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Midland ISD will ask for class-size waivers

District's request for 19 waivers down from 109 last year

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During Monday's board meeting, Midland ISD trustees approved an order asking the Texas Education Agency for 19 class-size waivers.

State law mandates a 22-student-to-1-teacher ratio in kindergarten through fourth grades, and 19 of MISD's classes currently exceed that threshold.

Last year MISD submitted 109 class-size waivers because of rapid student growth. MISD Superintendent Ryder Warren had pledged that if given the budget, MISD wouldn't have any class-size waivers this fall.

Though the district drastically reduced the number of waivers this year, Warren told trustees it was his "complete failure" that MISD is seeking waivers at all.

"I promised you zero, and I wasn't able to make that happen," Warren said.

Though MISD has the funding to hire the additional teachers needed to bring all classrooms down to 22-to-1 ratio, Warren said the district is having a hard time finding qualified individuals who principals feel comfortable placing in front of students.

Ector County ISD will seek 160 class-size waivers, according to the agenda for Tuesday's board of trustees meeting.

Also at Monday's regular board meeting, trustees:

■ Filed complaints and a request for sanctions against former employee H. Kurtz for abandoning her contract. The board did not find cause for the resignation, and Kurtz's name has been submitted to the Texas Education Agency.

When board members questioned why teachers were leaving so early in the school year, Warren said the district has received a few resignations in the last few weeks from those who were alternatively certified and had never been in a classroom before this August.

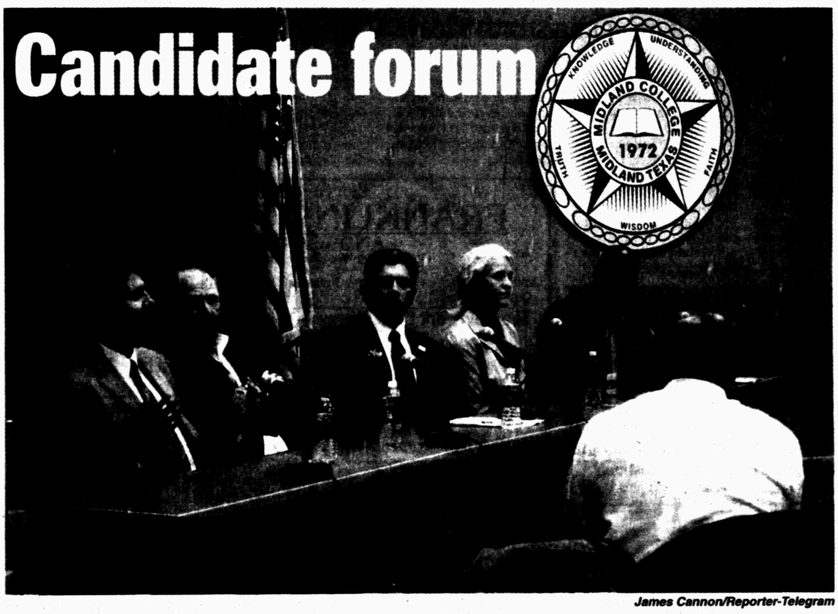
"Some have said it's just too hard, but that's not what we consider good cause for abandoning their contract," Warren said.

■ Accepted four resignations and one retirement notice and approved 10 elementary school teaching assignments and eight secondary teaching assignments.

■ Approved 22 district employees as appraisers for the 2013-14 professional development and appraisal system.

■ Approved three data infrastructure bids totaling $6.1 million in bond funds for MISD elementary schools.

■ Approved the 2013-14 district improvement plan and the Texas Accountability Intervention System School Improvement Plans for Crockett, Houston, Milam, South and Travis elementaries and Alamo and Goddard junior high schools.



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Mayoral candidates, from left, Dan Anderson, Keith McLelland, Jerry Morales, Kathy White and John James.

Council, mayoral candidates aim to distinguish themselves

By Joseph Basco
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Tuesday night offered one of the final moments the public had to listen to all the City Council candidates at the same time before early voting begins Monday.

The candidate debate — hosted by television station KOSA, the Reporter-Telegram, radio station KCRS (AM 550), the Permian Basin Builders Association and Midland College — brought together all nine candidates running for local office positions — District 3, District 4 and mayor. The debate provided the public a glimpse into restated and some new ideas the candidates offered.

The debate can be seen in its entirety at 9 p.m. on KOSA sister station MyTV16.

Here were some highlights.

The city budget

In less than 10 years, the city's general fund budget increased from $60 million to $99 million. When asked how they felt about it, District 4 candidate J. Ross Lacy acknowledged how so much of the budget goes toward personnel, but then said that a limit needs to be reached because the city's debt (principal plus interest) approaches $200 million, according to the latest Texas Bond Review Board report.

His opponent, incumbent Michael Trost, talked about the correlation between the cost of living and the city budget.

"The cost of living and expenses is more expensive now," Trost said. "Employees, benefits ... all of those things affect the budget. We go through the 600-plus budget, and I ask 'Do we need this?'"

District 3 candidate Spencer Robnett added, "There is no justification for the budget increase. We need to do a line-by-line analysis."

Efficient planning

When the topic of housing came up, several candidates implored for a better process between developers and the city.

"As a Planning and Zoning commissioner, the planning process needs to be streamlined," said Sharla Hotchkiss, a District 3 candidate.

Mayoral candidate Keith McLelland said the streamlining has to go beyond just the planning division, it also needs to extend to code inspection and enforcement.

"Deal with it"

Instead of offering solutions about the cost of housing, some candidates essentially said it is a problem that has to be waited out and that rent control is not something the city should get involved in.

"We have to tighten our belts," Hotchkiss said.

"It's a supply and demand issue," mayoral candidate Kathy White said. "If we just hang in there, the cost will go down."

Later in the debate, a question was asked about an overall plan that the council can do to solve the city's problems, including housing. Mayoral candidate John James said the solution is leadership. During the evening, he cited times when he disagreed with other members of the current council about the best path forward (sometimes being out-voted). In this case, he called it "a reluctance to lead."

Public safety

When police and fire department staffing was discussed, some argued that the city needs to be more competitive, whether it be through better salaries, better retention bonuses or a better quality of life.

"We're competing with other industries that are paying high wages," said mayoral candidate Jerry Morales, who added that while the police and fire shortage does

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Oil towns amid boom prepare for inevitable bust

By Ramit Plushnick-Masti and James MacPherson
Associated Press

MIDLAND — In a faded West Texas town dotted with vacant buildings and potholed streets is a sparkling storefront window and a curious display: rows of diamond-studded Rolex watches, awaiting buyers whose pockets are packed with oil money.

Melton

The surge in oil drilling has drawn money and men like a magnet to run-down communities that haven't seen a boom since the 1980s.

But leaders and residents here are increasingly mindful that the runaway riches tapped by hydraulic fracturing will eventually run out. And they are determined to live by a fondly remembered bumper sticker from the last bust: Please, God, give me another oil boom and I promise not to blow it. So some towns are taking steps to ensure they land softly rather than crash into economic ruin.

"Don't go overboard. It's not going to last," Mayor Wes Perry wants to shout, as a reminder to his own neighbors and a warning to communities in Pennsylvania and elsewhere that have never boomed like this, let alone endured a bust on par with the one Texas experienced a generation ago.

For now, Midland is the picture of prosperity. Since 2008, sales tax revenue has shot up from $24 million a year to more than $38 million in 2013. The unemployment rate is the lowest in Texas, hovering just above 3 percent. The town has hundreds of unfilled jobs.

A local Subway pays $15 an hour with a $1,000 starting bonus. Housing is so scarce that modest hotel rooms go for $300 a night.

This, longtime residents know, is

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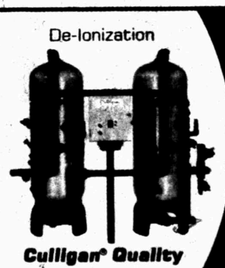

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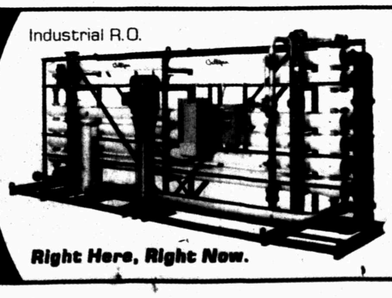

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Elimination of VP position at MC prompts departure

By Meredith Moriak
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Midland College Vice President of Instruction Rex Peebles has accepted a position with the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and will leave Midland College Nov. 27.

Peebles

Peebles submitted his letter of resignation Oct. 7, and trustees accepted it Tuesday during their regular board meeting.

"We wish him well and feel this is a real important position for him. It will be good to have a community college representative on the coordinating board staff," said MC President Steve Thomas.

Peebles will serve the THECB as assistant commissioner of workforce, academic affairs and research, and was prompted to accept the position after learning his position at MC would be eliminated this fall, according to his resignation letter.

"For some time, as you are aware, I have been looking at other job opportunities. Most have been presidencies, but I have also looked at vice presidencies, etc. Upon learning that the position of Vice President of Instruction at Midland College would be eliminated in the fall 2013 semester, I decided to accept the position," Peebles wrote.

The decision to eliminate the position is a result of MC's plan to restructure administrative positions in a manner that will most effectively promote student success, said Rebecca Bell, MC's dean of community relations and special events.

Executive Vice President Richard Jolly will assume the responsibilities of chief instructional officer after Peebles' departure.

"I feel like I have learned and accomplished much during my tenure at Midland College, but there is still much to be done. So, it is with some regret I leave. I have enjoyed my time here and am grateful to all the employees here who made this the great experience it has been," Peebles wrote.

Peebles came to MC from Austin Community College — where he was VP of instruction — on Oct. 1, 2005, according to Reporter-Telegram archives. He also served ACC eight years as dean of social and behavioral sciences.

Peebles has more than 30 years administrative and teaching experience and holds a doctorate in government from the University of Texas at Austin, a master of arts in political science from UT Arlington and a bachelor's degree in political science from UT Dallas.

Earlier this year Peebles was named a finalist for the presidency at Navarro College in Corsicana, but was not selected for the position.

Rankin coach placed on administrative leave

From staff reports

RANKIN — Rankin ISD Superintendent Danny Davis confirmed Tuesday that coach and teacher Ryan Aguirre was placed on paid administrative leave.

Aguirre

"Ryan Aguirre is on administrative leave pending board action on his continued employment with the district. The circumstances surrounding this matter are still under investigation by the necessary authorities, and therefore the district cannot comment further," the statement read.

Aguirre is an assistant football coach and also has other assistant coaching duties in the district.

Davis said he could not comment any further on the matter.

FELONY ARRESTS

FROM STAFF REPORTS

Joyce M. Alaniz, 34, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of violation of probation.

Christopher A. Almager, 39, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of violation of parole.

Charles J. Benging Jr., 47, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Leander James, 34, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of violation of probation.

Uriah Moss, 25, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Thomas S. Murray, 46, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a third or more charge of driving while intoxicated.

Eric D. Rigsby, 25, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance between 1 and 4 grams.

Michael J. Saenz, 36, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Jesse L. Saunders, 37, of Texarkana, was arrested Monday on a charge of violation of parole.

Timothy S. Skiles, 43, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of violation of parole.

Rudolph E. Walker, 26, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Nathan D. White, 25, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

Christopher M. Yharte, 18, of Midland, was arrested Monday on a charge of burglary of a building.

Christopher D. Snow, 37, of Midland, was arrested Sunday on a charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

Dominic D. Vizcaino, 18, of Seminole, was arrested Sunday on a charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram.

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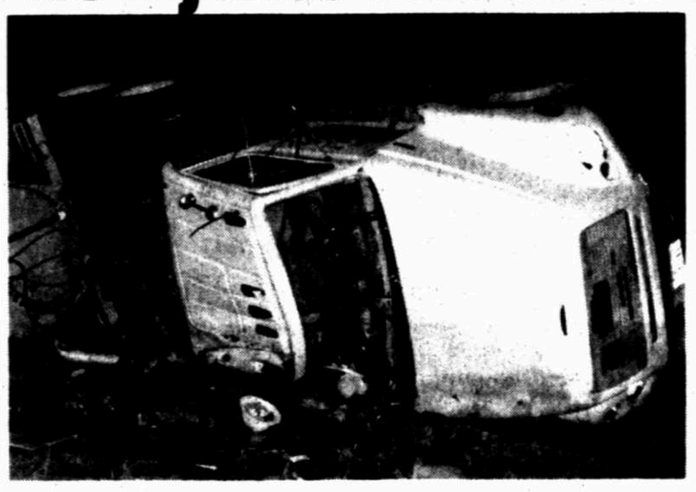
No injuries in rollover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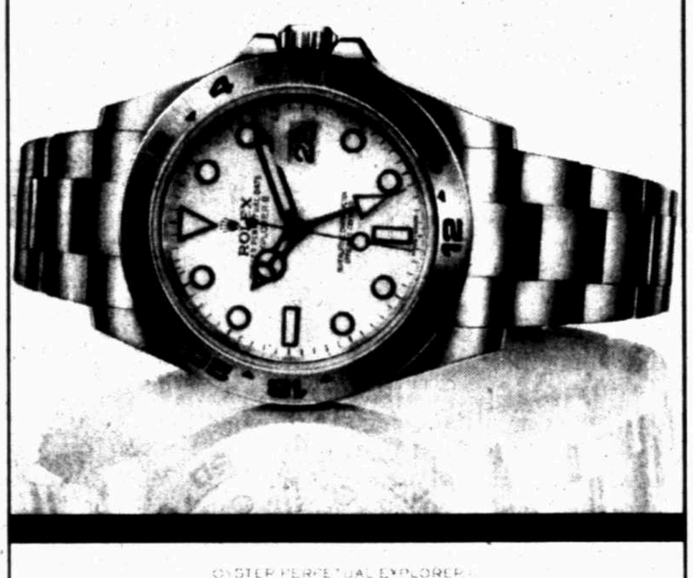

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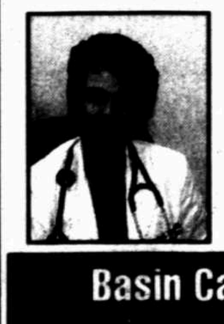

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Shutdown fallout: Cruz going great guns, GOP sinking fast

By Stewart Powell
Hearst Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Barely 10 months into his Senate career, Texas' Ted Cruz has captured the national limelight by singlehandedly resurrecting Republicans' campaign to choke off money for Obamacare.

The 42-year-old Houston Republican has raised his personal profile, made good on promises to tea party activists and positioned himself as a go-between for House Speaker John Boehner to reach more than a dozen House conservatives who adamantly reject compromise to reopen federal government without killing the Affordable Care Act of 2010.

But many political observers say Cruz has seized the political vanguard at a steep price for other Republicans. Polls show the party is absorbing most of the blame for an unpopular shutdown that could undercut GOP fortunes in the 2014 midterm congressional elections and even for a presidential nominee in 2016.

"The case of Sen. Cruz is a textbook example of an instance where actions that further the individual interests of an individual politician simultaneously harm the collective interests of their party," said Mark Jones, a political scientist at Rice University in Houston. "The only question now is the extent of damage that has occurred to the Republican Party's image."

To be sure, Cruz revived Republicans' frustrated campaign to target Obamacare after more than 40 unsuccessful House votes to repeal the sweeping health insurance overhaul, which is President Barack Obama's signature domestic accomplishment.

