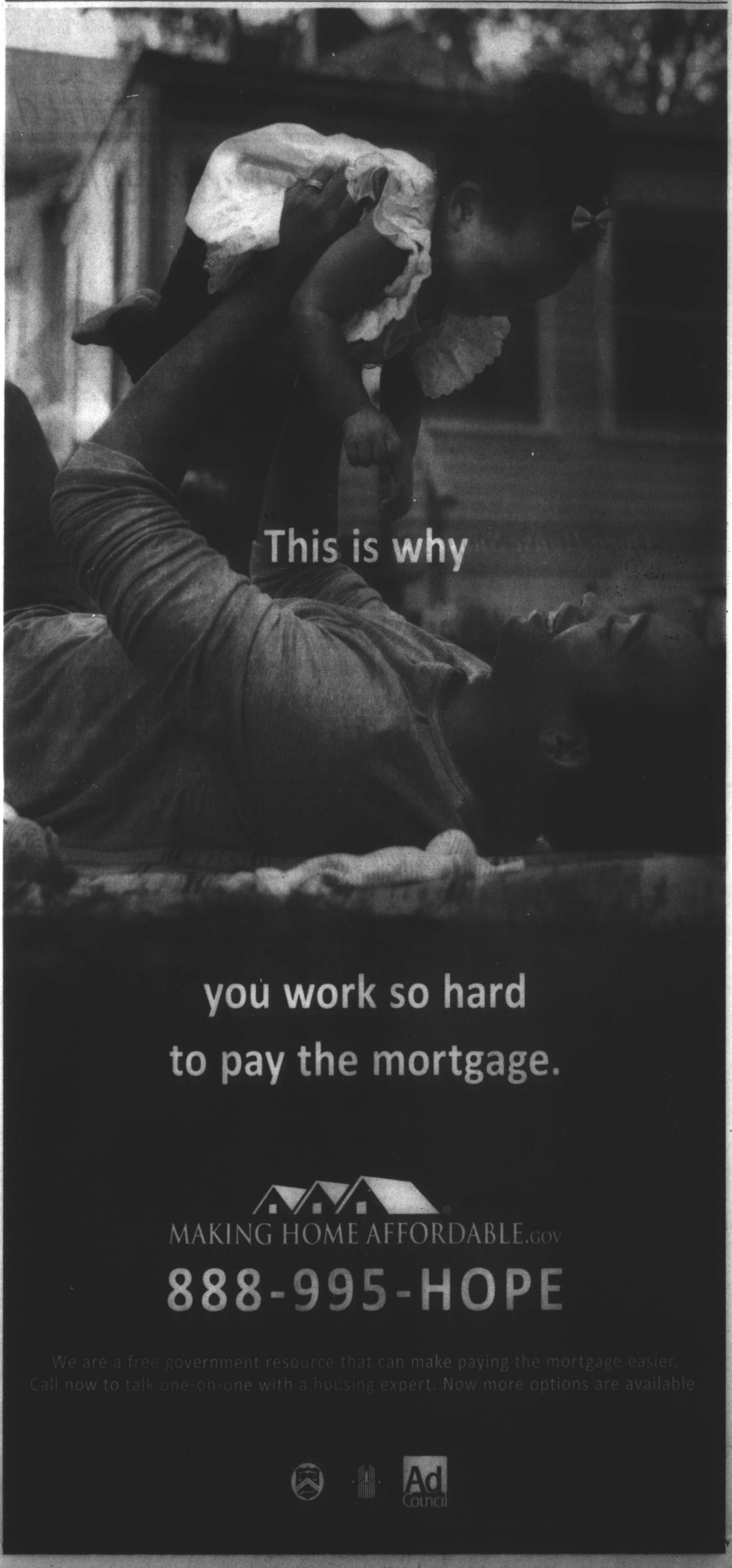




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4 Ways to Bring Out Your Home's Personality

Like clothing and accessories, your home is a major outlet for expressing individuality. Are you an avid cook or enthusiastic entertainer? Then you probably have a gourmet kitchen or an inviting living room. Do you value your outdoor time? A garden outfitted for relaxing is probably on your wish list.

However, you don't have to empty your bank account to add more personality to your space. Consider the following easy and budget-friendly additions.

1. Add a touch of paint

Painting is one of the most economical ways to add style and personality to your home. Whether you're interested in painting the outside or inside, this is a project that can be handled quickly and with little fuss. Not interested in a full paint job? Don't forget about the front door. A bold pop of door color can leave a lasting first impression. Go deep red for rustic, bright green for fun, or choose a luxurious black for sophistication. A bright green door is both welcoming and fun, while a shiny black finish adds glamour.

2. Seek out statement pieces

While you may not be able to refurnish your entire home, you can add definitive style and personality by choosing a statement furniture piece. Pick fun dining room chairs to contrast a more standard table, or a brightly colored couch to offset an ordinary living space. Want to create a unique outdoor space? A glamorous chaise lounge is ideal for relaxing al fresco.

3. Install new hardware and fixtures

Small details can make a large impression when it comes to showcasing your taste. If you're big on family-style meals and gatherings, pick out a custom hanging light fixture to install above your dining room table. Spend tons of time in the kitchen? Pick out stylish drawer pulls for your cabinetry. Want a luxurious bathroom? Spa-style shower heads or a drop-in vessel sink can make a big impact.

4. One-of-a-kind finds

Do you have a family member who is good with their hands? How about a skilled potter or craftsman? Enlist your loved ones to make custom statement pieces to showcase in your home. If you want to do the project yourself, there are hundreds of reputable outlets for DIY craftsmanship online these days. Not only will you have a piece unlike any other, but you will always have a great story behind that reclaimed pine coffee table.

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This story was submitted by Norma Pine, Broker/Owner Chris Beckett, Broker/Owner Pine & Beckett, REALTORS www.pineandbeckett.com

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  - *1,771 ac, windmill, creek, blinds and feeders, great w-tail and mule deer, turkey, hogs, quail $850/ac
- **Nolan County**
  - *648 ac, over 1 mile SOLD of creek, blinds, feeders, elevation change, oaks, pecans $3,550/ac
  - *565 ac, Pecan Creek, New Living/Shop, 200 acres covered for cattle, blinds, feeders, windmill $3,550/ac
- **Howard County**
  - *642 ac, canyons, blinds/feeders, great deer, cedar/mesquite, surface water, some coastal traffic $750/ac
  - *150 ac, big canyons, SOLD tanks, cedar/mesquites, great deer, turkey, jav. $895/ac
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Houses for Rent Unfurnished

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Open Houses

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Open 2-4
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•4408 Guadalupe: Fabulous Mike Jackson new construction with small side yard. Large open Living area. Walls of windows looking out to the side yard. Covered patio. Landscaped with automatic drip system. Great kitchen with granite counters, Stainless Steel Appliances, Nice Master with Large Closet.



Open 2-4
Hosted by Laura Camp and Kay Sutton

•4504 Breezeway: Kitchen remodeled w/brick floors & unique brick pantry, stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, & custom cabinets w/pull outs. Kitchen overlooks the den w/ brick floors that run down the hall & to mother in law bath. Bonus room off in the backroom. Large utility w/ granite & extra storage. Master w/ tray ceiling, large closet w/ bath-ins. Too much to name!



Open 2-4
Hosted by Julie Romero

•5717 Ridgewood: Spectacular 3 bedroom, 3.5 bathroom home with a dazzling pool! 2 large living areas and 2 beautiful dining areas! Marvelous kitchen with tons of space and gorgeous cooks! Incredible oversized bathrooms and remastered master bedroom with separate tub and shower, wraparound closet, and door leading! High ceilings, walls of windows, and phenomenal detail! Low maintenance backyard!



Open 2-5
Hosted by Landon Mendel

•2901 Calderas: Gorgeous 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom home with fabulous covered patio & remarkable custom pergola! Absolutely stunning living area with beautiful fireplace, art niches, & the stunning! Incredible kitchen with custom cabinetry, marvelous granite countertops, & stainless appliances. Beautiful formal dining area. Great size bedrooms! Astounding remastered master suite with granite & separate tub & shower!

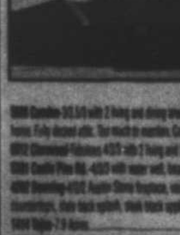


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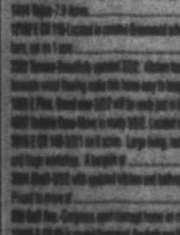
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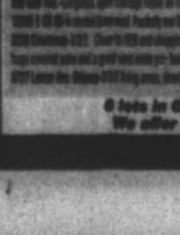
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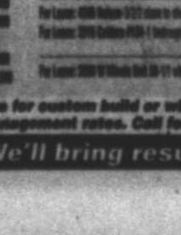


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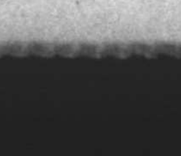
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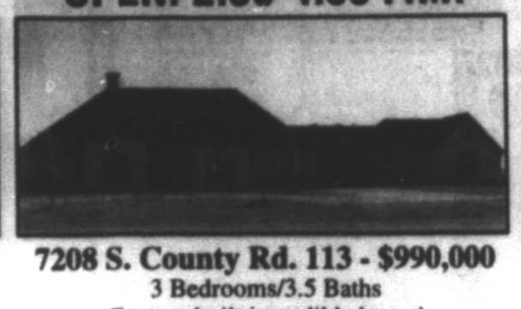
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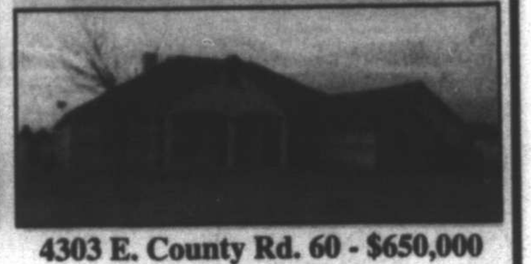
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3 Bedrooms/3.5 Baths
Custom built incredible home!
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6607 E. County Rd. 110 - $439,500
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Beautiful Ashingdon home w/all the bells & whistles!
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4303 E. County Rd. 60 - $650,000
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2606 Porter Way -Less than 3 year old Bernal home beautifully maintained in Mayfield Pl $375,500
602 W. Pine Ct. -Lovely townhome in Highland Park $319,000
1200 S. County Rd. 1128 -Wonderful 3/2 home on 1 668 ac in Greenwood! $270,000
3920 Scotts St -Beautifully & meticulously maintained low-maintenance home in Odessa $239,900
2400 Haynes Dr -Fabulous 3 bedroom 2 bathroom home w/some fresh paint, a newly remodeled kitchen $179,900

Two Bedrooms

907 Ventura Ave. -Lovely 2 Bedroom Townhome! Move right in and enjoy ..... SOLD $215,000
412 E. Wadley Ave -Very well taken care of and is lovely and comfortable as can be! ..... SOLD $135,000

Three Bedrooms

7208 E. County Rd. 113 -Custom built 3bdrm/3.5bth home! incredible brickwork inside and out! MARBLE EVERYWHERE! $990,000
2211 N. County Rd. 1129-Greenwood property! 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home on 30 acres $795,000
1029 Crescent Pl -Well maintained 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home in great location $500,000
1009 Crescent Pl -Wonderful townhome in Crescent Place $550,000
10009 S. Co. Rd. 1213-Great country property! New appliances, granite, wood shutters and more! $539,000
1306 Quicksand Cove-Another Glenn Miller low maintenance 3BR/3BA patio home w/oversized rooms $499,900
2500 Sinclair Ave -Tree shaded 3bdrm/2bth townhome in very established neighborhood ..... UC $395,000
Lot1806J E. County Rd. 129-New construction 3 bedroom/2.5 bath home in The Meadows $376,000
1800 N. I Street-Wonderful location ! & Winfield. Great backyard w/sparkling pool $365,000
4910 Kingsboro Ct -Meadow Park sweet! Lots of new in this spacious 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath home! Walk to Pool and Clubhouse! $350,000
2102 Neely Ave -Many updates in this 3 bdrm/2 bath townhouse in Old Midland $329,000
1404 Douglas -Lovely 3 bdrm/2bth home in great neighborhood! great plan w/POOL! ..... UC $325,000
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1200 S. County Rd. 1128-Wonderful 3/2 home on 1 668 ac in Greenwood! $270,000
3911 County Rd. 1185-Wonderful country property close to town w/large open concept plan ..... UC $279,000
4 Cambridge Ct. -Charming three bedroom & bonus room on quiet cul-de-sac ..... SOLD $275,000
2208 Neely Ave -Great home with 3 bedrooms/2 baths ..... SOLD $269,000
6103 Crystal Sky Ln -Beautiful front entry way into this stunning 3bdrm/2bth home with granite on every surface $254,000
2507 Castle Tree Cove -3 bdrm and 2 + Plantation Attic ..... UC $249,000
1100 Godfrey St -Nothing but the best from stately exterior to attention to detail interior plus convenient location $238,500
4717 Boulder Ave -Beautiful 3 bedroom/2 bath townhouse w/so many updates! $229,000
2410 Camarie -3/2 w/2 living areas. 1 block from Vanion Elementary $191,500
2400 Haynes Dr -Fabulous 3 bedroom 2 bathroom home w/some fresh paint, a newly remodeled kitchen $179,900
2008 Stony Ave -Charming 3 bedroom/2 bath home with nice upgrades ..... UC $175,000
3223 W. Standon Ave -Priced to sell, loads of potential! ..... SOLD $174,000
2100 Wadley #65 -Large spacious Chandelle Condo w/3 bdrms/2bths ..... UC $140,900
1309 N. Colorado St -Great location on corner lot! Priced to sell quickly! ..... SOLD $97,500

Four Bedrooms

510 Sir Barton Place-Custom built home in Solomon Estates. Open spacious plan $1,150,000
5400 Haywood-Gorgeous custom home in Grassland West! Beautiful pool and outside entertaining area! $739,900
1205 Breckenridge Dr.-Great plan in Woodland Park! $475,900
6701 E. County Rd. 112-Beautiful new construction in Cowboy Estates! ..... UC $470,000
2100 Co. Rd. 1085-Beautiful custom 4bdr/3bth Tom Woodruff ready for 5 acres wait the bells and whistles! $465,000
Lot1106J E. County Rd. 129-Home in The Meadows. Call Holly to make selections now such as granite, brick, etc $440,000
811 Trinidad Place - Woodland Park/Mark Payne -4Bdrm/2Bth Beauty with lush landscaped yard, bricked beds & back courtyard ..... UC $440,500
6607 E. Co. Rd. 110-Beautiful 4 bd/2bth Ashington home offers quiet spacious country living w/all the bells & whistles! $439,500
7208E E. Co. Rd. 112-Beautiful Chaney Ranch Hurry while you can still choose your selection today $408,320
7208 E. County Rd. 112-Chaney Ranch is finally ready for your Dream Home! You can make all your selections now $388,480
2606 Porter Way-Less than 3 year old Bernal home beautifully maintained in Mayfield Pl $375,500
Lot1806J E. County Rd. 129-New construction in The Meadows. Call Holly to make selections now $353,790
2701 S. Co. Rd. 1080-Better than new! 4 bdrm/3 bth with lots of amenities, good plan, great fenced yard on 1.2 acres! $350,000
1309 S. County Rd. 1085-Beautiful new construction on quiet street (dead ends) Large open floorplan $335,000
5404 San Saba Ct -Builder's personal home & every detail was meticulously completed in this beautiful 4BR home $329,900
5001 Diamond Dr.-Beautiful spacious 4/3 w/plenty of entertaining space ..... UC $319,000
2503 Culpeper Dr.-Gorgeous 4 bdrm. 2 bath, updated kitchen, fabulous landscaping plus workshop ..... UC $299,900
2005 Roosevelt Ave.-Remodeled 4 bdrm/3 bth home w/2 car garage $235,000
3308 S. County Rd. 1080-Great opportunity to have an acre of land in Greenwood. 4br/3 bath w/lots of space $199,000
2107 N. Benton-Really updated 4Bdrm/2Bth home at an amazing price ..... UC $164,900

Five or More Bedrooms

2001 Sinclair Ave. -Best of the best in Warwick! 7bdrms/8bths/4hlfbths. WOW! ..... UC $1,500,000
5108 Anywhere-Gorgeous pool and outdoor kitchen $1,450,000
4303 E. County Rd. 60-Beautiful 5 bedroom, 4.5 bath home on 2.24 acres $650,000
5305 Quicksand Cove-Another Glenn Miller low maintenance 3BR/3BA patio home w/oversized rooms $499,900

New Construction

Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build your dream home. Greenwood subdivision w/acreage $30-300K

Town Houses and Patio Homes

1029 Crescent Pl. -Well maintained 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath home in great location $650,000
1009 Crescent Pl. -Wonderful townhome in Crescent Place $550,000
2102 Neely Ave. -Many updates in this 3 bdrm/2.5bth townhouse in Old Midland $329,000
4717 Boulder Ave. -Beautiful 3 bedroom/2 bath townhouse w/so many updates! $229,000
602 W. Pine Ct. -Lovely townhome in Highland Park $324,000
906 Neely Ave. -Charming 3bdrm/2bth Highland Park Townhouse with many updates! $299,000

For Lease

4001-1 Lanham St.-Super nice and spacious rental in central location 3BR/2 5BA for lease $1,800
4710 Gateway-Immaculate open flowing plan! $1,700
1400 Connell St.-6,000 sq. ft. industrial/white w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
10001-A W. Murphy, Odessa-For sublease. 7,750 shop & 1,500 sq. ft. of office, on I-20 Service Rd ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111

Lots, Land and Acreage

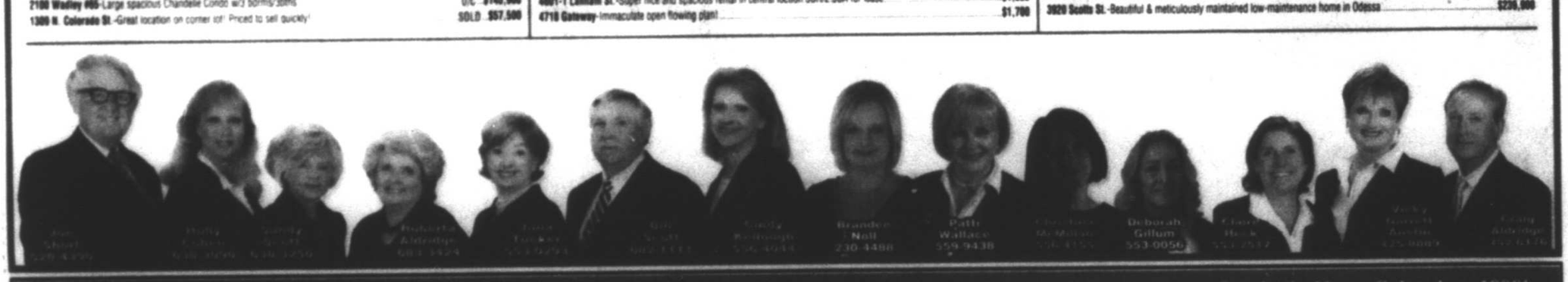
Chaney Ranch-Call Holly Cohen to build you dream home $30-300K
S. Co. Rd. 1129-Could be a great location for cattle and livestock, truck yard, pipe yard, etc. on 160 acres in Greenwood $2,000,000
I-20, West Murphy & Long 338 in West Odessa-1110.26 acres, terrific frontage. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111 ..... $2,000,000
S. Co. Rd. 1040-Perfect area for subdivision development - 325.8 acres in Greenwood $1,303,200
3010 Jasmine-Oasis on the Interstate! $475,000
1106 E. Co. Rd. 150-56.39 acres with a 4,500 sf quonset barn, mobile home can stay for $50,000. Perfect for oil field business or pipe yard. Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111 ..... $401,139
5703 E. Co. Rd. 60-5784 sq. ft. w/in-law plan $398,000
6701 Desert Wind-10 acres - Perfect for one home w/lots of land or nice location to develop a small community $250,000
W. County Rd. 120-Ready to develop! $250,000
#4 Lincoln Park-San Angelo lot & boat house. Lake Nasworthy $179,000
4405 Green Tree Blvd.-Lot in Green Tree North 0.18 acres $125,000
E. Co. Rd. 120-Four 1 acre lots in new subdivision in Greenwood - The Meadows ..... UC $80,000

Commercial Investment Property

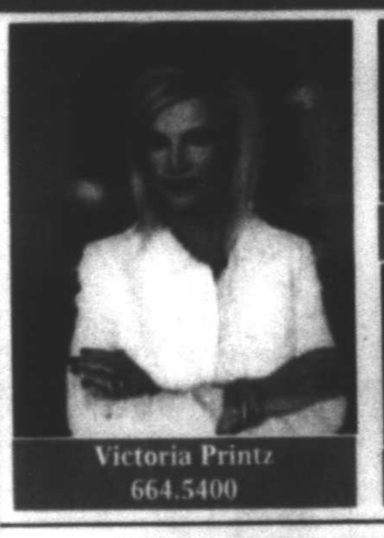
1400 Connell St.-6,000 sq. ft. industrial/white w/2 restrooms, paved and fenced yard. Perfect for light duty manufacturing, warehouse or storage ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
19 Dosia Drive-For Sublease, approx. 13,599 sq. ft. of Class A office space - entire floor!Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
501 Andrews Hwy.-Approx. 9,301 sq. ft. office building, great location - near hospital Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
Centennial Tower-Downtown Sublease, approx. 3,729 sq. ft., Class A Bldg, with covered parking. ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
501 Andrews Hwy.-For lease, approx. 9,301 sq. ft. of very attractive site, convellent location expanding ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
7080 Greening-Industrial sublease. 14,998 sq. ft. on 4.74 acres. In Leeco ..... Call Bill Scott or Brandee Nall 682-1111
Industrial development w/city utilities
2211 N. County Rd. 1129-Greenwood property! 3 bdrm/2.5 bth home on 30 acres $795,000
901 S. Garfield St.-Wonderful money making commercial building! ..... $ $600,000
3000 Block of N. Midkiff-2.0+/- acres for development, great for office complex. Call Bill Scott $575,000
0 Cotton Flat Rd.-Zoned Industrial Park $100,000

Out of Town Properties

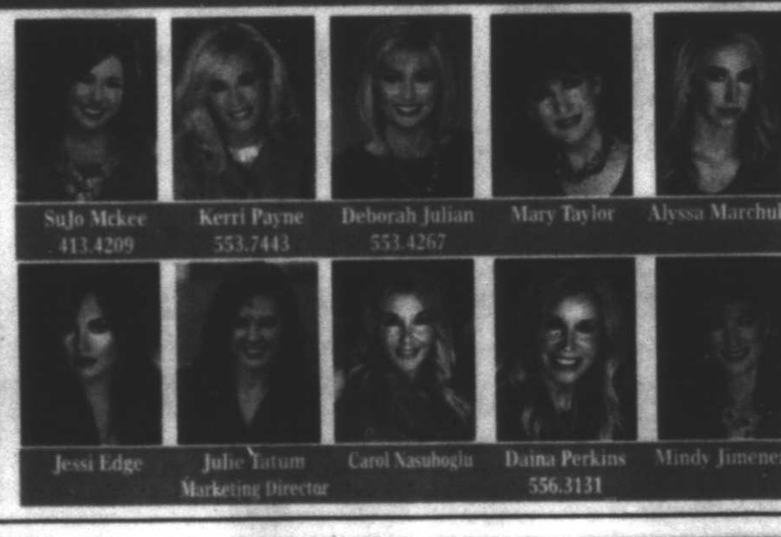
51 Ward Rd.-Fabulous Lake Henry get-away. 3 bdrm/2bth home located within HOA gated community in Oak Canyon Estates $249,000
3920 Scotts St.-Beautiful & meticulously maintained low-maintenance home in Odessa $239,900



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5808 PEDERNALES ..... OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00
5816 PEDERNALES ..... OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00
5102 KING RICHARDS ROW ..... OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30
5507 SAN SABA ..... OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30

4+ BEDROOMS

14750 Kelsys Lane-Recently completed elegant estate in gardendale on 6.03 Acres! Main home has 5 (or 6) bed/6 Full+2 1/2 baths/great room, study, theatre & playroom!, pool, workout room, workshop, barn, pond & playground! $2,750,000
3429 County Rd 0 2240, Stanton-Immaculate horse lovers dream on 34 acres! Stunning home features marble floors w/wood inlays, granite thru-out, fabulous built-ins, cozy fireplace on porch, breathtaking pool room, incredible barn & lighted arena! $1,950,000
4 Bay Meadows Lane-Absolutely fabulous stucco hacienda in saddle club estates-1.4 Acres! Dazzling pool & spa! 6 Bed/6.5 Bath/9 living guest quarters, workshop & a delightful casita! $1,795,000
2800 Passage Way-Beyond stunning custom dream home on 20.2 Acres! Fabulous 4 bedroom (each w/ private bath), 6 living area formal dining & living, den, game room, home theater, office, 2 dining, 4 car garage & 4 fireplaces! Superb guest quarters, dazzling pool, outdoor entertaining kitchen & tons of storage! $1,599,000
6601 WCR 44-Absolutely breath-taking 4 bed/4.5 Bath/3 living /4 car gar+dazzling pool, cabana w/bath & fabulous outdoor living space on 3.5 (fenced) acres w/6 ft stucco fence & 40x80 workshop w/overhead doors! $1,500,000
110 Solomon-Austin store exterior, extensively landscaped 2 acres of gorgeous grounds, dazzling pool, outdoor kitchen & 3780 sq ft party barn! Is delightfully finished w/huge living area, kitchen, bath, media+enormous workshop! $1,350,000
401 Affirmed -Stunning custom home in Solomon Estates w/ gleaming hardwood floors, soaring ceilings, walls of windows & gorgeous cabinetry! 4 Beds each w/ private bath, 2 half baths, 4 living areas,2 dining & 3 car gar! $1,250,000
5409 Unbridled Trail- fabulous new construction 4 bedroom, 6 bathroom, 3 living areas + huge gameroom. 3 car garage and large workshop! make your own color selections! $1,200,000
15 Oasis , Odessa-Stunning home in gated community-gorgeous grounds, tennis court, home theatre, 2 living, 2 dining, gourmet kitchen, huge master suite w/fireplace! $895,000
5924 Shadylrow-Absolutely astounding 4 bed/3.5 Bath/2 living w/venetian plaster thru-out! Barrel wood entry ceiling, iron & onyx light fixtures, reclaimed hardwood floors, lighted art niches,archways, rounded corners,french doors! $875,000
3201 Elkins-Dream home with guest house - a must see on almost 20 acres! Main house has 6956 sqft -guest house has 1293 sqft! Hardwood, tile, marble & stained concrete flooring, walls of windows, soaring ceiling! $799,900
3600 Trinity-4 Bed/3 Full/2 Half Bath Home in Trinity Estates Bright & Dramatic-Beautiful Museum Lighting! 81 windows making it light, bright & dramatic! Oak trees galore provide fantastic shade! $775,000
1603 Seaboard-Elegant & updated 2 story home w/6 bed/3.5 Bath/2 living(den+formal living),2 dining/formal dining+breakfast/an heart of old Midland! Incredible gourmet kitchen! $750,000
1112 Deer Tree Trail-Absolutely packed estate w/sweeping course views! Custom dazzling pool & spa! 5 bed/4 bath/3 living/2 dining/2 car garage & water well! Walls of windows! Gourmet kitchen w/recent exotic granite countertops, tile backsplash & stainless appliances! $695,000
10109 W County Rd 150 - 4 bed/2.5 Baths/4+living areas & several garages! Very versatile property w/endless options for use on 14.99 Acres! Must see to understand! $675,000
2102 Deeanna Ln.-Fabulous home in Grassland Estates 4 Bed /3.5 Baths/3 living areas /2 dining areas & gourmet kitchen! Fresh interior paint & new carpet in bedrooms! Walls of windows! $675,000
97 San Clemente-Simply spectacular! Main house has exquisite master ste w/2 baths, fireplace, lovely study & private patio! Guest house is 871 sq. ft. w/2 bed/2 baths & kitchenette! $475,000
10113 W County Rd 150 - Absolutely wonderful one-owner (table built) custom home on 1.5 Acres w/fruit trees orchard, great water well, metal shop w/3rd garage & extra carport! 4 Bed/2.5 Bath/3 living w/lovely gourmet kitchen w/granite countertops! $449,900
5308 Greenhouse-Spectacular 4 bed/3 bath/2 living/2 dining & 3 car garage home in greathouse! Soaring ceilings, walls of windows & miles of tile thru-out home! $429,900
4907 Hilltop-Absolutely stunning 4 bed/3 bath/3 living/2 dining & 2 car garage home in briarwood! Beyond stunning & unique soaring ceilings, hardwood floors , walls of windows & designer paint thru-out! $394,900
4702 Yearwood-Absolutely spectacular 4 bed/3 bath/3 living/2 dining & 2 car garage home in briarwood! Beyond stunning & unique soaring ceilings, hardwood floors , walls of windows & designer paint thru-out! $379,900
2201 Hereford-Absolutely lovely 4 bed/3 bath/formal living+gameroom/formal dining+breakfast w/3 car gar! Mature landscaping & great pergola! Hardwood & tile flooring, walls of windows, plantation shutters & updated gourmet kitchen w/granite countertops! $379,900
1203 Castleford-Fabulous 4 bed/3.5 Bath/2 living/2 dining/3 car garage home w/walls of windows & miles of tile! Gourmet kitchen! Huge sequestered master suite w/fireplace study! Lovely patio--great for entertaining! $369,900
5618 Lee Patton-Absolutely fabulous 4 bedroom/2.5 Bath/ 2 dining & 1 living or 2 living & 1 dining area, 2 car garage home in los patios! Very open & spacious floorplan, gourmet kitchen! $329,000
901 Cheyenne St-Fabulous new construction in great subdivision! Beautiful home loaded w/updates! Formal dining area! Large open living area w/high ceilings & fireplace! Gourmet kitchen w/tons of granite, large pantry, breakfast area & bar! $248,900
606 Wagner-Better than new & absolutely darling 4 bed/2 bath/formal dining or breakfast room w/2 car garage & extended driveway-built in 2012! Soaring ceilings, walls of windows, 2-inch blinds, rounded corners, crown molding & cozy fireplace! $244,900
4308 Downing Ave.-Absolutely lovely 4 bedroom/3 bath/1 or 2 living area or 1 or 2 dining area home in nice area (excellent condition)---lots of mature trees!! $239,900
3005 Vermont-Absolutely stunning 4 bed/2 bath home (2010) on quiet cul-de-sac...Miles of gleaming dark hardwood floors, plantation shutters, crown molding, walls of windows & soaring ceilings! $239,000

1, 2 & 3 BEDROOMS

10101 Knotty Pine, Gardendale -Spectacular 3/2.5/2 Ranch home in gardendale! Elite country charm! 3/4 Wrap around porch! Soaring ceilings! Tons of light! Open concept! Sequestered master! $415,000
7324 Pax River Ridge, Odessa-Beautiful 3bed/2.5bath/3car garage in Castle Ridge Estates! Fabulous hard wood floors in dining and living areas, roof replaced nov 2015, instant hot water system and tankless water heater installed in 2015! $386,418
9102 King Richards Row -Absolutely incredible 3 bed/2.5 Bath/2 livingw/ miles of hardwood floors & walls of windows! Covered patio & wonderful outdoor kitchen under spectacular pergola! Gorgeous mature trees on beautiful street! $329,900
4016 Trinity Court-Beautiful wonderful low maintenance 3 bed/2 bath 2 living area apartment, great open plan, large 2 car garage! Stunning hardwood floors, walls of windows, granite counters & stainless appliances! Great location! Must see! $325,000
5808 E Co. Rd. 1167-Well remodeled 3 bedroom home on 5 acres with 2 stall barn! Open floor plan with great updates! Large living area with fireplace! Beautiful kitchen with granite counters, tile backsplash & upgraded appliances! Master suite has private bath! Guest bedrooms share a Jack-n-Jill bath! Great location! $290,000
5507 San Saba-Fabulous 3 bed/2 bath home w/open floor plan boasting soaring ceilings, miles of tile & walls of windows!!Large open kitchen! Beautifully landscaped & incredibly gorgeous grounds! Abundant storage thru-out! $279,900
4205 Dawn Circle-Absolutely fabulous & beautifully updated w/contemporary flare! Very spacious 3 bed/2 bath/2 living area w/soaring ceilings, skylights, all tile flooring (carpet in bedrooms) & recently (2015) updated gourmet kitchen w/granite, stainless backsplash & appliances! $279,000
5808 Pedernales-Absolutely fabulous! Pristine 3 bed/2 bath/2 living area(den+study) woodruff resale! Rounded corners & arched doorways! Gorgeous gourmet kitchen w/granite, island, stainless appliances & soft touch cabinets! $274,900
5818 Pedernales-Super cute 3 bedroom/2 bathroom/2 car garage home in heritage oaks -- built in 2010! Spacious sequestered master suite has soaring ceiling, separate tub/shower & dual sinks! $254,900
2505 SE 10th, Andrews-Super cute totally updated country property!Fabulous kitchen with granite counter tops & tons of cabinets!Large backyard w/ metal fence & oversized patio! $250,000
2300 Kenneth Rd. Big Spring-Double-wide mobile home w/ 3 bedrooms, 2 baths in excellent condition on 0.88 Acres! Very spacious living area, large sequestered master w/ double sinks, sunken tub & sep shower ! Tech/dorn & workshop building! $250,000
7204 Donatello, Odessa-Spectacular 3 bed/2 bath/2 living(den+study/office) low maintenance home in renaissance estates! Zeroscaped front yard & charming back patio! Sequestered master suite! $249,900
2505 Andover-Spectacular & super spacious 3 bed/2.5 Bath/3 living area (den, formal living & sun room), 2 dining, 2 car gar home in quiet cul-de-sac! Miles of tile (carpet in bedrooms), walls of windows & soaring ceilings! $249,900
3704 Gulf-Cute & updated 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 dining area, 2 living area, 2 car garage (added in 2007) home in Wedgewood Park neighborhood! Beautiful mature pecan trees, patio & breezeway! $215,000
1407 Dudley- Absolutely darling 3 bedroom, 2 bath, 2 living area home with fabulous hardwood floors, soaring ceilings and gorgeous granite thru-out entire home on corner lot! $214,900
3008 W. Louisiana-Spacious 3 bed/2 bath/ 3 living area (formal living, den, sunroom) home w/ great curb appeal! Walls of windows, plantation shutters thru-out & miles of tile! $188,900
1905 Stonehill-Super cute and clean 3 bedroom/2 bath/2 living(den + formal living)/2 dining/breakfast + formal area)/2 car garage home on wonderful and quiet street! great grounds with mature trees! $173,
1305 E. Pennsylvania-Super cute & better than new 3 bed/2 bath home from p.0. Homes on corner lot! Fabulous kitchen with granite, tons of cabinets & storage with self cleaning oven! Whole home is totally electric! Great drive up appeal! $153,
3709 Cedar Springs-Super cute 2 bedroom/1 bath home with large workshop & water well! Lots of tile--some recent paint! Central HVAC, large utility room---right away home warranty! $104,
1002 E. Castleville-Super cute 3 bedroom/1 bath starter home with 1 living area in greenwood subdivision, tile flooring, well fenced yard, and window unit air conditioner (no central air) 4 years old, newer electrical system, large, roomy backyard with privacy wood fence! $84,
606 Liddell-606 Darling and updated 2 story liddon townhome in sutton place! HOA fee covers all utilities (except cable)! Fantastic fireplace! Beautiful french doors! Cute basic patio! $82,
2204 NCR 1134-Beautiful 15x76 champion home builders mobile home bit 2012,homeowners pay $250mnth for water, septic & trash service provided by park. Has 3 bed/2 bath home w/ carpet in bedrooms, wood-like flooring in kitchen & baths, & sequestered master $42,

COMMERCIAL, LAND AND LOTS

4107 N County Rd. 1247-RV Park: RV Park w/clubhouse & 2 cabins, 26 rv spots rent for $650/mo, 2 cabins rent for $1000 each/rv spots have concrete pads, cabins have window units, clubhouse had central heat & air! $1,000,000
2101 N Big Spring & 2111 N Big Spring - this property is a package deal! Fabulous commercial location! Easy access to downtown as well as loop 250! $215,000
6000 County Rd 1110-Peaceful country living on 5 acres! Deer and quail on property! Easy access from 158! New paved country street! No restrictions! $80,000
2221 Timber Wolf Lane -Fast-growing subdivision-timber wolf estates-city of midland, martin co. 25 Lots (appr 5 acre lots @ $13k/acre)! $70,000
304 George-Recently replaced roof, wood fence! Office area in front of building w/ shop in the back includes one garage bay w/ roll door. Paved parking on south & east side of building $70,000
1975 Timber Wolf Lane - One of Midland's newest subdivisions---Timber Wolf Estates---city of midland, martin co. 25 Lots (appr 5 acre lots @ $13k/acre)...Plat available! $70,000
Cutter Estates - Fabulous subdivision conveniently located in Gardendale-Cutter Estates-16 lots (appr .75 Acre) plat available. Roads will be paved by developer! $35,000

UNDER CONTRACTS & SOLDS!

603 Helen Ryan ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
4713 Woodlor ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
8 Hialeah ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
4621 Hilltop ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
413 Manila ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
5007 Nolan Ryan ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
2928 W. Standon ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
701 S. Lincoln ..... UNDER CONTRACT!
4108 NCR 1133 ..... SOLD!
2505 Frontier ..... SOLD!
3008 Fannin ..... SOLD!
5301 Anetta ..... SOLD!
904 Canyon ..... SOLD!
3003 Crestgate ..... SOLD!
6005 Mile High ..... SOLD!

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2100 Deeanna - 6 Bedrooms, 6 Bathrooms $5,500
6007 Island Circle - 4 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms $2,800
107 Mockingbird #104 - 3 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms $2,000
107 Mockingbird #295 - 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $2,000
906 Michigan - 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $2,250
3222 Camarie - 4 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $1,800
2107 Abbey - 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $1,600
3329 Fannin - 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $1,600
3706 Gulf - 3 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $1,600
4425 Fairgate - 2 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms $1,300
3507 Tanner - 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bathroom $1,300
2503 A Sunburst - 2 Bedrooms, 1 Bathroom $1,100
503 G. Street - 1 Bedroom, 1 Bathroom $700



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4305 San Pedro Court

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Elgin Homes



1209 South County Rd. 1118

4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $489,900

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~ H. Jackson Brown, Jr.

Carrasco Homes



5306 George Yard Court

4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $478,500

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS/HOME SITES/ACREAGE

RESIDENTIAL

1604 E. Pine	1 Bdrm/1 Ba/Mobile Home	$29,900
509 Canyon Dr.	3 Bdrm/2 Ba	$70,300
501 Scharbauer Dr.	1 Bdrm/1 Ba	$94,900
311 E. Golf Course Rd	2 Bdrm/1 Ba	$135,000
4704 Thompson Dr.	4 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$160,000
3403 Thomas Ave.	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/Detached 2 Car Garage	$170,000
3812 Storey Ave.	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	I/C
1103 Alaska St.	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$195,000
2405 Fairview Lane	3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/2 Car Garage	I/C
7217 Raphael St.	Odessa/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$219,000
0310 Wagner	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	I/C
1705 N. Fort Worth	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$230,000
4000 Compton Drive	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	I/C
3430 E. 17th Street	Odessa/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$269,000
4608 Lemonwood Lane	Odessa/4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$314,900
1609 Castleford Rd	4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$335,000
1604 Glenwood	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$439,900
3700 Cassidy Court	4 Bdrm/3.5 Ba/3 Car Garage/Pool	$439,900

NEW CONSTRUCTION

917 N. Weatherford	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/ 2 Car Garage	$198,000
1906 S. Illinois St.	Carrasco Homes/ 4 Bdrm/2 Ba/ 2 Car Garage	$245,000
3414 S. Co. Rd. 1085	Michael Davis Homes/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage/Greenwood	$249,000
4302 Coronado Ct.	Scenic Signature Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$387,500
7117 E. Co. Rd 91	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3+ Car Garage	$410,700
4305 San Pedro	Texas Classic Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/3 Car Garage	$429,900
7407 E. Co. Rd. 93	Crystal Homes/4 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$439,900
10003 E. Co. Rd. 109	Michael Davis Homes/5 Bdrm/ 3 Ba/ 2 Car Garage/Greenwood	$432,000
1315 Brown Heart Ln	Glen Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$449,000
5308 George Yard Ct	Carrasco Homes/3 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 Car Garage	$478,500
1209 S. Co. Rd. 1118	Elgin Homes/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/3 car garage	$489,900
5309 Balfour Ct	A&E Home Constructions/5 Bdrm/ 3 Ba/ 3 Car Garage	I/C
4101 Timberglen Circle	4 Bdrm/4.5 Ba/4 Car Garage	$975,000

SUBURBAN/ACREAGE

15350 N. Hollyhock Ave	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2.205 Acres	$99,000
14943 Sunflower Ave	Gardendale/3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Carport	$123,900
6007 Dunbarton Oaks	Mockingbird Oaks	$140,000
14961 Sunflower Ave	Gardendale/4 Bdrm/2.5 Ba/7.2 Acres	$189,000
4301 W. Co. Rd. 184	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$235,000
Luna Rosa Estates	Gardendale/New Homes	Call Gary
4301 S. Co. Rd. 1185	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$310,000
10507 E. Co. Rd. 105	Greenwood/5 Bdrm/3 Ba/2 Car Garage	$389,900
310 Co. Rd. 210	232 Acres	$850,000

SUBURBAN HOME SITES

Luna Rosa Estates	W. Co. Rd. 30/1.5-2 Acre Lots	Call Gary

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY

1400 Webb Lane	Big Spring/4 Acres	$500,000
Boal Parkway	3.98 Acres	$1,475,000
3006 Ekline Rd.	3.25 Acres/Office/Warehouse	$1,900,000

RENTAL PROPERTIES

4303 Leddy Dr.	3 Bdrm/2 Ba/2 Car Garage	$1,500
501 Scharbauer Dr.	1 Bdrm/1 Ba	$1,000

Contact Lillian Reynolds @ 432-210-9682

FEATURED PROPERTIES



3700 Casady Court

4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 3 car garage, pool, priced @ $439,900



4608 Lemonwood Lane

Odessa, 4 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 4 car garage, priced @ $314,900



7217 Raphael Street

Odessa, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, 2 car garage, priced @ $219,000



1609 Castleford Road

4 bedrooms, 3 baths, 3 car garage, priced @ $335,000



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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES & FEATURED HOME



OPEN TODAY 1:00-3:00

5132 ASHDOWN

$209,731

Are you looking for a neighborhood with a community pool? This charmer in Saddle Club South has a sunken living room, great natural light with all the windows, great backyard for entertaining, with some updates like Granite counter tops! Don't miss out on this home!

Check it out today!

Shown by Heather Johnson, 325-650-9007



OPEN TODAY 2:30-4:30

4309 FERNCLIFF AVE.

$210,000

Right in the center of it all. Great updated home close to restaurants, entertainment, schools and shopping. Great living area with vaulted ceiling, wood flooring and unique fireplace. Two dining areas close to updated kitchen with new lighting. Sequestered master with his and her closets w/a bonus room right off the master bath. Two more large bedrooms. Spacious backyard with basketball court.

Shown by Emmanuel Cardenas, 432-894-5836



OPEN TODAY 1:00-3:00

808 SINCLAIR AVE.

$270,000

Charming, nicely updated home in quiet neighborhood, large lot!

Shown by Susan Cepero, 432-559-5215

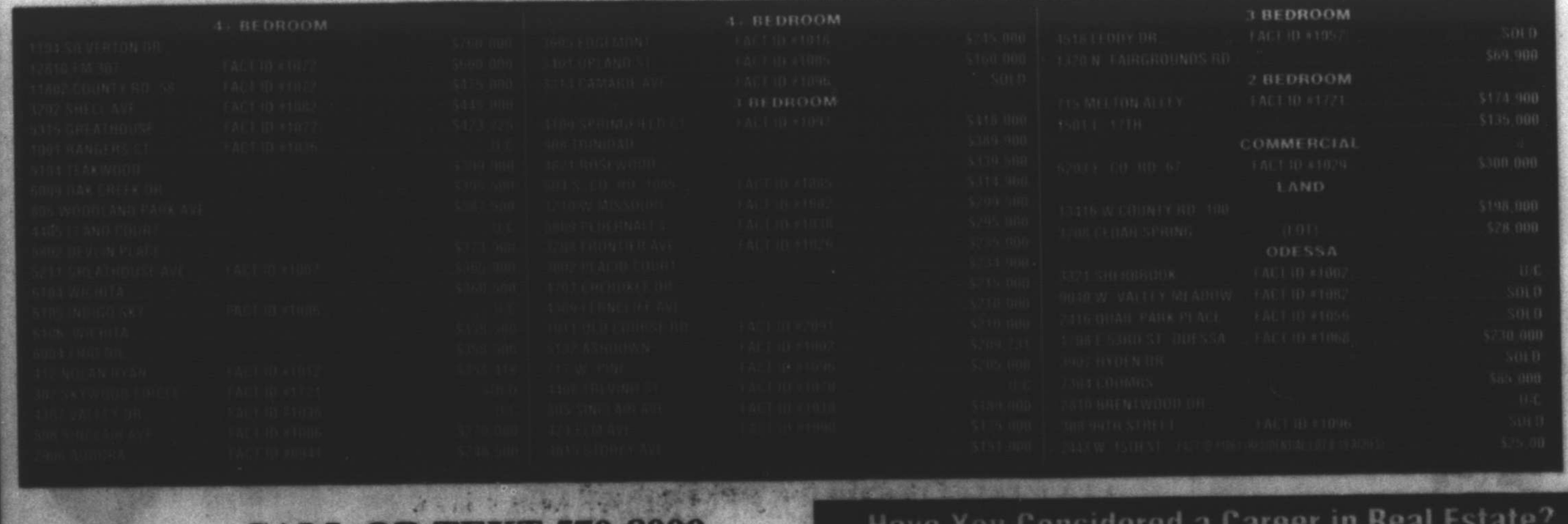


12810 FM 307

$600,000

Perfect Greenwood property with 2 homes on 5 acres. Brick home is 4 bedroom, 3 bath with a extra flex room. Home has new flooring. 10 inch walls fully insulated for efficient heating and cooling, ceiling fans in every room and sequestered master suite. Open floor plan with inviting living area that has a Pellet Burning stove and looks out onto back & front covered patio. Second home is a 2 bedroom.

Call Sharon Horton, 432-853-7875



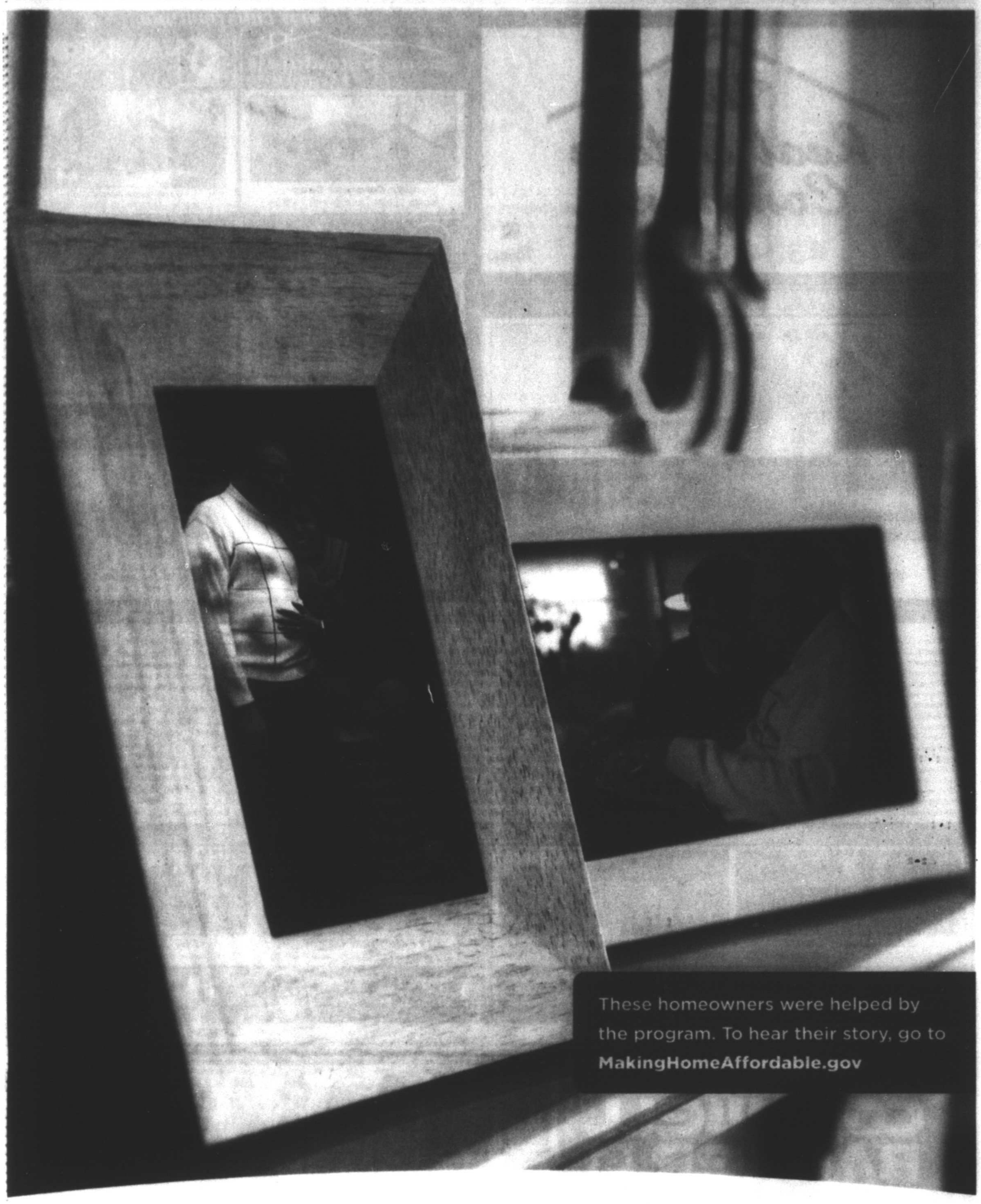
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The Change in Seasons:

A Great Time to Reassess Your Finances

As we approach the autumn months naturally we begin to think about packing away our shorts and summer clothes in exchange for sweaters and parkas. We stop worrying about our air conditioning bill and begin to think about how to pay our heating bill. However, we may overlooks the opportunity that these seasonal changes bring to access other aspects of our lives -- particularly the financial aspects.

According to many accountants, financial planning is especially pertinent now. Late summer and early fall are the best times to analyze your finances. The idea is to get everything in order today because you won't be able to change the bottom line when December 31st rolls around. A good place to start is by taking a long, hard look at your net worth, or where you stand financially. Make a two-columned list that has your assets on one side and your liabilities on the other:

Assets:
- Total value of your home an/or other real estate
- Balances in savings and money market accounts
- Value of all your investments combined (stocks, bonds, mutual funds, etc.)
- Amounts of all 401 (k) and IRA accounts not included above
- Value of an Ownership interest in a business

Liabilities:
- Your outstanding mortgage
- Total due on credit cards and loans
- Total amount due for property settlements or other judgements/debts
- Amount you owe in alimony or child support

Subtract your liabilities from assets. What remains are the resources you have to begin building a strong financial foundation! Do not stress if you are not satisfied with this number right off the bat. Most people are not. If you come up with a negative number, your first step is to implement a budget to pay off all non-mortgage debt: stop using your credit cards, begin savings monthly, and establish an emergency fund.

This brings you to the next step in the process: Come up with a plan to turn this foundation into a wealth building opportunity through a combination of savings, investment and insurance vehicles. Consider these savings options:

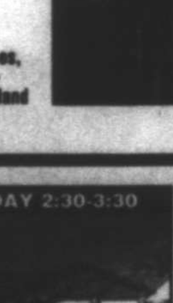
Savings options:

- Certificates of Deposit (CDs) -- generally offer a higher rate of return, but may require you to tie up your money for months or hears at a time.
- Money Market Accounts -- deliver a rate of return that's similar to, but usually less than a CD, combined with the ability to withdraw funds when needed.
- 529 Educational Savings Plans -- flexible savings plan that allows you to save amounts (in excess of $250,000 per student) tax-deferred to cover educational expenses.

Also consider saving through retirement options:

- Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) -- there are two types available. With Traditional IRAs you can contribute as much as $4,000 a year in 2007 ($5,000 if 50 or older) and deduct your contribution from your tax return. These amounts increase in 2008 to $5,000 for those under 50 and $6,000 if you are 50 and over.
- 401 (k) Retirement plans -- offered by many employers as a way to encourage employees to save for retirement. Many companies match a certain percentage of employee contributions.

With change in the air, now is the time to start thinking about your financial future. As you longingly stow away your swimsuits and start to think about curling up by the fire, you should also consider investing some time to complete your personal financial review. ◆



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Homes for Sale



SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

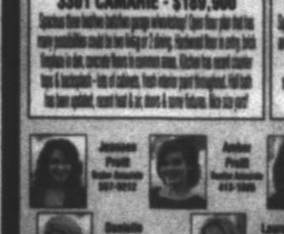
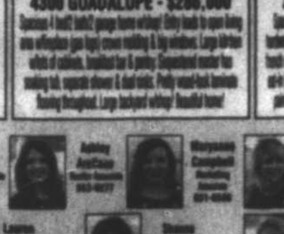
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3301 CAMARIE - $199,000


4300 GUADALUPE - $280,000


2908 BEDFORD - $235,000


1413 HOGFORD - $224,0000



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SUNDAY FEATURED HOMES


4604 Blarney Stone, Midland, TX
Beautiful 3 bedroom 1 bath home has a cozy sit area by the living room window surrounded by shelves. The kitchen is open to the living room and dining area for entertaining. The backyard is big and has a storage shed, covered patio area, and even a dog run. This sweet home is close to stores, main highways, and even lousy 250! Downtown is just minutes away.
Call Sonya Luna 432-934-8358


1405 W Illinois Ave., Midland, TX
TERRIFIC Location in Old Midland. Located between two established Dr's Offices!! Waiting areas, receptions areas, 4 Wonderfully sized offices, 2 restrooms and a kitchen area!! GREAT buy for your NEW business!
Call Genie McMahan 432-664-0813


4016 Versailles Dr., Midland, TX
Super CLEAN and ADORABLE family home!! 3RED/2BATH with plenty of parking and storage!! This is a MUST see!!!
Call Genie McMahan 432-664-0813


4300 Harlowe Dr., Midland, TX
Three bedroom with two bathrooms. Hardwood floors, sunken living room, large eat in kitchen. There is so much potential on this house. Just needs you to personalize it.
Call Warren Ivey 432-238-7832


2000 W. Brunson Ave., Midland, TX
Located in the Historical West End Addition. Prime Location Near Museum of the Southwest! Great Living area with Fireplace and two large windows looking into the spacious front Lawn. Huge Kitchen with plenty of room for family and friends. Recent Updates both Baths. Easy Access to Downtown. Upstairs Loft is a great getaway room coated with window unit. Storage, Storage and more Storage.
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1903 Windcliff Midland, TX
Beautiful 5 bed3 bath2 living areas and 3 car garage. Gourmet kitchen with granite countertops, stone backsplash, island with an electric cooktop, new double oven, nice hand-glazed cabinets and a large breakfast bar that opens to the living and dining area. High ceilings, hardwood flooring, encountered master suite with separate vanities and separate tub and shower with a walk-thru closet.
Call Bobby McCourt 432-967-0652

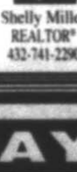
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4207 Harlowe Dr	$2,000
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OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00
10 Old Lampasas Trail, Odessa
Absolutely gorgeous 3bedroom/2.5bath low maintenance patio home! Easy access off 191! Don't miss out!
$234,900


OPEN TODAY 4:00-5:00
2602 Culver Dr.
Super clean 3 bedroom/2 bath move-in ready home w/updates throughout! Light & bright w/large windows! Landscaped w/ curb appeal!
$294,900


OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30
5521 Casa Grande
Beautiful new 4 bedroom/3bath AGA home! Corner lot! Featured in this years Parade of Homes! Many up grades!
$429,900


OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00
4806 St. Andrews
Well maintained 4 bedroom/2bath home in the heart of Fairmont Park! Oversized bedrooms, all w/walk-in closets! Sunny garden room!
$299,900


OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30
2703 Maranatha Place
Located in Wydewood Estates! Extra special, quiet, private cul-de-sac! Must see this fabulous 3 bedroom/2 bath home! (Off Neely to W. Dengar to Maranatha Pl)
$210,500


OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30
2204 Wydewood
SUPER COOL BIG 4Bedrooms/2bath, flex 1 or 2 living areas, vaulted ceilings! Seq. master bedroom suite with the most gorgeous knock-out master bath, Carrera marble!
$252,900


OPEN TODAY 2:30-3:30
6603 Mosswood
Gorgeous, 4 bedroom/3 bath Almand construction home!! Soaring 8ft metal door, vaulted 16ft ceilings all across main living area. Loaded with custom treatments!
$489,999


OPEN TODAY 1:00-2:00
4705 Laura
Come see this fresh move-in ready 3bed/2bath/2living home that has had a wonderful remodel w/beautiful wood floors, fresh interior paint, lighting, windows, and much more!
$179,900


OPEN TODAY 4:00-5:00
6406 Mockingbird
Gorgeous 6 bedroom/5bath French Country design with brand new floor plan by Summit Homes! Impressive front entry with 8FT double iron doors! High-end finishes in this home! Will trade!
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FEATURED HOME


2818 STUTZ - $227,500
4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths, 3 Living Areas 2 Dining Areas, 2 Car Garage.
For more information call Jo Braden 352-5048

OPEN 1:30-2:30


5707 LOS PATIOS - $359,900
4 Bedrooms 3 Baths, 1 Living Area, 2 Dining Areas. 2 Car Garage.
Shown by Deborah Pierce 432-889-2489

OPEN 3:00-4:00


6409 SEQUOIA - $424,900
3 Bedrooms, 3.5 Baths, 2 Living Areas, 1 Dining Area, 3 Car Garage.
Shown by Deborah Pierce 432-889-2489

FEATURED HOME


2410 DARTMOUTH - $294,500
4 Bedrooms 2 baths 2 living areas 2 dining areas, lots of storage.
Call Bill Underwood For more information 432-413-8855

FEATURED HOME


1200 COMMUNITY LANE - $475,000
4 Bedrooms, 3 Baths, 2 Living Areas, 2 Dining Areas. 2 Car Garage.
For more information call Jo Braden 352-5048

FEATURED HOME


6213 HOMESTEAD - $930,000
4 Bedrooms 4.5 baths, 3 living area 2 dining areas, 4 car garage, putting green in backyard, Golf Course Lot
Call Denise Underwood 432-553-0121





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2502 STANOLIND AVE. - $285,000
SHOWN BY DANILE GILLES 214-697-8904

OPEN TODAY 3:30-4:30
2313 DENGAR AVE. - $260,000
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531 SIR BARTON
$1,750,000


1904 SCR 1121, GREENWOOD
$550,000


58 LAFAYETTE PLACE
$520,000


5906 FRIAR TUCK CT.
$510,000


4481 HACKBERRY CT.
$485,000

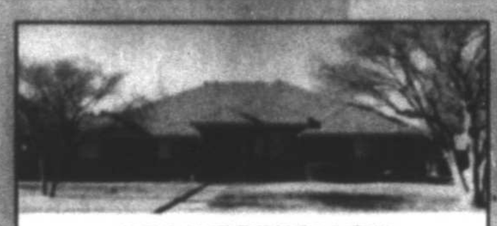

4001 HERTIAGE OAKS
$478,500


2800 CHELSEA PLACE
$412,000


219 WINDRIDGE CIRCLE
$400,000

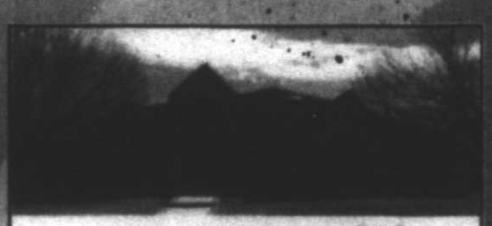

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201 SKYWOOD CIRCLE
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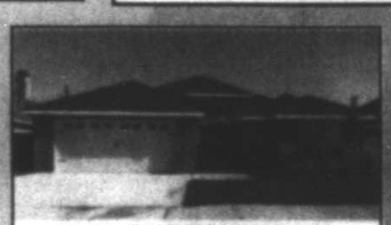

4506 WOODHOLLOW
$395,000

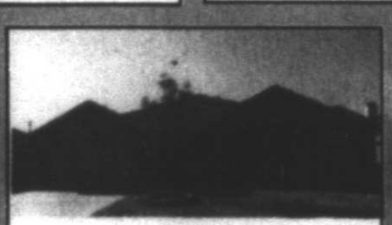

5804 SABINE DR.
$385,000


1611 W. ILLINOIS AVE.
$350,000

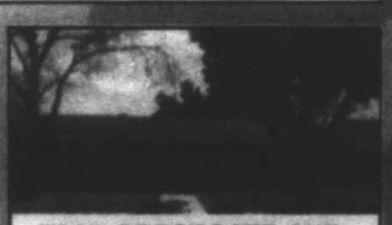

2909 SAVOY PLACE
$350,000


5012 WHITMAN DR.
$315,000


1201 OVERSHINE LN.
$300,000


6118 CANDLESTICK
$300,000

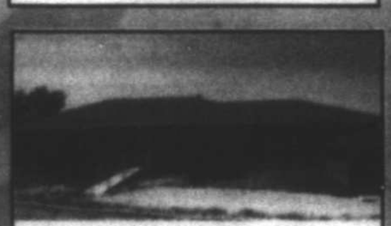

5210 MATHIS
$295,000


3905 CRESTGATE AVE.
$280,000


2604 ADONIA ST.
$250,000


2607 KESWICK COVE
$250,000

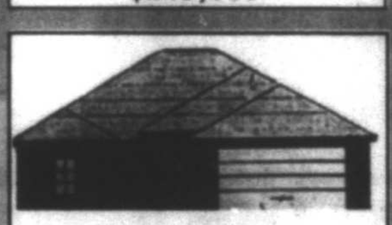

1408 W. PINE
$245,000


4507 NCR 1284
$240,000


3212 SENTINEL DR.
$239,000


917 NOLAN RYAN
$225,000


1412 SPARKS ST.
$210,000


2703 ADONIA ST.
$208,500


809 CALUMET ST.
$199,900

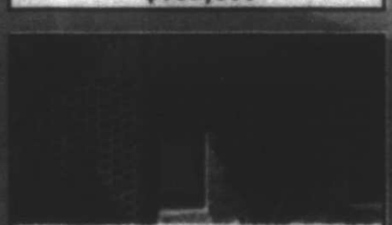

2215 HUNTINGTON ST.
$197,000


1110 KATHERINE, CRANE
$190,000


1221 S. MARY ST., CRANE
$120,000


4700 BOULDER DR. #101
$75,000


3116 B KANSAS AVE.
$68,000


3000 ILLINOIS #49
$54,950

UNDER CONTRACT LISTINGS


SALE PENDING
6500 WCR 41 - $600,000


SALE PENDING
2104 DEEANNA LANE - $575,000


SALE PENDING
5003 APPLE CREEK RD. - $395,000


SALE PENDING
4007 NAVASOTA - $309,500


SALE PENDING
5713 SAN SABA AVE. - $300,000


SALE PENDING
107 CLUB DR. - $245,000


SALE PENDING
3610 DOUGLAS AVE. - $215,000


SALE PENDING
3321 CAMARIE AVE. - $215,000


SALE PENDING
605 CHEYENNE ST. - $190,995


SALE PENDING
3213 CR 1080, GREENWOOD - $190,000


SALE PENDING
3602 MISSION CT. - $185,000


SALE PENDING
4600 SEMINOLE DR. - $185,000


SALE PENDING
215 N. DEWBERRY - $155,000


SALE PENDING
1004 DELMAR ST. - $150,000

SOLD LISTINGS


******SOLD******
4011 HERTIAGE OAKS - $421,500


******SOLD******
6003 WICHITA AVE. - $362,000


******SOLD******
1108 GODFREY ST. - $229,000


******SOLD******
5100 CONCHO DR. - $200,000

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Sunday Featured Homes!