Cruz' 21-hour overnight Senate floor speech on Sept. 25 came as House Republicans, at his urging, prepared a measure making funding for the federal government after Oct. 1 contingent on defunding the health care initiative. The current shutdown was the result.

Cruz stayed in the limelight with round-robin appearances on television interview programs coupled with well-timed jousting on the Senate floor with Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., and Senate Majority Whip Dick Durbin, D-Ill. Cruz also engaged in acts of political theater, such as escorting Texas' veterans into the allegedly closed World War II memorial on the National Mall when in fact it was open to most visiting veterans.

And in a rare bypass-the-leadership maneuver, Cruz has repeatedly crossed the Capitol to coordinate legislative strategy with tea party-backed House lawmakers who share uncompromising opposition to Obamacare. The group includes Reps. Louie Gohmert, of Texas, Steve King, of Iowa, Jim Jordan, of Ohio, Tom Cotton, of Arkansas, Razl R. Labrador, of Idaho, Steve Southerland II, of Florida, Mark Meadows, of North Carolina, and Justin Amash, of Michigan.

Nationwide polls now show Cruz leading among prospective 2016 GOP presidential nominees. The latest survey by North Carolina-based Public Policy Polling found Cruz leapfrogging from fifth place last summer to first place, with the support of 20 percent of GOP respondents.

Cruz got a symbolic boost last Saturday by handily winning the Family Research Council's Values Voter Summit straw poll with 42 percent of the vote. That was triple the 13 percent showing by each of the two nearest competitors, former Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., and famed neurosurgeon Dr. Ben Carson, a Fox News contributor.

In another indication that he is on a roll, fundraising by The Ted Cruz Victory Committee, Ted Cruz for Senate, and Jobs, Growth & Freedom Fund, his leadership political action committee, has skyrocketed. The three groups raised a total of $1.19 million in the third quarter for a total of $2.67 million this year, a Cruz spokesman said Tuesday. The groups have total cash on hand of $1.59 million.

"Ted has been a great addition for Texas in the United States Senate," said senior Sen. John Cornyn, a Republican opponent of Obamacare who nevertheless opposed shutting down the government to defeat the health law. "In his role, (Cruz) has done more to elevate the need to defund Obamacare than any other individual, and for that I applaud him."

Democratic Rep. Gene Greenm, of Houston, pointedly noted that Congress had already debated and enacted provisions of Obamacare that have sparked concern by Cruz since he arrived on Capitol Hill in January. "Now it is time to do what is best for our country and not hold up the vital work our federal employees do and our creditworthiness as a nation," said Green.

Activists said Cruz' break-the-mold approach is welcomed by his political base.

"He really doesn't owe anybody in this town anything," said Adam Brandon, with the conservative political action organization FreedomWorks. Cruz' meteoric popularity has "stirred jealousy among politicians wedded to the old power structure," Brandon said. "At some point they'll realize they're hanging out with dinosaurs who are watching the mammals take over"

Yet polls show Republicans in Congress are suffering a surge in disapproval. In the latest NBC News-Wall Street Journal survey, some 70 percent of respondents disapproved of Republicans' actions compared to 24 percent that approved. Democrats face less public antipathy, with 59 percent of respondents disapproving of Democrats actions in Congress compared to 36 percent that voiced approval.

Overall, the public blames the Republican party more than President Obama for the shut down by a 22-percentage-point margin, with 53 percent blaming Republicans versus 31 percent that blame the president.

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TODAY IN MIDLAND

Today in Midland history

On Oct. 16, 1987, a 58 1/2-hour drama ended happily as rescuers freed Jessica McClure, an 18-month-old trapped in an abandoned well.

Today is National Boss's Day

Boss's Day is dedicated to all employers and provides a prospect of improving the liaison between employers and their staff. Many workers dedicate this day to their supervisors for various reasons, such as supporting staff with their jobs and careers. This observance also gives employees a chance to recognize those in supervisory positions.

It is annually observed in the United States on Oct. 16, or the nearest working day.

Source: www.timeanddate.com

Things to do

Weird Al Yankovic at Wagner Noël Performing Arts center

Coming Thursday

Charlie Daniels Band at Wagner Noël Performing Arts Center. www.wagnernoel.com.

Community calendar

■ The George W. Bush Childhood Home monthly reading event is planned for 4:30-5:30 p.m. Thursday. This month's featured book is "Pumpkin Cat."

Each child will receive a copy of the book. Refreshments will be served. To make a reservation, call 685-1112.

■ Camp Fire is offering a free fall festival 6:30-8 p.m. Oct. 24 at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 1701 N. Main St. For more information, call 570-4144.

■ Midland Police Department is accepting applications for Citizens on Patrol. Classroom sessions are Tuesday and Oct. 24.

Applications are available at the front desk of the Police Department or through the Community Relations Unit. Applications also can be found at www.midlandtexas.gov/police.

Applications must be submitted by 5 p.m. Friday to be considered for the class. For more information call 685-7582.

Support groups today

■ Bariatric Support Group, 11:30 a.m., ACT Counseling Center, 2445 E. 11th St., Odessa; 272-4333.

■ Overeaters Anonymous; noon, B&J Plaza, 206 N. Midkiff Road, Suite 1-D; 553-1031.

Davidson Lecture Series

The Davidson Distinguished Lecture Series at Midland College welcomes Ed Viesturs at 7:30 p.m., Thursday at Chaparral Center.

Viesturs is widely regarded as this country's foremost high-altitude mountaineer. He has successfully reached the summits of the world's 14 8,000-meter peaks without supplemental oxygen, an 18-year project he christened Endeavor 8,000. His goal was completed on May 12, 2005, with his ascent of Annapurna, one of the world's most treacherous peaks. He is one of only a handful of climbers in history and the only American to accomplish this feat.

Viesturs lives on Bainbridge Island, Wash. He continues to go on adventures. On May 19, 2009, he made his seventh ascent of Everest, and in January 2011, he led a climb of Vinson Massiff, the highest peak in Antarctica, at 16,066 feet. In August 2011, he made his 208th ascent of 14,410-foot Mount Rainier.

Lake levels report

Representing totals from late May 2012-13

	2012	2013
O.H. Ivie	25.38	15.36
Lake Thomas	1.00	1.77
Lake Spence	5.75	4.59

Rainfall: Ivie 0.70 inches, Thomas 1.50, Spence 2.50

Delivery (in gallons)

Midland: daily average this week 16.305 million

Midland: daily average last week 13.455 million

Odessa: daily average this week 17.145 million

Source: Colorado River Municipal Water District

Fish ponds

Two ponds located at city of Midland parks have been stocked with fish. The ponds at C.J Kelly, 5500 League Drive, and Beal Park, 5200 W. Wall St., were stocked with catfish earlier this month.

All state fishing laws apply at these two ponds, which are monitored by state game wardens. For more information, visit the TPWD website, www.tpwd.state.tx.us.

In December, the ponds will be stocked with trout.

Source: City of Midland

Lottery

Pick 3 morning: 2-1-5
Pick 3 day: 7-6-6
Pick 3 evening: 9-9-9
Pick 3 night: 5-7-6
Daily 4 morning: 2-6-4-3
Daily 4 day: 8-9-3-1
Daily 4 evening: 8-9-3-1
Daily 4 night: 4-3-1-3
Cash Five: 2-8-10-17-32
Mega Millions: 4-23-30-43-50 MB: 11 Megaplier: 4
All or Nothing (morning): 1-2-3-5-7-11-13-15-17-19-22-23
All or Nothing (day): 2-4-5-6-11-13-15-17-18-20-21-24
All or Nothing (evening): 1-3-5-8-9-10-11-12-17-19-21-22
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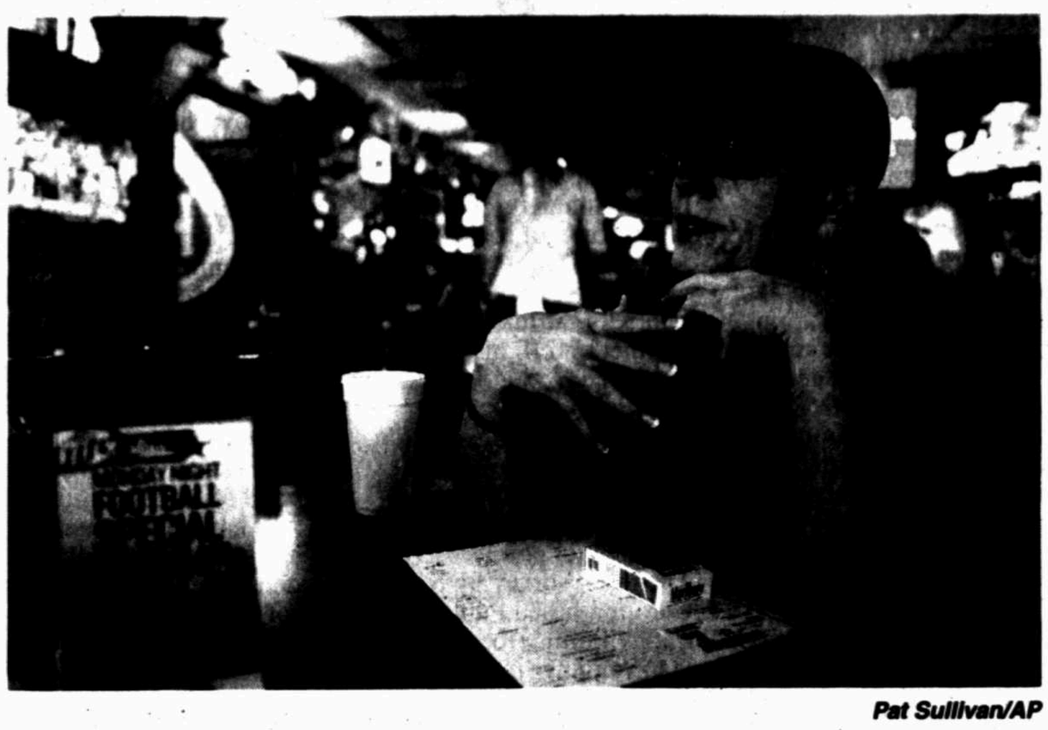

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Judy Farris, general manager of The Bar, in Midland, talks about the current oil boom Sept. 23. The boom has largely been ushered in by new hydraulic fracturing technologies combined with horizontal drilling.

what an oil boom looks like. And it's always been followed by a steep, painful decline.

When the energy market finally fades, the town wants to avoid being burdened with crushing debt or too many employees. So sales tax revenue is used only for one-time projects, such as street repairs. Police officers are hired piecemeal, two or three a year, as the population increases.

Instead of using municipal money to lure an investor to build a proposed high-rise project, the city will instead provide an 80 percent tax break on revenues for five years.

"Companies don't screw up in bad times. They screw up in good times. Same for cities," Perry said.

That lesson was learned a generation ago. Midland and Odessa, along with parts of North Dakota, boomed in the late 1970s. The windfall enabled people to buy jets and Rolls-Royces and build mansions and lakefront homes. Then in the early 1980s, the bottom fell out of the oil barrel.

The same people went bankrupt. Home foreclosures skyrocketed. Banks failed. People moved away. Homes and downtown buildings were abandoned.

"It was awful to live through that," the mayor said, recalling "Black Friday" — Oct. 14, 1983. That is the day the First National Bank of Midland, which loaned money so people could finance lavish lifestyles, collapsed under the weight of a plummeting oil market. The "majors" — or big oil companies — fled for greener pastures abroad.

The most recent boom has largely been ushered in by new hydraulic fracturing technologies combined with horizontal drilling. Those systems allow once out-of-reach oil and gas to be extracted from rock.

The big boys are back, and Midland and Odessa have seen their populations rise by at least 10 percent since 2010, not counting all those living in trailers or trucks.

It's the newcomers, suddenly earning $2,000 and more a week, who are spending, said Judy Farris, general manager of The Bar in Midland and a lifelong resident.

"You can tell the difference between the people who have been here and been through it and those that haven't," said the 58-year-old.

"People are enjoying their money, but they're wiser," she added, sitting in the darkened tavern and restaurant where local lore says countless multimillion-dollar oil deals have been cut on the backs of napkins and with a handshake over a beer.

Rolls Royce hasn't reopened its dealership. There aren't as many mansions going up. And Perry is taking heat for offering tax breaks for the proposed high-rise.

"They've been through this before. They believe when this happens, the bust is upon us," Perry said.

Just ask those in North Dakota's oil patch. Williston, in the heart of the Bakken shale petroleum reserves, was left in the 1980s with $28 million in debt and saddled with abandoned trailer parks.

But now the state leads the nation in population growth, boasts a nearly $2 billion budget surplus and has the lowest jobless rate in the nation, as well as 21,000 unfilled positions. A study released in July estimates Williston's population has doubled since the 2010 census to between 25,000 and 33,000 people. And that may not account for all those in "man camps," the hastily built communities of tents and trailers that house thousands of oil workers.

Mayor Ward Koeser believes the city is doing a better job than it did in the 1970s.

"The big thing is it's given us opportunity," he said. "We were too small and too remote to make things happen without it."

Some decisions, however, indicate memory may be short. Williston is building a community center so large a Walmart Supercenter could fit inside. Funded by the city's sales tax collections, it will have an Olympic-size swimming pool, basketball and tennis courts, a running track, a golf simulator and other features. It's designed to keep oilmen busy when they aren't working and encourage their families to move in, Koeser said.

For Midland and Odessa residents, such projects run the risk of becoming vacant symbols of boomtime mistakes.

Larry Melton, the former mayor of Odessa who stepped down in November after 12 years, says homes have to be built. Schools must expand. Police officers need to be hired. Road and infrastructure improvements can be delayed for only so long.

And yet, a good plan needs to consider the future, too, he said.

"At some point, we're going to have a downturn," Melton said. "We'll have excess housing. We'll still have transportation problems, and we'll still have water issues."

Christmas For Our Troops kicks off 10th year of charitable giving

By Rachael Gleason
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A blue binder filled with dozens of letters and postcards sits in the office of Christmas for Our Troops Chairman Scott Davis.

In one letter — fashioned out of a cardboard chicken and dumplings rations box — a military member thanks the nonprofit for providing a taste of home during the holidays.

"There's an awful lot of emotion in those letters," Davis said. "For those men and women to think to send a thank-you letter when people are shooting at them, that speaks volumes about the quality of people we have over there."

Christmas for Our Troops — started 10 years ago by a few friends with just a handful of care packages — has sent 12,100 boxes filled with useful items and tasty goodies to troops in areas of active combat since 2004.

The nonprofit, which officially kicked off this year's efforts Tuesday, expects to spread the Christmas cheer by sending more than 2,500 boxes to military members in Afghanistan and other support areas.

"They do so much for us. It's unrewarded and unacknowledged and unknown. I just think we have an obligation to show an appreciation for it," Davis said. "It's important that they know that we care about them."

Volunteers pack the boxes Dec. 11 at First Presbyterian churches in Midland and Odessa. They include about $95 in livesaving items, such as pocket knives, bore snakes that clean gun barrels, first-aid kits, hand warmers and winter wear, as well as comfort items such as tiny crocheted Christmas stockings, Christmas cards from school children and thank-you mugs filled with hot cocoa.

The nonprofit also sends small toys so military members can hand them out to children during missions, he said.

"It's a well-thought-out list," said Davis, noting the items included in the boxes have evolved over the years.

Most of the items have stories, he said.

One year, a woman whose husband died wanted a way to carry on his support of troops, so she sent a longhorn to be slaughtered and turned into beef jerky and sticks for overseas military members.