1904 South County Rd. 1121
$550,000

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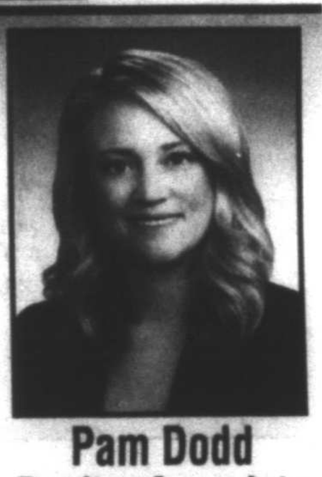
Call DeLaura Gammage 288-3880





2402 Camarie - $205,000

Charming two story home in a wonderful location! This 4 bedroom 2 bath 2 car garage home features a large light & bright kitchen with big dining area! The spacious living room has fireplace and a bonus room off of it that could be used as second living room, home office or playroom. This home also has a large utility room & great balcony off second floor bedroom. Enjoy West Texas evenings in the large fenced bacykard with covered patio!



Pam Dodd
Realtor Associate
413-0780



Beautiful 3 Bed/2Bath Home on 5.43 Acres. Large Sequestered Master Bedroom with French Doors Leading to Covered Porch In Backyard. Huge Master Bath with Dual Sinks, Huge Jetted Tub and Shower with Dual Shower Heads and Spacious Walk In Closet! Outside is Perfect For Entertaining With Covered Porch and Amazing Outdoor Kitchen! Large Shop With 2 Carports, Canopy, Arena, and 2 Water Wells. A Must See!!!



12107 West County Road 52
$484,900

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SUNDAY OPEN HOUSES

OPEN 12:00-1:15
4001 FAIRWOOD - $599,900
Spacious, Light and Bright home in coveted Mockingbird Heights!! Stop on by!!!
Shown by Danny Norwood

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3400 W. GOLF COURSE RD. - $190,000
Listed by Amanda Gunter

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3215 SOUTHRIDGE CT. - $269,900
Amazing 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 living, 2 car garage patio home! Custom touches throughout!
Listed by Lisa Jansa, Shown by Pam Messer

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3300 WINDSOR DR. - $239,900
One owner custom home w/4 bedroom, 3 bath, 1 storage building, plus hobby shop.
Shown by Sandy J. Hanson

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3215 RANCHLAND DR. - $219,000
Terrific open floor plan on this fabulous 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 1 living, 2 car garage home!
Listed by Lisa Jansa, Shown by Mark Philliber

OPEN 1:00-2:00
3511 MEADOWRIDGE LN. - $459,900
4Bed/3Bath w/elegant updates on corner lot in Trinity Meadows. Bedrooms are enormous:15x15,16x14,20x19,22x15!
Listed by Ashley St. John

OPEN 1:30-2:30
2502 STANOLIND AVE. - $295,000
Listed by DeLaura Gammage, Shown by Danile Gilles

OPEN 1:30-2:30
2402 CAMARIE - $205,000
Spacious 4bdrm 2 bath home! Sunday 1:30-2:30
Listed and Shown by Pam Dodd

OPEN 1:30-2:30
4604 TEAKWOOD TRACE - $424,000
Beautifully updated throughout, 4 bdrms, 2.5 baths, 2 living & dining areas. Wall of windows overlooking the golf course.
Listed by Cheryl Parrish, Shown by Darla Davis

OPEN 1:30-2:30
1500 W. MISSOURI AVE. - MLS#108548
Charming 4 Bedroom home in Old Midland.
Listed by Tracy Farrow, Shown by Reece Bivens

OPEN 1:30-2:30
4100 EDGEBROOK - MLS#107075
Stunning home in Mockingbird Heights.
Listed by Tracy Farrow, Shown by Lisa Russell

OPEN 1:30-2:30
5304 GREEN TREE BLVD. - $330,000
Fabulous 4 bd, 2 bath, open plan.
Shown by Stephanie Rogers

OPEN 1:30-2:30
5914 WAGNER - $235,000
3 bed/2 bath, granite, glass & more!
Shown by Reannah Glover

OPEN 1:30-2:30
6304 DRIFTWOOD - $285,000
Immaculate 3BR/2BA/2 car/bonus room in Green Tree!
Shown by Leah Watkins

OPEN 2:00-3:00
4512 PALMER DRIVE - $190,000
Squeaky clean 3br, 2ba home with granite, master with double vanity & separate closets.
Shown by Kay Bivens

OPEN 2:00-3:00
4607 PINE MEADOW #3 - $227,000
3/2.5/2. Propery has an oil interest that will convey.
Shown by Paul Culver

OPEN 2:00-3:00
4004 CRESTGATE - $290,000
Listed by Lavonne Johnson

OPEN 2:30-3:30
3701 W. LOUISIANA - $169,900
Listed by Amanda Gunter

OPEN 2:30-3:30
6808 E. CO. RD. 109
Oakridge Addn. on 6 acres! Custom built 2015 home, 3 Bed. 2.5 bath, 3 car garage, 3,011 sq ft plus huge workshop.
Listed by Tracy Farrow, Hosted by Samantha Smith

OPEN 2:30-3:30
2007 N. D STREET - $175,000
Great new listing! 3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2 living, 2 car garage w/large backyard in a super location!
Listed by Lisa Jansa, Shown by Pam Messer

OPEN 2:30-3:30
4510 FANNIN - $229,900
Lovely 3Bed/2Bath home w/low maintenance backyard on corner lot!
Listed by Ashley St. John

OPEN 2:30-3:30
2200 D ST. - $319,900
4bed/3bath, 2 story home in old Midland with many updates.
Listed by Ashley St. John & Hosted by Mark Phillibar

OPEN 2:30-3:30
3305 WOODHAVEN DR. - $354,000
Beautiful 4 bedroom, 3 bath in Trinity Meadows.
Shown by Kim Merrill

OPEN 3:00-4:00
5908 MILE HIGH LN. - $299,900
Upgrades to the max! 4 bed, 3 bath.
Shown by Reannah Glover

OPEN 3:00-4:00
811 CHEYENNE - MLS#108473
4 Bedroom 2.5 bath 2 car garage new build by Franklin Farrow in Quail Ridge.
Listed by Tracy Farrow, Shown by Reece Bivens

OPEN 3:00-4:00
4801 HILLTOP DRIVE - $395,000
Wonderful, 4 bd, 3 bath, 3 car garage. Low maintenance.
Shown by Stephanie Rogers

OPEN 3:30-4:30
2313 DENGAR AVE. - $280,000
Listed by DeLaura Gammage, Shown by Danile Gilles

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FEATURED LISTINGS

8 Warwick, Odessa, Tx.	3 Bed, 2 full baths, 2 half baths, heated & cooled 7-car garage	MLS #108465		$550,000
1306 West Co. Rd 130	2 houses, barn with 6 stalls, arena, 2 shops 12.43+/- acres	MLS #108546		$498,000
801 ECR 130	4 Bed, 2 Bath on 5.75 acres Barns, Pens, Stalls	MLS #106761		$380,000
7209 ECR 86	Gorgeous new construction 4 Bed, 2 bath by Kea Builders, LLC	MLS #108727		$369,900
5313 Scottsboro Lane	4 Bed, 2 full baths, 2 half baths, 2 LA & 2 DA's	MLS #108193		$364,900
3400 Alicia Ct.	5 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2 LA's, 2 DA's, pool	MLS #107193		$289,000
2510 Maxwell Dr.	4 bedroom, 2.5 baths, 2-car garage	MLS #108274	UNDER CONTRACT	$259,900
3200 W. Wadley Ave.	3 Bed, 2.5 Bath, 2LA's, 2DA's & atrium	MLS #107277		$252,900
3300 Windsor Dr.	One Owner, 4 bedroom 3 bath home	MLS #107614		$239,900
2613 Sunburst Dr.	3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 car garage	MLS #108380	UNDER CONTRACT	$182,000
609 S. Jackson St.	3 bedrooms, 2 baths, NEW PRICE	MLS #106569	UNDER CONTRACT	$173,900
5252 Lake Co. Rd. 256	3 Bed, 2 Bath, On Lake Colorado City	MLS #106038		$99,400
102 Waverly Dr.	Nicely update 2 bedroom, 1 bath home	MLS #107630		$89,900
6213 Dunbarton Oaks Blvd.	.97 acres RESIDENTIAL LOT	MLS #102876		$140,000
6714 FM 715	-22 Acres	MLS #96888		$444,000
Sundridge Ranch Estate -New Homesites (Only 4 Lots)				3+ acre lots $135,000
2610 E. FM 1212, Stanton, Tx.	3.54/- acres w/3/2 mobile home, 15/30sqft bar, 10x12 storage bldg and lots of trees. MLS #108094		UNDER CONTRACT	$74,500
0000 E. FM 1212, Stanton, Tx.	5.5 +/- acres, non-restricted land	MLS #108091	UNDER CONTRACT	$59,900
0000 E. FM 1212, Stanton, Tx.	3.888 acres with Caliche put on property, non-restricted	MLS #108092		$32,000



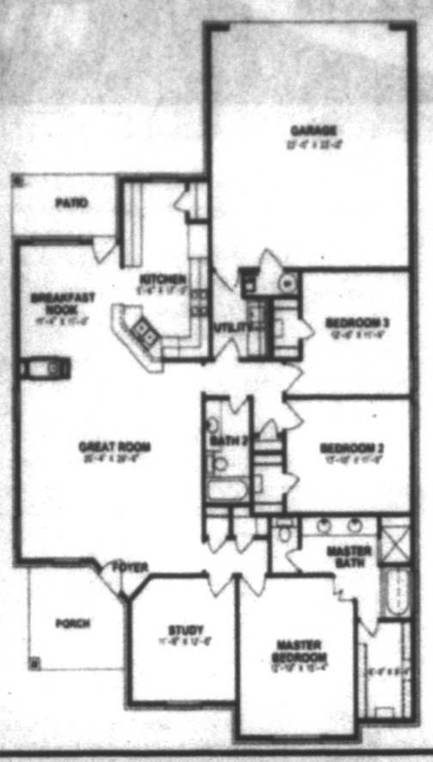
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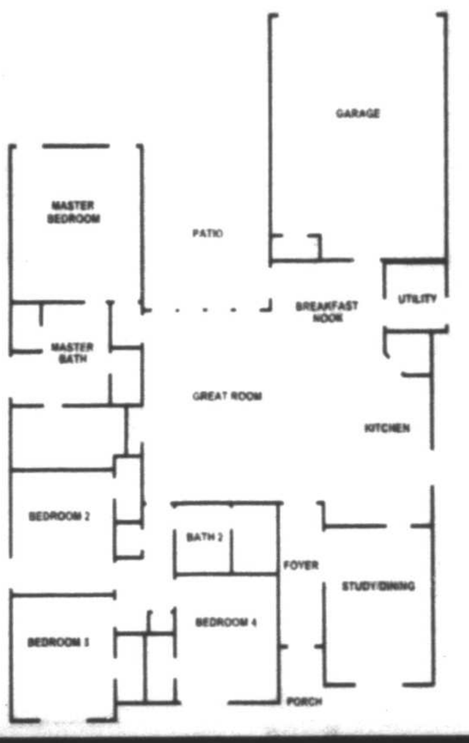
4009 Navasota
$296,500

This versatile 3 bed, 2 bath home has a great flex room off the living that can serve as a study or playroom. Open kitchen with plenty of cabinet & countertop space, and a 2 sided fireplace that is sure to impress.



4013 Navasota
$329,500

This home in Heritage Oaks has 4 bedrooms, 2 baths and a flex room to be used as a study or formal dining. You will love the gorgeous custom cabinetry and granite countertops in this spacious open kitchen.



Mark Payne Homes Available Homes

4007 Navasota- 4 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage..... UC

4011 Navasota- 3 Bed, 2 Bath, 2 Car Garage..... $282,500

6101 Turtle Creek- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 3 Car..... UC

4001 Heritage Oaks- 4 Bed, 3 Bath, Formal Dining, Game Room, 4 Car..... $478,500

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NEW CONSTRUCTION IN MIDLAND

6500 W. CO. RD. 41...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107734	SALE PENDING
911 CHEYENNE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412		$279,500
PINNACLE HOMES CONTRACT HOMES		
1108 E. CO. RD. 1110...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #106626	$329,000
PINNACLE HOMES, LLC		
300 E. DALLAS ST...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #106637	$164,000
TROY HUNT		
609 CHEYENNE ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #106624	SALE PENDING
609 CALUMET ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108155	$199,000
SDG BUILDING, LLC		
7209 E. CO. RD. 90...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #108727	$369,900
609 S. JACKSON ST...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #106569	SALE PENDING
SDG FRONT DOORS		
7305 E. CO. RD. 90, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633	MLS #107720	1 Acre/$439,900
SIGNATURE BUILDERS		
58 LAFAYETTE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #103004	$520,000
SUAREZ CONSTRUCTION		
1203 E. NOBLES...Josie Rendon		$202,625
SUN CUSTOM HOMES, LLC		
7303 E. CO. RD. 93...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #108002	$469,915
1210 S. CO. RD. 1117...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #105385	$439,900
SUNNY PAYNE		
4001 HERITAGE OAKS...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107879	$479,500
4007 HAVASOTA...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108017	SALE PENDING
4011 HERITAGE OAKS...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107995	SALE PENDING
4010 HERITAGE OAKS...DeLaura Gammage 238-3880	MLS #106568	SOLD
WARLAND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORP.		
1202 ELM AVE...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #108190	$179,000
WDC CUSTOM HOMES		
13109 E. CO. RD. 110, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633	MLS #107905	$450,000
1103 CARPENTER, STANTON...Michelle Leskar 230-3633	MLS #105750	$199,950
WOOD HOMES		
606 CARVER...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #106250	SALE PENDING
ZZ HOMES, INC.		
7209 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107925	$459,210
7314 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107924	$425,872
7401 E. CO. RD. 93...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #106060	$374,000
ZMARTED BUILDERS CONSTRUCTION		
2604 ADONIA ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #101148	$250,000
2703 ADONIA ST...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107979	$260,500
ZMARU HOMES		
13017 E. CO. RD. 110...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #106958	SALE PENDING
ZMERSON SERVICES LLC		
1201 HICKORY...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #108304	SALE PENDING
1203 HICKORY...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #108305	$149,000

FOUR OR MORE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

4004 CRESTGATE...Lavonne Johnson 770-3083	MLS #108522	
531 SIR BARTON...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880		$1,750,000
5400 SECRETARIAT ST...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #104142	$1,450,000
1010 W. CUTHBERT...Amy Barnett 352-6714		$695,000
4001 FAIRWOOD...Danny Norwood 413-3764		$599,000
5605 FRIAR TUCK CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #106726	$610,000
2104 DEEANNA LANE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #106091	SALE PENDING
7303 E. CO. RD. 93...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #108052	$493,915
1702 W. STOREY...Martha Manulik 557-8744	MLS #106242	SOLD
3611 MEADOWRIDGE LN...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254	MLS #107900	$406,900
2014 EVANS LANE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #108156	$449,900
1210 S. CO. RD. 1117...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #105385	$443,745
6303 DRIFTWOOD...Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS #107037	$436,500
7308 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107925	$431,172
7314 E. CO. RD. 91...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107924	$428,470
4804 TEAKWOOD TR...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #108254	$424,000
2116 EVANS...Samantha Smith 978-3588	MLS #108527	$415,900
3611 MEADOWRIDGE LN...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254	MLS #107841	$412,000
4010 YEARWOOD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #1085709	$400,000
201 SKYWOOD CIRCLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107510	$400,000
4601 HILLTOP DR...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757	MLS #108278	$395,000
5003 APPLE CREEK RD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107727	SALE PENDING
4508 WOODHOLLOW...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880		$395,000
3305 FELDSPAR LN...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276	MLS #108513	$385,000
1008 R. I ST...Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #108058	$369,900
5207 MATHIS...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #108186	SALE PENDING
5004 SABINE DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108356	$365,000
4205 EDGEBROOK...Skye Farris 294-3336	MLS #108002	$363,000
2104 PATRICK...Martha Manulik, 557-8744	MLS #103106	SOLD
4212 BAYBROOK...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #104745	SOLD
7401 E. CO. RD. 93...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #106060	$374,000
6011 LLANO...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #108762	$369,900
5313 SCOTTSBORO LANE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #108193	$364,900
2091 COLEMAN CT...Martha Manulik, 557-8744	MLS #107997	$359,000
3305 WOODHAVEN DR...Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #108697	$354,000
1011 W. ILLINOIS AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #1018581	$350,000
2905 SAVOY PLACE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108360	$350,000
4002 SHELVILLE...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254	MLS #108242	$349,000
5304 GREEN TREE BLVD...Stephanie Rogers 978-9757	MLS #108233	$338,000
2004 SAVOY...Lisa Jarvis	MLS #106440	$329,900
5005 CASTLEFORD RD...Jo Keller 432-260-8319		SOLD
2200 N. D ST...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254	MLS #108200	$319,900
5012 WHITMAN DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107361	$315,000
1100 W. MISSOURI...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #108548	$309,000
5713 SAN SABA AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108579	SALE PENDING
3204 DURANT...Stacy Gonzalez 413-7061	MLS #108501	$300,000
9116 CANDLESTICK...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #104691	$300,000
5800 MILE HIGH LANE...Rasmiah Glover 553-5352	MLS #108338	$299,900
4004 LANCASHIRE...Tina Atkins 661-0062		$299,000
4004 CRESTGATE AVE...Lavonne Johnson 618-5002	MLS #108522	$299,000
5100 CASTLEFORD...Virginia Elizondo 349-7782	MLS #107858	SALE PENDING
3400 ALICIA CT...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #107193	$289,000
3905 CRESTGATE AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108432	$289,000
2313 FANNIN AVE...Donna Omar 349-1458	MLS# 107439	SOLD
2300 CIMMARON AVE...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #103839	SOLD
6903 RANCHLAND DR...Lisa Russell		$263,900
2910 MAXWELL DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #108274	$259,900
2313 DENGAR AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107020	$260,000
2602 MAXWELL DR...Cheryl Parrish 352-3053	MLS #108719	$254,500
3309 WINDSOR DR...Sandy J. Hanson	MLS #107614	$250,000
4002 BROOKDALE...Ashley St. John 352-6254	MLS #108949	SALE PENDING
2402 CAMARIE...Pam Dodd 413-0780	MLS #108481	$219,000
604 W. KANSAS AVE...Lisa Russell 741-5984	MLS #108203	$189,900
606 CARVER...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #106250	SALE PENDING
3417 W. MICHIGAN...Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #107170	$179,900
1702 ELM AVE...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #108190	$179,000
1711 E. WEATHERFORD...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107785	SOLD

THREE BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

727 SOLOMON LANE...Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #107467	$799,000
4601 ANDREWS HWY...Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #108126	$749,000
4401 HACKBERRY CT...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108382	$485,000
4100 EDGEBROOK...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #107075	$449,900
4531 SHADY OAK CT...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #107715	SALE PENDING
5909 LLANO COURT...Danny Norwood 413-3764		$330,000
3304 CLAREMONT...Donna Omar	MLS #108663	$325,000
4003 FOSDICK CT...Denise Brasher 889-5022	MLS #108604	$324,900
205 CAROL LN...Denise Brasher 889-5022	MLS #108294	SALE PENDING
4012 TRINITY COURT...Reece Rivera 230-8647	MLS #104840	SALE PENDING
1201 OVERSHINE LN...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #105501	$300,000
1101 OVERSHINE LANE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #108041	$299,500
802 ELK...Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #106248	$299,000
3210 MATHIS...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108705	$295,000
2502 STANOLIND AVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108676	$295,000
6005 MEDINA...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276	MLS #107402	SALE PENDING
802 ELK...Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #106248	SALE PENDING
3215 SOUTHRIDGE CT...Lisa Jarvis 638-3389	MLS #107933	$299,000
6210 DRIFTWOOD...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #108572	$269,000
1909 VENTURA AVE...Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #108121	$259,900
2510 MAXWELL DR...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #108274	$259,900
2012 DURANT...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #108537	$258,500
3200 W. WADLEY AVE...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #107277	$252,900
4304 BOULDER...Ashley Brasher-St. John 352-6254	MLS #108306	$250,000
2607 KESWICK COVE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108408	$250,000
2604 ADONIA...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #101146	$250,000
107 CLOVE DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108462	SALE PENDING
2500 CASTLEFORD...Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #108301	SALE PENDING
3212 SENTINEL DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #108118	$239,000
5014 WAGNER...Reannah Glover 553-5352	MLS #108484	$239,000
1804 CORNSILKY...Jerrilyn Garrison 202-0276	MLS #107671	SALE PENDING
4910 FANNIN...Ashley Brasher St. John 352-6254		$229,900
2505 NEELY...Danny Norwood 413-3764		$229,900
4700 BOULDER #1301...Ashley St. John	MLS #107963	$85,500
311 S. BENTON...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #105052	SALE PENDING
3207 DELAND...Karen Foster 559-4086	MLS #105804	$79,500
4700 BOULDER DR., UNIT #910...Mark Philibber 222-5071	MLS #107967	$79,000
3000 W. ILLINOIS #15...Angie McKay 599-0272	MLS #108354	$60,000

ONE/TWO BEDROOMS IN MIDLAND

5005 OPAL CT...Denise Brasher	MLS #108542	SALE PENDING
219 WINDRIDGE CIRCLE...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #105215	$400,000
2510 QUAIL POINT...Lisa Russell 741-5984	MLS #105892	$240,000
1105 CONCHO DR...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #106360	SOLD
1308 COLLEGE AVE...Kim Merrill 664-4702		SALE PENDING
2606 KESSLER...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #108725	$127,500
2210 COLLEGE AVE...Skye Farris 294-3336	MLS #105098	$124,500
1101 WAVERLY...Danny Norwood 413-3764		$89,000
913 HOLLY...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #108606	$89,000
102 WAVERLY DR...Sandy J. Hanson	MLS #107630	$89,000

HOMES IN MIDLAND COUNTY

4400 E. CO. RD. 63...Danny Norwood 413-3764		$1,200,000
9000 E. CO. RD. 100, OAK RIDGE SUBDIVISION...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #107880	$795,900
6700 E. CO. RD. 107...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #108602	2 Acres/$600,000
4200 N. CO. RD. 1250...Lisa Jarvis 618-3389	MLS #108991	$575,000
1904 S. CO. RD. 1121, GREENWOOD...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #107015	$550,000
1300 W. CO. RD. 130...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #106546	$499,000
12197 W. CO. RD. 52...Lisa Russell 741-5984	MLS #108236	$484,000
2624 S. CO. RD. 1063...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #106536	SALE PENDING
2925 S. CO. RD. 1000, GREENWOOD...Larry Hatfield 349-4788	MLS #107205	$399,900
12900 FM 307, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633		5 Acres/$399,900
10004 E. CO. RD. 109...Reannah Glover 553-5352	MLS #108499	$389,000
801 E. CO. RD. 130...Sandy J. Hanson 638-3819	MLS #106761	$389,000
2805 S. CO. RD. 1060, GREENWOOD...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #106736	$350,000
11199 S. CO. RD. 1110...Tracy Farrow 413-4412	MLS #106626	$349,000
10111 W. CO. RD. 150...Angie McKay	MLS #106817	$289,000
9103 W. CO. RD. 160...Lisa Russell	MLS #107091	$275,000
1406 W. CO. RD. 143...Kim Merrill 664-4702	MLS #107427	2 Acres/$249,900
4067 N CO. RD. 1294...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880	MLS #106158	$249,000
1300 E. CO. RD. 129...Michelle Leskar 230-3633	MLS #108197	$239,000
1509 E. CO. RD. 140...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #108279	$225,000
2107 S. CO. RD. 1090, GREENWOOD...Michelle Leskar 230-3633	MLS #107947	$200,000
4810 N. COUNTY RD. 1123...Skye Farris 432-254-3336	MLS #105921	2.2 Acres/$199,900
3714 S. CO. RD. 1052...Mark Philibber 222-5071	MLS #107194	$199,000
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1100 W. HWY. 80, STANTON...Kay Bivens 634-5866	MLS #108426	0.749 Acre/$250,000
313 SUMMIT AVE...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #108183	$229,000
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S. HWY. 137, STANTON...Mark Philibber 222-5071	MLS #102471	11.25 Acres/$253,170
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S. HWY 137, STANTON...Mark Philibber 222-5071	MLS #107799	148 Acres/$210,000
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4011 S. CO. RD. 1177...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107996	$50,000
9200 CHICKASAW...Josie Rendon 689-8394	MLS #107923	SALE PENDING
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QUAIL RIDGE SUBDIVISION...DeLaura Gammage 288-3880		84 Lots Available/Starting At $43,500
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907 S. DALLAS...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #108112	0.191 Acres/$21,000
909 S. DALLAS...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #108113	0.191 Acres/$21,000
911 S. DALLAS...Susan Palmer 978-7816	MLS #108114	0.191 Acres/$21,000
913 N. MAIN...Josie Alvarez 618-5013	MLS #107210	$20,000

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FROM (NEW) MEXICO TO MIDLAND



Courtesy photos

The Centennial branch of the Midland County Public Library has some special guests on its floor these days thanks to Wayne Hilton. Read — and see — more about these guests and find out about Hilton inside.

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With Cody Petty | actor

Cody Petty and some of the upcoming characters in his new show. Around the time of the Days of Midland Comedy Festival, the show, he and his cast will be filming in Midland. Courtesy photo

MRT: What is been your proudest achievement as an actor?

Petty: I have done so many shows since starting in Silver City, New Mexico, 18 years ago — musicals, comedies, drama, dinner theater and the like. It's each one of those styles of theater that is so something new to learn and a great experience. If I had to choose one show as my favorite it would be Connecticut Yankee in Camelot because I had to create a character who was completely opposite of me as an actor. It was so completely unrewarding at times and



Petty

behavior that is so opposite of my own. I believe that show made me a better actor.

MRT: What would you say is your best quality and why?

Petty: I'm a hard worker because I don't like to let people down. I don't even want someone to say, "He just didn't give it his all." I think that should apply to every aspect of my life — family, friendships, work, theater and faith.

MRT: What is the best thing you've cooked?

Petty: I love to grill but I think the best meal I cook is pizza with homemade dough and sauce. It helps that pizza is my favorite food.

MRT: Who would you say is a fictional and real-life hero and why?

Petty: Real-life hero is easy — my dad. He taught me to work hard and to not let fear keep me from achieving what I want in life.

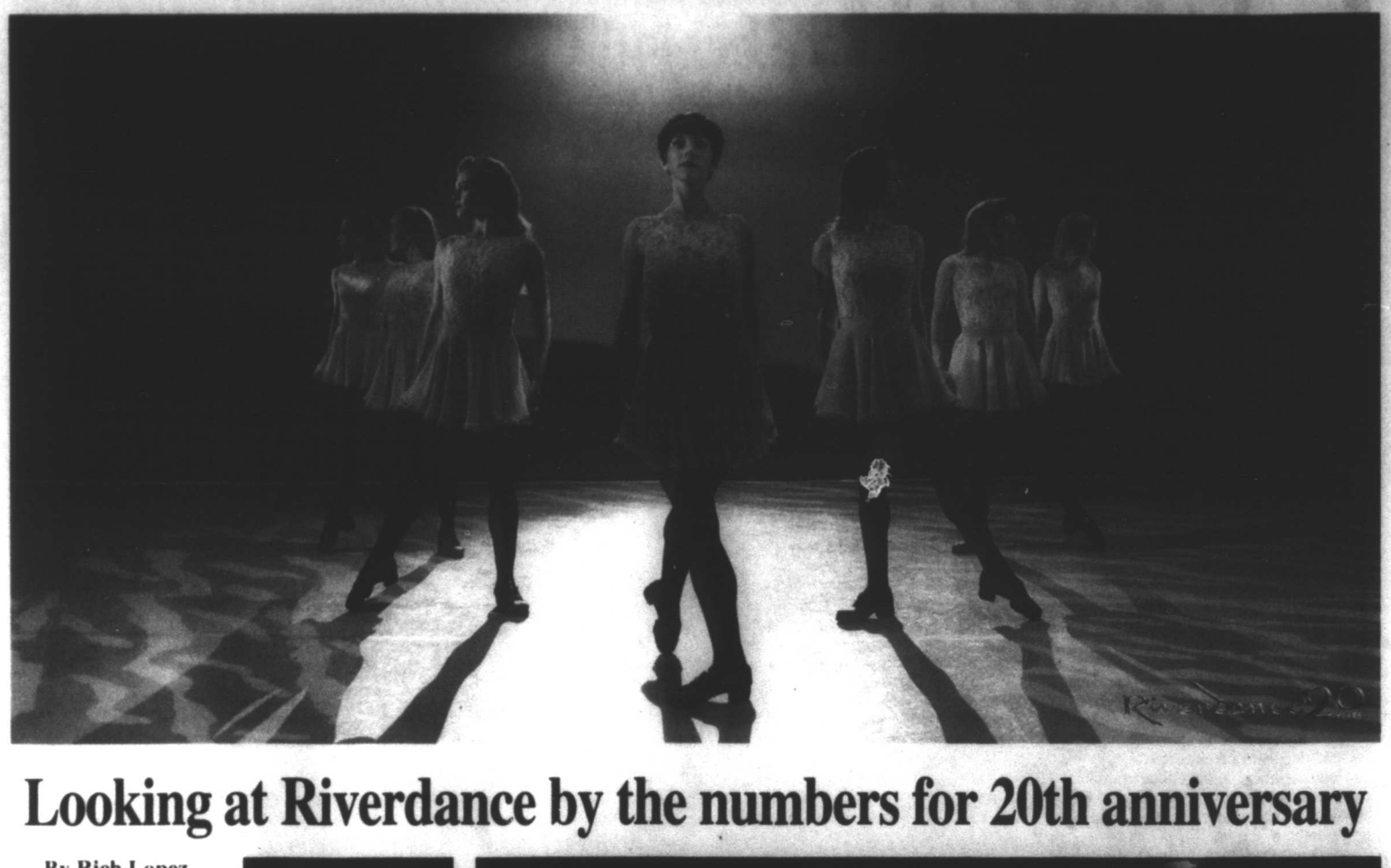
If I have to choose a fictional hero, I'd say Captain America. He always looks to do what is right, and I like his has an old-fashioned respect for others.