Davis said the nonprofit developed a relationship with Clint & Sons Beef Jerky in White Deer, and now beef jerky is sent in each box.

"There are so many pieces involved and so many things that go into the boxes," Davis said. "It's all because people care."

Davis said there are many ways for Midlanders to help the efforts.

Christmas for Our Troops accepts monetary items — postage for all 2,500 boxes costs at least $38,000 each year — and toiletries, medical items, food, drinks and fun and necessary items.

Because the nonprofit must send boxes to actual people, Davis also asks for names of overseas military members and Army and fleet post office numbers.

"So many of these young men and women don't ever get any mail from home, and that's not good, especially at Christmas," he said. "We don't want one of these guys who never gets any mail to be left out of Christmas."

Davis said the support of volunteers speaks volumes about the charitable nature of West Texas.

But once, when a caller asked whether only military members from the region get the packages, Davis replied: "Yeah, but West Texas runs from Bangor, Maine, to Honolulu from Anchorage to Key West. Those men and women don't ask us where we live when they sacrifice for us. It's everybody."

Donating items

Items must be easily packaged and shipped in boxes that are 12 feet by 12 feet by 5 1/2 inches. Visit www.christmasforourtroops.org for an updated list of drop-off locations. The deadline for delivering items is Dec. 6-7.

Items needed:
Pepcid, 30 tablets
Claritin, 10 tablet box
Disposable razors
Kleenex
Toothbrushes, small pocket size
Q-Tips, 30-count travel pack
Cough drops, 20-30 droplet package
Powered Gatorade, individual packages
Powered lemonade, individual packages
Hard candy
Trail mix, 6 ounces
Sunflower seeds, 3 ounces
Chewing gum
Nuts, 3 ounces
Socks, medium and large size, heavy duty white or black athletic
Handmade Christmas cards, handmade by children
Small toys, pocket-sized toys, Nerf balls, gliders or Beanie Babies

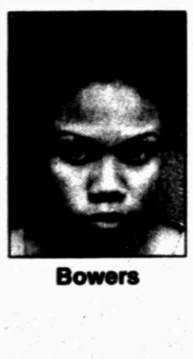
Packing boxes
■ First Presbyterian Church in Midland noon Dec. 11
■ First Presbyterian Church in Odessa noon Dec. 11

MPD: Cocaine found in 23-month-old boy's blood

By Tyler White

A Midland mother was arrested Friday after Midland Memorial Hospital officials found cocaine in her 23-month-old son's bloodstream, according to court documents.

Donishia S. Bowers, 20, was being held on a $10,000 bond for a second-degree felony charge of abandoning or endangering a child with imminent danger of bodily injury. She posted bond and was released Sunday.



Bowers

A Midland detective responded to the MMH emergency room at about 5 p.m. Friday after cocaine was found in the boy's blood.

The child, who had suffered a seizure, had been transported to MMH by his mother after he appeared to have ingested something and was acting "irregular," according to Bowers' arrest report.

Bowers left the boy and his 3-year-old brother in her bedroom while she took some toilet paper to her boyfriend. When she returned, she said the boy was making gestures toward his mouth and was drooling all over himself.

The detective found a small portion of a plastic bag containing cocaine on the dresser, which also tested positive for cocaine. The detective said he also found a loaded .38-caliber revolver in a box on top of a bedroom counter.

The detective said he knew Bowers' boyfriend sold narcotics. Bowers said she did not know that the bag with cocaine residue was on the dresser but did not seem surprised that the cocaine was in her room or that her son ingested it. He said Bowers did not seem concerned that a loaded firearm was in her bedroom within her children's reach, according to the affidavit.

If convicted, Bowers faces up to 20 years in prison.

MPD: Man assaults officer with flashlight

By Tyler White
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A Midland man used a police officer's flashlight as a weapon against him Saturday after being pulled over for running a stop sign, according to court documents.

McCormick

Dalton Edward McCormick, 22, is being held on a $86,000 bond for a first-degree felony charge of aggravated assault against a public servant, a state jail felony charge of possession of a controlled substance less than 1 gram, and class A misdemeanor charges of evading arrest or detention and resisting arrest, search, or transport.

McCormick's vehicle was stopped at about 2:30 a.m. Saturday after the driver disregarded a stop sign at the intersection of Watson and Carrizo streets.

McCormick fled the vehicle on foot and the officer chased after him. When the officer caught him, McCormick resisted arrest. He punched the officer, grabbed his flashlight and hit him in the head with it at least three times, according to the arrest affidavit.

Other officers arrived on the scene and detained McCormick, who was found to be in possession of a bag of powder cocaine, according to the affidavit.

The injured officer was transported to Midland Memorial Hospital for treatment.

If convicted, McCormick faces five to 99 years in prison for the first-degree felony charge, up to two years for the state jail felony charge, and up to one year in prison for each class A misdemeanor charge.

DEBATE

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exist, there are 11 people currently in police training.

Pet projects

The mayoral candidates were asked to provide what their pet project would be.

Candidate Dan Anderson discussed his plan for a "sunset commission" that would first employ expiration dates on ordinances. When an ordinance expires, it will be under review by a commission.

McLelland's plan is to get all the pastors of Midland together and pray. That way, they can hear the concerns of all the residents.

Morales' pet project was continuing finding a 100-year water supply for Midland. White wanted to encourage more parks and recreation development. James wants to increase communication between the council and the residents.

What city does right

Another unique question for the mayoral candidates was what they thought the city does well.

White and McLelland said the people make the city a better place; Morales addressed the partnership amongst government entities; James mentioned the training of the police force, and Anderson — singling out the City Council — said spend money.

Key dates on debt limit as Thursday deadline looms

By Christopher S. Rugaber
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Here are key dates to watch as Congress negotiates over raising the U.S. government's debt limit:

THURSDAY

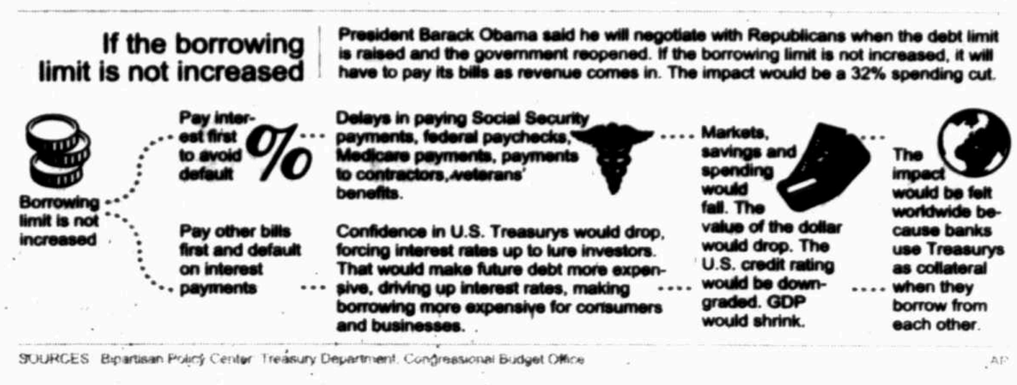
This is when Treasury Secretary Jacob Lew says the government would no longer be able to borrow. As a result, it would have to spend only from its cash on hand and tax revenue. Lew estimates that the Treasury would have about $30 billion in cash.

OCT. 21

The Treasury holds a weekly auction of three-month and six-month Treasury bills. The proceeds from these auctions will replace maturing securities. So they don't add to the debt limit. The auction would be an early test of how investors will respond to a failure to raise the borrowing limit. Nervous investors would likely demand higher rates, thereby raising the government's borrowing costs.

OCT. 22

Sometime between this date and Oct. 31, according to the Congressional Budget Office, the government would run out of cash. It would have to slash spending 32 percent over the next month, according to the Bipartisan Policy Center. Treasury would probably make its top priority the payment of interest and principal on its debt to avoid a default. Either way, some programs wouldn't be funded, possibly including Social Security, veterans' benefits and Medicare.



OCT. 23

A $12 billion Social Security payment is due. Without an increase in the debt limit, Treasury might have to wait two days to accumulate enough cash to make that payment, according to the Bipartisan Policy Center. Missing the payment would likely intensify fears that the government will soon default.

OCT. 24

The government must redeem $93 billion in short-term debt. It will likely raise the cash to do so at its Oct. 21 auction. But it's possible that Treasury would run short of cash or some error might occur, resulting in default.

OCT. 31

The Treasury must pay $6 billion in interest on the debt. If it doesn't have enough cash, it would default. If the debt limit hasn't been raised by this point, much higher rates and far less government spending would likely nudge the economy toward recession.

NOV. 1

The government faces a stack of bills: $25 billion in Social Security benefits, $18 billion in Medicare reimbursements, $12 billion in military pay and veterans' benefits and $3 billion for other benefit programs. With no increase in the debt limit, these payments would likely be delayed at least two weeks, the Bipartisan Policy Center estimates, to give the government time to build up cash.

NOV. 15

The Treasury must make an additional $29 billion in interest payments. If the economy has slowed and tax payments fall short of expectations, the government might not have enough cash and would have to default.

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Coins & Currency: 100 oz Silver Bar, 3 Graded Liberty $20 gold coins, $50 gold Buffalo, 100+ Morgan & Peace Dollars, 1914 $20 FRN, 1899 $1.00 Black Eagle silver Certificate, $2.00 Silver Certificate and Red Seal Notes, and other collectible coins.
Tools: Contractor Tools, Welder, Air Compressors, Pro Roll around 19 drawer Tool Box, Green Lee Job Box, Craftsman Joiner, Yamaha 6000 w Diesel Generator, Chain Saws, Ladders Airless Paint Sprayer, Routers, Saws, Sanders, Drills and much more.
Items of Special Interest: Olde Knee Sign, Sinclair Sign, Cushman Motorcycle Sign, Vintage Phillips 66 Sign, Slot Machines, Vet Cooler, Vending Machines, Stainless Smoker, Coach Bags, Jewelry- Gold, Silver and Costume, Sterling Flatware, Sports Collectibles- Joy Altman Rookie card, many autographs and signed Jerseys, Primitives, Native American Points, Rail Road Lantern, Coca Cola, Rockinos, Rose Oil changer and Rose iPod headphones, Yard Art, Speakers, Military WWII uniform, MPD Leather goods (holsters, belts etc.) some furniture and appliances more than can be listed.
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Are we needing a rise of the marvelous middle?

■ Outside the Beltway, maybe America is more independent than we care to admit

KATHLEEN PARKER
Washington Post Writers Group

This just in from a new Esquire/NBC News study: There are more Americans in the vast middle than on either the left or right.

Who didn't know?

Certainly those Americans who dwell in The Great Big Center have known this for some time. They bump into each other all day long in the great big country we call "outside the Beltway." Yet, judging by current events in Washington, you'd imagine reality to be a clash of titanic proportions. More accurately, it is a clash of titanic distortions.

This is not to say centrists always agree with each other but overall, disagreement is by degrees of difference rather than ideological chasms. They are diverse in spirit and political leanings, if not so much in pigmentation. Most, according to the study, are "pretty white." They are Democrat, Republican and independent. But what they share is greater than the sum of the extreme parts. Mostly they share a disdain of ideological purity.

What they lack is organization and perhaps self-awareness. There really are enough of them to change the political climate — if only there were someone to harness and channel what I would call their normalcy.

By "normal," I mean that centrists like to keep as much of their hard-earned cash as possible, but want to help the helpless. They tend to prefer a laissez-faire attitude toward their neighbors, assuming no one's making child porn next door or beating up the spouse and kids. Want to get married? Please. Need an abortion? Fine, but three months is plenty of time to figure it out. People who want to smoke pot in the privacy of their own home do not belong in jail.

Would this be such a strange world?

To the harder-core constituents both left and right, such people have no convictions, hence the derogative "squishy middle." But lacking the desire to participate in million-something marches, or stacking barricades in front of the White House, or waving some symbol of self-anointed righteousness does not necessarily make one squishy or uninterested. It might make one too sane for politics. It might make one too mature for rabble. It might also mean that you no longer believe you can have a positive effect on the insanity.

Two words: Critical mass. There is power in numbers.

So who are these centrists? This is the real news from the Esquire/NBC poll, which was conducted by pollsters from the Barack Obama and Mitt Romney campaigns. The surveyors identified four pods of individuals who share a patriotic view of the U.S., believe in meritocracy (against affirmative action) and are largely libertarian: Pickup Populists (as in "Duck Dynasty" fans); MBA (highly educated); Minivan Moderates (busy with kids); and, Whateverman (the cynical young who can't stand any of us).

These are folks, in other words, one might not invite to the same dinner party. Yet they are constituents of a grand, gray base — neither red nor blue nor even purple but vaguely reminiscent of a time when everyone was more or less on the same page.

Centrists would rather not discuss guns or God. Thirty-four percent reported owning a gun compared to 62 percent who do not. A majority — 45 percent — think background checks are fine. Only 29 percent say that religion and prayer are important to them. Even so, these folks are not heartless. Forty-four percent strongly support increasing the minimum wage and only 8 percent strongly oppose.

As for our current shutdown/spending dilemma, the center is clear: The federal government should spend less and go light on regulation.

For now, more trust Democrats than they do Republicans, hardly surprising given circumstances. Fully 58 percent are pessimistic about politics in this country, but they trust Democrats (and Oprah!) more than Republicans. Of all the GOP leaders, only New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie received more than 1 percent (2 percent) in the trust sweeps. Oprah got 6 percent, Jon Stewart and Colin Powell each got 1 percent, as did Billy Graham. Rush Limbaugh got 0 percent. Obama won with 9 percent.

The takeaway from this poll — and others showing that more Americans self-identify as independent than Democrat or Republican — is that the country is not as divided as one would imagine. The challenge for the moderate middle is to create an organizing principle — all things in moderation? — and produce a centrist, non-ideological, pragmatic leader, preferably one un-indebted to billionaires or radio babbleheads.

A dream, perhaps, but wouldn't it be marvey?

OUR VIEW

Midland ISD doesn't have to apologize for waivers this year

Midland ISD is asking the Texas Education Agency for 19 class-size waivers this year. That is a reduction of 90 in one year.

Consider us impressed.

MISD Superintendent Ryder Warren can tell the board or anyone who will listen that it was a complete failure that he couldn't bring the number down to zero, but his words take away from the effort that was made. This progress was significant, and Midlanders should like what they have seen. If there is a problem — and a community realizes an 83 percent reduction in that problem — there is no other word for the progress than significant. It is a plan, not fully realized, but we would guess other government entities would be envious of the steps MISD has taken. We would find it hard to imagine the teen pregnancy rate dropping by 80 percent or the number of deaths on roads inside Midland County falling by a similar rate.

Does it mean that Warren's work is complete? No. We shouldn't have one class from kindergarten through fourth grade with a ratio above 22:1. However, we can look at last year or 18 miles to the west (Ector County ISD will seek 160 class-size waivers) to see what happens when a community lacks a solid game plan.

Warren put a priority on hiring. Salaries were raised to be competitive with districts around the state. The community also stepped up to make sure a qualified candidate or existing teacher in need received help on the housing front.

We expect next year's report will get us to a more favorable number -- hopefully zero. We also expect that the principals and parents are not just satisfied with having warm bodies in the classrooms but that those teachers live up to the standard we expect. It is not just quantity but quality, and the next wave of teachers, on average, should do more than fill open positions. They should be consistent with the type of teachers needed to make education in Midland better for all students.

Warren's plan for elementary school education is coming along nicely. In a few years, there will be students sitting in new and updated facilities (made possible by Midland voters), learning in more manageable class sizes and being taught by teachers whose talent is representative of the salary being paid them.

We hope our community appreciates the work that moved the school district to this critical point. We also expect school district leaders realize that when all the pieces are put into place that is when the expectations go through the roof. And at that time, excuses are not an option and apologies will be too little, too late.

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Hispanics should save themselves

■ Latinos need to get off the path of self-destruction

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Henry Adams said that politics is the systematic organization of hatreds. For the left in the past year, it has seemed at times to be the systematic organization of hatred of Ted Cruz.

We've now concluded another installment of Hispanic Heritage Month, the 30 days set aside each year by Congress — Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 — for corporations, academia, media and the political parties to make the nation's 53 million Hispanics feel valued, appreciated and wanted.

During the other 11 months, those in positions of power are free to go back to doing what they normally do with Hispanics: ignore them.

Granted, that's not easy. You're talking about a group of people that spends $1.3 trillion a year, makes up 17 percent of the U.S. population, helps decide presidential elections and represents most of the population growth in the last 20 years. But some institutions adapt slowly to change. And shifting demographics is no exception.

For some Americans, ignoring Hispanics would be an improvement. Take the reader who recently fired off an angry screed in my direction. He wasn't exactly caught up in the spirit of Hispanic Heritage Month.

"I am sick and tired of the in-your-face attitude of Latinos," he wrote. "There are special holidays for Latinos, special contests, special stations, special newspapers, special organizations, but that is not enough. No other country allows this. When are you and the Latinos going to be grateful for what you get in the USA????"

Well, I'm sick and tired of this kind of prejudice and ignorance. If you're going to get worked up about something, you should study the subject so you know what you're getting worked up about.

Sure, you'll find Hispanics who get in people's faces, protesting this and demanding that. Some even feel entitled. Others are so consumed with asserting their rights that they've forgotten to fulfill their responsibilities. That's not a Hispanic thing. It's an American thing.

But many Hispanics — including the Mexicans and Mexican-Americans who make up nearly 70 percent of the total in the U.S. — are famously humble people. As I've often said, if humility were an Olympic sport, Hispanics would show up and win all the medals.

As for all these "special" accommodations for Hispanics, I've never met one of them who asked for that stuff. If they could return it like a sweater that didn't fit, they would. In this regard, Hispanics are like other Americans. They don't want special treatment, just equal treatment.

They have earned that much. While East Coat media companies and Hollywood studios routinely portray Hispanics as recent immigrants, a visit to New Mexico or Arizona will turn up Hispanic folks who can trace their family histories back to the 17th century. They were part of this country before it was a country.

Finally, the U.S.-born Hispanic people I know are extremely grateful to be Americans. And they show it every day by working hard, building businesses, paying taxes, saluting the flag, emphasizing the value of education to their children, sending their sons and daughters to the military, and honoring those who don't make it home. All the while, they bring to life the American Dream.

Still, not that everything is perfect in Hispaniclandia. Far from it.

While other ethnic groups study the issues, many Hispanics have issues. We make mistakes, and we have shortcomings. We have a bad habit of waiting around for institutions to save us — government, schools, organizations, etc. — when what we really need to do is concentrate on saving ourselves.

We struggle with insecurity, stemming from how we were treated growing up in communities where whites controlled everything and mapped out for our lives a path that went not much further than field work. We delight in attacking one another, fighting over petty jealousies and insisting that no one is better than we are. We're too deferential, and too willing to keep quiet when we're being mistreated or taken advantage of. We worry too much about what people think of us, and we've learned not to ask for too much out of life. While we watch less talented colleagues and co-workers demand more, we take what we're given with a smile and a sense of gratitude. And in recent years, like many other Americans, we can't seem to master the art of disagreeing with someone without trying to discredit and destroy them.

In the last four centuries, Hispanics in America have overcome just about every obstacle, challenge, setback and misfortune you can name. Now, for many of them, it's time to overcome the instinct to self-destruct.

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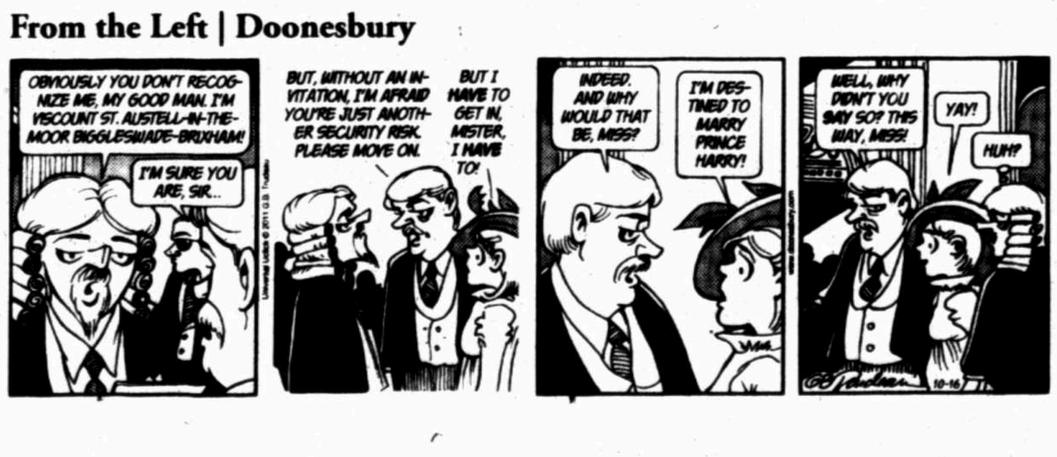

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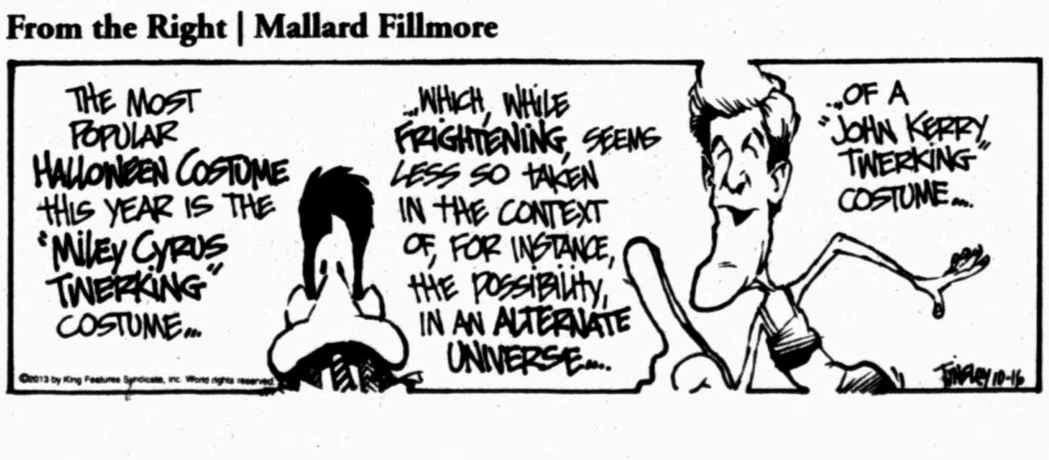

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"It's hard to tell how much these heavy Vault Bags could be worth someday. That's because after they were filled with U.S. Gov't issued coins, the bags were sealed for good," said Timothy J. Shissler, Director of Vault Operations for the private World Reserve.

Since this advertising announcement can't stop collectors from hoarding all the rarely seen coins they can get, the World Reserve has imposed a strict limit of 10 Vault Bags per resident.

"Coin values always fluctuate and there are never any guarantees, but just imagine what these Vault Bags loaded with nearly a quarter pound of rarely seen Indian Head coins could be worth someday," said Shissler.

That's why it's important that residents call the National Distribution Hotlines beginning at precisely 8:30am this morning.

Everyone who does is getting the Vault Bags loaded with rarely seen coins issued by the U.S. Gov't nearly 100 years ago for just $59 and shipping and handling, which is a real steal since just one scarce and highly collectible Indian Head coin alone could be worth up to hundreds of dollars in collector value. And here's the best part. Everyone who claims four Vault Bags before all the money is gone is getting free shipping and free handling.

"With all these coins up for grabs we're bracing for all the calls and doing our best to make sure Texas residents get through. But it's important that residents find their county on the Distribution List and call the National Distribution Hotlines before the 48-hour deadline ends," Shissler said.

"We know the phones will be ringing off the hook because we're allowing residents to claim up to 10 Vault Bags. But to make sure residents who find their county on the Distribution List have a fair chance to get the coins, we'll be strictly enforcing the 10 Vault Bag limit," said Shissler.

"We're bracing for all the calls because there are just hours left for residents to get the Vault Bags," Shissler said.

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Why US bonds matter to global markets and you

By Ken Sweet
Associated Press

NEW YORK — It's no surprise that investors get nervous every time politicians debate raising the U.S. debt limit.

The stock market is the better-known barometer of the U.S. financial system, symbolized by famous companies and colorful traders on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. But the $38 trillion bond market is a far larger and more important driver of world financial markets.

And at the center of it all: the market for U.S. Treasurys. Treasurys play a crucial role in the global economy. They allow the U.S. to borrow cheaply to pay its bills and influence rates on home mortgages and many other kinds of loans.

Q: What are U.S. Treasurys and why do investors care about them?

Treasurys are debt issued by the U.S. government.

The federal government has consistently run a budget deficit for decades, so the United States borrows billions of dollars from investors to pay its bills. It borrows by selling debt in regular auctions.

Those auctions are handled by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, hence the name "Treasurys."

The United States is the largest debtor on the planet, owing roughly $12 trillion to public investors.

Treasurys have different maturities, or the length of time before the debt must be repaid. The debt with the shortest maturity is the four-week Treasury bill, also called the one-month T-bill.

Debt with longest maturity is the 30-year Treasury bond. Other maturities include 5- and 10-year Treasury notes, or T-notes.

Investors buy Treasurys for various reasons, but the main reason is safety. The U.S. government has never intentionally failed to pay its debts, so investors consider U.S. debt the safest, and most reliable in times of uncertainty. That debt is held by a variety of investors, including the governments of Japan and China, the largest U.S. creditors.

Treasurys are denominated in U.S. dollars, the main currency used by central banks and major financial institutions around the world. Because the U.S. government owes so much and because investors expect the U.S. government to honor its debts always, the Treasury market is considered the cornerstone of the global financial system.

Q: The "cornerstone of the global financial system?" That seems a bit excessive, don't you think?

It's not excessive at all.

Investors weight risk in deciding what to invest in and for how long. Risk determines how much they should be paid for placing their trust in an investment. Risk, in other words, is simply the chance that an investment will not pan out as expected.

Investors treat U.S. Treasurys as a sort of "zero point" that all other investments are calculated against. Even when a solid company like Apple issued debt to pay its bills, Apple is considered relatively more risky than the debt of the United States.

The risks of all financial instruments in the U.S. (and many around the globe) are calculated against the risk of buying U.S. Treasurys. This includes mortgages, bank rates, credit card interest rates, other bonds, etc.

In normal times, the biggest risk to U.S. Treasurys is that inflation could erase any return an investor would make, not that the government could fail to repay its debt.

Q: What's been going on with U.S. Treasurys since the debt ceiling debate turned nasty?

Investors have been selling Treasurys that come due around the time the U.S. government hits the debt ceiling, Thursday. The fear is that if the U.S. government is unable to borrow and runs out of cash, it might fail to pay back the money if owes, at least temporarily. Most Treasurys that come due in this window are one-month Treasury bills, debt issued in September that comes due in mid-to-late October.

Typically, one-month T-bills give their holders little-to-no return on their investment. For example, the U.S. government auctioned $35 billion in one-month T-bills in mid-September that had a yield of zero — meaning investors were locking up their money with the U.S. government for a month and getting nothing for it. Because they're issued for a short period of time and are considered extremely safe, the reward for the risk is low.

However, because those mid-September bills come due in mid-October, the yield, or compensation, that investors are demanding has shot up. The one-month Treasury bill is now trading at 0.34 percent.

Investors fear they might get stuck holding these T-bills and when they come due, the U.S. government won't have the cash to pay them back. At 0.34 percent, these investments are still considered safe, but it's startling to see investors lose that much confidence in one type of U.S. government investment so quickly.

The biggest sellers of these one-month bills have been money market funds. Fidelity Investments, which manages roughly $430 billion in money market mutual funds, said last week it had sold all of its short-term U.S. government debt. JPMorgan Chase & Co. has also sold all of its holdings of short-term U.S. government debt out of its money market funds.

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Kanakuk Kamps CEO urges students to be 'I'm Third' kids

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Putting God first, others second and living life by the idea that "I'm Third" is the main message Kanakuk Kamps President and CEO Joe White shared with students at Trinity School during a recent visit.

"The 'I'm Third' kid is the kid everyone wants to be like," White said while addressing seventh- through 12th-graders Thursday in the school's gym. "They put God first, others second and themselves third. They're the ones that can make a major positive influence on others."

White, a former football player at Southern Methodist University and assistant football coach at Texas A&M University, purchased Kanakuk sports camp in 1976 and has grown the camp's presence since.

He shared stories about God-fearing, Christ-like individuals he'd encountered in his life who always live by the "I'm Third" mantra and encouraged students to do the same.

He gave an example of a popular boy at school asking the special edu-

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Joe White, president of Kanakuk Kamps and founder of Kids Across America, speaks to Trinity School's Upper School students Oct. 9 in the Beal Gym.

James Durbin Reporter-Telegram

love of LEARNING

ABOVE
Natalie London works with Cora McKean on her 3-D shapes Tuesday at Yucca Blossom Montessori School.

BELOW
Ankunda Mugoya plays with clay Tuesday at the school.

Montessori school serves small class of pre-schoolers

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While 6 1/2-year-old David Mugoya works independently on a needlework project at Yucca Blossom Learning Community, classmate Cora McKean, 2 1/2, works to develop her visual perception with color tiles.

As Yucca Blossom Learning Community founder Natalie London works with Cora and shows her the difference between red, blue and green tiles, two other students work independently on other projects and objectives.

Creating an environment that empowers students to learn independently and use their imagination are what London tries to teach at Yucca Blossom, a Montessori-based preschool she established in her home this July.

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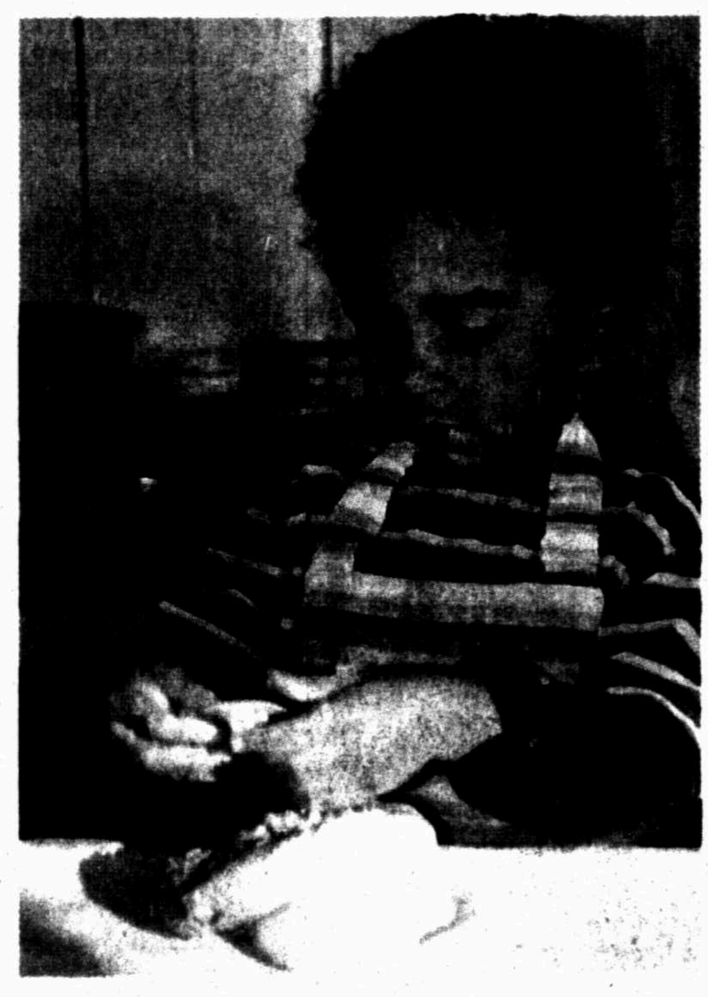

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OWEN RUST
Midland High School teacher

Increased oversight, reduced funding threaten public education

U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan said that "a real state of crisis" exists in regard to America's schooling, according to an NBC report Oct. 8.