MRT: Your not so secret indulgence?

Petty: My wife and I have a weakness for true crime at Rosa's Cafe.

MRT: What's on your music playlist right now?

Petty: I have a lot of different genres on my playlist. My favorites through time Michael Buble, Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Bing Crosby. I'll never regret any time a lot when I'm working out.



Looking at Riverdance by the numbers for 20th anniversary

By Rich Lopez
jrlopez@mrt.com

Want to go?

"Riverdance - 20th Anniversary World Tour," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45-$88. wagnernoel.

Twenty years is a big number for Riverdance, as the iconic performance company is celebrating two decades this year. Its 20th Anniversary World Tour comes to Midland for two performances on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Wagner Noel. With such a big production of dancing, music and more, numbers have added up in many ways over the years. Riverdance representatives Polk & Co. provided a unique look at the show by the numbers.

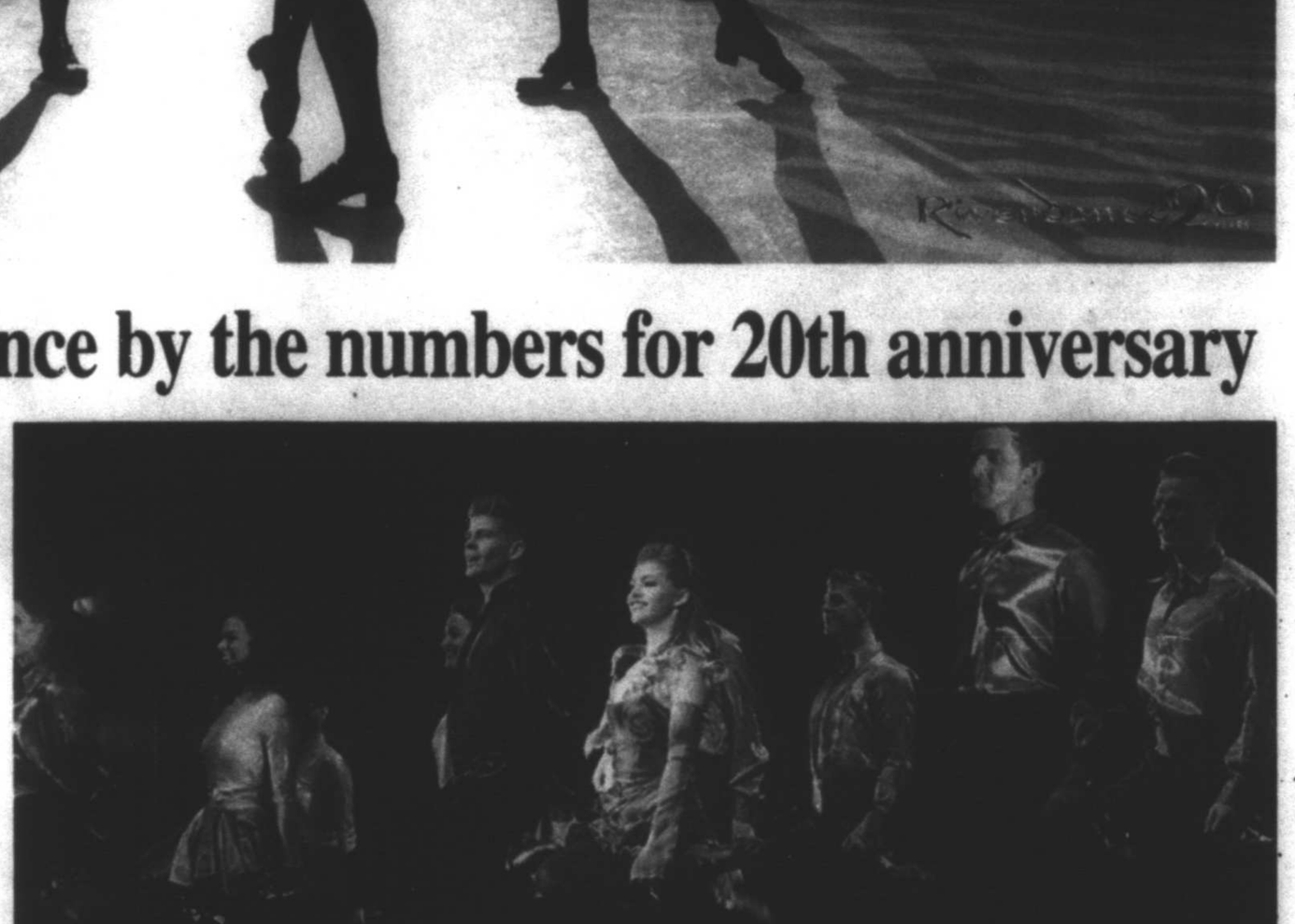
Riverdance, which began in 1995 in Dublin, has played 11,000 shows and has been seen by more then 25 million people worldwide.

Over the years, 2,000 dancers have worn 15,000 costumes.

Those same dancers have consumed 400,000 gallons of water and 75,000 gallons of Gatorade.

There have been 61 marriages between company members and to date, 88 Riverdance babies have been born.

Perhaps the most surprising number of all is the cast's go-to snack. Riverdance performers have consumed 70,000 pounds of chocolate for energy. Good thing all that dancing keeps those calories in check.



Review: Willie Nelson beautifully interprets Gershwin songs

By Michael Mccall
Associated Press

Willie Nelson, "Summertime: Willie Nelson Sings Gershwin" (Sony Legacy)

Willie Nelson has drawn material from the great American songbook throughout his career. Notably, his five-million-selling 1978 album, "Stardust," featured Broadway standards, including George and Ira Gershwin's "Someone to Watch Over Me."

Nelson first recorded old-school tunes as early as 1963. For the umpteenth time, he dips into that song bag by interpreting 11 Gershwin tunes — inspired by winning the Library of Congress Gershwin Prize for Popular Song last year. Laid back and beautifully arranged, Nelson's Gershwin tribute once again shows the enduring quality of "It Ain't Necessarily So," "Love Is Here to Stay" and the title cut.

At age 82, Nelson no longer has the range that helped make him an American institution. But his outstanding phrasing and distinctive vocal tone puts across the subtle shades of emotion in "But Not for You" and the playful wit of "Let's Call the Whole Thing Off," a duet with Cyndi Lauper. Nelson also offers a beautiful take on "Embraceable You" with duet partner Sheryl Crow.

Nelson won the Gershwin Prize for his songwriting; here, in the autumn of his career, he reminds us what a remarkable interpreter he can be of material written by others.



PHOTO: This CD cover image released by Legacy shows "Summertime: Willie Nelson Sings Gershwin," by Willie Nelson. *Legacy via AP*

Judge: Quincy Jones suit over Jackson songs can go to trial

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A judge ruled Thursday that a lawsuit filed by producer Quincy Jones against Michael Jackson's estate and record company over royalties on some of the singer's biggest hits can go to trial.

Superior Court Judge Michael Stern said a jury should decide the numerous factual disputes about whether the hit-making producer is owed any money.

Jones sued the estate and Sony Music Entertainment in 2013, seeking at least $10 million.

He contends the defendants re-edited songs for the "This Is It" film and a pair of Cirque du Soleil shows to deprive him of royalties and production fees.

Jones is also seeking a credit on the film that was done by using Jackson's final rehearsals for a planned series of comeback concerts in London.

The producer worked with Jackson on three of his most popular solo albums, "Off the Wall," "Thriller" and "Bad."

Jackson's estate and Sony Music have denied wrongdoing and sought dismissal of the case.

The popularity of Jackson's music soared after his death in 2009.

Jackson's hits "Billie Jean," "Thriller" and "Don't Stop 'Til You Get Enough" are among the songs Jones claims were re-edited to deprive him of royalties and a producer's fee.

The lawsuit states his contracts call for him to have the first opportunity to re-edit or alter the songs, in part to protect his reputation.

Review: Bonnie Raitt's album mines rockers, ballads, blues

By Pablo Gorondi
Associated Press

Bonnie Raitt, "Dig In Deep" (Redwing Records)

Four years after her Grammy-winning "Slipstream," Bonnie Raitt lights up with passionate vocals, appetizing tunes and adventurous cover songs on "Dip In Deep," her 17th studio album.

Raitt had a hand in composing five of the 12 tracks and they are some of the best, including the funky opener "Unintended Consequence of Love" and the piano-driven closing ballad "The Ones We Couldn't Be."

Raitt has molded songs from everyone from Del Shannon to Gerry Rafferty on previous records, and here she takes "Need You Tonight" by INXS to a bluesy zone criss-crossed by George Marinelli's Keith Richards-like weaving guitar. "Shakin' Shakin' Shakes" is closer to the Los Lobos original albeit with her perfectly fine slide.

Backed by her road band and handling production duties herself, Raitt sounds at her usual ease in every song. "I Knew" by Pat McLaughlin is another standout, its soaring chorus belying the helplessness of the lyrics — "I would have run, but I couldn't run, would have flown, but I couldn't fly."

Raitt's 1991 hit, "I Can't Make You Love Me," remains a career peak and "Dig In Deep" includes several similar ballads, painful confessions of what could or should have been.

Paired just ahead of "The Ones We Couldn't Be," Raitt rescues "You've Changed My Mind" from the "Slipstream" sessions, produced by its writer Joe Henry, and brews a tender nightcap of emotions and melodies.

Add the rockers, shakers and blues and "Dig In Deep" offers abundant rewards.

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Harper Lee driving force behind Capote's 'In Cold Blood'

By Roy Wenzl
The Wichita Eagle

WICHITA, Kan. — In all of classic American literature, the backstory of writer Harper Lee and the book "In Cold Blood" is one of the strangest and most enduring.

Lee died on Feb. 19 at age 89. Most of the many stories re-told about her in the next few days will focus on her 1960 novel "To Kill A Mockingbird."

But Duane West and Thomas Fox Averill are Kansans who can tell the behind-the-scenes tale about her and her childhood friend Truman Capote, who wrote "In Cold Blood."

If not for Lee, they said recently, it's possible that "In Cold Blood" never would have been written — or at least it might not have been as good as it is.

West, now 84, was the chief prosecutor of the "In Cold Blood" murderers Dick Hickock and Perry Smith.

Averill teaches creative writing and Kansas literature at Washburn University. He has spent much time talking to Kansans about Capote and Lee — and how Capote's book got written.

West on Friday told vivid stories to The Wichita Eagle (bit.ly/1QP3dcW) about Lee and Capote from memory.

Here are reasons he and Averill said we should deeply appreciate her:

Four members of the Clutter family were found dead in 1959 at their farmhouse near the western Kansas town of Holcomb.

West was the elected county attorney of Finney County, where the Clutters lived.

"And so I was the chief prosecutor, from the time that case started until we got both of those two bastards hanged."

Soon after the murders, West said, a little man with odd manners and a high-pitched voice showed up in Holcomb and Garden City and began trying to interview people.

Many turned instantly away, Averill said.

Capote was the young genius of New York literary circles who had already written "Breakfast at Tiffany's." West and other western Kansans were not impressed, Averill said.

Capote had come because he thought there was a literary story to be told about the Clutter murders, about what it said about American culture and societal change — and violence.

But people rejected him.

"He was flamboyantly homosexual at a time when most people thought homosexuals should stay in the closet," Averill said. "People found him hard to take."

"He made a deliberate effort to look like the oddball, with a big fleece-lined coat and his little Charlie DeGaulle pillbox hat," West said.

"Then, the second or third time he showed up here, he came with Harper Lee," West said.

West disliked some parts of Capote's character.

"But I had the highest respect for Lee," he said.

No one knew who she was, West said. No one knew or cared that she had laid aside her work on a novel called "To Kill a Mockingbird," to come help Capote learn better about how to talk to human beings.

But many people noticed that Lee, unlike Capote, was likable on the first impression — and utterly devoted to Capote's effort.

She went with him everywhere in Garden City and Holcomb, knocking on doors, buttonholing people in stores. She did much of the talking at first.

"She got Capote past that bad first impression," Averill said. "She'd get people to get to a second impression of him.

"Once she talked people into inviting him into their homes, people could see that Capote himself was warm and kind, funny and generous — and a great storyteller."

She talked investigators, including chief investigator Alvin Dewey, into opening their doors. She helped take notes.

"I didn't notice much of that; I was busy with the case," West said. "Whenever I met her, she'd never say much; I think she was incredibly shy.

"What I did notice was that in the hearings, she was the one taking page after page of notes."

Hundreds of interviews later, Capote published the book in 1966, and readers and authors around the world read it with wonder. A non-fiction novel, Capote called it.

The book has critics, including West.

"He made (the chief case investigator) Alvin Dewey the hero," West said. "If a writer can't get the hero right, he shouldn't bother to write the book.

"The real hero, the guy whose work we based our whole case on, was the assistant police chief at the time, Richard Rohleder."

But other writers then and now have recognized that "In Cold Blood" pioneered a new way to tell a story. If you read that book today, Averill said, you'll see that Capote was a perceptive thinker who told stories that carried a lot of freight: what Kansans and Americans are like; how two cold-blooded murderers could be described in ways that made them all too human.

The backstory, about how Lee helped Capote, still gets retold, including in recent years, Averill said. Catherine Keener portrayed Lee in the 2005 movie "Capote." Sandra Bullock played her in the movie "Infamous" in 2006.

West got to see Lee — and Capote — up close, in New York, in 1964.

The Red Cross, for which West had volunteered for years, sent West to New York to a convention. West wrote Capote in New York to say that he was coming, and asked whether Capote had any advice on how he could take his wife to the biggest show on Broadway at the time, "Hello, Dolly!" starring Carol Channing.

What followed, West said, was one of the strangest nights of his life.

Capote wrote back immediately, promised to get him tickets to the sold-out show — and kept the promise, with Lee at his side. The two writers of two of America's greatest classic books took West and his wife, Orvileta, to Sardi's for dinner, then sat beside them to watch "Dolly" from third-row seats.

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BESTSELLERS

FROM WIRE REPORTS

Hardcover fiction

1. "Cometh the Hour" by Jeffrey Archer (St. Martin's)
2. "Brotherhood in Death" by J.D. Robb (Berkley)
3. "NYPD Red 4" by James Patterson (Little, Brown)
4. "Find Her" by Lisa Gardner (Dutton)
5. "Blue" by Danielle Steel (Delacorte)
6. "The Nightingale" by Kristin Hannah (St. Martin's Press)
7. "Rogue Lawyer" by John Grisham (Doubleday)
8. "My Name is Lucy Barton" by Elizabeth Strout (Random House)
9. "Breakdown" by Jonathan Kellerman (Ballantine)
10. "See Me" by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
11. "The Widow" by Fiona Barton (NAL)
12. "The Bazaar of Bad Dreams" by Stephen King (Scribner)
13. "Morning Star" by Pierce Brown (Del Rey)
14. "Black Bast" by Mark Greaney (Berkley)
15. "Go Set a Watchman" by Harper Lee (Harper)

Hardcover nonfiction

1. "When Breath Becomes Air" by Paul Kalanithi (Random House)
2. "A Mother's Reckoning" by Sue Klebold (Crown)
3. "Spark Joy" by Marie Kondo (Ten Speed)
4. "Pretty Happy" by Kate Hudson (Morrow/Dey Street)
5. "The Name of God Is Mercy" by Pope Francis (Random House)
6. "Conviction" by Juan Martinez (Morrow)
7. "Between the World and Me" by Ta-Nehisi Coates (Random/Spiegel & Grau)
8. "The Whole 30" by Hartwig/Hartwig (HMH)
9. "Leonard" by William Shatner (St. Martin's/Dunne)
10. "The Road to Little Dribbling" by Bill Bryson (Doubleday)
11. "Turning the Tables" by Teresa Giudice and K.C. Baker (Gallery Books)
12. "Killing Reagan" by Bill O'Reilly (Holt)
13. "Originals" by Adam Grant (Viking)
14. "How Not to Die" by Michael Greger (Flatiron)
15. "Thomas Jefferson and the Tripoli Pirates" by Brian Kilmeade and Don Yeager (Sentinel)

Mass market paperbacks

1. "The Stranger" by Harlan Coben (Dutton)
2. "Prodigal Son" by Danielle Steel (Dell)
3. "11/22/63" by Stephen King (S&S/Pocket)
4. "The Choice"(movie tie-in) by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Private Vegas" by James Patterson and Max Paetro (Hachette/Vision)
6. "Devoted in Death" by J.D. Robb (Berkley)
7. "Last One Home" by Debbie Macomber (Ballantine)
8. "Fatal Burn" by Lisa Jackson (Kensington/Zebra)
9. "Death Wears a Beauty Mask and Other Stories" by Mary Higgins Clark (S&S/Pocket)
10. "The Manning Grooms" by Debbie Macomber (Mira)
11. "The Cowboy Way" by Miller/Yates (Harlequin)
12. "Spider Game" by Christine Feehan (Jove)
13. "Evening Stars" by Susan Mallery (Mira)
14. "Into the Fury" by Kat Martin (Kensington/Zebra)
15. "The Great Train Massacre" by William W. Johnstone (Pinnacle)

Trade paperbacks

1. "Alert" by Patterson/Ledwidge (Grand Central)
2. "Lost Ocean" by Johanna Basford (Penguin)
3. "Friction" by Sandra Brown (Grand Central Publishing)
4. "The Choice"(movie tie-in) by Nicholas Sparks (Grand Central Publishing)
5. "Whatever is Lovely" (Waterbrook)
6. "The Rumor" by Elin Hilderbrand (LB/Back Bay)
7. "The Revenant(movie tie-in) by Michael Punke (Picador)
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Talamantez celebrate 47th anniversary

Pablo and Eva Talamantez were married February 24, 1969 in Ozona, Texas.

They have three sons and two daughters. They are proud grandparents of three grand sons and three grand daughters. They are members of St. Stephens Catholic Church.

HINTS FROM HELOISE

King Features Syndicate

Use bread to get rid of extra grease

Dear Heloise: For a number of years, I would drain off fried hamburger grease through a strainer. This caused two more items to be washed: the strainer and the drip container. Now, after frying the hamburger, I shove the cooked hamburger to one side of the skillet and place a wedge under the one edge to let the grease drain to the lower side.

Most people have some old bread lying around. Place some bread on the lower side of the skillet and watch the grease soak up into the bread — it acts like a sponge. Then discard the bread. This can work on other grease that you need drained. — Gary S., Marquette, Mich.

Ingenious, and another way to drain or remove grease from a frying pan. As a note to others, please remember not to pour grease, hot or cold, down a kitchen-sink drain! The grease can clog pipes in your home and the system farther down the line. — Heloise

Pot holder

Dear Heloise: I read your column daily in The Villages (Fla.) Daily Sun. This is my hint: I wanted to stop all the bangs and scratches on my pans, but didn't want to put up a pot-holder rack in my ceiling. I have wire racks in my kitchen pantry, so I popped one shelf out, got some S hooks (they come in several sizes) and attached them from the underside. Now, my pans hang beautifully and in order by size.

If you have wire racks anywhere, use the S hooks and hang anything, like mops. — Claire D., Summerfield, Fla.

Faster cooking

Dear Heloise: Directions on cook-and-serve pudding mixes say to stir the mix into the milk and bring it to a boil while stirring constantly. However, the mix doesn't dissolve easily in cold milk, and you spend a long time stirring. I save time by warming the milk, then adding the mix and stirring. — Sandra M., Lexington, Ky.

Cooking racks

Dear Heloise: This might be old hat to a lot of us who have spent time in the kitchen, but I watched a young person trying to scrub a crosshatched cooking rack over the holidays.

I quietly mentioned that the rack has two different sides. I showed her that the "ribs" on one side go one way, then you turn it over and scrub the top ribs going the other way. She was overly pleased at how simple it became. — P.F. in California

Chopping food

Dear Heloise: A bout with arthritis in my thumb has taught me to chop apples for cake with a pastry blender. My sister told me about chopping pecans with hers. I tried to make apple cakes for Christmas. I have an apple peeler/corer that I used, then put the apples in a bowl and chopped them with the pastry blender and saved a lot of thumb pain. — Martha G., via email

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Persistence is required for making completely weed-free flowerbed

NEIL SPERRY



Dear Neil: How far does one go in trying to have a weed-free flowerbed? The bed is 7 feet by 18 feet. I have two patches (pictured), one of oxalis and the other of nutsedge, and herbicides haven't seemed to control either. I'm considering removing the top six inches of soil and bringing in new, clean soil.

Answer: That's a terrific question. I have lived that nightmare, not so much with the oxalis, which I normally eliminate with one to 2 inches of pine bark mulch and a well-sharpened hoe I can use to skim the soil line. Once cut, that particular plant will wilt and die. It typically does not come back up from its roots. You have to do it before it flowers and goes to seed, however. The seeds explode across the entire bed. Nutsedge is a different story. You have to apply Image or Sedgehammer during the summer and according to label directions. It requires persistence. I have done what you described, however, by removing 6 inches of existing soil and creating a fabulous new planting mix with fresh weed-free topsoil, sphagnum peat moss, finely ground pine bark mulch, rotted manure, compost and expanded shale, rototilled to 8 to 10 inches below the soil grade. That gives you a well-draining, highly organic planting bed that should be free of nutsedge.

Dear Neil: I need to find a pre-emergent for grassburs. Can you recommend one for me? I have looked and not found one. Will it say "pre-emergent" on the bottle?

Answer: Most pre-emergent weed-killers, including Team, Dimension, Balan and Halts, are sold in bags as granular products, not in bottles as liquids. They should say "pre-emergent" or "preventer." Let your local independent retail garden center owner show you what is available and give you directions on how to apply it.

Dear Neil: I have an apple tree that came up from a seed in Spring 2014. It is now 7-feet tall and without any branches. Can I cut it back and graft the pieces down at the bottom?

Answer: I'm going to break your heart with my reply. You do have an apple tree, but there is no predicting anything about it since it is a seedling. All of the apples you buy in the grocery have been grafted from known varieties with specific superior genetics (color, fruit size, flavor, disease resistance, etc.). You take potluck when you plant seedlings. However, you do have an apple of some sort. The way you get it to branch (assuming it's in full sun), is to cut it back to 24 to 26 inches from the ground. It will send out several side shoots, and you will need to select three to five of them that are spaced out evenly around the trunk. There is no point in trying to graft them down lower. For the record, you would be light years ahead if you invested in the best varieties for Texas such as Holland, Gala, Fuji and others.

Dear Neil: What fruit sprays can you recommend for a small orchard of four peach trees, three each of plums, apples and pears? I also have beehives, so I don't want anything that would harm them, and I'm trying to stay as organic as possible.

Answer: That information would require a book, as there are so many variables in terms of specific crops and their susceptibilities, also the best controls for each of the many pests. My best help will be to refer you to the several dozen outstanding publications from Texas A&M horticulturists that are collected together at this one common website: aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/fruit-nut. You should be able to find everything you need there!

Dear Neil: We are still losing leaves from our fatsia. I have not over- or under-watered it. New, shiny leaves are appearing. Do you think the plant will recover?

Answer: The plant looks to be completely healthy. It has vigorous new growth due to the warm winter weather, and it is blooming profusely. The leaves that went bad in the fall may have had water on them when the sun hit them. It's hard to tell for sure, but at the current time, it looks like it's going to be fine. Keep it moist all season long, and hopefully out of direct sunlight.

Dear Neil: You mentioned Team, Dimension and Halts as possible controls for annual bluegrass if I apply one of them the first week of September. However, I have also seen another pre-emergent called Amaze. Will it work?

Answer: Perhaps, although I've always seen it recommended more for use in flowerbeds than in turf.

Dear Neil: What can I use to kill mosquito larvae in my rain barrels?

Answer: Your local nursery or feed store will have mosquito "dunks" expressly for this purpose. Let them show them to you and explain their use.

Dear Neil: Can I cut a rose bush back to where it will have virtually no leaves? Just stems.

Answer: That's pretty harsh, and your bush may not bloom very well

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A guide to removing rose pests

KAREN MILLER

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With spring just around the corner, our roses are beginning to leaf out. Insects are also coming to life. Insect eggs that were deposited in the fall and survived the winter will begin to hatch, and the insects that burrowed into the soil or leaf litter will begin emerging as the days get warmer. These pests will be looking for a good meal after their long winter nap. And roses are a target of some of these hungry survivors.

Identification is the first step to controlling the insects preying on your roses. Hopefully, this article will provide information for identifying and controlling common insect pests that are found on the rose.

Aphids

First and foremost is the aphid. Aphids are sucking insects that show up early in spring. These inscets are small, oval shaped, light green or pinkish and very easy to overlook. They reproduce rapidly, attacking the stems and buds, even before the bud opens. Aphids produce a sweet, sticky substance called honeydew. This honeydew is a host for black sooty mold and will attracts ants.

Aphids are easily controlled by just a strong jet of water from your hose or spray them with insecticidal soap. The soap will also wash off sooty mold. Roses can be treated with neem oil or pyrethrum, and both are considered a less-toxic method of control.

Thrips

Thrips are tiny, slender sucking insects that are usually yellow, brown or black. These pests are very difficult to see. They feed on flower petals in early summer and cause discoloration and deformities as the bud begins to open. Thrips will feed on all roses but seem to prefer light-colored varieties

Many beneficial insects feed on thrips, especially lacewings. Insecticidal soaps are effective in getting rid of the thrips, as well as neem and pyrethrum.

Spider mites

Spider mites usually arrive with a hot, dry summer. These tiny arachnids are very hard to see without a magnifying glass, but a fine webbing on the underside

Please see MILLER/5E

Early spring weather can be detriment to fruit trees

JEFF FLOYD

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension



Lots of fruit trees are daring to get an early jump on spring this year. Unfortunately, the unseasonably warm weather might turn out to become a major problem for many of them. The almost-certain guarantee that we'll have at least one more freeze this season might have many of us mourning the lost opportunity of a generous fruit harvest.

Fruit trees require a specific number of hours at or below 45 degrees between October and the end of February for their buds to fully mature. This is known as their chilling requirement. Each time the temperature climbs above the 45-degree mark, the maturing process is temporarily stopped. The problem is made worse to the degree that the temperature rises. For example, at 80 degrees, not only have many fruit trees stopped accumulating chill hours, but the warmth can stimulate the release of natural chemicals that signal their buds to swell and open.

Chill hour accumulation is the big reason it's critical to select the right varieties of fruit trees for West Texas which usually gets between 800 and 900 hours below 46 degrees. For example, in a typical year, junegold, which requires at least 650 hours below 46 degrees, would scarcely survive in Midland much less produce any peaches. On the other hand, peach varieties such as redglobe, majestic and parade usually perform much better with each of these having a requirement of about 850 hours, more closely matching our climate. Careful variety selection holds true with plums, pears, apples and virtually every other fruit tree that we grow in West Texas.

When fruit trees don't receive adequate chilling, they risk coming out of their winter sleep too early. This leads to disaster for many plants and especially fruit trees. Until just a few weeks ago, West Texas was on track to get its typical number of chilling hours. However, during years

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Artist teams with library for the vibrant 'Otra Vez' exhibition

By Rich Lopez
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The Centennial branch of the Midland County Public Library has some special guests on its floor these days thanks to Wayne Hilton.


Hilton

Five original pieces in the form of life-sized mannequins by the El Paso artist were commissioned for the library's new show "Otra Vez." But then Hilton brought so much more: a variety of catrina dolls and large pinatas.

"'Otra Vez' is an explosion of colors and ideas unlike anything seen in Midland in recent memory," education and program coordinator Edward McPherson said.

"The exhibit is a new milestone for the library, as the first large scale exhibit that the library has ever commissioned."

With such intricate work at play on a large scale, Hilton's works are primarily made from recycled materials. Fabrics, trinkets, hardware and more all play into his work and with a reason. In homage to Mexican artist Jose Guadalupe Posada, Hilton intends to turn viewers' eyes to the craft of his art.

"The big umbrella to my work is the use of found objects, repurposed textiles and recycled items," Hilton said as he worked with library staff to display his work, which will be on display through April 30. "Posada is a big influence of mine. He was known for his calaveras (skeletons), which are now synonymous with Dia de Los Meurtos (Day of the Dead). But his work brought a recognition of the craftsperson as an artist and that's a big part of what I do. The craft of it is part of the art itself."

Hilton's focus on Mexican arts and culture stems from growing up in Las Cruces, New Mexico, and trips to Mexico as a child. His El Paso home serves as perpetual inspiration for his works — particularly the five luchadores commissioned for "Otra Vez."

With lucha libre (wrestling) popular during the Mexican Revolution, Hilton said it was an El Paso man who made it a show.

"Lutteroth Gonzalez was a businessman in the 1920s and '30s who saw something in that and began to market it," Hilton said. "It was originated by a group of Italian men. To me, I saw this tie to Commedia dell'arte, the classical Italian theater. Both are theatrical characters who are defined by masks and costumes."

The mannequins are adorned with posh outfits that are a mix of elements that harken to warriors, clowns, Mexican wrestlers and even royalty.

Beyond the art, Hilton welcomes the educational aspect the library has added to his show.

"We got to talking about educational outreach and community engagement and I was just like 'Absolutely!' So we're working with the public schools and doing some outreach to junior and high school students. We're really making the show available and interesting so children and youth will come see the show. And I'll be back in March for the workshops," he said.

The library has added additional programming throughout the exhibition and has teamed up with the Hispanic Culture Center for a series of free workshops throughout spring break, which is the week of March 7.

"The programming for 'Otra Vez' has been developed to create informal learning opportunities for families through educational play. We've worked with community partners, the Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland and Keep Midland Beautiful, to design activities that highlight the exhibits universal themes," said Annie Tillmann, exhibits coordinator.

As a final touch to an already magnificent display, Hilton found inspiration when he visited the library in October of last year. He only had to look up.

"He saw our high ceilings and was inspired by that," Tillmann mentioned.

Hinton created nine "Texas-sized" pinatas that were also a reprieve from his other works.

"They've been a blast, and it's nice to do something completely different," he said. "The other work is so intricate and detailed, and I love doing it, but the pinatas have been fun and freeing. I think they are quite joyous, and I hope library patrons will feel the same way."

"Otra Vez" runs through April 30 during library hours. Monday-Thursday 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Friday and Saturday 9 a.m.-6 p.m. MCPL Centennial, 2503 W Loop 250 N. www. co.midland.tx.us.

More information

Tours, field trips and special activities are available for interested groups of 10 or more upon request. For more information, or to make a special request, contact Annie Tillmann at exhibits@co.midland.tx.us or 432-742-7437.

March 8-10

Spring Break Workshops with Wayne Hilton at the Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland
A series of morning and afternoon workshops will feature art projects related to one of the thematic elements of the exhibit each day.

March 19

Art and Revolutions
The art of Jose Guadalupe Posada inspired many of the pieces featured in "Otra Vez." To celebrate and explore Posada's contributions to Hispanic culture, the Centennial library is screening a biographical documentary "Art and Revolutions," and offering a hands-on printmaking experience.

April 16

Eco-Friendly Craft Fair with Keep Midland Beautiful
In honor of Earth Day and the thematic element of recycling in the "Otra Vez" collection, the Midland County Public Library and Keep Midland Beautiful are presenting an eco-friendly craft fair featuring various projects that use recycled, reused, or earth-friendly materials found around the home.

April 30

This is an annual celebration of children, families and reading. The celebration emphasizes the importance of literacy for children of all linguistic and cultural backgrounds. There will be Mexican folk art crafts and free books to take home.