Duncan's commentary, made at NBC's fourth annual Education Nation Summit, occurred shortly after the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development released data revealing that the U.S. trailed most industrialized nations in terms of knowledge in math, literature and technology at both the youth and adult levels. Alarmingly, the U.S. did better than average among older adults, 55-65, ranked average among 45-54, but did progressively worse among younger people.

Are we losing an education race against other industrialized nations? If so, how can we fix it?

In Texas, public school teachers are beholden to state standards, similar to other states. Texas campuses are graded on how many students receive course credits and how well students do on standardized tests. Threats of increased state oversight and reduced funding are leveled against schools that do not meet complex standards. Ultimately, these guidelines reduce the rigor and flexibility of academic instruction. How can I hold my high school seniors accountable for their performance if the state of Texas tacitly encourages me to make sure that nobody fails?

And, if states encourage the blind passage of all K-12 students regardless of performance, how are we supposed to continue to compete with other nations? Credentials at all levels will become increasingly watered down as educational institutions, looking to retain full state funding, allow rampant grade inflation.

This is now set to occur at the college level. Starting next spring, about 200 colleges and universities will be using the standardized College Learning Assessment, according to the Wall Street Journal. It's only a matter of time until all levels of public education face constant scrutiny by state-level oversight, with more and more educators struggling to uphold academic rigor and student accountability while being quietly urged to make sure that every student gets a passing grade.

Midland, with its upcoming vote on the secondary school bond, has the potential to be a great model for growing urban school districts. In addition to ensuring that secondary education has the resources to allow student success, we should also encourage state legislators to continue easing rigid standardized restrictions on teachers. Fortunately, Texas has bucked the nationwide trend of ever-increasing standardized testing by passing legislation to reduce from 15 to five the number of required end-of-course exams necessary for a student to graduate.

However, it is not enough simply to decrease the number of required standardized tests. Midlanders, and all Texans,

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Special education 'label' is meant to help, not hurt, student

KATHLEEN WILKINS
Milam Elementary teacher

Everywhere we go in life we use labels to help make sense of the world around us. We tell our children to watch out for cars when they are crossing the street. Do we mean they only need to look out for cars? Should they not worry about trucks, vans or jeeps? No. We label all vehicles as cars; it is a starting point for our children. They know what a car is, and they can see that the others are similar and just as dangerous, so they need to be careful. We grow up labeling and grouping similar things to help us more quickly identify and relate to our world. Why is it that when it comes to putting labels on people, everyone gets upset?

I do understand; it is hard when the label is not the label we want. Although I would love to wear a pair of jeans with a label that says size 6, I'm afraid that label just does not fit me. Many personal labels are more subjective than the size of clothes you wear or the color of your eyes. For example, the way you see your personality and the way others see your personality might be quite different. This is where we start getting upset.

When our picture of ourselves or someone we love is challenged by a label (that in our mind does not belong), it is easy to feel hurt or afraid of what it will mean. This happens frequently when a school requests testing for a student to see if the student will qualify for special education services. Many parents and students fear the words "special ed." "There is no way my child belongs in special education classes." "I'm not special ed!"

The first thing I would like to say is that you could be right. When we test students to see if they qualify for special education services, that is just it. We don't know if they will qualify for the extra intensive instruction provided by the special education teachers. What we do know is that they are struggling in school and even with extra intensive classroom instruction provided by the classroom teacher, the student is still struggling.

When the parent or guardian has given written permission and the testing is complete, the teachers, parents and the diagnostician who gave the tests will meet. Even if the student does not qualify, everyone in the meeting will go over the student's areas of strength and weakness to help the classroom teacher know how to better line up the way she teaches lessons with that student's strengths. If, however, your student does come back with a quali-

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Obituaries

Hayward Hudson

Hayward Hudson was born July 25, 1937 to Robert and Theoria Hudson in Kosse, Texas. He passed away October 11, 2013 in Midland.

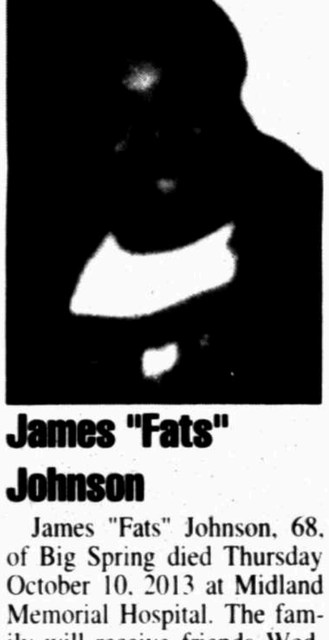
Funeral services will be held October 19th, 11am at the Macedonia Baptist Church, 201 S. Carver St., with Pastor Woodrow Bailey III officiating.

Jack Erwin Gough

Jack Erwin Gough went to be with his Heavenly Father at 12:56 PM, October 11, 2013, at the Midland Memorial Hospital. Jack was born May 27, 1963 in Hobbs, New Mexico.

Jack is survived by his mother and stepfather, Gracie and W. A. (Bird) Miles of Midland. Texas; brother, Donald Gough and wife, Tiffany of Gardendale, Texas; brother, Billy Gough and wife, Rose of the Philippines; brother, Billy Miles of Breckenridge, Texas; sister, Charlotte Lock of Glen Rose, Texas; daughters, Amber Gough and Shawna Gough of Midland, Texas; and son, Casey Gough of Midland, Texas; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins of Olney, Texas.

Funeral services will be held October 17 at 2:00 PM at Lunn Funeral Home in Olney, Texas. Pastor Andy Graham of Southside Baptist Church will be officiating. Graveside services will be at Westover Cemetery, Baylor County, Texas.



James "Fats" Johnson

James "Fats" Johnson, 68, of Big Spring died Thursday October 10, 2013 at Midland Memorial Hospital. The family will receive friends Wednesday from 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be Thursday 10:00 A.M. at Myers & Smith Chapel with Holston Banks and Marcos Zuniga officiating. Burial will follow at Mount Olive Memorial Park. He was born April 24, 1945 in Waxahachie, Texas to Lula Mae and Roland "Stoney" Johnson. He was a longtime resident of Howard County. He was baptized November 22, 1981 at College Baptist Church and loved cooking. He was a cook and restaurant owner in Big Spring for many years. He worked at the Wagon Wheel Drive-in, Downtown Tea Room, the 66 Truck stop, and the Pancake Patio.. He was also a partner in Western Sizzler Steak House. He later owned Fat's Buffett downtown and on 11th Place. He is survived by one daughter: Connie Cynthia Mitchell of Big Spring; five sons: James Earl Johnson, Jr., of Big Spring, Jackie Johnson and Joe Johnson both of Odessa, Johnny Johnson and Jimmy Johnson both of Big Spring; his mother: Lula Mae Green Johnson of Pflugerville; two brothers Robert Earl Johnson of Pflugerville and John Paul Garza of Big Spring; five sisters: Edna Mae Brown of Fort Worth, Ruby Miles of Odessa, Vernie Lou Gossett of Killeen, Lee Altus Garland of Odessa, Larette Harris of Pflugerville; sixteen grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his father Roland "Stoney" Johnson in 1987; two brothers Tommy "T.J. Jewelz" Johnson in 2011 and Marvin C. Johnson in 2012; his mother-in-law Inez Garza in 2011 and one sister Virginia Anne Johnson. Arrangements are by Myers & Smith Funeral Home. Pay your respects online at www.myersandsmith.com

Laura Sue Rinehart Word

Mar. 14, 1933 - Oct. 13, 2013

Laura Word, 80, passed away Sunday, October 13, 2013 after a lengthy illness. She was born in Mullin, Texas on March 14, 1933, the fourth child of Lawrence Loran and Carrie (Ely) Rinehart. Laura attended high school in Ft Davis where she met and married Marlin Word. They were married for 59 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Alpine and retired from First National Bank there in 1983. Laura had lived in Midland for the last 13 years.

She is preceded in death by her husband, her parents, two brothers, Walter and Leonard Rinehart, and one sister, Connie Hailey.

Laura is survived by daughters Christy and her husband Herb Kneisley, and Vicki Word all of Midland, three grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren, sisters, Kathaleen and her husband Bill Rogers of El Paso, Nell and her husband John Simpson of Rathdrum, Idaho and sister in law Clara Rinehart of San Angelo.

Grave side services are scheduled for Thursday, October 16, 2013 at 11:00am at Resthaven Memorial Park in Midland.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home. The family requests Memorials be directed to Legacy Ranch in Midland, Home Hospice in Midland or the Alzheimer's Association.

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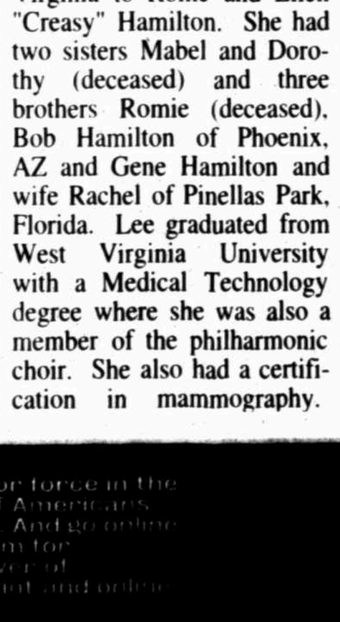

Lee Russell

Lee Russell -- Mom, Mamaw, Mams -- of Pflugerville passed away on October 13, 2013 with her beloved classical music playing beside her. Mamaw, as she was called by grandchildren, great grandchildren and even friends of all ages, never met a stranger and was always positive, upbeat and smiling.

Lee was born April 25, 1927 in Charleston, West Virginia to Rome and Ellen "Creasy" Hamilton. She had two sisters Mabel and Dorothy (deceased) and three brothers Romie (deceased), Bob Hamilton of Phoenix, AZ and Gene Hamilton and wife Rachel of Pinellas Park, Florida. Lee graduated from West Virginia University with a Medical Technology degree where she was also a member of the philharmonic choir. She also had a certification in mammography. Later in life, she was a real estate agent specializing in leasing. She was also an ordained Deacon and Elder in the Presbyterian Church.

The greatest joys in Lee's life were her three sons - Terry, Jerry and Barry. As her family grew to include grandchildren and great grandchildren, nothing came before being a part of their lives or being at one of their activities. Whether it was baseball, football, softball, soccer or basketball, Lee was always on the sidelines cheering. She was also present at their recitals, plays, graduations and weddings. If she was in the hospital, Lee had to hurry and get out because she had a family event to attend. Lee was all about supporting her family regardless of what she might be doing or how she might be feeling. Being involved with their lives was Lee's top priority.

She loved going to the opera and traveling. She traveled to the Holy Land, Alaska, Europe, Hawaii, Mexico, throughout the United States and went on numerous cruises. Lee represented how people should live their life -- striving everyday to make the world around them a better and nicer place.

Lee is survived by her three sons and their families: Terry and wife Lynne of Irving, Jerry and wife Cindy, of Pflugerville, and Barry and wife Jill, of Midland. Her nine grandchildren and their families include: Rusty Russell; Michelle Reid and husband Blake; Heather Martin and husband Lee; Lauren Grafe, husband Ryan; Wade Russell, wife Margot; Paige Hrubetz, husband Jon; Jason Russell, wife Becca; Jay Russell, fiance Shannon Davis and Aimee Herring, husband Casey. She is also survived by nine great grandchildren, Kaden and Kameron Martin; Olivia Reid; Hudson and Claire Hrubetz; Blakeleigh and Gunner Herring; Cannon Grafe and Madeleine Hancock, who were her life.

A celebration of Lee's life will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, October 19 at Point of Grace, 19507 FM 685, Pflugerville, Texas 78660. A reception will follow at the church. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Point of Grace Love Fund, in care of the church, in Lee Russell's memory. The Love Fund is used to help the less-fortunate families in the Pflugerville area no matter what church affiliation. A donation can also be made to Hospice Midland, 911 W. Texas, Midland, Texas 79701.

Please visit Lee's memorial page at www.cookwaldencapitalparks.com.

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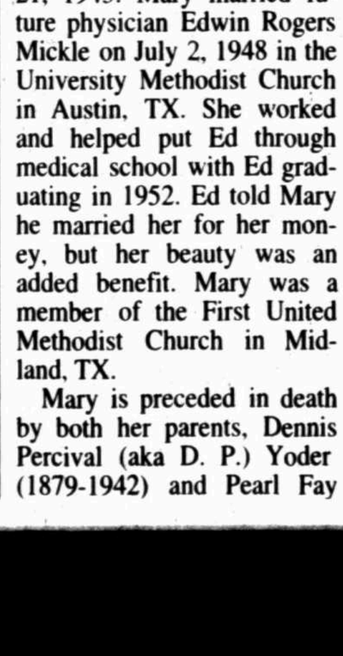

Mary Francis Yoder Mickle

Mary Francis Yoder Mickle passed away on Friday, October 11, 2013 in Midland. She was born on February 26, 1926 in Snyder, Scurry Co., TX to Dennis P. Yoder and Pearl Fay Bertran Yoder, the last of nine children. She graduated from Snyder High School on May 21, 1943. Mary married future physician Edwin Rogers Mickle on July 2, 1948 in the University Methodist Church in Austin, TX. She worked and helped put Ed through medical school with Ed graduating in 1952. Ed told Mary he married her for her money, but her beauty was an added benefit. Mary was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Midland, TX.

Mary is preceded in death by both her parents, Dennis Percival (aka D. P.) Yoder (1879-1942) and Pearl Fay Bertram Yoder (1885-1975); 4 brothers, Theodore Oron Yoder (1905-1998), Hal Dennis Yoder (1909-1998), Fred Allen Yoder (1912-2010), and Lyman James Yoder (1921-1987); 3 sisters, Margaret Catherine Yoder Clark (1907-1970), Ruth Marie Yoder von der Hoff Ackers (1914-2005), and Virginia Pearl Yoder Johnson (1918-2012); and one daughter Virginia Sue Mickle (1958-2011).

She is survived by her husband of 65 years, Edwin Rogers Mickle, MD; sister, Genevieve Angela Yoder Pope and husband Rev. William "Bill" Pope of Maryville, TN; and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be held for Mary on Saturday October 19, 2013 at Ellis Funeral Home Chapel, Midland, TX at 10:00 am. On line condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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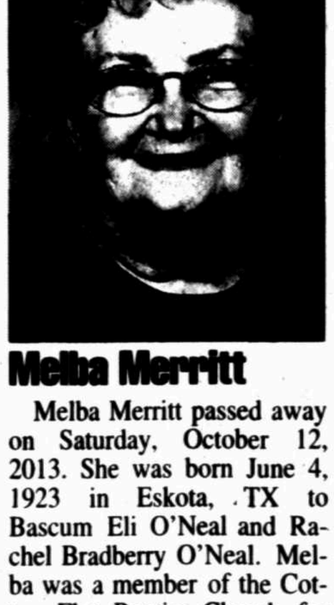

Melba Merritt

Melba Merritt passed away on Saturday, October 12, 2013. She was born June 4, 1923 in Eskota, TX to Bascum Eli O'Neal and Rachel Bradberry O'Neal. Melba was a member of the Cotton Flat Baptist Church for many years. She loved her grandchildren dearly and enjoyed being with them. Melba also loved word find games and playing dominoes.

Melba is survived by her son Mike and his wife Jean; sisters, Betty Green, and Patsy Roulston; her son's widow, Sherry Merritt; five grandchildren; and twelve great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by both parents; ex-husband Pat M. Merritt; son Jay Pat Merritt; and sister Mickey Chamberlin.

The family will welcome friends to a visitation on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at Ellis Funeral Home, Midland, TX from 6-8 pm. Services will be held Wednesday, October 16, 2013 at Cotton Flat Baptist Church, Midland, TX, officiated by Rick Holeman. On line condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com.

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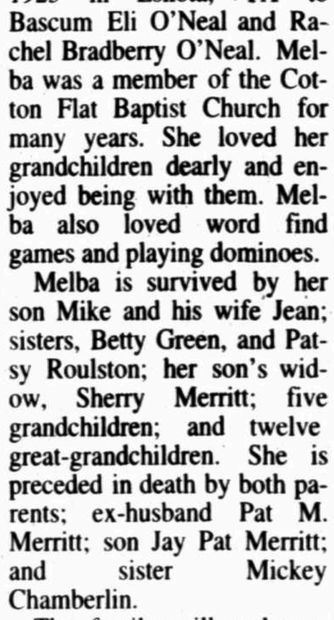

Ruth DeLong Hartman

Ruth DeLong Hartman passed away on Saturday, October 12, 2013 in Midland, Texas. She was born on April 25, 1920 in Floodwood, OH to John and Nell DeLong. Ruth married James K. Hartman on April 16, 1943 and they had a long and devoted marriage for 70 years. They were the loving parents of four children. Her family was her pride and joy. Ruth also loved music, gardening, and could create a masterpiece in the kitchen with her creative cooking.

Ruth is survived by her husband, James; sons, James K. Hartman II, and Harry Douglas Hartman; daughters, Diane Hartman Walker, and Maria Hartman Jones, and their spouses; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandson. She is preceded in death by her sister and one grandson.

The family will welcome friends to a visitation on Wednesday, October 16, 2013 from 6-8 pm at Ellis Funeral Home, Midland, TX. Graveside services will be held Thursday, October 17, 2013 at Resthaven Memorial Park at 1:00 pm. On line condolences may be offered at www.ellisfunerals.com. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

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Tiny Jones

Tiny Jones went to be with her Savior after a 5 year battle with Alzheimer's on Monday, October 14, 2013. At the time of death she was residing at Legacy Ranch under the care of some of the most precious and caring people on Earth.

Tiny was born Coretta V. Pullen on December 27, 1919, to Lewis and Ella Pullen in Dallas, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her husband Floyd C. Jones, who died November 8, 1981, and her son, Mike Jones on February 24, 2003.

She is survived by her son Ronald "Dane" Jones of Odessa and her adopted grandson, Dr. Kenny Border, his wife Mendi and their children Brynlee and Boston of Shallowater, Texas.

Tiny was quite popular and famous in the local area as a gifted gospel singer, singing at churches and at many funerals.

The last funeral she will sing on this earth will be her own on Thursday, October 17, 2012 at 1:00 PM at Sunset Funeral Home Chapel, with Gayle Reeves officiating. Burial will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens. Visitation with the family will be 6-8 PM Wednesday, October 16, 2013 in Sunset Funeral Home.

Funeral arrangements are under the direction of Sunset Funeral Home. To sign the guest book, go to our website at www.sunsetodessa.com

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Joyce Kathryn Moore

Joyce Moore, 85, of Midland died Friday, October 11, 2013. She laid down for a night's rest in her bed at home but awoke in the loving arms of her Heavenly Father for all eternity. She was born on January 18, 1928, to Carl and Lela Clardy in Loraine, Texas.

Her goal was to lead a life fashioned around her favorite book in the Bible, Philippians, especially verses 4:6,4:7, and 4:13. Joyce led a full life, caring for others and making friends wherever she went. Always ahead of her time, at age 31 and the only female there, Joyce owned and operated an International Harvester dealership in Stanton, TX. After she sold the business, she became a successful real estate associate and broker for 25 years in Midland. After retiring from the business world, she spent many years being active with church and family. Among her many blessings, she counted her friends from Sunday School and bridge playing, and her years of service to Hospice of Midland.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her loving husband of 50 years, Jay Moore, and her daughter, Barbara Moore Wilkinson.

As an only child herself, Joyce was especially proud to be the matriarch of the following list of survivors. CHILDREN - Son, Kevin Moore and his wife, Teri, of Midland; Son, Mike Moore of Midland; Daughter, Carla Moore Russell and her husband, John, of Midland, Son-in-law, Pete Wilkinson, Greenwood, TX. GRAND-CHILDREN - Shannon Moore Cochran and her husband, Matt, Austin, TX; Greg Moore and his wife, Erin, Edmond, OK; Mandy Riggan and her husband, Casey, of Midland, TX; Josh Moore, Midland, TX; Michael Moore, Lubbock, TX; Elissa Russell, Austin, TX; Pete Wilkinson, Jr. and his wife Teresa, Madison, MS; Paul Wilkinson and his wife, Samantha, Dallas, TX; Katie Wilkinson Watson and her husband, Benton, Greenwood, TX. GREAT GRANDCHILDREN - Mathew, David, Samuel, Rachel, and Jonathan Cochran, Austin, TX; Miles Moore, Edmond, OK; Tyler and Grayson Pool, Midland, TX; Katlin, Madison, Bailey, and Jae Wilkinson, Madison, MS; Casey and Drew Wilkinson, Dallas, TX; Piper and Ben Watson, Greenwood, TX. COUSIN "but like a daughter" - Brenda Turby, Seguin, TX.

There will be a visitation from 6:30 - 8:00 PM, Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at the Ellis Funeral Home. On Wednesday, October 16, 2013, the family will have a private burial service at Resthaven Memorial Park, but sincerely invite family and friends to join them in a memorial service to be held later that day, at 2:00 PM, October 16, 2013, at First United Methodist Church, Midland, TX.

The family requests that memorial gifts be made to Hospice of Midland, American Heart Association, or the charity of your choice.

Arrangements are under the direction of Ellis Funeral Home, Midland, Texas. Online condolences may be offered at: www.ellisfunerals.com.

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Male teachers could do wonders for development of male students

■ It is not an easy world for boys, but there are steps to make education more worthwhile

It's been a windfall time for boys, those too-oft overlooked stakeholders in American education.

First, I found "Boys Have Deep Emotional Lives," an article in The Atlantic about "mean girls" expert Rosalind Wiseman's latest book, "Masterminds and Wingmen: Helping Our Boys Cope with Schoolyard Power, Locker-Room Tests, Girlfriends, and the New Rules of Boy World."

Then I lucked into "How to Make School Better for Boys," also from The Atlantic, by Christina Hoff Sommers on the updated edition of her book "The War Against Boys: How Misguided Policies Are Harming Our Young Men."

Lastly, on the Daily Beast, I came across "How We Fail Our Boys," a critical review of Helen Smith's book "Men on Strike: Why Men Are Boycotting Marriage, Fatherhood, and the American Dream — and Why It Matters."

For the mom of two very young men — ages 12 and 14-but-thinks-he's-going-on-21 — this was a jackpot on a topic I agonize over every day: What will become of my boys? And one that seems to usually be far off anyone's radar because, as the cliche goes, it's already a man's world so what's there to worry about?

Believe me, there's plenty to fret over. Though numerous male writers have tackled this subject, maybe with women increasingly speaking out about the difficulties that young men face, it can start being a serious topic of discussion.

The statistics are comforting if you have daughters and terrifying if you're raising boys. Take these from Sommers:

■ "Women in the United States now earn 62 percent of associate's degrees, 57 percent of bachelor's degrees, 60 percent of master's degrees, and 52 percent of doctorates."

■ "Boys in *all* ethnic groups and social classes are far less likely than their sisters to feel connected to school, to earn good grades, or to have high academic aspirations."

■ "The College Board delivered this disturbing message in a 2011 report about Hispanic and African-American boys and young adults: 'Nearly half of young men of color age 15 to 24 who graduate from high school will end up unemployed, incarcerated or dead.' Working-class white boys are faring only slightly better."

Those numbers feel obvious to me. Boys today grow up immersed in an environment where the TV shows, movies and video games marketed to young men feature male protagonists who are violent, alcohol-guzzling, pot-smoking, and/or sexist "bros." And let me tell you that they don't model working hard in school to get good grades and the chance at a productive life.

Plus, so many boys just hate school. Mine certainly do and so do their peers and I sort of don't blame them. If I had to toil for my grades in the communicate-your-feelings-in-therapy-speak environment of today's "everybody's special" K-8 zeitgeist, I wouldn't like school either.

Sommers says that several things can help boys appreciate school more. For one, we must acknowledge boys' different learning styles — boys like to work with their full bodies more than they like to sit quietly and listen, and they thrive on competition. Girls, on the other hand, are likelier to enjoy tasks that require communicating with each other and solving problems that require empathy.

Another suggestion from Sommers is to offer pathways to more technical and hands-on post-secondary educational experiences instead of assuming that the only route to a meaningful future is through college.

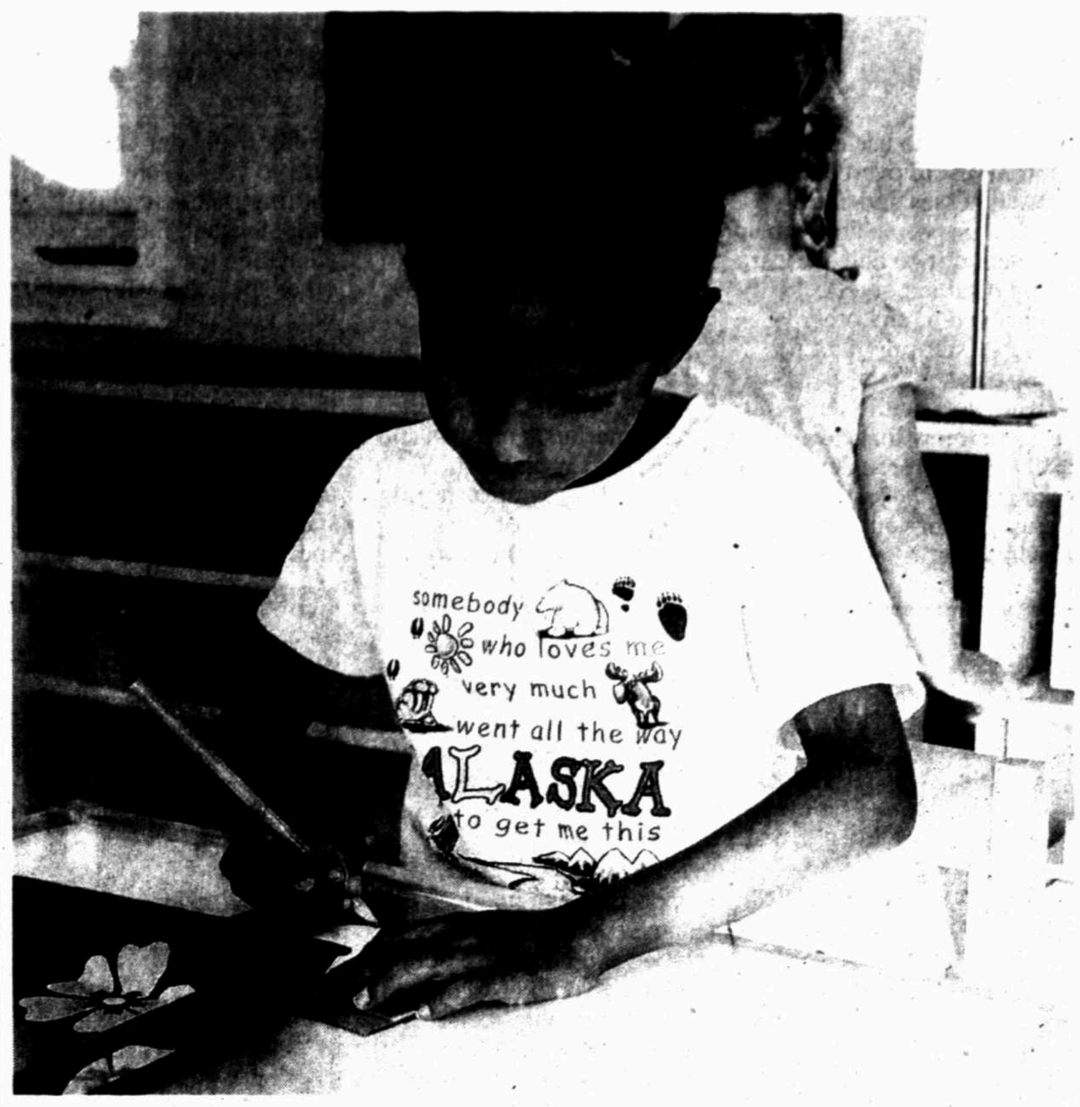
My humble contribution is to get more male teachers into classrooms. Currently, men represent only 2.3 percent of pre-school and kindergarten teachers and only 18.3 percent of elementary and middle school teachers, with the largest share of men teaching in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades.

Even in high school, where men fare better as 42 percent of faculty, we could stand to provide all students with a mix somewhat closer to the U.S. population of men, which is 49 percent.

After years of being taught by only female teachers who valued, seemingly above all else, girls' advanced verbal, social and stay-in-your-seat abilities, both my sons now finally have a better mix of teachers.

Their male teachers may be no more gifted at teaching than their female counterparts, but they bring teaching styles and personalities that are diverse in education simply because they're men.

Maybe most importantly, male teachers provide much-needed role models of responsible, thoughtful men in an intellectual, caregiving profession — and modeling such good male behavior is crucial for the healthy development of both boys' *and* girls' view of gender roles.



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Yucca Blossom Learning Community is a home-based, year-round program that welcomes children from 7:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Families are able to choose half day or all-day programs based upon their needs.

LEFT
David Mugoya works on drawing as Cora McKean, behind, picks out a new activity Tuesday at Young Bossom Montessori School.

BELOW
David picks out shapes to draw Monday at the school.

Photos by Tim Fischer

SCHOOL

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London currently works with three students for four hours each Monday through Thursday morning and presents each student with new objectives and skills as they develop.

London's students are between 2 1/2 and 6 1/2 and the age range, typical of most Montessori classrooms, provides students with an "amazing microcosm of real life," London said.

"The younger students watch the older students and learn from them. It gives them a natural incentive to become independent and self-motivated," London said. "The older children are mentors and help the little ones. That sense of ownership gives them a sense of self-worth, and research shows that's what is important."