Ongoing

Culture Crafting
Each week will feature a different do-it-yourself activity or craft related to the exhibit.





Miller

From 4E

of the leaf is a sure tipoff that they are there. As they suck the plants juices, the leaf will turn yellow with a silvery sheen. The plant will start dropping leaves if the infestation gets really bad.

Spider mites can be controlled by a blast of water from the hose, make sure to target the underside of the leaves. Insecticidal soap and horticultural oil are effective as well.

Cottony cushion scale

This is another insect that will attack roses. It also produces honeydew. This scale insect lays its eggs on the rose stem in the fall. When the eggs hatch in late spring, the young scale insect begins to seek a spot to secure itself. Scale is a white, rounded, limpet-looking body on the rose stem.. The egg cases that are left behind resemble white cottony masses.

These bugs create a protective scaly or crusty shell over themselves. Spray them with horticultural oil when they are in the crawling stage for best results.

The rose is a testament to our love of beauty. Everyone might not enjoy growing the rose, but it is widely grown, admired and has captivated many plant breeders' attention. Each breeder competing to create the ever-beautiful, versatile rose.

There are some quick final tips to help protect your roses from insect pests. Inspect you roses several times a week. Pests reproduce quickly sobe diligent in your inspections to stay ahead of the insects and detect any problems before they become unmanageable. Please remember spring also brings the beneficial insects out of hibernation. They are our partners in controlling pest outbreaks — not just on roses, but all through our gardens.

Hopefully, this will help you in identifying and controlling insect pest that prey on your rosts. For questions or further information call the Midland County Extension office 432-686-4700.

Floyd

From 4E

when the collective chilling hours are below average, many trees break out of their winter slumber early, putting them at risk for a late freeze. The mid-morning freeze on May 3, 2013, spelled disaster for many fruit trees, knocking back production in most and killing a few trees outright. Although we aren't likely to have a freeze that late this year, the effect of February temperatures reaching the 80s might be the same.

Nevertheless, the lovely blooms are pleasing and point to the promising arrival of spring. To learn ways to protect your already blooming fruit trees from an approaching freeze contact the Extension office at 432-498-4071.

Texas A&M AgriLife will also present a two-day EarthKind Home Landscape School from 6:30 -9:30 p.m. on April 22 and from 8:30-4:30 p.m. on April 23 at the Midland County Extension office, 2445 East Hwy 80. The cost will be $140 for individuals and $190 for a household of two adults. All registrants will receive a landscape design kit that includes graph paper, drawing aids, plant lists for Midland and Odessa, and a 30-minute one-on-one design consultation with the instructors in the days following the program.

Sperry

From 4E

after such a strenuous pruning. The rule of thumb is to prune bush roses back by half, making each cut just above a bud facing away from the center of the plant. It's getting awfully late to be pruning roses heavily. I would not advise what you're referring to.

DEAR ABBY



Universal Press Syndicate

Service with a smile is hard to deliver with bad teeth

DEAR ABBY: I have a problem of my own making. When I was a young child/teenager, I never brushed my teeth. Because of it, the enamel on my teeth eroded and I have cavities, really bad ones. Add to that a desperate fear of dentists, and my teeth are in horrible shape now. When I smile, my front teeth are mostly black. I work in customer service. I'm too young to have awful teeth, and I'm ashamed.

I saw a dentist recently and I have made appointments to have my dental issues addressed, but it's expensive and it won't be for a few months. I have never been so aware of how bad my teeth are as I am now, and I consciously keep myself from smiling. It makes working in customer service really hard because I'm constantly thinking, "Don't let them see your teeth." But even when I'm just talking, I know people can see them.

It's impossible to say, "I know my teeth are disgusting, but I'm getting them fixed, so please don't judge me" to every person I meet, but I very much feel like doing so. I'm a socially anxious person anyway and this is killing my already poor social skills. I need advice. – HIDING MY SMILE IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR HIDING: I have addressed the importance of good oral hygiene in this column before, so I won't belabor it. For the sake of your overall physical health, I'm very glad you have finally decided to deal with your dental problem. It will pay big dividends in the future.

For the time being, having set up appointments to get your dental work — and possibly periodontal work — done, you are doing all you can. If you weren't good at your job, you wouldn't have lasted at it for as long as you have. When customers come to you for help, they are less interested in your teeth than in what you can do to solve their problems, so you shouldn't let yourself be sidetracked by what they "might" think about them. Do your job, keep those dental appointments religiously, and your problems will solve themselves.

DEAR ABBY: Over the past month or so, I find myself being super territorial about my home and the things that are in it. This is my first apartment on my own after having had a roommate for three years.

Recently, my significant other got sick, and he was constantly here because I had to take care of him. Also, my family was here over the holidays. I didn't want anyone in my room or using my bathroom — not even my sick boyfriend.

Part of the reason was he was sick and, secondly, he was keeping me up at night using my master bath every five minutes. Working long hours, then having to come home and take care of a man who was hardheaded about his health was exhausting. I needed my space and to rest.

Could this be why I don't want anyone in my home? I feel bad about being this way, especially toward my own family and boyfriend. – SUPER TERRITORIAL

DEAR TERRITORIAL: By now you should have been able to get some rest, so I hesitate to blame fatigue for your feelings. I suspect they may have more to do with the fact that this is the first home in which you are living independently, and you want to keep it pristine. People often feel the same way

'Harry Potter' is alive and well in London



TUMBLEWEED SMITH

Storyteller

I almost hate to admit this, but I've never read a "Harry Potter" book, and I've seen only one "Harry Potter" movie. I recently learned that I have really missed something. While we were visiting Scotland and England over the Christmas and New Year's holidays, we toured the Warner Brothers Studio where the movies were made.

The large studio complex is about an hour away from London. Visitors pass a lot of countryside to get there. When the bus delivered us to the entrance around 10 in the morning, the parking lot was filled of people were already there.

I thought "Harry Potter" was for kids. But there were many more adults, even though it was a holiday and schools were closed. Some hardcore fans wore costumes from the "Harry Potter" movies. In the gift shop, we saw one man with a shopping basket. He filled it with several items of merchandise. His total bill came to more than $500. He and the woman with him were both dressed as wizards.

The tour took us through a series of rooms, each one big enough to hold a blimp. We saw the great hall, patterned after the one at the Edinburgh castle in Scotland, which we visited before going to England. When in Scotland we took pictures of the Elephant House Cafe, where J.K. Rowling supposedly wrote some of the "Harry Potter" books. In the hall, the actual long dinner table used in the movie was set with silverware, food, plates and serving dishes.

Perhaps the main reason we were there was so our 12 year-old grandson Caleb could see it. He is a big "Harry Potter" fan and has read all the books and seen all the movies. He came home with some great memories and a wand purchased at the gift shop.

There are so many things to see in every nook and corner of each gigantic room. Everything is authentic, including mannequins dressed and made up to look like real characters from the movie. In one area, there was a new coat. Next to it was another identical coat that had been made to show wear. The latter had rips and dirt spots. Racks held hundreds of costumes. There were cauldrons of all sizes, a goblet of fire that rose out of a golden cabinet, stairways to nowhere, flying brooms, silver knives that had hand worked filigree, and an apothecary laboratory.

One room had the Hogwarts Express locomotive. At the end of the tour was a room full of snow-covered buildings used in the filming. Just spectacular. Dozens of portraits hung on the walls. Crewmembers donned costumes and posed for many of these. The place is a tribute to creativity and ingenuity.

The entire visit was a tour of fantasy land. The care that went into every phase of the productions was evident in every prop and set piece. The visit showed how the people who worked on the movies became like a family. They were together 10 years.

Tumbleweed Smith is never desperate for an interview, but he's always looking for a good story. Contact him at ts@tumbleweedsmith.com.

Study: Transgender children allowed to live openly fare well

By Lindsey Tanner
Associated Press

CHICAGO — Young transgender children allowed to live openly as the gender they identify with fared as well psychologically as other kids in a small study that suggests parental support may be the key.

Rates of depression and anxiety were equal in the study, which compared 73 transgender kids aged 3 to 12 with 73 nontransgender youngsters. The trans kids also fared as well on both measures as a group of their nontransgender siblings.

Rates of anxiety among trans kids were "a smidge higher" than national averages for children of the same age, but otherwise they matched national norms, said lead author Kristina Olson, an associate psychology professor at the University of Washington.

She said it's the largest study to examine the psychological health of transgender youth who have socially transitioned. Parents recruited from support groups, conferences and a special website rated their kids' well-being on a standard mental health scale.

The parents weren't randomly selected and Olson acknowledged that parents of kids who aren't well-adjusted may have opted not to take part.

The study "certainly suggests that family support is linked to better mental health," although that idea wasn't tested directly and Olson said the results don't prove that is the explanation for the children's well-being.

The results were published Friday in the journal Pediatrics.

The findings are "truly stunning," given previous studies showing high rates of mental health problems including suicidal behavior in transgender children, Dr. Ilana Sherer, a Dublin, California, pediatrician, wrote in a Pediatrics editorial. Most previous research is in children who haven't come out, Olson said.

Study children had not had any sex reassignment treatment, and some parents initially opposed letting their kids come out.

Micah Heumann, an academic adviser at the University of Illinois's Champaign campus, was among study participants.

His 10-year-old child, Daniel, was born a girl and named Naima, but has identified as a boy ever since he knew about gender, Heumann said.

In second grade, the family agreed to let Daniel legally change his name and at the boy's request, his school agreed to go along with the change, even letting Daniel use the boy's bathroom.

"He is very well-adjusted" but still feels stress because he knows not everyone is so accepting, Heumann said.

Daniel "was very anxious before coming out at school," but refused the option of keeping the secret, Heumann recalled.

"He looked at me and said, 'Dad, I can't. It's harder to live a lie and not as I am truly than to deal with this anxiety right now.'"

Heumann said the family reacted to Daniel's choice with mixed feelings, mourning the loss of a daughter but never wavering in love and support for Daniel.

Olson, the study author, said the results don't apply to all transgender kids, especially those whose parents oppose their change in identity.

Opponents of allowing these youngsters to adopt names, hairstyles, clothes and pronouns opposite their birth gender have argued that kids so young "cannot possibly know their gender at such an early age," said Sherer, the editorial writer.

Letting these kids live openly as the gender they identify with "can be an incredibly affirming process," Sherer said, "showing the child that their identity is supported." She was not involved in the research.

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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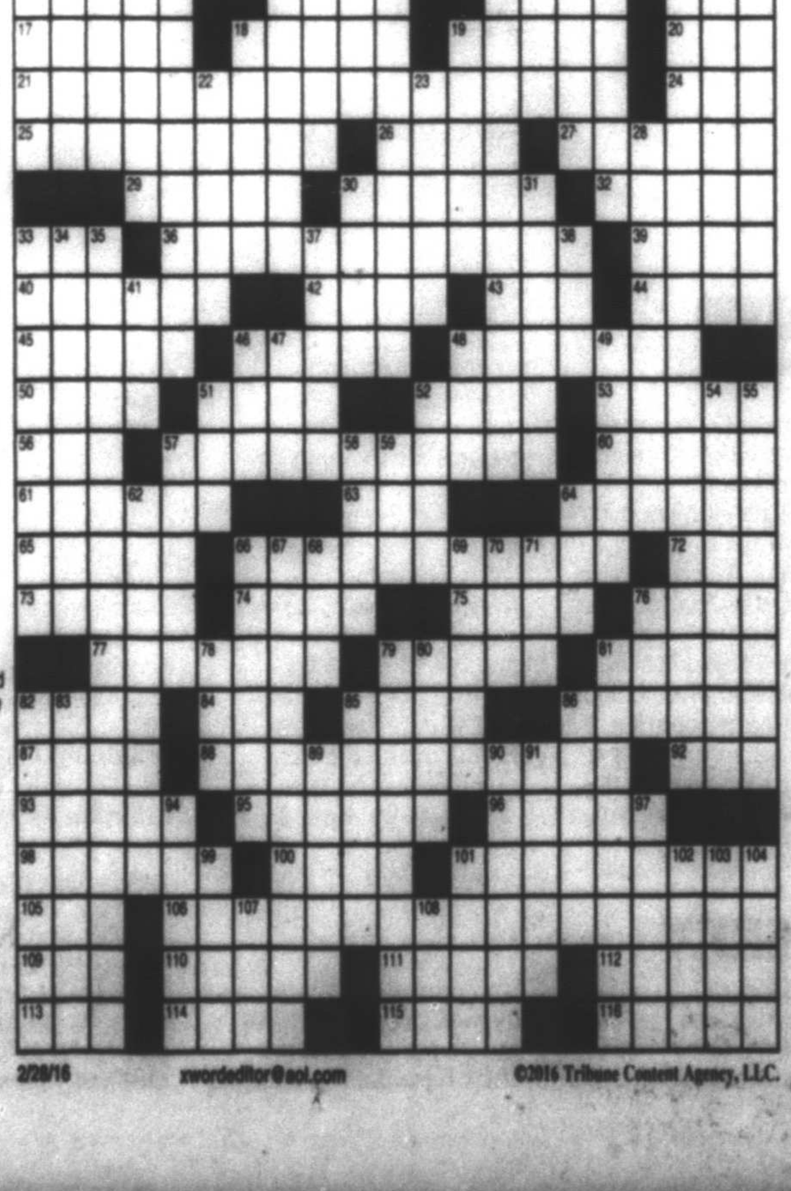
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GOREN BRIDGE

With Bob Jones

The expert mind

East-West vulnerable. South deals.

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

WEST
♠ J 10 9 4
♡ J 8 5 3
♢ J 9 7 2
♣ 4

EAST
♠ 7 6 5 3
♡ 10 6 4 2
♢ 5
♣ K 10 8 7

SOUTH
♠ A 8 2
♡ K Q 7
♢ A Q 10
♣ J 6 5 3

The bidding:

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1NT	Pass	6NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Opening lead: Jack of ♠

Some contracts seem incredibly simple at first. Then something bad happens and that "simple" contract becomes a big problem. Experts have the useful ability of being able to take the blow and come up with a new plan.

South won the opening spade lead in dummy and took stock. Should the diamonds split 3-2, or the jack of diamonds fall singleton, there would be 12 top tricks and South could then take the club finesse for a possible overtrick. Accordingly, he started on the diamonds. The ace and the queen revealed the bad diamond split and declarer had to stop and take a new look at the hand.

The slam would still make if declarer could get three tricks from the club suit. That would be easy if the clubs split 3-2, but what if clubs were also splitting 4-1? Declarer found the perfect solution. He led a club to the ace and a low club back toward his jack. What could East do? Should he rise with the king, South would have the three club tricks that he needed. East played low and South won with his jack. It was now safe to revert to diamonds, cashing the king and giving West the fourth diamond. The long diamond in dummy was now established as the twelfth trick. Nice play!

Note that this line would still have succeeded had West held four clubs. The jack would have lost to the king, but dummy's queen-nine would have brought two more tricks after the marked finesse for the 10.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Sunday, Feb. 28, 2016:
This year it will be important to clearly define what you want — only then will it become a possibility. Friends support you.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★★ Stay in touch with your long-term needs, especially when having an important conversation with a key person.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★★ You might understand what a friend can achieve better than he or she does. This person could be more idealistic.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★★ Pace yourself in order to move a project off the ground. You could be attempting to fulfill a relative's request.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ An invitation that will allow you to get out of your immediate environment, even just for a few hours, is likely to renew your energy.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Your plans might be best if they're centered on an immediate domestic situation. Reorganize your schedule accordingly.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★★ You'll express your contentment as you spend some time catching up on a neighbor's news. Some of what you hear will delight you.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★★ Your ability to understand what is going could radically change your sense of what you would most like to do.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★★ You could feel unusually energized and content. You might not be sure about what you want to do because suddenly a lot of choices have surfaced.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Don't worry — your time will come to be on center stage. Today is excellent for catching up on sleep and perhaps some other personal matters.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★★ If you could have a perfect Sunday, what would that look like? You have the opportunity to reach out for someone you care about. The two of you often share your aspirations.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★★ Wherever you go, you steal the show. Others will find that you look remarkably energetic. However, you might feel quite the opposite, as you have been so busy.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★ You see the value in breaking past patterns and achieving more of what you desire. This new approach could manifest itself in a conversation with a friend.
BORN TODAY
Musician Brian Jones (1942), former U.S. Secretary of Energy Stephen Chu (1948)

ANSWER TO TODAY'S PUZZLE

M	A	C	H	U		L	A	M	P		P	A	A	R		T	A	D
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SUNDAY MORNING — FEBRUARY 28, 2016

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	In Touch Ministries		GMA/Sunday		The Truth	House	Paid		This Week		Church	Paid	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Paid	M. Lyon	First Baptist Church		CBS Sunday Morning				Face the Nation		Mission	First Baptist Odessa	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	F Troop	F Troop	BackEotter	BackEotter	Gilligan	Gilligan	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	SaveBell	BradyB.	BradyB.	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	Paid	W.Minist	Insight	FaithAve	Fox News Sunday		OCFC	Rain	Road to Gold		Paid	Pre-Race	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Light of Southwest		Walking	Mission	In Touch Ministries		Zion	Cry Zion	Chur.Way	R/Manusc	Nueva Vida		
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Havas	Secrets	W.America	B&N Min.	Sunday Today (N)		Meet the Press (N)		First Baptist Church		NHL Live!	Hockey	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Sesame	D.Tiger	C.George	Cat	Sid	Rogers	Odd Sqd	Odd Sqd	Arthur	Cyberch.	Masterpiece Classic		
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Mercury	Mercury	Programa pagado		Rosa Guadalupe		Al punto		Notas divinas		Como dice el dicho		
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		JTV	JTV Direct	Spaces	Homeown.	Green	Hazelton	O.House	HomeT.	First Baptist Church		America	Bull Ride	
FLIX	340	575		165		Movie		★★★ The Station Agent		★★ Meatballs III Murray.		(:35)	★★ The Watcher		(:15)	★ Turner & H...		
HBO	300	550	14	14		(:05)	★ Dolphin Tale 2	(:45)	★★ Disturbia ('07, Cri) Shia LaBeouf.			Boxing World Championship				Making		
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23		★★ The Rainmaker ('97, Dra) Matt Damon.		Gonzaga	(:45)	★★★ Night at the Museum				(:40)	★ Furious 7 Vin Diesel.		
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(:10)	In the Heat of the Night	(:40)	★★ Dreamgirls ('06, Mus) Jamie Foxx.						(:55)	★★ Brokeback Mountain		
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(:45)	The Year of Living Dan...	(:40)	Seventh Son ('14, Adv) Jeff Bridges.			(:25)	★★ Black Knight		(:05)	★ G Brother,...		
MAX2	382	558	18	122			★ Into the Storm		★★ Shutter Joshua Jackson.			★★ Best in Show				★ For Your Consideration		
PLEX			96			(:20)	Youth (:25)	The Secret of...	(:35)	★ Winged Migration		(:05)	★★★ The Matchmaker		(:30)	★★ Santa With Muscles		
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	Movie		★ A Murder in the Park ('15, Doc)		Boxing Showtime Championship						Circus	Movie	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(:15)	★ Ping Pong ...	(:10)	★ Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom Idris Elba.			(:35)	★★★ Delivery Man		(:20)	★★ Bandits		
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Criminal Minds		Crim. Minds "Code"		C.Minds "Valhalla"		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		To Be Announced		
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	(5:30)	★★ Cujo Dee Wallace.		★★ Tremors ('90, Hor) Kevin Bacon.			★★★★ Jumanji ('95, Fan) Bonnie Hunt, Robin Williams.						
BET	58	-		40		D. Grier	Creflo	P. Popoff	Miracles	Bobby Jones Gospel		Lift Voice	LiftVoice	(:05)	★★★ The Help Emma Stone.			
BRAVO	65	76		41		(5:00)	★ Men in Blac...	Your Grp	The People's Couch	Newlyweds			Vanderpump Rules		Housewives Atlanta		Watch	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	New Day Sunday		New Day	Politics	State of the Union		Fareed Zakaria GPS		Reliable Sources		State of the Union		
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Venom "Liquid Gold"		Venom Hunters		Moonshiners		Moonshiners		
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Miles	Sofia 1st	M.Mouse	The Lion	Dog Blog	Austin	Jessie	Jessie	Liv/Mad	Bunk'd	Friends	Girl M.	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		OLines	Report (N)	SportsCenter						
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	30 for 30 Shorts		30 for 30		SportsCenter		X Games Oslo		Cheerleading		Cheer'd	Cheer'd	
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	(5:00)	Fox & Friends			America's Newsroom				Happening Now		Outnumbered		
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Barefoot	Barefoot	Giada	Southern	Pioneer	Big Bite	Cooking	Giada	Pioneer	Southern	Heart (N)	Brunch	
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	★★★ Mean Girls Lindsay Lohan.				(:15)	★★ Mamma Mia! ('08, Mus) Pierce Brosnan, Meryl Streep.					★★★ Grease		
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Fishing	SportsDay	Sooner Sports Talk		Paid	Paid	NCAA Basketball Oklahoma at Texas				Game365	Polaris	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Mother	Mother	Mother	Mother	★★★ Moneyball ('11, Bio) Brad Pitt.				
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	Lucy	I Love Lucy	Middle	Middle	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	★ Perfect on Paper Lindsay Hartley.				
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	FleaFlip	Fixer Upper		
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	How Earth Was Made		Forged in Fire		Forged "Khopesh"		How the States Got Their Shapes				Alaska: Dangerous		
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	In Touch Ministries		Amazing	David Jer.	J.Osteen	Paid	Little Women: LA		★★ Another Woman's Husband				
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Lockup	Business	PoliticsNation		Up		Melissa Harris-Perry				Weekends-Alex Witt		
NBCSN	38	43				(5:00)	Match of Day	League Live (L)		EPL Soccer Arsenal at Manchester United (L)			Goal Zone (L)			Premier League		
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Sponge	Sponge	Dino	ALVINNN	★ Open Season 3 Dana Syder.			Sponge	Ninja	Sponge	Sponge	ALVINNN	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Paid Program		Paid Program		Power	Power	Power	Power	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00)	Paid Program	Twilight	★ Vikingdom ('14, Act) Natassia Malthe, Dominic Purcell.					★ Tremors 5: Bloodlines Michael Gross.				
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	★★ The Mexican ('01, Cri) Brad Pitt, Julia Roberts.				Movie		
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	★★★★ Watch on the Rhine Bette Davis.				★★★★ The Seventh Cross				★★★ Sunrise at Campobello				
TELE	20	-	10	20		Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	Pagado	EPL Fútbol Arsenal at Manchester United (L)			Pagado	Angel	Enfoque	Movie		
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	Law&Order "Harvest"		Law & Order		Law & Order "Blood"		LawOrder "Shadow"		★ Journey to the...				
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	(:10)	Chris (:50) G. Girls	(:25)	Th. Golden Girls	G. Girls	(:35) G.Girls	(:10) G.Girls	(:50) G.Girls	(:25)	The Golden Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	
USA	26	55	42	27	49	Paid	Turning	Miracles	J.Osteen	Colony "Broussard"		Law&O: SVU "Gone"		SVU "Conned"		SVU "Locum"		
WGN	19	85				Lord	Creflo	Key David	Paid	★★ Herbie Fully Loaded Lindsay Lohan.				★★★★ Fried Green Tomatoes				

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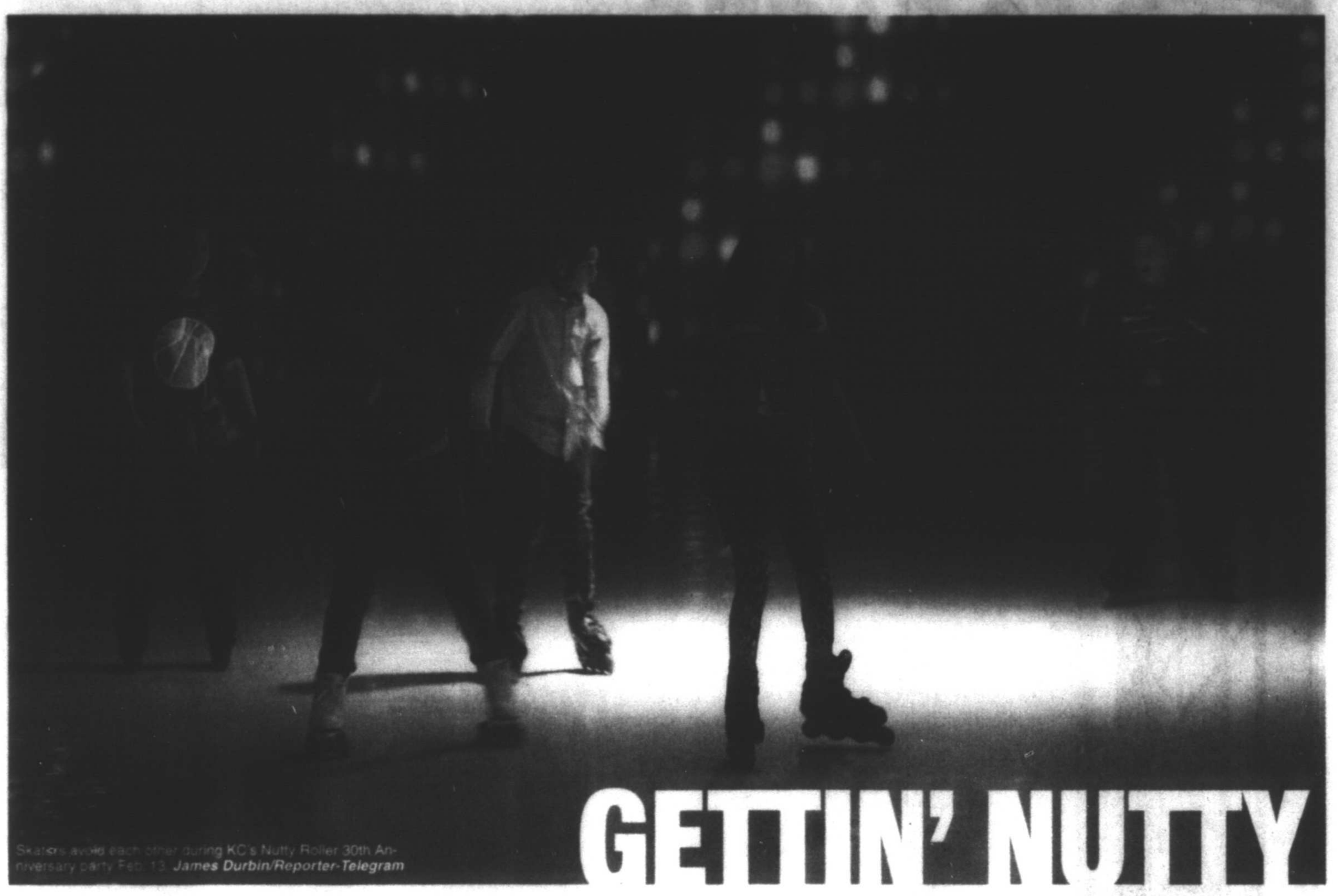
	G	S	R	C	W	12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	News	Paid
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	Bull Ride	B-Ball	NCAA Basketball Duke at Pittsburgh (L)				NCAA Basket. Big-10		Wild Card Ia./Ohio St. (L)		FaceNat.	News
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	BradyB.	BradyB.	Gilligan	Gilligan	HappyD.	Laverne	Lucy	Lucy	The Love Boat		The Love Boat	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	NASCAR Auto Racing Folds of Honor QuikTrip 500 (St: Atlanta Motor Speedway (L)								Outdoors	Modern	Paid	Paid
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	S. Baras	Mani Erfan	Z. Levitt	Restore	Light of Southwest		Light of Southwest		Joshua	Biblical	House	About Us
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	(11:30)	NHL Hockey Washington vs Chicago (L)			PGA Golf The Honda Classic Site: PGA National Champion Course (L)						Inside Ed.	News
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	Masterp.	Masterpiece Classic	Masterpiece Classic		Masterpiece Classic		Masterpiece Classic		Masterpiece Classic		Masterpiece Classic	Masterp.
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Nuestra Belleza Latina "Reunion de Reinas"				Republica deportiva		Rosa Guadalupe		Rosa Guadalupe		Nacional	Noticiero
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		BullRide	News	Green	Homes	CARS.TV	AmAthlete	Entertainers		Missing	Insider	The Good Wife	
FLIX	340	575		165		(11:15)	★ Turner & H...	★★★ The Jackal ('98, Act) Bruce Willis.				(:05)	★★ Phoenix ('98, Cri) Ray Liotta.		★ The Crossing G...		
HBO	300	550	14	14		Bill Maher		★★★ Blended ('14, Com) Adam Sandler.		Mike Nichols				(:15)	★★ The Wicker Man Nicolas Cage.		
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	(10:40)	Furious 7	Real Sports		Boxing				Making	Animals.	Vice (N)	LastWeek	
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(:15)	★★★ The Piano Holly Hunter.			(:20)	★★★ Titanic (1997, Drama) Kate Winslet, Billy Zane, Leonardo DiCaprio.					Movie		
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(11:05)	O Brother,...	(:55)	★★★ Pay It Forward Kevin Spacey.			(:05)	★★★ Jupiter Ascending Mila Kunis.		(:10)	★ Enemy at t...		
MAX2	382	558	18	122			★★ The Brothers Grimm Matt Damon.			★★★ K-19: The Widowmaker				(:20)	★ A Million Ways to Die in the West		
PLEX			96				Movie	★★ Cursed Portia De Rossi.		(:10)	★★★★ The Buddy Holly Story			(:05)	★ The Pest		Movie
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	(11:30)	★ The Imitation Game			★★★★ The Silence of the Lambs			Circus	Billions "Pilot"		Billions	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(11:20)	★★ Bandits Bruce Willis.		★ The Life Aquatic With Steve Zissou					★★★★ Inside Llewyn Davis		(:15)	★ Philomena
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	(11:00)	To Be Announced		Scared "Richland Country, SC"			Beyond Scared Stra.		Beyond Scared Stra.		Interve. "Amber"	
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	★★★ King Kong ('76, Fant) Jeff Bridges, Jessica Lange.						★★★ Jurassic Park ('93, Sci-Fi) Laura Dern, Sam Neill.					
BET	58	-		40		(10:05)	★★★ The Help ('11, Dra) Viola Davis, Emma Stone.					★★★ 12 Years a Slave ('13, Dra) Dwight Henry, Chiwetel Ejiofor.					
BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Potomac		Housewives P.		Housewives P.		Housewives P.		Housewives P.		Housewives Atlanta	
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid	Paid
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Fareed Zakaria GPS		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		CNN Newsroom		H.Wood Big Night (L)	
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	Deadl. Job Interview		Deadl. Job Interview		Gold Rush		Rush "Oregon Gold"		Rush "Frozen Pay"		Naked and Afraid	
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Underc.	Underc.	Bunk'd	★★★	Monsters, Inc.		(:10)	★★★ Monsters University			Mako Mer	Mako Mer	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	PBA Bowling Chris Paul Celebrity Invitational				30 for 30		NCAA Basketball Kentucky at Texas A&M (L)				SportsCenter		
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	NCAA Basketball Georgia at Tennessee (L)				NCAA Basketball Miami at Florida State (L)		NCAA Basketball Minnesota at Maryland (L)						
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	Happening Now		The Real Story		Shepard Smith		Your World		The Five		Special Report		
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	The Kitchen		Burgers	Burgers	Burgers	Pleasures	Burgers	Burgers	Kids Baking		All-Star Academy		
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	(11:00)	★★★ Grease		★★ John Tucker Must Die				★★★ Clueless ('95, Com) Alicia Silverstone.				
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	Stories "Daytona"		NCAA Baseball Stony Brook at Baylor Site: Baylor Ballpark (L)						UFC FB	SnowM	Mavricks	Mavs Pre	
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(10:00)	★ Moneyball	★★★ Captain Phillips ('13, Doc/Dra) Barkhad Abdi, Tom Hanks.						★★★★ American Hustle Christian Bale.				
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ My Boyfriend's Dogs Erika Christensen.				★ Elevator Girl ('10, Fam) Lacey Chabert.				★ Love's Complicated Holly Marie Combs.			
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	(11:00)	Alaska	America's Greatest Prison Breaks				Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	Pawn S.	
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	★ Status: Unknown ('14, Dra) Stacey Oristano.				★ The House Sitter ('15, Thril) Kate Ashfield.				★ Stalked by My Doctor Eric Roberts.			
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	(11:00)	Alex Witt	Meet the Press		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera	
NBCSN	38	43				Red Bull Signature Series Mint 400				Powerboat (N)		NHLTop10	NHLTop10	NHLTop10	NHL Live! (L)	Hockey	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	ALVINNN	Nicky	Thunder	Thunder	GShakers	H.Danger	Sponge	★ Monster High: Great Scarr...		
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue	
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	★★★ Robin Hood ('10, Adv) Cate Blanchett, Russell Crowe.						★★ Land of the Lost Will Ferrell.				★ The Lone Ranger	
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	(11:30)	★★★ The 40-Year-Old Virgin			★★★ Old School ('03, Com) Luke Wilson.				★ Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky...			
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	Movie		★★★★ The Apartment Jack Lemmon.				(:45)	★★★★ Double Indemnity		(:45)	★★★★ Going My Way	
TELE	20	-	10	20		(11:30)	Black Dragon			★ 8 minutos antes de morir				Noticiero	Videos	La Reina Del Sur	
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Yes Dress	Fat Chance "Daniel"		My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life (N)	
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(11:00)	★ Journey to...	★★★ Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End Johnny Depp.						(:15)	★★★★ John Carter Taylor Kitsch.		
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	
USA	26	55	42	27	49	SVU "Scorched Earth"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		SVU "Child's Welfare"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.	
WGN	19	85				(10:00)	★ Fried Gree...	★★ The Last Samurai ('03, Dra) Ken Watanabe, Tom Cruise.						Blue Bloods "Mercy"		Blue Bloods	