London grew up in Odessa and attended the Montessori School of Odessa, but didn't realize her love for the methodology and curriculum until she had completed an internship with a Montessori school in Sherman while attending Austin College.

"It was very powerful to walk in and find a program that fit," said London, who initially thought she wanted to teach high school history, but was disappointed by her student-teaching experience.

"High schoolers are so very burned and untrusting. Their interest in learning, their fire for learning was cut out a long time ago and their academic skills are often not there," London said.

Aware that all academic groundwork is laid by age 6, London decided the way she could help students become successful academically was to work with young children.

She began working at Austin Montessori School and ultimately earned her Association Montessori Internationale Primary diploma through the Montessori Institute of Atlanta in 2007 and a master's in education, with a specialization in Montessori education, from Loyola University in Maryland in 2009.

She returned to Austin Montessori School and worked as the campus coordinator before she and husband, Tom Hull, moved to the Permian Basin where she decided to start Yucca Blossom.

London currently has three students attending the two-room school and hopes to add a few additional students and a full-day program later this spring after the birth of her first child. London said she ultimately hopes to have enough families interested in the program that she will need to seek real estate elsewhere for the school.

For more information, visit http://yuccablossom-montessori.com/.

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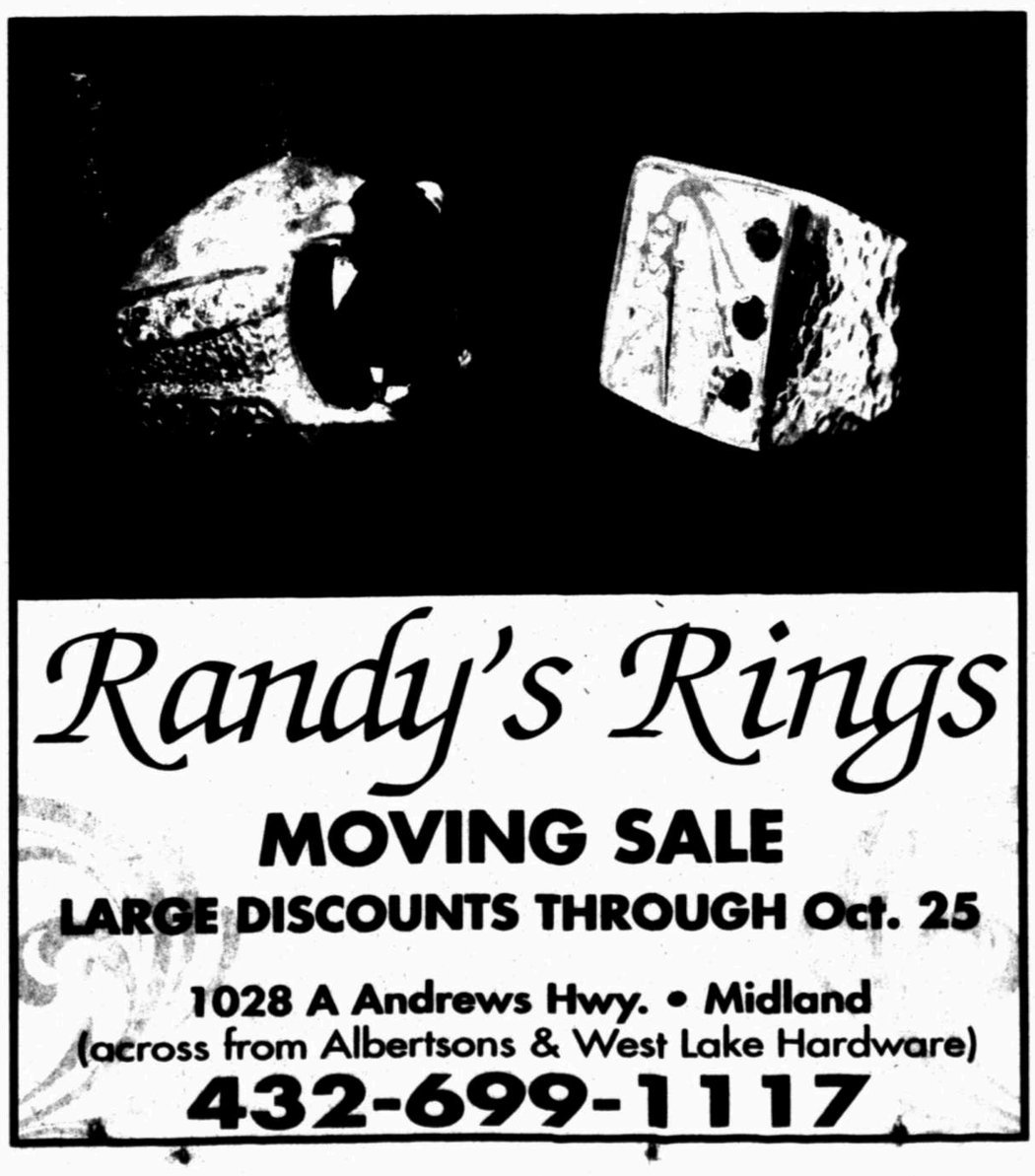

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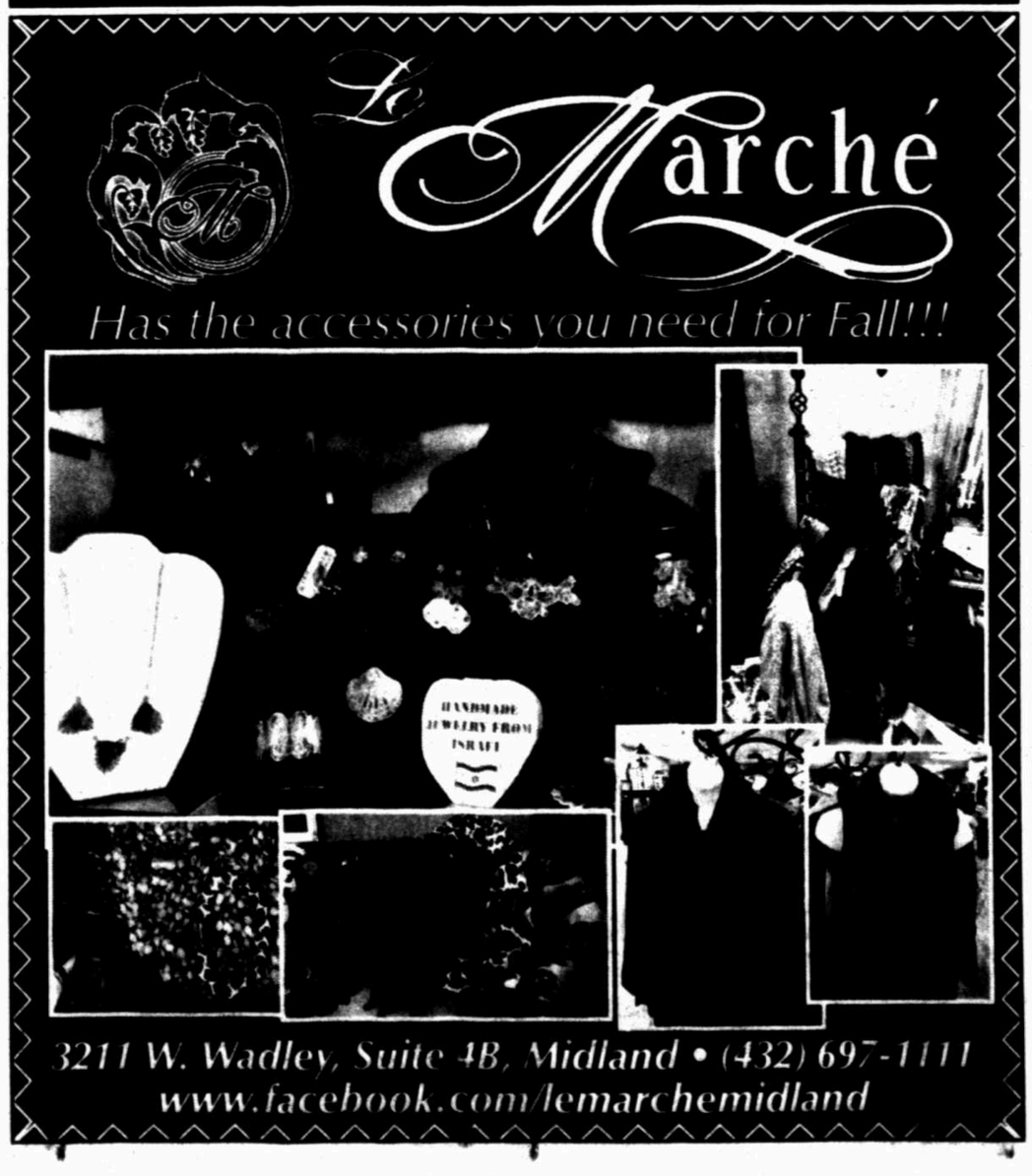

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fying "label" for special education services, do not be afraid.

Do not think of it as a life sentence or start thinking of all the things you now think will be out of the question for your precious child. This is just the beginning. You have just been given a team of people whose job is to work to help your child learn how to use all his strengths to overcome his weaknesses and catch up with his peers. The "label," whether it be autism, learning disabled, intellectually disabled or any other is only a starting point for the teachers and specialists who work with your child.

We know that every child is different, even children with the same label. Just like in your kitchen, whether it is labeled or not, you likely have a drawer for silverware. Anyone would agree that we should look for butter knives, forks and spoons in a silverware drawer, but that is not the only things you find there. Some will have bottle openers and pizza cutters. Others will have marinade brushes and a lighter for the grill.

Labels provide a starting point or frame of reference for everyone who works with your child from year to year. From that starting point the classroom teacher, the special education teacher and any other specialist who works with your child, can make plans for your student's specific learning needs. We then adjust those plans as we discover what works and what does not work to help your student be successful. Our goal in special education is to help students catch up with their peers and learn how to help themselves overcome and work around any area of weakness they may have.

Once a student can do that we celebrate and exit the student from special education services. So please don't be afraid of labels; they are meant to help. I personally had labels put on me in elementary school and was, in fact, in special education classes for several years. I have learned from my labels and now have a master's degree (from Grand Canyon University) and a career I love: helping students who are like me in so many ways.

Kathleen Wilkins is a resource (special education) teacher at Milam Elementary in Midland ISD.

Rust

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should advocate giving more autonomy to school campuses and the teachers within them.

Only when teachers are able to teach and grade more freely, with respect to their knowledge, experience and professional expertise, will America's educational situation improve. Students will be encouraged to work hard and learn necessary skills when they know that no distant bureaucracy is padding the curve. Teenagers will receive a more realistic look at life after high school, when no intervening bureaucracy manipulates the dynamic between employee and supervisor. The expectations set by the teacher, just like the expectations set by the employer, are the genuine expectations.

Improving public education requires more than just sufficient resources. Districts that have the resources to allow student success must be the ones to press beyond the physical and also ponder the moral and ethical. Once our campuses have the technology and physical capacity to guarantee that students are in a learning-friendly environment, where lay the boundaries of student and teacher responsibility? What do we truly expect and value in terms of education and pedagogy? How responsible do we expect our students to be? What do we really want our graduates to be able to accomplish?

We must take this opportunity to ponder some of the deeper issues involved in educating our nation's youth and adults if we want to help America retain competitive parity with other first-world nations. Improving public education nationwide requires sufficient academic and professional freedom and a respect for academic rigor and the professionals selected to teach. And we can start in Texas.

Owen Rust teaches economics to seniors at Midland High School.

Speaker

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cation student from across the street to the school dance and encouraged teen boys to "treat every girl like she's God's homecoming queen."

Working as a football coach at Kanakuk Kamps each summer, White said his players open up and share what is on their hearts. He acknowledged that pornography appears to be the largest issue teenagers currently deal with, and he encouraged Trinity students to look past that and wait for the real rewards when they someday marry.

"Think about an acorn. On the inside is a dream that someday they will become a giant oak tree; it just takes time for it to happen," White said. "If God can place a dream in an acorn, what can he do in you?"

Though Thursday's visit was White's first to Trinity School, he said he's known about the school for years and enjoyed getting to speak with the student body.

The presentation was arranged by Trinity parents who send their children to Kanakuk camps each year, said Kobi Lincoln, Trinity's development director.

More than 10,000 youth ages 7 to 18 annually attend Kanakuk's Christian summer sports camps in Missouri, according to the camp's website.

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MCS homecoming is Friday

Midland Christian School homecoming is Friday. The events include a parade, followed by a pep rally and the game.

The parade begins at 1:30 p.m. at the intersection of Sparks and Sinclair and ends at the McGraw Event Center where the pep rally will take place.

The homecoming football game kicks off at 7:30 p.m. against Fort Worth Christian School.

Midlanders to participate in research symposium at SRSU

ALPINE — Two Midland undergraduates will be among those presenting research at the sixth annual McNair-Tafoya Symposium Oct. 23 at Sul Ross State University.

Jim Wyche is to give an oral presentation on "Utilization of Fence Modifications by Pronghorn in the Marathon Basin."

Wyche and Megan Downing are set to give poster presentations.

The annual symposium recognizes excellence in undergraduate research across the campus.

TTUHSC appoints vice president of research

LUBBOCK — Following a national search, P. Michael Conn has been appointed as Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center's senior vice president for research and associate provost, said Dr. Tedd L. Mitchell, health sciences center president.

Conn also will serve as a professor in the School of Medicine's Department of Internal Medicine, with a joint appointment in the Department of Cell Biology and Biochemistry. His appointment is effective Dec. 1.

Stephen Covey's '7 Habits' shakes up schools

By Heather Hollingsworth
Associated Press

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. — One year after Johnathan Kent kicked his principal and school "went all bad," the 8-year-old was recognized at a recent assembly as the "Star of the Month" for being polite and helping out his teachers.

The third-grader's explanation for the turnaround: "I'm not doing what I did last year."

But Emily Cross, the principal of Indian Trails Elementary on the outskirts of Kansas City, Mo., is giving some credit to a program the school began using last year that is built around the late self-help guru Stephen Covey's best-selling "The Seven Habits of Highly Effective People." A 25th anniversary edition of the 1989 book will be released in November.

The nearly 1,500 mostly elementary schools using the program — called "The Leader in Me" — teach principles from the book, including "think win-win," "seek first to understand, then to be understood" and "synergize." Teachers, for example, might ask students how historical figures like George Washington might have used them.

And if a student gets into trouble, teachers and principals ask what habit could have helped him or her avoid the scrape.

When Johnathan's principal asked the boy what habit led to his turnaround, he quickly responded, "Do first things first." He said he didn't finish his work last year.

Students typically are assigned leadership roles that range from class greeter to fish-tank cleaner. They also keep a leadership notebook in which they chart growth in an academic area. The notebooks also track a personal goal, such as the time spent learning to tie their shoes. Cross said the tracking is a big motivator for Johnathan.

"He sees that when I'm in class putting first things first, my dot on my graph is going up, and he's proud," Cross said. "He's very confident now, and he wasn't last year."

The Leader in Me, which has started branching out into preschools and middle schools, is one of "literally dozens" of programs seeking to improve the school climate, said Paul Baumann, director of the National Center for Learning and Civic Engagement at the Denver-based Education Commission of the States, a nonpartisan group that researches education policy. He said most of the programs are run by nonprofits. The cost of the Leader in Me was "pretty high" in comparison, he said.

For a 400-student school, adopting the Leader in Me program would cost between $45,000 and $60,000 over the first three years.