SUNDAY PRIME TIME — FEBRUARY 28, 2016

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	G	S	R	C	W	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
KMID ABC	3	3	4	3	2	Oscars Opening Ceremony: Live From the Red Carpet (L)				The 88th Annual Academy Awards Recognition and awards for outstanding film achievements. (L)					(:35) Local 2 News	(:05) Jimmy Kimmel Live (N)	
KOSA CBS	7	7	7	7	7	60 Minutes		60 Minutes		★★ Last Vegas (2013, Comedy) Michael Douglas, Morgan Freeman, Robert De Niro.				(:10) CBS 7 News	(:35) CBS 7 Wire	(:05) Elementary	
KWWT CW	5	14		5	14	A. Griffith	A. Griffith Show	Columbo Food critic murders.	"Murder Under Glass"	M*A*S* H	The Odd Couple	Honey-mooners		Cheers	B.New-hart	MaryTy-lerM.	Taxi	
KPEJ FOX	8	5	5	8	3	The Simpsons	Bob& "The Land Ship"	The Simpsons	Cooper Barrett	Family Guy	Border-town	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	2 Broke Girls	Met Your Mother	Jack Van Impe	Texans 360	
KMLM IND	11	12	12	11	11	Mission: M2S	Shepherd's Heart	Walking		Light of the Southwest				Audra Grace	Update News	What's the Cost	Somab-ody Cares	
KWES NBC	9	9	9	9	9	Dateline NBC				★★★ Ted ('12, Com) Mark Wahlberg. A teddy bear comes to life after a man's childhood dream comes true.				NewsWe-st 9 at 10	Country Reporter	Mercury	Whacked Out	
KPBT PBS	13	13		13	8	(5:30) Mastercp.	Masterpiece Classic "Downton Abbey: Season Six"			More Manners of Downton Abbey (N)		The Manners of Downton Abbey		Vicious		The Inspector Lynley Mysteries "In Pursuit of the Proper Sinner"	
KUPB UNI	4	4		4	16	Aqui y Ahora		Nuestra Belleza Latina (SP)				La Viuda Negra (SP)		Durmiendo mi jefe	Noticiero Univision	Republica deportiva	
KOSA MNT	16	16		16		Rizzoli & Isles		Castle		Scandal		Mike&M.	Mike&M.	Anger M.	Office	NameG.	Fam.Feud	
FLIX	340	575		165		(5:00)	★ The Crossi...	★★★ Pulp Fiction ('94, Cri) John Travolta.					(:35)	★★★ The Jackal Bruce Willis.			Movie	
HBO	300	550	14	14			★ San Andreas ('15, Act) Dwayne Johnson.	Vinyl (N)			Girls (N)	Together		LastWeek	Vinyl		Together	
HBO2	302	551	15	101	23	Bill Maher		Vinyl				★ Furious 7 ('15, Act) Paul Walker, Vin Diesel.		(:20)	★★★ Unbroken Jack O'Connell.			
HBO3	304	552	16	102		(5:40)	★★ Birdman		1st Look	★ The Theory of Everything				(:05)	★★ The Maze Runner Dylan O'Brien.			
MAX	380	557	17	120	24	(5:10)	Enemy at the Gates	(:25)	★★★ The Transporter			★ Dracula Untold Luke Evans.		(:35)	★ Wicked Deeds ('04, Adult)			
MAX2	382	558	18	122		(:20)	★★★ The Fly Jeff Goldblum.					★★★ Independence Day ('96, Sci-Fi) Will Smith.			★★★ Super Troopers			
PLEX			96			(5:30)	Corky Roma...	★ McHale's Navy				(:35)	★★★ First Knight ('95, Act) Sean Connery.		(:55)	★ Quicksilver		
SHOW	320	565	19	140	25	Billions "YumTime"		Circus (N)	Circus	Billions		Billions		Billions "The Deal"		Circus	Shame.	
TMC	336	573	22	155	26	(5:15)	Philomena	★★★ Delivery Man Vince Vaughn.				★ The Life Aquatic With Steve Zissou				★★ Bandits		
A&E	27	58	28	35	47	Intervention "Jeff"		Intervention "Erin"		Hoarders		Interv. "Sylvia" (N)		(:05) The First 48		(:05) Interve. "Erin"		
AMC	40	74	23	42	51	Dead "No Way Out"		The Walking Dead		Walking Dead (N)		Talking Dead (N)		Fear the Walking Dead "Pilot"		Comic B.		
BET	58	-		40		(3:00)	★ 12 Years a...	★ Let the Church Say Amen				Mann's	Mann's	About the Business		P. Popoff	Ministries	
BRAVO	65	76		41		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Housewives Atlanta		Atlanta Social (N)		Housewives P.		Housewives Atlanta		
CNBC	46	52		39	72	Undercover Boss		Boss "Alfred Angelo"		Boss "G5I Commerce"				Undercover Boss		Boss "Alfred Angelo"		
CNN	43	50	51	30	56	Hollyw.	Spotlight	Anthony "Marseille"		Anthony "Okinawa"		Anthony "Ethiopia"		Anthony "Borneo"		And the Winner Is (L)		
DISC	50	60	31	24	42	(5:00)	Naked	Naked "Colombia"		Naked "Nicaragua"		Naked "Panama"		Naked "Cambodia"		Naked "Malaysia"		
DISNEY	56	64	36	25	36	Mako Mer	Mako Mer	Mako Mer	Mako Mer	Liv/Mad	Bunk'd	Girl M.	Austin	Friends	Underc.	Jessie	Jessie	
ESPN	32	35	48	31	30	NCAA Track & Field SEC Championship				Fitness 2015 CrossFit Invitational				SportsCenter			SportsC.	
ESPN2	34	36	49	32	31	X Games Oslo				Kickboxing Glory 27				Rise Up		ESPN FC		
FNC	45	48	53	23	55	On the Record		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		
FOOD	64	70	27	68	54	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Game of		All-Star Aca "Art" (N)		Cutthroat Kitchen		Cutthroat Kitchen		All-Star Aca "Art"		
FREEFORM	53	63	34	42	33	★★★ Pitch Perfect ('12, Com) Anna Kendrick.						★★ 27 Dresses ('08, Com) Katherine Heigl.				J.Osteen	Jeremiah	
FSSW	37	38	50	45	29	NBA Basketball Minnesota vs Dallas (L)				Maverick		WPT Poker		Insider	School (N)	WPT Poker		
FX	31	56	59	64	69	(6:00)	American ...	★ World War Z ('13, Act) Mirelle Enos, Brad Pitt.						★ World War Z ('13, Act) Mirelle Enos, Brad Pitt.				
HALLMARK	54	71	58		34	★ Love in Paradise (2016) Lulu Perry.				When Calls Heart (N)		G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	G. Girls	
HGTV	63	69	26	48	44	Fixer Upper		Bargain	Bargain	Life	Life	IslndLif	IslndLif	H.Hunt	House	Life	Life	
HISTORY	71	59	29	50	43	Pawn S.	Pawn Star	Ax Men (N)				(:05) Million Dollar		(:05) Wreck		Ax Men		
LIFETIME	28	30	25	28	48	★ Suicide Note ('15, Thril) Kitty Bliss Blanton.				★ Bad Sisters ('15, Thril) Kitty Bliss Blanton.				★ Suicide Note ('15, Thril) Kitty Bliss Blanton.				
MSNBC	47	53		49	73	Caught on Camera		Caught on Camera		Locked Up Abroad		Locked Up Abroad		Lockup		Lockup		
NBCSN	38	43				(5:30)	NHL Hockey Tampa Bay vs Boston (L)			NHL Hockey Los Angeles Kings at Anaheim Ducks (L)				Overtime		Shootout	MatchDay	
NICK	55	-	39	34	37	Cat Noir	Sponge	Sponge	Sponge	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	F.House	Friends	Friends	
SPIKE	30	-	55	53	58	Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Bar Rescue		Lip Sync	Lip Sync	Lip Sync	Lip Sync	Bar Rescue		
SYFY	66	82	41	57	67	(5:00)	★★★ The Lone Ranger Johnny Depp.					★★★ Men in Black Will Smith.			★★★ Men in Black II Will Smith.			
TBS	25	33	44	66	41	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	BigBang	★★ Jackass 3D Johnny Knoxville.				
TCM	41	75	24	63	66	(5:00)	★★★ Bringing Up Baby ...			★★★★ Bringing Up Baby Cary Grant, Katharine Hepburn.				★★★★ Some Like It Hot Marilyn Monroe, Tony Curtis, Jack Lemmon.		★ Gold Diggers of ...		
TELE	20	-	10	20		La reina de el chapo		Gran Hermano						Señor "Pan de vento		TVhalares	Videos	★ The Next Corpse
TLC	51	61	32	38	52	My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life (N)		My 600-lb Life		
TNT	24	34	40	26	50	(6:15)	★ John Carter	★ Olympus Has Fallen Gerard Butler.						(:15)	★★ The Sorcerer's Apprentice Nicolas Cage.		Movie	
TVLAND	49	-	35	54	35	Reba	Reba	Reba	Reba	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Loves Ray	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	
USA	26	55	42	27	49	SVU "October Surprise"		Law & Order: S.V.U.		Law & Order: S.V.U.		SVU "Gridiron Soldier"		Modern	Modern	Modern	Modern	
WGN	19	85				Blue B. "Friendly Fire"		Blue B. "Innocence"		Blue Bloods		Outsiders		★★★ Big ('88, Com) Tom Hanks.				

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Skaters avoid each other during KC's Nutty Roller 30th Anniversary party Feb. 13. James Durbin/Reporter-Telegram

GETTIN' NUTTY

CALENDAR

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SUNDAY

MOSC: Late Beethoven Cycle: Op. 132 by the Permian Basin String Quartet. 2:30 p.m at First Presbyterian Church, 800 W. Texas Ave. Free. MOSC.org.

AUDITIONS: "La Cage aux Folles" by Midland Community Theatre. The musical runs April 15-30. Auditions are at 6:30 p.m. today and monday. Scripts are available for checkout and character information and rehearsal schedule can be found on the website. MCT. 2000 W Wadley Ave. mctmidland.org.

Tao: Seventeen Samurai. 7 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $24-$44 wagnernoel.com.

MONDAY

Midland Community Band's weekly meeting and rehearsal at Midland College Fine Arts Building Band Hall. 7-9 p.m. New members welcome and some instruments are available for use at the colledge. Contact 432-553-0632 for more information.

TUESDAY

"Riverdance - 20th Anniversary World Tour," 7:30 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $45-$88. wagnernoel.com.

Tuesday Night Open Mic Comedy hosted by Cesar Udave and Willy Olguin. 7 p.m. weekly at Wyndham Garden, 3100 W. Wall St.

Permian Basin Dance Club: with live country western bands weekly. 7:30-10 p.m. at St. Stephens Ballroom, 4601 Neely St. 432-520-4343 or 432-296-9840.

Palette Club Painting session from 9 a.m.-noon weekly. Meeting and demonstrations on the second Tuesday of the month. 907 W. Wadley Ave. paletteclubmidland.com.

"Nature Notes" on Marfa Public Radio-Every Tuesday -Thursday at 8:35 a.m. and 4:45 p.m.: KXWT-Midland/Odessa-91.3 FM

Crossing the Line: West Texas Line Dancing weekly meetup. 7:30-9 p.m. at MLK Community Center, 2300 Buttermut Lane. Classes are free but there is a $1 center entry fee. 713-876-9097. bbberesik@gmail.com. meetup.com/CrossingTheLineWestTexas.

WEDNESDAY

Midland Arts Association Meeting, noon at Midland College, Room 185. midlandartsassociation.org.

MusikGarten classes for infants 3-5 years. Holy Trinity Episcopal Church, 1412 W Illinois Ave. Call 432-683-4207 for class times and registration.

Story Time, 9:30 a.m. for ages up to 2 years; 10:30 a.m. for ages 2-6 at Midland County Public Library Centennial branch.

THURSDAY

Family Science Night: Mad Scientist. Families are invited to participate in science experiments and creative projects. Refreshments provided. 6-8 p.m. at The Petroleum Museum, 1500 W Interstate 20 West. Free. petroleummuseum.org.

The Four Freshmen play the West Texas Jazz Society's fundraiser. Menu provided by Chef Lou Lambert. at Petroleum Club of Midland, 501 W. Wall St. wtjs.org.

Opera 101 is a continuing education class offered by Permian Basin Opera at Midland College. The class will study Mozart's "The Marriage of Figaro."Classes are on Thursdays 7-9 p.m. Through April 30. midland.edu.

West Texas Dance Club with live country music, 7:30-10 p.m. at 301 E. 61st St. in Odessa. 432-697-0281 or 432-631-6125.

FRIDAY

First Friday featuring the works of Allison Easlon Moyers. The opening reception will feature live music by Strange Wool. On view throughout March. Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. Free. All ages. facebook.com/kamiposi.

SciFriday Film Series: "Labyrinth." (PG) This year's theme is So Bad, They're Good. Screenings include snack bar for all ages, beer and wine for adults and general seating. Seats are first come first served. Parents should not film ratings. Doors at 7 p.m. Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. museumsw.org.

#Hamlet is a modern take on Shakespeare's classic tragedy by Permian Playhouse's Kaleidoscope Company. Closes Saturday. Permian Playhouse, 310 W. 42nd St., Odesssa. permianplayhouse.com.

"Disney's The Little Mermaid." Closes Saturday at Midland Community Theatre, 2000 W. Wadley Ave. mctmidland.org.

Saturday

Family Free-For-All Creates Artists! Enjoy family-friendly science and art activities and free dome shows. 10 a.m. at Museum of the Southwest, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. free. museumsw.org.

MOSC: Mozart Requiem 7:30 p.m. at Wagner Noel Performing Arts Center, 1310 N. Farm-to-Market Road 1788. $17-$30. MOSC.org.

"The Carpenter's Son" is the first show of Ragtown Gospel Theater's new season about the early years of Jesus Christ. 3 p.m. Saturdays through May 7. Ragtown Gospel Theater, 870 Ragtown Road, Post. $24. 877-724-8696. ragtowngospeltheater.com.

ON DISPLAY

"Otra Vez" featuring works by Wayne Hilton. Using recycled materials, Hilton focuses his works on Mexican arts and culture. The works were commissioned specifically for the Centennial branch's public gallery space. The art will display through April 30 with a series of programming. MCPL Centennial. 2503 W. Loop 250 N. co.midland.tx.us.

The works of Phyllis Cappadonna Short Closes Feb. 29. Kamiposi, 510 S. Big Spring St. facebook.com/kamiposi.

"Billy Schenck: A 45 Year Retrospective" exhibition through Sunday. Ellen Noel Art Museum, 4909 E. University Blvd. Odessa. Free admission. noelartmuseum.org.

"Texas Native Wildflowers Exhibition" at Sibley Nature Centre, 1307 E. Wadley Ave. On display through March 26. Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m.-1 p.m. 432-684-6827. sibleynaturecenter.org.

Winter Exhibit featuring artists from ArtQuest, ArtIZen, Midland Arts Association and Palette Club of Midland, MARC and Rays of Hope. The Gallery at Midland Shared Spaces, 3500 N. "A" St. midlandss.org.

Artizen Outlet, 436 Andrews Highway. Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. 432-770-3494. artizenoutlet.com.

ArtQuest Studios, 700 Andrews Highway. 432-664-3197. artquesttx.com.

Ballroom Marfa, 108 E. San Antonio St. Marfa. ballroommarfa.org.

Blakemore Planetarium, 1705 W. Missouri Ave. Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Dome shows Tuesdays -Saturdays. Closed Sunday and Monday. 432-683-2882. museumsw.org.

George Bush Childhood Home. Tours and gift shop hours are 2-5 p.m. Sundays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturdays. Admission charged. 1412 W. Ohio Ave., 432-685-1112

Haley Library and History Center, 1805 W. Indiana Ave. Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. 432-682-5785. haleylibrary.com.

Midland Army Airfield Museum. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturdays. 9600 Wright Drive. Admission currently free. highskywing.org.

Midland Arts Association presents works by Diane K. Browne, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Mondays-Thursdays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Fridays, in the Community National Bank lobby, 401 W. Texas Ave., during February. midlandartsassociation.org.

Midland County Historical Museum, 301 W. Missouri Ave. Permanent exhibits include early Midland artifacts, pioneer relics and fossil remains. Archives include photographs, documents, newspapers and extensive obituary files. Open Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-688-8947.

Midland County Historical Society's Z. Taylor Brown-Sara Dorsey Medallion Home, oldest restored home in Midland. Open by appointment. 213 N. Weatherford St., 432-682-5447.

Options Gallery, Odessa College, 201 W. University Blvd. Monday-Thursday 7:30 a.m.-9:30 p.m., Friday 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. Free. 432-335-6640. odessa.edu.

Permian Basin Petroleum Museum, 1500 Interstate 20 West. Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday 2-5 p.m. 432-683-4403. petroleummuseum.org.

Scarborough-Linebery House, 802 S. Main St. Call for appointment. Available for rental for weddings and special occasions. 432-685-7368. midlandtexas.gov.







Courtesy photos

Mary Lambeth at Sibley Nature Center Local artist Mary Lambeth's work can be seen at Sibley Nature Center's 'Texas Native Wildflowers Exhibition' on display through March 26.

OIL REPORT

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Tax most likely misses the mark



Michael Stravato/New York Times

Oil rigs are stacked for storage near Midland on Jan. 27. There are now virtually no wells in the United States profitable to drill. That has forced some companies into a fatal spiral, producing oil simply to satiate their lenders.

Analysts say proposed oil tax falls far short of its goals

By Mella McEwen
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In proposing the equivalent of a $10.25 per barrel tax on oil, President Obama said the new revenues would fund transportation needs. Aware the proposed tax would most likely never be enacted, the president said he hoped to start a conversation about 21st century transportation and for the oil industry to fund that transportation.

After looking at the proposal, which is part of the president's budget plan, analysts said it would fall far short of its goals.

"When I was reading the proposal, my first thought was, 'The administration wants to fund the Highway Trust Fund. OK.' Then I read further, and I said, 'It seems the Highway Trust Fund is an unwanted part of this," said Michael Schuyler, senior fellow at The Tax Foundation. "It's more for green energy, public transportation and cities proposing places for people to walk more.' It almost seems like a bait-and-switch."

Speaking by phone from his Washington, D.C., office, Schuyler said the proposal seems to target priorities that are not very high on Americans' lists of concerns. Americans want better-maintained roads with greater capacity, he said.

"If you're going to do things that may be lower priorities for people, you have to look at the costs," he said.

His analysis found that, if enacted, the tax would bring in $331 billion in increased revenue over a 10-year period, when the effects of the tax slowing economic growth are taken into account. But the tax would reduce gross domestic product 0.3 percent, which Schuyler estimated would be in excess of the $331 billion in revenues. It would also result in 137,000 fewer jobs being created. Lower GDP and job loss would be the result of less investment and job creation because the tax would raise production costs, Schuyler said.

"If government spending was smart spending, it might make up the job loss. The cost of highway congestion is so great, if we had more efficient highways, productivity would increase and make up for the job loss," he said.

As for having oil companies pay the fee, "I'm sure there were those in the administration who smirked when they wrote (that) it would be paid by oil companies," he said. "(The tax) probably wouldn't hurt

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Michael Stravato/New York Times

A new oil well is drilled near new apartments in Midland on Jan. 29.

Permian Basin still drawing investment despite the lingering low oil prices

■ Colgate Energy announces $75 million partnership with Pearl Energy, Natural Gas Partners

By Mella McEwen
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Permian Basin oil and natural gas operators are feeling the effects of low oil prices, but they have not lost their confidence in the long-term prospects of the basin, which has been yielding crude and natural gas for about 90 years.

That confidence continues to be shared by private equity groups, which continue to form partnerships and make equity commitments in the area.

Most recently, Colgate Energy LLC, which has its office in downtown Midland, raised $75 million in equity commitments from lead investor Pearl Energy Investments and Natural Gas Partners through its affiliate, NGP Natural Resources XI, L.P.

Will Hickey and James Walter founded Colgate in 2015 as an exploration and production company focused on acquiring and developing oil and gas properties in the Permian Basin. The two, equal partners in the company, have a history with the Permian Basin. Walter was with Denham Capital Management, where he worked on two deals involving Midland companies Tall City Exploration and Atlantic Resources. Hickey's background includes work with EnCap Investments and Pioneer Natural Resources.

Following the announcement of the partnership with Pearl and Natural Gas Partners, Walter answered a few questions, by email, about Colgate's future plans.

Q. You formed Colgate last year, as the downturn was getting underway. What was your goal in forming the company?

Will and I formed Colgate in 2015 with the goal of capitalizing on opportunities created by a sustained low-oil-price environment. The price collapse has created a market that encourages existing operators, who have not been sellers the last 10 years, to divest non-core assets. The seller can re-deploy the capital raised from a sale to higher priority projects and Colgate can focus on improving operations at what was previously a non-core asset.

Q. What's it like seeking private equity in this low oil price environment? Is the Permian Basin still attractive?

The Permian is the most attractive basin for investment in the United States. Although single-well returns have fallen substantially, we believe that with the right asset you can continue to generate exciting returns in this price environment. There are very few places outside the Permian where you can make money drilling wells today. From our experience, private equity investors are still willing to make investments for the right opportunity. Pearl and NGP have been great partners and are supportive of investments that can generate returns at today's commodity price.

Q. Do you have a specific area you're targeting for acquisitions and development or just in the Permian Basin? What assets do you currently have or will this equity help?

Colgate is focused on acquiring both producing and non-producing assets throughout the Permian. We will look at a wide variety of deals in West Texas but are specifically targeting assets in areas that are geologically proven. We are looking to deploy the majority of our capital over the next two to three years.

Lucid Energy, EnCap Flatrock invest $350 million in Lucid II

By Mella McEwen
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Lucid Energy Group LLC has built such a footprint in the Midland Basin since late 2012 that corporate managers plan to repeat the success with Lucid Energy Group II LLC, a full-service midstream provider.

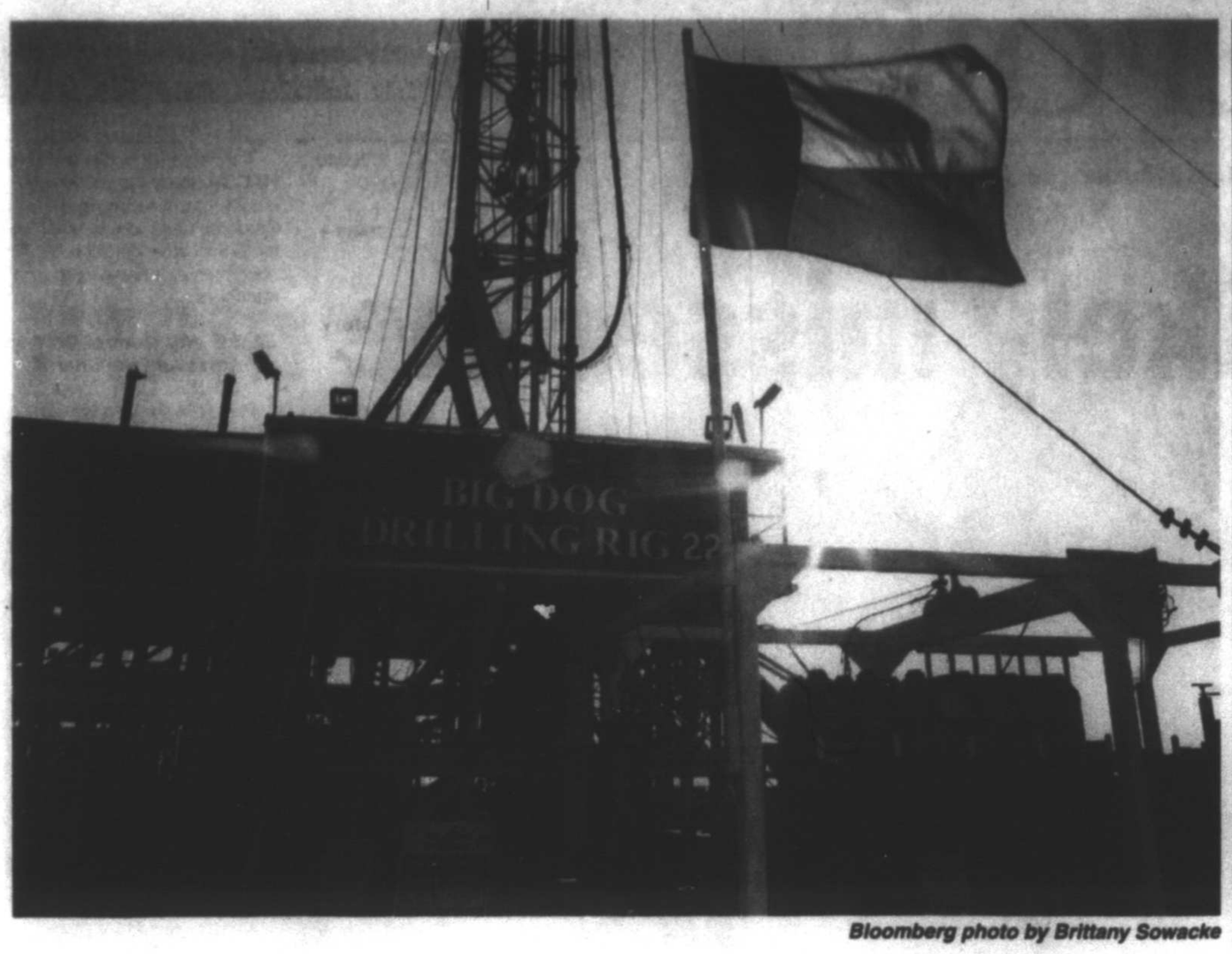
"Lucid II will operate parallel to the original Lucid," said Mike Lathem, president and chief executive officer. He, along with other members of Lucid management and EnCap Flatrock Midstream have committed $350 million in equity to form Lucid II.

Having that capital available will allow the company to take advantage of the opportunities arising from the current low-price environment, said Lathem, speaking from his Dallas office.

"We're chasing quite a few acquisition opportunities already, buying assets from producers as well as from other midstream companies," he said.

The company is in "deep negotiations" on several acquisitions that he hopes will close in the near future. The company also is looking at new construction of infrastructure such as gathering lines and processing plants.

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Bloomberg photo by Brittany Sowacke

The Texas flag flies at Endeavor Energy Resources's Big Dog Drilling Rig 22 in the Permian Basin outside of Midland in 2014. The Permian and Bakken basins are among U.S. oil regions aided by a drilling renaissance in shale rock.

For Exxon and Shell, age of ultramajors comes at the wrong time

By Javier Blas
Bloomberg

This may not be the best time to be bigger than big.

The $64 billion tie-up of Royal Dutch Shell with BG Group and the steady growth of Exxon Mobil are creating a new league of two: the ultramajors. Executives at smaller companies are even starting to joke that Chevron, Total, BP, ConocoPhillips and Eni SpA are merely the mid-cap sector of Big Oil.

But as oil and gas prices have tumbled, Exxon and Shell have been forced to retreat. With crude barely above $30 a barrel, they're cutting spending, including some costly, high-risk mega-projects. Shell abandoned construction of the 80,000 barrel-a-day Carmon Creek oil-sands project in Alberta, Canada, last year after having started to build it. Exxon is slashing investment by 25 percent this year compared with 2015.

"Scale was very important in the late 1990s and 2000s," said Michele Della Vigna, the top oil-industry analyst at Goldman Sachs Group Inc. "In the past there was scarcity of capital. Being big was an advantage. The last 15 years were about being bigger. Today is about being nimbler and lower on the cost curve."

The problem for the ultramajors is that they're so big that they need to put off more or bigger projects every year to make a difference in production. The scale of Exxon and Shell has reached a point that it's creating its own problems, said Tom Ellacott, vice president of corporate analysis at oil consultants Wood Mackenzie Ltd. "You need much bigger projects to move the needle," he said.

When oil was at $100 a barrel, the two companies had sought to move the needle through developing reservoirs in the roughest, deepest and coldest parts of the world, spending billions of dollars over up to a decade in places like Kazakhstan, the remote corners of Australia, off the shores of Angola and in the Arctic. But as companies adapt to an era of low oil prices, most of those projects may fail to deliver the 15 to 20 percent return the Big Two hope for, industry executives and analysts said.

Shell told investors earlier this month it will spend 6.5 percent less this year than it and BG did in 2015. Exxon's investment cuts bring the amount it spends on rig leases, floating oil platforms, gas terminals and other projects to a 10-year low.

Oil executives, who are gathered this week at the annual IHS CERAWeek conference in Houston, still believe that size matters.

"The scale and diversity of our cash flows, along with our financial strength, provide us with the confidence to invest through the cycle," Exxon Chief Executive Officer Rex Tillerson said in early February. His counterpart at Shell also celebrated the size that Shell has achieved in taking over BG. "Today we will see the birth of what will be undoubtedly the best company in our industry," Shell CEO Ben Van Beurden said Feb 15.

John Browne, the former CEO of BP and an architect of the mergers in the late 1990s and early 2000s that resulted in Big Oil, agreed. "A big balance sheet is still an important weapon," he said in an interview in Houston.

And to be sure, the numbers put Exxon and Shell above everyone else.

Take the cash they generate producing, refining and selling oil, fuels and petrochemicals. Both Exxon and Shell — including BG — were able to deliver a cash flow in excess of $30 billion last year. Chevron comes a distant third with less than $20 billion, and Total and BP are just a bit behind.

Exxon produces more than 4 million barrels of oil equivalent a day, while Shell has narrowed the gap with its American rival, pumping 3.7 million a day thanks to the extra barrels from BG. The rest are around 2.5 million barrels or less.

Moreover, both companies have gigantic refining and petrochemical operations, giving them an edge when oil prices drop.

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the oil extraction industry that much."

That additional cost almost certainly would be passed on to customers — from chemical companies to refiners and eventually, consumers, he said.

If the extra cost — which the administration estimated is 25 cents per gallon of gasoline — were passed on "at the gas pump, people know if the tax is there," he said. "They may not look closely at the amount but they know it's there. If it were levied on refineries, it would be more concealed."

Schuyler said that unlike a straight gasoline tax, this proposal would also apply to many non-transportation uses of oil. The U.S. Energy Information Administration notes that less than half of the petroleum consumed in this country goes for gasoline; about one-third is made into diesel fuel and jet fuel, and approximately one-quarter finds its way into other uses. Some of those other uses are the plastics found in computers and smart phones, the asphalt in roofing shingles, essential lubricants in the operation of many consumer and industrial products, a variety of dyes, and energy for heating homes, generating electricity and powering some manufacturing plants.

"It is puzzling the administration presents the oil tax as part of a transportation plan, given that a significant share of the tax would fall on activities having little to do with transportation," Schuyler said.

The tax would fund 21st Century Clean Transportation Plan, which emphasizes electric cars and charging stations, self-driving cars, public transportation, high-speed rail and grants to local and state governments for smarter, cleaner transportation systems, according to a fact sheet distributed by the administration. Some of the revenue would go to the Highway Trust Fund, which would be replaced with a Transportation Trust Fund.

Approximately 15 percent of the revenues would go to assisting low- income families with high energy costs.

Low-income families would be hardest hit by cost increases resulting from the tax because they spend more of their income on energy. Schuyler calculates that the tax would reduce after-tax incomes for the bottom 20 percent of earners by at least 1.8 percent, by 0.7 percent for the bottom 20 to 40 percent of income earners, and 0.2 percent for the top 20 percent of income earners. Given the economic loss resulting from the tax, Schuyler said income declines could be even sharper — 3 percent for the bottom 20 percent of income earners, 1.5 percent for the 20 to 40 percent, and 0.7 percent for the top 20 percent of income earners.

"This is costly," Schuyler said. "There are many taxes worse than this in terms of economic distortion. But in terms of peoples' priorities, this is not hitting what people want. They want better-maintained roads with greater capacity."

Texas power market is now rapidly growing in renewables

By Jordan Blum
Houston Chronicle

Power companies in Texas and nationwide are ramping up in wind and solar-powered generation, while making progress on new technologies to ward off cyber-attacks that threaten the grid.

Texas is an ideal market for growth and mix of power sources because of its abundance of natural gas, oil, wind and sunshine, said Bill Magness, the president and CEO of the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, which manages about 90 percent of the state's power load.

"It might be really hot, but there's a lot of wind above us and a lot of oil below us," Magness said Thursday at the IHS Energy CERAWeek conference in downtown Houston.

While Texas leads the way in wind production, the state and power sector are rapidly working to advance digital technologies at power plants and substations, he said.

Such software and data analytics improvements are needed to become more predictive about power needs and to keep the grid balanced. New technologies also protect the power plants and substations from cyber and physical attacks.

"We have concerns as everyone else does about cyber security," Magness said. "There's some extremely sophisticated hardware and software."

Power companies and utilities aren't the old and stodgy industries people imagine, said Chris Crane, president and CEO of Chicago-based Exelon Corp., which is building wind farms and gas-fired power plants in Texas.

The new turbines the power plants are adding are digitally sophisticated, Crane said, but more work is still being done to account for cybersecurity concerns. What happens if a major attack succeeds and knocks out a lot of power in a major city, he speculated.

"Think about the civil unrest in Chicago or Baltimore or Philadelphia," Crane said, if power is out for days or weeks. "That kind of dialogue is just starting now."

In Texas' deregulated power and electricity markets, the state is focusing digitally on improving the shopping environment for consumers, including weeding out companies trying to trick and trap people into bad contracts, said Texas Public Utility Commission Chairwoman Donna Nelson.

Some companies are advertising rates of 1.5 cents per kilowatt hour on the state's "Power to Choose" website that are actually much more expensive once customers lock in.

"Those rates are too good to be true," Nelson said. "We opened up a project to look at those rates and go after those bad actors."

The good news, she said, is choice exists and customers can choose electricity plans that are 100 percent wind power or plans that offer free electricity overnight or on weekends.

And Texas now has more wind power than even its leaders ever expected. The state has attracted a lot of foreign investors, including Germany-based E.ON.

Patrick Woodson, the chairman E.ON wind in North America, said people believed years ago that 5,000 megawatts of wind capacity would "crater the grid" in Texas with unreliability issues.

The next wave of Texas growth is much more solar farms being built as their costs come down substantially each year, Woodson said.

EPA's McCarthy: 'The clean energy train has left the station'

By James Osborne
Houston Chronicle

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Gina McCarthy warned the world's energy leaders Wednesday they would need to adapt, shifting away from fossil fuels towards cleaner burning sources like wind and solar power.

"The clean energy train has left the station, folks," McCarthy said at the IHS Energy CERAWeek conference in Houston. "We are really hitting the ground running in 2016. The energy market is shifting and we anticipate taking meaningful climate action."

In December close to 200 countries, including the United States, agreed to begin taking steps to reduce greenhouse gas emissions towards keeping the earth's temperature from rising more than 2 degrees Celsius.

Having already tackled car emissions, the EPA is now moving ahead on cleaning up power plants and the oil and gas industry.

This week the agency released updated data on methane pollution in the United States, showing emissions from oil and gas operations were 27 percent greater than previously estimated.

"We've known for a while there has been a big discrepancy," McCarthy said. "We have been working with the industry to try and get some voluntary efforts. Those efforts have not been as successful as they have with other industries."

The draft methane rule released last summer would require oil and gas drillers to fix leaks in their infrastructure and capture escaping methane during drilling. But it only applies to new wells, and environmentalists are pressuring the agency to expand it to existing wells.

But the EPA faced a blow to its climate initiative earlier this month when the U.S. Supreme Court issued a stay on the Clean Power Plan, blocking the agency from moving ahead until the merits of the plan were ruled on.

McCarthy, while admitting her "head hit the table" when the ruling was released, was emphatic Wednesday the plan would roll out as expected.

"I don't think we're going to lose

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"There have been more attractive opportunities over the past nine months than the nine months prior," he said.

The midstream and upstream portions of the oil-and-gas industry operate on different economies, but a downturn in upstream can affect midstream companies, Lathem said.

"When activity falls off, production volumes may fall off," he said.

Production volumes may affect throughput.

But even with limited drilling activity, production volumes have still grown, he said.

"We had the highest volumes in January that we've had to date," he said.

The company's producing clients have reduced activity significantly, "but individual wells are operating at 50 or 100 percent better than two years ago. This continues to put pressure on midstream companies to stay ahead of demand and make sure to have capacity available."

Lucid already has a sizable footprint in the Midland Basin, and Lucid II is looking at other producing basins, Lathem said. But the company intends to keep its focus on Texas and the Mid-continent. That is where he and the rest of Lucid's management team have experience, he said.

Since it began construction of its system in late 2012, the company has grown its assets to more than 700 miles of pipeline, multiple compressor stations, capacity to process 345 million cubic feet per day of natural gas, nitrogen rejection facilities, condensate stabilization facilities and a crude oil gathering system. It serves more than 30 customers across nine counties.

"When we originally formed Lucid and looked at opportunities, we put our focus on the Cline Shale. It was a new opportunity, a new oil-focused play in the northern part of the Midland Basin. It is very productive but economically challenging in this current environment. We saw the Wolfcamp in the southern portion of the Midland Basin was in our reach and we were able to refocus and rely on our customer relationships in that area," Lathem said.

Lucid began by offering creative contract structures, starting small and developing a relationship with its customers, growing as they grew, Lathem said. He plans to follow a similar path with Lucid II.

"We offer creative solutions and rapid execution plans," he said.

What he sees lacking in this region right now is capital availability. Public companies are constrained in the amount of capital they have to build the infrastructure projects producers need, but a private equity-backed company such as Lucid isn't constrained by the need for unit or stock distributions or rates of return, he said.



MID-WEEK WTI AVERAGE PRICES

Posted	$27.65	**Sunoco***	$28.75
Flint Hills Resources*	$28.75	**Nymex futures**	$31.18*
Phillips 66	$28.77		
Plains*	$28.75	Net price without transportation charge	
Shell Trading	$28.80	**Note:** Posted prices as of Feb. 24	

SPOT NATURAL GAS PRICE PROFILE

Current natural gas prices (price per MMBtu)

	First of the month price	Closing price Feb. 24	Same period one year ago
Nymex future price	$2.189	$1.778	$2.902
Composite Field Prices For Waha Hub	$2.030	$1.660	$3.095
Composite Field Prices For Rocky Mountains	$2.005	$1.623	$3.013
Composite Field Prices For Permian Basin	$2.033	$1.650	$3.068
Composite Field Prices For San Juan Basin	$2.030	$1.655	$3.070
CompositeField Prices For Midcontinent	$2.043	$1.645	$3.033
Composite Field Prices For Gulf Coast	$2.148	$1.753	$3.168

Chesapeake stocks soar after company announces asset sales

By Daniel C. Houston
Associated Press

OKLAHOMA CITY — A Chesapeake Energy financial report detailing plans for aggressive asset sales buoyed the company's stock Wednesday and helped allay bankruptcy fears that have haunted investors for weeks.

Chesapeake stock jumped 50 cents, or 23 percent, to $2.69 Wednesday after the company released its quarterly financial report. Chesapeake, hurt by falling oil prices, reported an annual loss of nearly $14.7 billion, but has cut jobs, trimmed spending and sold assets to save money.

This year, the company said it expects to slash spending on drilling and other projects by 57 percent from the year before. It also expects to sell assets worth between $500 million to $1 billion. On Wednesday, FourPoint Energy said it agreed to buy some of Chesapeake's oil and gas assets in Oklahoma and Texas for $385 million.

"In light of the challenging commodity price environment, our focus for 2016 is to improve our liquidity, further reduce our cost structure and address our near-term debt maturities to strengthen our balance sheet," Chesapeake CEO Doug Lawler said in a statement.

Chesapeake's asset sales leave the company better situated to pay its debts, said Mark Hanson, equity analyst for Morningstar, a Chicago-based investment research firm. In a quarterly conference call Wednesday, Chesapeake also informed investors that the company has sufficient assets to maintain its access to lines of credit, Hanson said.

"I don't think the quarter was nearly as dire as maybe some people thought," Hanson said. "I mean, this is a company that was trading (a few weeks ago) as if it was going into bankruptcy. It's still something of a high-wire act. There's only so low prices can go before this company's in real trouble, but they did get some relief here in terms of the asset sales."

Chesapeake reported a $2.19 billion loss in its fourth quarter and saw significant drops in revenue from what it made during the same quarter last year. But its adjusted earnings and revenue still exceeded Wall Street expectations.

Losses, adjusted for one-time gains and costs, were 16 cents per share, better than some Wall Street forecasts anticipated. An average of forecasts from 10 analysts surveyed by Zacks Investment Research estimated Chesapeake would lose 18 cents per share.

The company posted revenue of $1.27 billion from its oil and natural gas unit, surpassing Wall Street forecasts. Three analysts surveyed by Zacks expected $778 million.

This week's stock gains represent the company's first major positive movement since before Feb. 8, when Chesapeake stock plummeted 50 percent before partially rebounding that afternoon after the company assured investors it was not pursuing bankruptcy. Even after Wednesday's increase, shares are still down about 86 percent in the last year.

Hanson said he believes the current management is taking effective steps to avoid bankruptcy, assuming commodity prices rise eventually.

"It seems like everything they can do, they are doing and doing so aggressively," Hanson said.

Iraq seeks 'complete agreement' on oil freeze

Bloomberg

The success of a proposal for the world's biggest producers to freeze crude output hinges on unified support, Iraq's oil minister said, a day after fellow OPEC member Iran called the plan "ridiculous."

"If some people freeze and others raise, then this is not a good policy," Iraq's Oil Minister Adel Abdul Mahdi said in an interview in Tokyo on Wednesday. "So we have to reach a complete agreement."

The proposal was announced last week as producers seek to boost oil that is trading near $30 and fell to a 12-year low in January amid a global glut. Iran's oil minister said the accord - backed by Saudi Arabia, Russia, Qatar and Venezuela - placed "unrealistic demands" on the Persian Gulf producer, the ministry's news agency Shana reported Tuesday.

Iran is seeking to boost oil output by 1 million barrels a day within a year after sanctions were lifted in January. Saudi Arabia said it won't cut oil production because it doesn't trust other countries to join in, insisting instead that high-cost producers ought to bear the burden of reducing the current surplus.

Crude has lost more than half its value since the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries decided in 2014 not to cut output in an effort to defend market share amid a global oversupply. The surplus is 1.7 million barrels a day, Iran's oil ministry news service Shana reported Wednesday.

Iraq is ready to cooperate on the output freeze, Falah Al-Amri, chairman of Iraq's state Oil Marketing Organization, known as SOMO, said at conference in Abu Dhabi on Wednesday. OPEC members and non-OPEC nations "have to act together" to combat falling prices, he said. Iraq is producing 4.7 million barrels of oil a day, with exports at 4 million barrels a day, he said. That includes the northern Iraq region controlled by the Kurdistan Regional Government.

Oil markets have a "huge oversupply" that will take "months and years" to balance out, Al-Amri said. Industry spending cuts in investment because of low prices will take two or three years to result in falling supply, he said.

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Based on direct ownership, Exxon and Shell are the world's largest oil refiners, followed by China Petroleum & Chemical Corp. and Saudi Arabian Oil Co., according to consultants PetroStrategies Inc. In 2015, earnings from refining and petrochemicals helped major oil companies to offset weaker profits from oil production.

The challenge for both ultramajors is how to continue growing if oil prices remain low. Both companies so far appear prepared to double down on their strategy of being the largest players, ignoring calls from some investors to focus on smaller and faster projects — precisely the area in which independent, medium-sized groups excel. ConocoPhillips, the third-largest U.S. oil company, has told investors it plans to focus this year on projects that come on stream quickly and cheaply.

ConocoPhillips CEO Ryan Lance said Tuesday in Houston that the key for his company was to prioritize lower-cost production and short-cycle projects to weather the downturn.

The ultramajors are betting on getting bigger. Shell made its choice by buying BG. For many in the industry, Exxon's response in the next couple of years could be similar: Acquire a rival, perhaps in the U.S. shale patch where projects are smaller and could be completed more quickly, to grow even more.

For Daniel Yergin, the oil historian and vice chairman of consultants IHS Inc., the expansion of Exxon and Shell probably marks the "next chapter" of the oil industry: "The era after the super majors."

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Instructor: Dr. Jennifer Miskimins
April 13-14, Wed-Thu, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
$695; Out of State, $720

FERC chairman: Energy storage potential 'game changer'

By James Osborne
Houston Chronicle

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Chairman Norman Bay said Thursday the commission staff would likely examine steps to ease the transition for large batteries onto the nation's power grid.

Energy storage has been a hot topic among power analysts of late for its potential to allow wind turbines and solar panels, which only generate electricity in stops and starts, a greater role on the grid.

"Developments in storage have the potential to bring economic and reliability benefits to consumers, perhaps even to be game changers," Bay said at the IHS CERAWeek conference in Houston. "Everybody recognizes costs will decline, but the question is how much and how soon."

Right now costs remain high, limiting roll out of storage to power markets like California's where the price of electricity runs particularly high.

But Bay cited recent analysis stating that energy storage costs should decrease 50 percent over the next five years.

"To the point where in some markets energy storage systems could be cost competitive with conventional (peaking plants)," he said.

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one single ton of greenhouse gas reductions" she said.

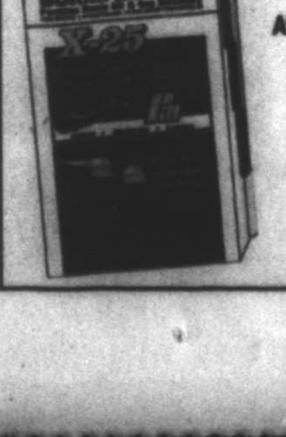
All last week at the CERAWeek conference, leaders from the oil and gas sector have continually questioned the ability of countries to move away from fossil fuels considering their dominant role.

"To say you keep fossil fuels underground, it's about 80 percent of the world's energy supply," OPEC Secretary-General Abdalla El-Badri said Monday. "Do you really think we will find other sources to replace it."

A team of scientists published a paper in the journal Proceedings of the National Academy of Science Monday showing the impact of climate change is more serious than previously understood.

Their research shows oceans are rising a far faster rate than they have in 2,800 years, with water levels forecast to rise up to four feet by 2100 – if accurate that would inundate coastal cities worldwide.

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Putin's oil despair drives lucky few investors toward the exits

By Ksenia Galouchko and Henry Meyer
Bloomberg



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Protesters demonstrate outside the headquarters of Russia's central bank on Feb. 8. Thanks to the plunge in oil prices, one analyst says, "all bets are off" when it comes to investing in Russia.

Dmitri Barinov has been following the volatile economy of his homeland from the safe distance of Union Investment's offices in Frankfurt.

Last year, as other money managers were steering clear of Russia's broken economy, the Moscow-born Barinov pulled off something of a coup: He persuaded his bosses to take the plunge and buy Russian government bonds. It was a narrow bet, but he ended up winning because the central bank-after implementing the biggest interest rate hike since the Russian financial crisis in 1998 to prop up the collapsing ruble-changed course and aggressively backtracked.

In the first 10 months of 2015, ruble-denominated government bonds handed investors such as Barinov a 25 percent return in dollar terms, the biggest gain for local bonds anywhere.

This year not even Barinov can spot an escape from the rubble of an economy mired in its longest recession in two decades. Sanctions imposed by the United States and the European Union to punish President Vladimir Putin for meddling in Ukraine remain a drag on growth. And oil's decline to a 13-year low has been catastrophic for Russia, where almost 50 percent of government revenue comes from crude and natural gas.

"With oil, you rely on a very volatile factor," says Barinov, who oversees about $2.6 billion in assets. So as far as he's concerned, "all bets are off."

A persistent glut in crude supply could push prices to as low as $16 a barrel this year, according to former Russian Finance Minister Alexei Kudrin. Kudrin won plaudits overseas for his stewardship of Russia's finances during Putin's first decade in power. As the current crisis deepened, Bloomberg News reported in December, he was in discussions about a possible return to government. (He declined to comment on that.) A Putin ally, Kudrin remains negative about Russia's prospects. "Over the next year to 18 months," he says, "Russia will suffer major economic difficulties."

Thanks to the plunge in oil prices, says Dmitri Barinov, "all bets are off" when it comes to investing in Russia.

In his early days in office, Putin didn't have to contend with such unpleasantness. The year he came to power-2000-oil traded at an average of $28.44 a barrel. For eight years, he benefited from rising oil revenue and gross domestic product growth averaging 7 percent.

Putin usually revels in his annual year-end press conference, fielding mostly harmless questions for hours on end. At the one on Dec. 17, however, even reporters from state-controlled media grilled him on the economy. Tamara Shornikova, a journalist from a state TV channel, asked the 63-year-old Putin how pensioners and others can get by when "bills keep growing."

The president, his mood clearly darkening, noted disparagingly that the channel's "audience is not very large, probably, but I sometimes watch your programs." He said the government was trying to index pension increases to inflation (12.9 percent last year). "We will see how the situation in the Russian economy plays out," he said. "I would really like 2016 indexation to be at least on par with the annual rate of inflation. I cannot say whether we will be able to do it or not."

With the 2015 budget based on $50 a barrel, says former Deputy Economy Minister Mikhail Dmitriev, "even $40 a barrel is a dangerous scenario for Russia."

The country holds parliamentary polls in September and a presidential election in 2018, when Putin is expected to run again. The election cycle puts pressure on the government to spend beyond its means, says Dmitriev, who five years ago accurately foresaw the street demonstrations over allegations of vote rigging in legislative elections that turned into the biggest protests of Putin's rule. "If social dissatisfaction boils over," he says, "Russia will adopt a populist economic policy for an extended time."

That kind of spending could exhaust Russia's National Wellbeing and Reserve funds-currently totaling about $120 billion-within a year or two, says former Russian government adviser Sergei Guriev, who takes over as chief economist of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development in mid-2016. "After that," he says, "they will have to increase taxes on businesses, which will undermine incentives to invest, resulting in continuing capital outflow and a further decline in GDP."

In mid-January, as snow blanketed Moscow, the mood was grim at the Gaidar Forum, a kind of Russia-focused mini-Davos. The yearly economic conference is named after the free-market Russian economist Yegor Gaidar, who pioneered the shock therapy that introduced capitalism to Russia in the early 1990s. Finance Minister Anton Siluanov set the tone for the event, warning that without deep budget cuts to keep the deficit at 3 percent, the country risks a financial crash like that of the late '90s, when Russia defaulted on its debts, the ruble crashed, and inflation spun out of control.

Siluanov's assessment surprised no one. Russian GDP contracted 3.7 percent last year and could fall as much as 3 percent in 2016 if oil prices average $35, according to the central bank. In January, the ruble sank to new depths-60 percent below its value against the dollar in mid-2014.

On a weekday evening in January at Moscow Domodedovo Airport, a trickle of passengers flowed through passport control, with half the booths closed. Several carriers, including Delta Air Lines, Air Berlin, and Cathay Pacific Airways, have stopped flying to Russia because of low passenger traffic and the ruble's devaluation.

Last December, in the runup to New Year's Eve and Orthodox Christmas festivities, retail sales-which fueled profits for the German cash-and-carry chain Metro, Sweden's Ikea, and others during the boom years-had their biggest contraction since 1999. Not long ago, the Russian car market was set to overtake Germany's, the largest in Europe. Yet in 2016, auto sales are expected to fall for a fourth consecutive year.

Putin has said Ukraine-related sanctions have helped devastate the Russian economy. He sees them as a conspiracy against Russian resurgence on the world scene. But the impact of sanctions pales in comparison with that of oil. In a recent report, Citigroup said sanctions are responsible for just one-tenth of Russia's economic contraction, with plunging crude prices responsible for the rest.

Union Investment's Barinov is hardly alone in scaling back investment in Russia. After also reaping profits from bond gains last year, Ogeday Topcular, managing partner at Ram Capital in Geneva, who helps oversee $300 million in fixed-income assets, sold all of his Russian local debt holdings in mid-2015 because of concern about the ruble's dependence on oil.

Mark Mobius, chairman of the emerging-markets group at Franklin Templeton Investments, which last year shut its underperforming 20-year-old Russia fund, says the oil curse is weighing heavily on the economy. "In view of the fact that the Russian government budget has been so reliant on oil prices, it is clear that the prospects for the economy and the market aren't good," he says.

Russia may exhaust its $120 billion in rainy-day funds within a year or two, says one former government adviser

Last fall, a glimmer of hope pierced the gloom. Russian assets rallied following the start of Putin's air war in support of Syria's President Bashar Assad in September. It was a clever-looking ploy by Putin, who has a knack for outflanking Western leaders. The idea was that Russian intervention would give Moscow a role in high-level diplomatic efforts to find a resolution to the Syrian civil war-and a seat at the top table of world powers once again.

If only temporarily, the gambit worked. Putin's intervention forced U.S. and European leaders to engage in a conversation with Russia, fueling speculation that Ukraine-related sanctions might be eased. "Of course Putin wants to get out of isolation," says Gleb Pavlovsky, a political analyst who advised the Kremlin during Putin's first two terms. "The Syrian campaign was dreamed up precisely as a way to get out of isolation."

At the end of last year, the United States, Russia, and other big players agreed to push for a power-sharing government in Damascus by the middle of this year and elections a year later. In February they came up with a cease-fire plan. But the outcome of the peace process was in doubt as a Kremlin-backed military offensive not only shored up the Assad regime but also dangerously poisoned relations with Turkey, a NATO member and one of Russia's biggest trading partners, which threatened to send troops to Syria.

Putin's failure to diversify the economy away from its heavy dependence on oil remains the country's fatal flaw. "The Russian government missed opportunities to implement serious reforms in the economy and diversify the budget revenues," says Marco Ruijer, who oversees about $7 billion of debt as a money manager at NN Investment Partners in The Hague. While some Russian sovereign and corporate bonds are "attractive," he says, "many investors are now selling everything that's oil-related, and Russia is part of that, of course."

Cayman Islands-based Prosperity Capital Management, which has $2 billion invested in the country, is a rare bull among bears. It's counting on a rebound in oil prices and an improvement in the geopolitical climate. "The issue of sanctions has been pushed aside," Prosperity director Ivan Mazalov says. "Investors are used to working with Russian assets in the new reality."

In this new reality, if there's any ray of hope, it's that the markets have already discounted Russia's myriad problems, says John Manley, who helps oversee about $233 billion as chief equity strategist for Wells Fargo Funds Management in New York.

Putin could reassure investors by moving ahead with long-stalled privatization plans as well as improving the rule of law to ease pressure on businesses, says Ivan Tchakarov, chief economist in Russia for Citigroup. Russia ranked 119th on Berlin-based Transparency International's corruption perception index, released in January, behind Pakistan and Tanzania.

Fundamentally, Russia is a "commodity play," says Gary Greenberg, who helps oversee about $1.8 billion as head of emerging-markets equities at London-based fund manager Hermes Investment Management. Since Russia's main exports-raw materials-are dependent directly and indirectly on China's lackluster growth, the outlook for Russia "is moderate at best," he says.

"In terms of emerging markets, it feels a lot like 1997," says John-Paul Smith, the former Deutsche Bank strategist who predicted Russia's 1998 market crash and went on to found Ecstrat, a London-based research firm. "The Chinese have been doing everything to get their economy going again, and they simply can't do it."

Then there's the bleak view of Bill Browder, an American investor who became one of Putin's most nettlesome bêtes noires and paid a price for it. Browder, a grandson of a U.S. Communist Party leader, ventured into Russia in the 1990s. He made a fortune specializing in undervalued Russian blue-chip stocks such as state-run Gazprom, the largest gas producer in the world, which saw the value of its stock soar 750 percent from 1999 to 2005. Browder's Hermitage Capital Management started with $25 million in 1996 and at its 2005 peak had $4.5 billion under management, making it the biggest investment fund in Russia.

The London-based Browder was barred from Russia in 2005 after pushing aggressively for the rights of minority shareholders. He became a vocal critic of Putin after his accountant, Sergei Magnitsky, uncovered the theft of $230 million from the Russian treasury and later died under suspicious circumstances in a Moscow prison in 2009.

For Browder, like many investors with long experience in Russia, it all comes down to Putin, who's expected to win reelection to another six-year term in 2018, despite Russia's economic travails. "No matter how cheap anything might seem," Browder says, "it doesn't matter if you're on a negative trajectory." He says the economy still has depths to plumb. "It hasn't hit bottom, because Putin is still in power."

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Style 907 Stands tall in the toughest of environments

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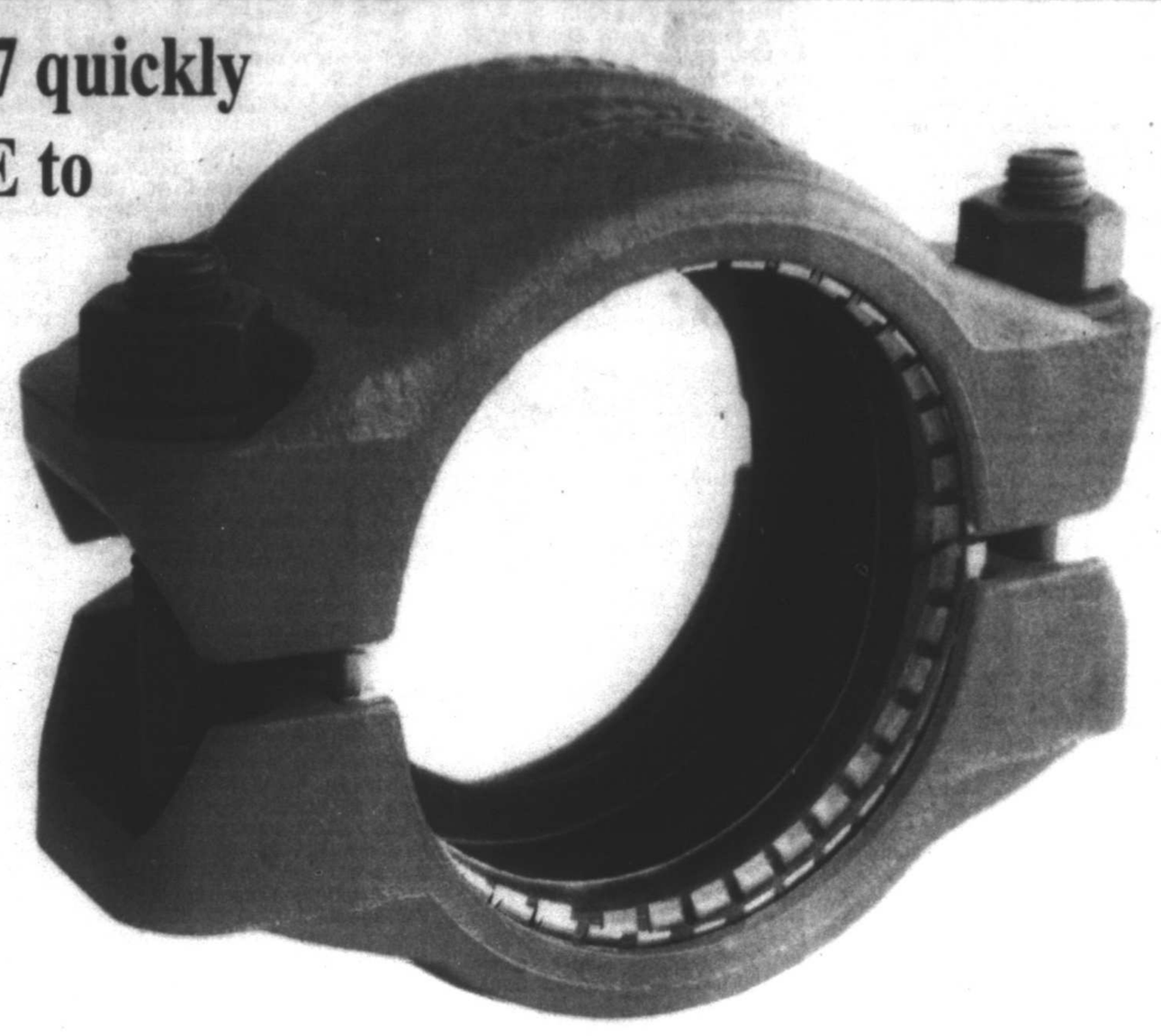
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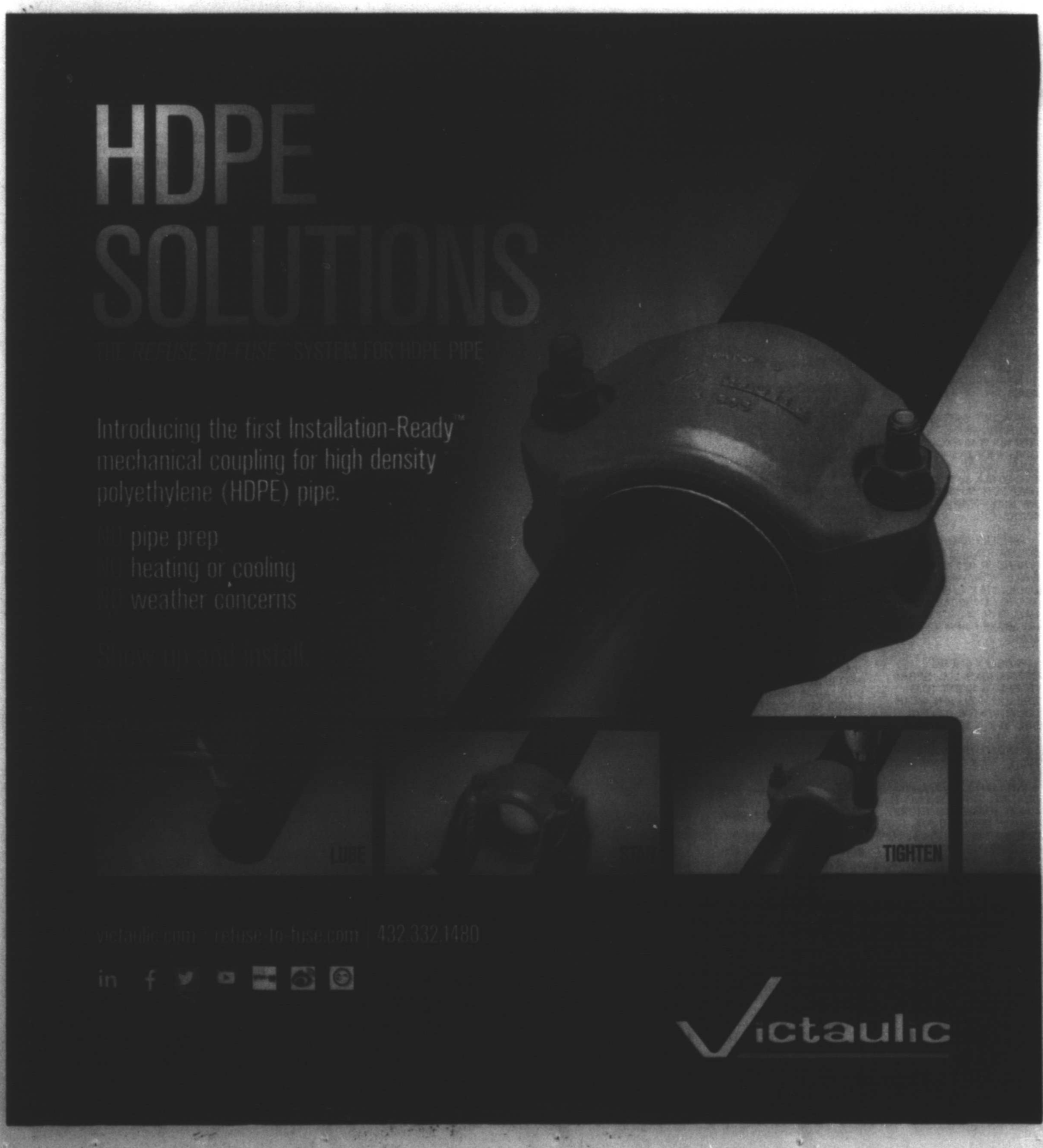


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Texas RRCD 7C

Irion County

Apache Corporation
Scott Sugg "SE" Unit #H41U
Lin (Wolfcamp)-Horizontal; 315 fsl, 4599 fwl, Sec 30, Blk 14, Abst. 1035, H&TC RR, 8.6 ne Barnhart; TD 6366 TVD, 13775 MD; Comp 1/24/2016; producing from 6693 -13699, treated with acid and fracture stimulated; gas lift 376 BO, 505 MCF, 1535 BW, 42 Oil Gravity; API #42-235-35623

New Mexico

Eddy County

Apache Corp.
NFE Federal #28
Cedar Lake; Sec 6 T17S R31E; 920/S & 155/E. BHL: 915/S & 335/W; EL 3752 GL, TD 9200 MD, 4358 TVD, PBTD 9200; Spud 1-30-15, Comp 11-9-15; production is through treated perfs: 5261-9161. Treat: 2486 bbls total acid, 2,845,040# total sd. IP: 11-17-15 Pump 24 hrs 504 BO, 2992 BW, 175 MCF, GOR 349, Gty 37. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 406 w/470 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3383 w/1190 sx, 7 @ 4358 w/725 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4601; API #30-015-42653

COG Operating LLC
Bradley 8 Fee #8
Wildcat; Sec 8 T19S R26E; 190/S & 340/E. BHL: 380/N & 354/E; EL 3364 GL, TD 7750 MD, 3059 TVD, PBTD 7746; Spud 8-134-15, Comp 10-13-15; production is through treated perfs: 3319-7706. Treat: Acdz 14 stages w/57,272 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/1,912,924 gals gel, 101,304 gals waterfrac R9, 49,021 gals waterfrac R3, 202,776 gals trt wtr, 4,831,653# 20/40 white sd. IP: 10-28-15 Pump 24 hrs 295 BO, 1395 BW, 88 MCF, GOR 298, Gty 39.7. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1200 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7584 w/1100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 2817; API #30-015-42978

COG Operating LLC
Stonewall 9 Fee #7
Atoka; Sec 9 T19S R26E; 150/S & 1650/E. BHL: 381/N & 1809/E; EL 3346 GL, TD 7777, PBTD 7777; Spud 7-28-15, Comp 10-5-15; production is through treated perfs: 3346-7733. Treat: Acdz 14 stages w/55,432 gals 15% HCL, Frac w/1,862,192 gals gel, 90,314 gals waterfrac R9, 48,352 gals waterfrac R3, 22,595 gals trt wtr, 4,800,775# 20/40 white sd. IP: 10-28-15 Pump 24 hrs 125 BO, 1572 BW, 59 MCF, GOR 472, Gty 37. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1208 w/1100 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7777 w/1100 sx, 2 7/8 @ 2915; API #30-015-43006

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Betelgeuse 19 Federal #7
NW Hackberry; Sec 20 T19S R31E; 2350/S & 265/W. BHL: 1757/S & 280/W; EL 3441.2 GL, TD 12761 MD, 7917.82, PBTD 12714.3; production is through treated perfs: Spud 1-11-15, Comp 7-19-15, , Top Pay (Bone Spring) 8130. Perfs; 8130-12691. Treat: 21,452 gals 15% HCL acid, 6,688,000# 20/40 Ottawa sd. IP: 8-14-15 Pump 24 hrs 512 BO, 1903 BW, 1689 MCF, GOR 3298.8. Csg: 20 @ 489 w/1050 sx, 13 3/8 @ 2401 w/2320 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4080 w/2480 sx, 7 & 5 1/2 @ 12761 w/2088 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7376; API #30-015-42032

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Betelgeuse 19 Federal #8
NW Hackberry; Sec 20 T19S R31E; 2300/S & 265/W. BHL: 585/S & 280/W; EL 3409 GL, TD 13378 MD, 7934.39, PBTD 13333.6; Spud 2-154-15, Comp 7-22-15; production is through treated perfs: 9040-13300. Treat: 20,349 gals 15% HCL acid, 8,522,000# 20/40 Ottawa sd. IP: 8-17-15 Pump 24 hrs 920 BO, 1739 BW, 2455 MCF, GOR 2668.5. Csg: 20 @ 468 w/960 sx, 13 3/8 @ 2417 w/537 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4071 w/1650 sx, 7 & 5 1/2 @ 13378 w/1933 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7477.5; API #30-015-41900

Cimarex Energy Co.
Marquardt 1 Federal #15
Cotton Draw; Sec 1 T25S R26E; 200/S & 1650/W. BHL: 200/S & 1878/W; EL 3286 GL, TD 11788 MD, 7165 TVD, PBTD 11785; Spud 8-19-15, Comp 10-19-15; production is through treated perfs: 7130-11760. Treat: 98370 bbls total fluid, 6479054# sd. IP: 11-2-15 Flow 24 hrs 778 BO, 1117 BW, 1172 MCF, 29 Ch, TP 750, CP 160, GOR 1506, Gty 44.7. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 408 w/517 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1925 w/756 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11488 w/2032 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6608; API #30-015-42471

Cimarex Energy Co.
Federal 13 Com #10
Cotton Draw; Sec 13 T25S R26E; 108/N & 660/W. BHL: 330/S & 667/W; EL 3278 GL, TD 11814 MD, 7272 TVD, PBTD 11811; Spud 7-31-15, Comp 10-24-15; production is through treated perfs: 7430-116786. Treat: 79372 bbls total fluid, 5016237# sd. IP: 11-10-15 Flow 24 hrs 571 BO 1407 BW, 1502 MCF, 24 Ch, TP 510, CP 525, GOR 2630, Gty 44.9. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 412 w/518 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1885 w/740 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11814 w/2020 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6724; API #30-015-42665

Cimarex Energy Co.
Scoter 6 Federal #5
Cotton Draw; Sec 6 T25S R27E; 330/S & 660/W. BHL: 330/N & 641/W; EL 3271 GL, TD 11832 MD, 7194 TVD, PBTD 11829; Spud 7-13-15, Comp 10-26-15; production is through treated perfs: 7060-11804. Treat: 106188 bbls total fluid, 6783436# sd. IP: 11-3-15 Flow 24 hrs 940 BO, 1409 BW, 1473 MCF, 36 Ch, TP 575, CP 180, GOR 1567, Gty 58.9. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 415 w/517 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2009 w/871 sx, 5 1/2 @ 11832 w/2046 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6608; API #30-015-42273

Cimarex Energy Co.
WHITE City 8 Federal #4
Cotton Draw; Sec 8 T25S R27E; 330/S & 2030/E. BHL: 330/S & 1970/E; EL 3235 GL, TD 12013 MD, 7490 TVD, PBTD 7440; Spud 9-23-15. Comp 11-1-15; production is through treated perfs: 7440-11985. Treat: 100417 bbls total fluid, 6448951# sd. IP: 11-12-15 Flow 24 hrs 609 BO, 951 BW, 1442 MCF, 24 Ch, TP 940, GOR 2368, Gty 45. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 450 w/570 sx, 9 5/8 @ 2048 w/735 sx, 5 1/2 @ 12013 w/2120 sx, 2 7/8 @ 7027; API #30-015-42161

Cimarex Energy Co.
Medwick 32 Federal Com #12
Wildcat; Sec 32 T26S R27E; 210/S & 710/E. BHL: 333/N & 710/E; EL 3183 GL, TD 16360 MD, 9865 TVD, PBTD 16259; Spud 9-14-14, Comp 1-23-15; production is through treated perfs: 9639-16232. Treat: Frac w/8892207 total fluid & 8275913# sd. IP: 2-1-15 Flow 24 hrs 343 BO, 4088 BW, 563 MCF, 14 Ch, CP 2200, GOR 1641, Gty 49.2. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 390 w/452 sx, 9 5/8 @ 1910 w/950 sx, 7 @ 9830 w/1275 sx, 4 1/2 @ 8867-16360 w/600 sx; API #30-015-42150

RKI Exploration & Production LLC
RDX Federal 28 #24
West Ross Draw; Sec 28 T26S R30E; 1650/N & 990/E; EL 2997 GL, TD 7488, PBTD 7387; Spud 8-27-15, Comp 10-17-15; production is through treated perfs: 5544-7190. Treat: 15% HCL, linear gel, cross link, 16/30 white, 16/30 SLC/total sd = 407,260 lbs/ltr=9,375 bbls. IP: 11-2-15 Pump 24 hrs 184 BO, 799 BW, 160 MCF, GOR 869, Gty 42.4. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 692 w/625 sx, 9 5/8 @ 3399 w/1300 sx, 5 1/2 @ 7476 w/1025 sx, 2 7/8 @ 5526; API #30-015-43038

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Snapping 2 State #14
Ross Ranch; Sec 2 T26S R31E; 250/S & 330/E. BHL: 325/N & 670/E; EL 3282 GL, TD 16548 MD, 12022.9 TVD, PBTD 16512; Spud 2-14-15, Comp 9-18-15; production is through treated perfs: 12448-16480. Treat: Frac w/28,035 gals 7.5% HCL acid, 3,613,000# 40/70 Ottawa sd, 2,170,000# 30/50 Ottawa sd, 269,000# 100 mesh. IP: 10-16-15 Flow 24 hrs 814 BO, 1297 BW, 3876 MCF, TP 675, CP 100, GOR 4761.6. Csg: 20 @ 1027 w/1130 sx, 13 3/8 @ 4106 w/2830 sx, 9 5/8 @ 10603 w/1625 sx, 7 5/8 @ 12383 w/245 sx, 2 7/8 @ 10846; API #30-015-42688

Lea County

Occidental Permian Ltd.
North Hobbs G/SA Unit #956
Hobbs; Sec 18 T18S R38E; 839/S & 885/E. BHL: 2546/S & 885/E; EL 3556 GL, TD 5050, PBTD 4989; Spud 7-19-15, Comp 8-14-15; production is through treated perfs: 4552-4876. Treat: Acdz w/4600 gals 15% NEFE. IP: 8-18-15 Pump 24 hrs 209 BO, 2992 BW, 25 MCF, Gty 32.4. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 1669 w/650 sx, 7 @ 5029 w/240 sx, & 7 @ 4184 w/620 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4376; API #30-025-42470

Occidental Permian Ltd.
North Hobbs G/SA Unit #957
Hobbs; Sec 18 T18S R38E; 840/S & 463/E. BHL: 1070/S & 457/E; EL 3649 GL, TD 4656, PBTD 4596; Spud 7-26-15, Comp 8-14-15; production is through treated perfs: 4228-4532. Treat: Acdz w/5000 gals 15% NEFE. IP: 8-8-15 Pump 24 hrs 226 BO, 3557 BW, 25 MCF, Gty 32.4. Csg: 9 5/8 @ 1628 w/620 sx, 7 @ 4637 w/210 sx, 7 @ 3882 w/560 sx, 2 7/8 @ 4084; API #30-025-42471

Apache Corp.
West Blinebry Drinkard Unit #214
North Eunice; Sec 4 T21S R37E; 100/S & 2040/E; EL 3467 GL, TD 6945, PBTD 6900; Spud 9-24-14, Comp 11-26-14; production is through treated perfs: 5634-5856, 6130-6357, 6484-6691. Treat: 7696 gals acid, 250,866 gals pad, 433,790# sd, 15724 gals gel. IP: 12-6-14 Pump 24 hrs 58 BO, 134 BW, 221 MCF, GOR 3810, Gty 37. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1340 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6945 w/1300 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6818; API #30-025-41876

Apache Corp.
West Blinebry Drinkard Unit #201
North Eunice; Sec 9 T21S R37E; 2380/N & 2540/E; EL 3481 GL, TD 6957, PBTD 6912; Spud 8-14-14, Comp 11-1-14; production is through treated perfs: 5669-5912, 6177-6386, 6528-6709. Treat: 15306 gals acid, 236,670 gals 30#, 470,386# sd, 15,850 gals gel. IP: 11-10-14 Pump 24 hrs 81 BO, 240 BW, 380 MCF, GOR 4691, Gty 37. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1337 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6957 w/1330 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6818; API #30-025-41871

Apache Corp.
West Blinebry Drinkard Unit #202
North Eunice; Sec 9 T21S R37E; 2040/N & 1410/E. BHL: 1948/N & 1308/E; EL 3467 GL, TD 6939, PBTD 6898; Spud 8-25-14, Comp 11-7-14; production is through treated perfs: 5612-6005, 6089-6322, 6468-6647. Treat: 14,476 gals acid, 256,831 gals pad, 414,276# sd, 20,394 gals gel. IP: 11-17-14 Pump 24 hrs 26 BO, 133 BW, 197 MCF, GOR 7577, Gty 37. Csg: 8 5/8 @ 1331 w/450 sx, 5 1/2 @ 6939 w/1300 sx, 2 7/8 @ 6818; API #30-025-41872

Devon Energy Production Co. LP
Gaucho Unit #16
Wildcat; Sec 19 T22S R34E; 200/S & 670/E. BHL: 420/N & 1000/E; EL 3444.1 GL, TD 14632 MD, 10393 TVD, PBTD 14609; Spud 7-7-15, Comp 10-18-15; production is through treated perfs: 10655-14565. Treat: 18,680 gals 15% HCL acid, 846,000# Ottawa sd 40/70, 2,443,000# Ottawa sd 30/50, 2,579,000# Terra Prop 30/50. IP: 11-7-15 Flow 24 hrs 633 BO, 572 BW, 901 MCF, TP 300, CP 750, GOR 1423.38. Csg" 13 3/8 @ 1850 w1730 sx, 9 5/8 @ 5035 w/2495 sx, 5 1/2 @ 14622 w/2275 sx, 2 7/8 @ 9764; API #30-025-41853

ConocoPhillips Co.
Red Hills West 16 State W3 #9
Wildcat; Sec 16 T26S R32E; 250/N & 330/E. BHL: 1739/S & 332/E; EL 3226 GL, TD 16,335, PBTD 16,333; Spud 7-24-15, Comp 9-4-15; production is through perfs: 13242-16178. IP: 9-04-15 Pump 24 hrs 149 BO, 4535 BW, 4500 MCF. Csg: 13 3/8 @ 949 w/860 sx, 9 5/8 @ 4664 w/1282 sx, 7 5/8 @ 12036 w/524 sx, 5 1/2 @ 16,619 w/718 sx; API #30-025-41709

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Reagan County

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ)Well# 4413H BRYNLEE 9-8, 175 FNL 1305 FEL, SEC 9 BLK D, L&SV SUR., A-330 8900', 23 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39479

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4214H RINGO 10-7, 185 FNL 260 FEL, SEC 10 BLK D, L&SV/RE RINGO SUR., A-788 8500', 23 NW BIG LAKE API# 42-383-39487

Schleicher County

VISTA EXPLORATION, LLC, CAMAR (PALO PINTO) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 POWELL, 825 FSL 1784 FWL, SEC 25 BLK 8, TWNG SUR., A-651 5000', 25 NE ELDORADO API# 42-413-32973

Upton County

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4401H ATKINS 14 AND 11, 375 FNL 630 FWL, SEC 23 BLK 39 T5S, T&P SUR., A-434 9800', 26 NE RANKIN API# 42-461-40197

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4403H LOUIS, 375 FSL 690 FWL, SEC 30 BLK 39 T5S, T&P/JG HALL SUR., A-1407 9900', 11 SW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40216

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4202H LOUIS, 375 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 30 BLK 39 T5S, T&P/JG HALL SUR., A-1407 9900', 11 SW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40215

PARSLEY ENERGY OPERATIONS, LLC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4401H LOUIS, 375 FNL 630 FWL, SEC 30 BLK 39 T5S, T&P/JG HALL SUR., A-1407 9900', 11 SW MIDKIFF API# 42-461-40217

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRA (TREND) R 40 EXC (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H BROOK B-13A, 1605 FWL 132 FSL, SEC 14 BLK B, CCSD&RGNG/ JW THORNTON SUR., A-607 10280', 13 NE RANKIN API# 42-461-40194

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Culberson County

COG OPERATING, LLC, SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2501H DR STATE CENTRAL UNIT, 10 FNL 467 FEL, SEC 25 BLK 61 T1S, T&P SUR., A-2926 10000', 60 NW PECOS API# 42-109-32893

Ector County

APACHE CORPORATION, TXL (DEVONIAN) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 3 TXL D, 665 FNL 2005 FEL, SEC 17 BLK 45 T1S, T&P SUR., A-365 9800', 3/4 E NOTREES API# 42-135-05967

SUNDOWN ENERGY LP, GOLDSMITH (O) DRILL Well# 4 TXL M, 1982 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 5 BLK 44 T2S, T&P SUR., A-296 5310', 14 W ODESSA API# 42-135-43392

Glasscock County

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 104H ANGELINA SN 33-28 04, 1990 FEL 2339 FSL, SEC 33 BLK 33 T5S, T&P SUR., A-185 9500', 9 SE GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-37255

JM COX RES., LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 4 BIGBY, 1950 FSL 1918 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 36 T4S, T&P SUR., A-422 12000', 14 SW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-37269

JM COX RES., LP, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O) DRILL Well# 3 BIGBY B, 2161 FNL 467 FWL, SEC 15 BLK 36 T4S, T&P SUR., A-422 12000', 14 SW GARDEN CITY API# 42-173-37270

Howard County

CROWNQUEST OPERATING, LLC, CEDAR FLATS (MISS) (O) DRILL Well# 99 LINDSAY LA, 475 FNL 2050 FWL, SEC 9 BLK 34 T1N, T&P SUR., A-526 12000', 12 NW BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38626

ELEMENT PETRO. OPER. II, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5AH ELROD-ANTELL UNIT B 11-02, 450 FSL 2150 FEL, SEC 11 BLK 33 T2N, T&P SUR., A-323 10000', 5 NE KNOTT API# 42-227-38641

ELEMENT PETRO. OPER. II, LLC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5SH GARDNER UNIT 1510, 2348 FSL 2066 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 33 T2N, T&P SUR., A-325 10000', 4 NE KNOTT API#42-227-38649

OXY USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1WA GREEN MCNEAL 0408, 2590 FNL 1328 FEL, SEC 4 BLK 33 T1S, T&P/ SW MOORE SUR., A-1069 12500', 4 SW BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38647

OXY USA, INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1WA GREEN MCNEAL 0406, 2590 FNL 1368 FEL, SEC 4 BLK 33 T1S, T&P/ SW MOORE SUR., A-1069 12500', 4 SW BIG SPRING API# 42-227-38648

Loving County

ANADARKO E&P ONSHORE LLC, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SMOKIN JOE 26-41 UNIT A, 330 FWL 2415 FNL, SEC 41 BLK 26, PSL/JA HALEY SUR., A-1055 13000', 14 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32745

DEVON ENERGY PROD. CO., LP, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 85H BRUNSON TRUST 9, 660 FNL 1320 FEL, SEC 9 BLK C26, PSL/GS BRUNSON SUR., A-1011 13000', 20 NE MENTONE API# 42-301-32743

MATADOR PROD. CO., SANDBAR (BONE SPRNG) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 101H NORTON SCHAUB 84-TTT-B33 WF, 567 FNWL 4900 FNEL, SEC 84 BLK 33, H&TC/ O BROWN SUR., A-270 11000', 2 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32741

MATADOR PROD. CO., TWO GEORGES (B.S.) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 121H NORTON SCHAUB 84-TTT-B33 WF, 537 FNWL 4900 FNEL, SEC 84 BLK 33, H&TC/ O BROWN SUR., A-270 12000', 2 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32742

SHELL WESTERN E&P, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H LINDLEY 54-2-16 LOV, 200 FSL 1485 FWL, SEC 16 BLK 54 T2, T&P/Y BELL SUR., A-966 12000', 10 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32746

SHELL WESTERN E&P, PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 2H ROSS 55-2-46, 275 FNL 1413 FEL, SEC 46 BLK 55 T2, T&P/ MRS WR TIMMINS SUR., A-1355 11500', 10 NW MENTONE API# 42-301-32744

Martin County

ELEMENT PETRO. OPER. II, LLC, HILL RANCH (MISS) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2 HOLLOWAY 15, 660 FSL 1980 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 37 T2N, T&P SUR., A-243 12000', 1 NE TARZAN API# 42-317-40299

ELEMENT PETRO. OPER. II, LLC, STA (ATOKA) (O) DRILL Well# 1 HOLLOWAY 15, 660 FSL 660 FEL, SEC 15 BLK 37 T2N, T&P SUR., A-243 12000', 2 NE TARZAN API# 42-317-40212

ENCANA O&G (USA) INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL Well# 2202C HOLT RANCH, 1060 FSL 1080 FWL, SEC 320, GARZA CSL SUR., A-999 12160', 7 W TARZAN API# 42-317-40294

ENCANA O&G (USA) INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 701B MABEE 318 H0701, 305 FNL 660 FWL, SEC 318, PARMER CSL SUR., A-1006 11671', 11 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-40296

ENCANA O&G (USA) INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 702B MABEE 318 H0702, 340 FNL 624 FWL, SEC 318, PARMER CSL SUR., A-1006 11673', 11 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-40300

ENCANA O&G (USA) INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 703B MABEE 318 H0703, 375 FNL 589 FWL, SEC 318, PARMER CSL SUR., A-1006 11671', 11 NW TARZAN API# 42-317-40297

ENERGEN RESOURCES CORP, RK (DEVONIAN) (O) DRILL Well# 1D WIGGINS 30, 116 FNL 831 FEL, SEC 30 BLK 34 T3N, T&P/J COKER SUR., A-702 14500', 4 SW ACKERLY API# 42-317-40295

Midland County

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 5H MCCLINTIC E, 291 FSL 1267 FWL, SEC 10, J LACY SUR., A-1085 9500', 15 E MIDLAND API# 42-329-40550

PIONEER NATURAL RES. USA, INC, SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 6H MCCLINTIC E, 290 FSL 1312 FWL, SEC 10, J LACY SUR., A-1055 9500', 15 E MIDLAND API# 42-329-40551

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XTO ENERGY INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 14 MARALO 41, 1787 FSL 1127 FEL, SEC 41 BLK 38 T4S, T&P SUR., A-118 11950', 6 NW MIDLAND API# 42-329-39235

XTO ENERGY INC., SPRABERRY (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 4107BH LILLIE MIDKIFF 41-44 ALLOC 4107, 241 FEL 527 FNL, SEC 5 BLK 38 T5S, T&P SUR., A-179 10000', 25 SE MIDLAND API# 42-329-40485

Reeves County

BHP BILLITON PET (TXLA OP) CO., PHANTOM (WOLFCAMP) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H STATE AL OLSEN 57-T1-43X6 SA, 2474 FNL 593 FEL, SEC 43 BLK 57 T1S, T&P SUR., A-616 12500', 7 NW ORLA API# 42-389-35050

COG OPERATING, LLC, WOLFBONE (TREND) (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 802H HASTA LA VISTA UNIT, 55 FSL 1254 FEL, SEC 8 BLK 51 T7S, T&P/AH GRIFFIN SUR., A-5873 10650', 9 SE LINDSAY API# 42-389-35045

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Crosby County

SURGE OPER., LLC, FORBES (GLORIETA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# F571 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 230 FSL 900 FWL, SEC 1035, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-323 4330', 9 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31921

SURGE OPER., LLC, FORBES (GLORIETA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# F546 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 2300 FSL 1015 FEL, SEC 1035, CCSD&RGNG SUR., A-323 4261', 10 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31939

SURGE OPER., LLC, FORBES (GLORIETA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 1224 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 1024 FNL 2514 FEL, SEC 12 BLK B9, EL&RR/CRILLE & MOORE SUR., A-480 4273', 9 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31716

SURGE OPER., LLC, FORBES (GLORIETA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# M145 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 1103 FNL 1797 FEL, SEC 11 BLK D19, D&SE SUR., A-379 4269', 9 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31951

SURGE OPER., LLC, FORBES (GLORIETA) (O) (RECOMP) Well# K163 CLARK WOOD RANCH, 949 FSL 2025 FWL, SEC 10 BLK D19, D&SE/ JJ SPIKES SUR., A-1049 4380', 8 NE SLATON API# 42-107-31945

Dawson County

F.H. WALSH JR. OPER. CO., INC, FELKEN (SD) (O) DRILL Well# 1 WRIGHT RANCH 21, 1574 FWL 2529 FSL, SEC 21 BLK 1, J POITEVENT SUR., A-2 10000', 15 NE LAMESA API# 42-115-33720

Yoakum County

OCCIDENTAL PERMIAN LTD., WASSON (O/G) DRILL (DIREC) Well# 812 WASSON ODC UNIT, 882 FNL 166 FWL, SEC 803 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-17 5800', 4 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-36623

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OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 70C WILLARD UNIT, 1314 FSL 1856 FEL, SEC 763 BLK D, JH GIBSON SUR., A-100 5800', 4 N DENVER CITY API# 42-501-32839

OXY USA WTP LP, WASSON (O/G) (RECOMP) Well# 37 WILLARD UNIT, 2187 FNL 450 FWL, SEC 802 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ M ROBERTS SUR., A-1702 5800', 4 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-00378

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Dr. Tumusiime is a painter, feminist, scholar and educator at the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill. She is a senior lecturer in the College of Engineering Design Art & Technology. Originating from Makerere University in Kampala, Uganda, she holds a PhD from the University of South Africa in Pretoria, where she graduated with a thesis on Art and Gender: Imagining The New Woman in Contemporary Ugandan Art in 2012.

Her paper analysis gender representations in Ugandan art and visual culture which inspires her own artistic practice today. Her study proposes that patriarchal perceptions continue to influence imagery through which African women in general and Ugandan women in particular are 'othered' in cultural discourse authored by men and expressed through the medium of art. Such images of women in Ugandan art serve a political purpose - to silence the voices of women.

On Tuesday, March 1, 2016 at 7:00 pm there will be a Community Presentation at the CEED/ UTPB. The topic will be cover Engineering, Design, Art & Technology.

On Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 6:30 PM there will be a Presentation at JBS Leadership Institute at 4919 E. University Blvd., Odessa. The topic will cover Art Practice & Art History.

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RILEY EXPL. OPG CO, LLC, PLATANG (SAN ANDRES) (O) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 3H RUSTY CRANE 604, 165 FSL 2000 FWL, SEC 604 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ WJ DUNCAN SUR., A-521 5310', 11 SW PLAINS API# 42-501-36627

TEXLAND PETROLEUM, LP, NE WASSON (CLR FRK) (O) (RECOMP) Well# 3 RUTH BENNETT A/C 3-A, 1980 FSL 780 FWL, SEC 630 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ PH MASON SUR., A-550 8790', 10 NE DENVER CITY API# 42-501-35296

WISHBONE TX OPER. CO. LLC, CLAIRE-ALAFAIR (DEV) DRILL (INJ) Well# 2W WISHBONE FARMS 710, 467 FSL 2173 FWL, SEC 710 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ J MCCRARY SUR., A-1065 12000', 14 SW PLAINS API# 42-501-36625

WISHBONE TX OPER. CO. LLC, CLAIRE-ALAFAIR (DEV) DRILL (INJ) Well# 3W WISHBONE FARMS 710, 467 FSL 467 FWL, SEC 710 BLK D, JH GIBSON/ J MCCRARY SUR., A-1065 12000', 14 SW PLAINS API# 42-501-36626

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Partition 13 Fed NC #5
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Fuller 13 24 W1LM Fed #3
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Lea County

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East Crossroads; Sec 13 T10S R36E; 10/S & 660/W; 9 mi SE Crossroads; Rot 4980 San Andres; API #30-025-42980

OWL SWD Operating LLC
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Sand Dunes; Sec 8 T23S R32E; 211/S & 660/W; 16 mi SE Halfway; Rot 15015 Bone Spring; API #30-025-42982

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Reeves County

APACHE CORPORATION, WILDCAT (O/G) DRILL (HORZ) Well# 1H SPANISH TRAIL 52, 500 FNEL 500 FSEL, SEC 52 BLK 13, H&GN/ S MURPHY SUR., A-1060 1700', 1/2 SW BALMORHEA API# 42-389-35051

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Garza County

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Wildcat; Sec 13 T26S R31E; 260/S & 2429/E; 20 mi SW Ochoa; Rot 16717 Wolfcamp; API #30-015-43524

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