The program's developer, FranklinCovey, acknowledges that the expense is one of the biggest challenges. Some schools are able to cover the cost using federal Title I money that's awarded to schools that serve large numbers of low-income students. And for schools that need help, foundations, community Chambers of Commerce or businesses might be asked to help cover the cost, said Meg Thompson, who oversees the program for Salt Lake City-based Franklin-Covey.

Not everyone is sold though. Lakeview Elementary in Kirkland, Wash., a Seattle suburb, dropped the program this year after parents complained. Lake Elementary parent Paul Devries said he found the program "cult-like" and "objected to the group mentality." Some schools offer training sessions for parents.

"It's our responsibility as parents to teach values to our kids, not for kids to come home and teach FranklinCovey's values to us," said Devries, 53, a fishery scientist and water resource engineer. "Kids should be able to be creative and think for themselves and not be automatons and repeat the seven habits."

Asked how many schools had dropped out, FranklinCovey said that would be hard to calculate.

Before his death in July 2012, Covey disputed criticism that he simply repackaged his Mormon faith in the "Seven Habits."

Backers say the program exceeded expectations.

"It is easier for kids at 5, 6, 7 to learn the habits than it is for us adults," said Joel Katte, principal of Meadowthorpe Elementary in Lexington, Ky., where student leadership assemblies feature students singing about and performing skits about the habits. "It's kind of a first language for them."

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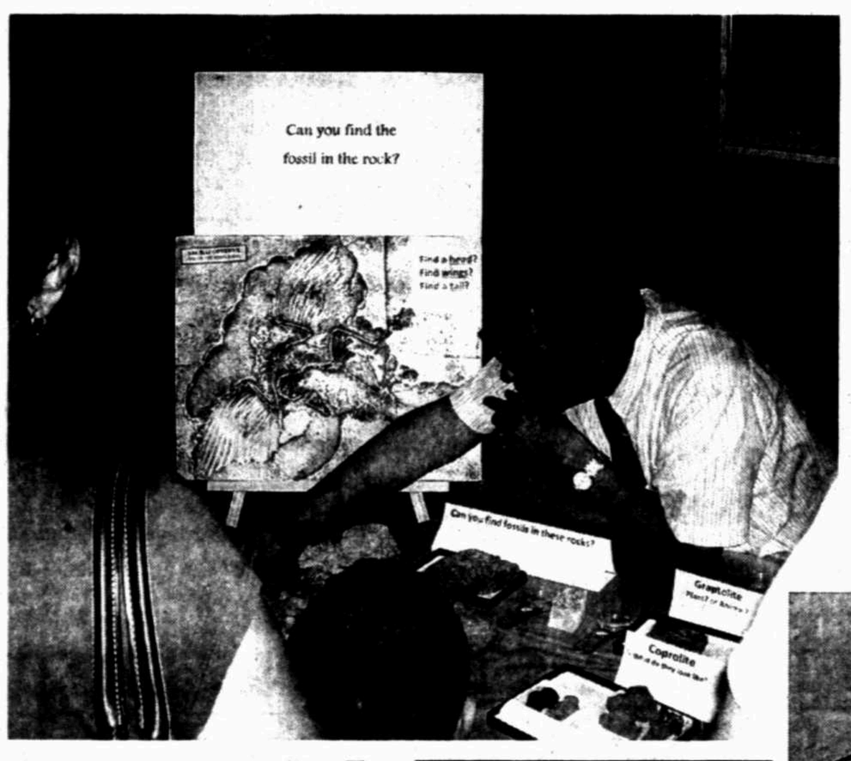

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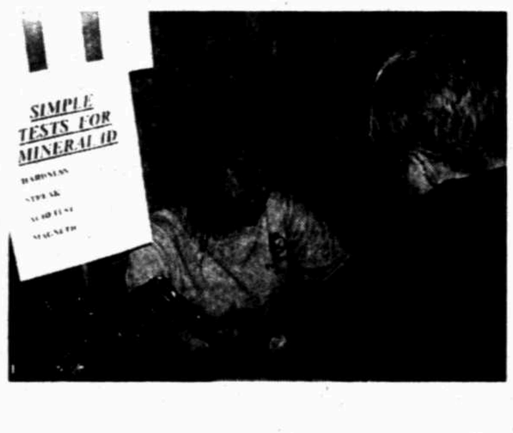

FAMILY NIGHT

Midland College science faculty and students volunteered to help out with Family Night at the Petroleum Museum on Oct. 3.

Below left
MC student Chelsea Payan helps demonstrate facts about rocks.

Below
MC students Jordan Rivas, left, and Marissa Hunley demonstrate the effects of heat and pressure.

Left
MC geology faculty member Dr. Keonho Kim helps children find fossils in the rocks.

DAILY PROMISE BROUGHT TO YOU BY
HENRY
Psalm 100:5
For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

BANANAGRAMS!

Rearrange the letters of each word below and place them in the blanks so that, together with the two letters that have already been placed, they form a new word.

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Yesterday's Answer:
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TODAY: Mostly cloudy — High: 55 Low: 43

THURSDAY: Sunny — High: 72 Low: 53

FRIDAY: Mostly sunny — High: 69 Low: 53

Local forecast

Expect mostly cloudy skies today with a high around 55 and northeast winds between 5 and 10 mph. Tonight's forecast calls for mostly cloudy conditions with a low around 43 and northeast winds around 5 mph becoming calm after midnight. There is a 10 percent chance of isolated showers during the day.

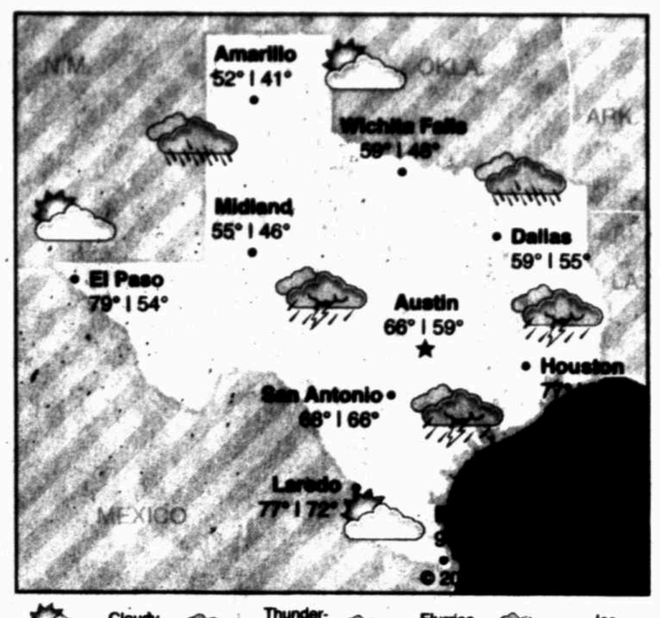
Thursday, look for sunny skies with a high around 72 and light south winds increasing to between 10 and 15 mph in the morning. Expect partly cloudy conditions at night, with a low around 53.

The high on Tuesday reached 71, while the low dropped to 50. The record high for Oct. 15 is 94 set in 1962. The record low is 36 set in 1966.

National forecast

A south-to-southeast flow will make the air more humid along the Atlantic Seaboard today. The pattern will bring areas of low clouds and sunshine. Where sunshine comes out, temperatures will become rather warm for mid-October.

Farther west, areas of rain and thunderstorms are forecast to reach from the central and eastern Great Lakes to central and southern Texas.



Precipitation

Monday	0.00 in.
Tuesday	0.24 in.
Month total	1.66 in.
Year total	6.50 in.
Normal total (year to date)	12.56 in.

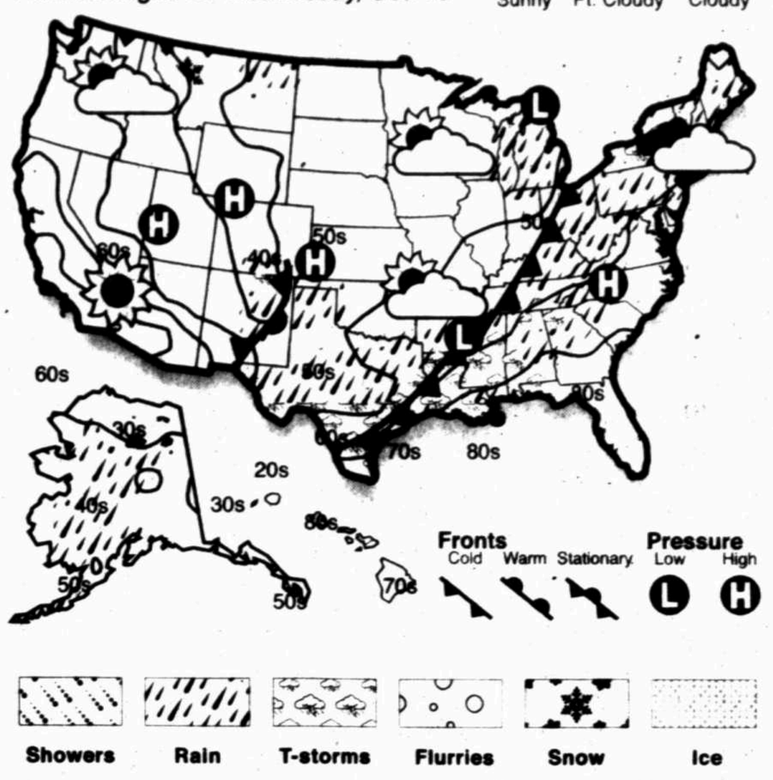
Tuesday's temperatures

High	71
Low	50
Normal high	78
Normal low	52
Sunrise	7:53 a.m.
Sunset	7:15 p.m.

National forecast

Forecast highs for Wednesday, Oct. 16

Sunny Pt. Cloudy Cloudy



Sexually active teens must be responsible for birth control

DEAR ABBY

Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069. Her column is distributed by Universal Press Syndicate.

DEAR ABBY: My 17-year-old daughter confided that she has become sexually involved with her boyfriend and asked if I would buy condoms for her. I agreed that she should protect herself and bought her a box of 12.

A week later, she informed me that she needed another 12-pack. When I asked why she had run out so quickly, she confessed that she has been supplying them to her girlfriends. Apparently they can't confide in their moms the way she can with me.

My dilemma is that condoms are expensive and, on one hand, I don't want to be the one supplying a group of kids. On the other hand, if I can help to prevent an unwanted pregnancy, maybe it's worth it. What do you think I should do? — SAFE SEX ADVOCATE IN ILLINOIS

DEAR SAFE SEX ADVOCATE: If your daughter's friends are old enough to be sexually active, they and their boyfriends should also be responsible enough to provide their own birth control. Generally, teens do not need the permission of their parents to receive information about it. Because you want to help them avoid unwanted pregnancies, as well as STDs, direct them to the nearest Planned Parenthood Center for low-cost or no-cost birth control and instruction on how to use it. There are 18 of these health centers in Illinois. To find the one closest to you, visit plannedparenthood.org.

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of three wonderful girls. The problem is my husband thinks the way to make them love him is by allowing them everything I don't. I'll give you some examples:

I don't let the girls eat anywhere except at the table, so my husband brings treats into the family room. I try to limit high-sugar/fat items like chips and candy, which he buys for them on a regular basis. I also try to adhere to a regular bedtime schedule, while he thinks nothing of stretching lights-out to an hour or more later.

Then he complains that the girls won't listen to him, so I must be in charge of the discipline. While this makes him Fun Daddy in our house, it makes me ... MEAN MOMMY IN OHIO

DEAR MOMMY: It appears you're not just raising three wonderful girls, but also coping with an immature, overgrown boy. Parenthood is supposed to be a united, consistent partnership, a team effort. Your husband is sabotaging you and ignoring that one of the responsibilities of parenthood is establishing rules and limits that children should live with.

Your husband needs parenting classes, and if that's not possible, some sessions with a child behavior expert who can explain the consequences of what he's doing to his daughters in the name of being "Fun Daddy." From my perspective, there isn't anything funny about it. You have my sympathy.

DEAR ABBY: I work at a senior retirement community, and the residents have a Halloween party each year. In the past, there were prizes for the three best costumes. However, last year they stopped giving prizes because one of the residents is a professional artist and costume maker, and the association felt it would be unfair to the others to have him compete.

This year it was decided not to hold the contest at all. The residents are disappointed. How can they continue to have the costume contest and include the professional? — DRESSED UP IN LOUISIANA

DEAR DRESSED UP: Ask the artist/costume designer to be the judge.

GOREN BRIDGE

With Omar Sharif and Tannah Hirsch

East-West vulnerable. North deals.

NORTH
♠ 10 8 5
♡ Q 9 7 3
◇ 10
♣ A K 8 6 3

WEST
♠ 7 3 2
♡ Void
◇ A Q 9 5 3 2
♣ 10 9 5 4

EAST
♠ A Q 9 4
♡ J 8
◇ K 8 7 6 4
♣ J 7

SOUTH
♠ K J 6
♡ A K 10 6 5 4 2
◇ J
♣ Q 2

The bidding:

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
Pass	Pass	1 ♡	Pass
2♣	Pass	2 ♡	Pass
Pass	?		

In tournament bridge, players often have special agreements and are required to inform their opponents about the meaning of their bids. Problems arise when a player forgets one of his agreements. His partner must still inform the opponents, but without waking partner up.

In the given auction, one pass too soon, North announced that they were playing the Drury Convention and North's two-club bid had shown a raise in hearts with invitational values. It is proper for the declaring side to inform the defenders about this before the opening lead, but North hadn't reckoned on East backing into the auction at this point.

East balanced with double and South was on the spot. If he had remembered his agreements, he would have bid four hearts at his last turn. He passed again, trying to do the ethical thing. West bid three diamonds and North competed to three hearts. East passed and we were back to South, who passed again.

West bid four diamonds, and it was pass-pass-back to South, who bid four hearts, making five.

East-West demanded a score adjustment. The director ruled that they could have passed the board out in two hearts, then in three hearts, but they continued to push until South had no real choice but to bid four hearts.

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JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have: 5-dynamic; 4-positive; 3-average; 2-so-so; 1-difficult

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Wednesday, Oct. 16, 2013:

This year you sometimes feel as if you have too many options on your plate. A lot of energy will be directed toward your career or your role in the community. You will experience success as well, especially if you deal with the public. If you are single, you will meet someone out of the blue. In a year, you will know much more about this person's role in your life. If you are attached, take on a project with your sweetie, and let him or her have an equal role. You will like the outcome. Do not kid yourself about ARIES. You have the same issues.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) ★★★★ You might want to pull back and observe rather than act. You are likely to be surprised by what you realize, especially situations involving spending, your finances and/or an emotional tie. You will feel re-energized by late afternoon. Tonight: Surprise a loved one!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) ★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max, when you feel as if you can get past a problem. Laughter surrounds an impending decision that could allow greater flow in your communication. Resist the urge to second guess someone else. Tonight: Take some much-needed personal time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) ★★★ You want to make a good impression, but how you do that will be very important. Recognize who you want to impress, and determine the reason why. You will make stronger decisions once you recognize what is going on within yourself. Tonight: Make a big splash.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) ★★★★ Reach out for more information. At some point during the day, you will decide that you have enough feedback and can back off. Express your caring for someone by giving him or her a token of your affection. Listen to a heartfelt suggestion. Tonight: Have a long-overdue talk.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) ★★★ Come to a mutual understanding with a partner. You will need to tap into your instincts if someone is not being very clear in a discussion. A surprising action or situation could throw you into limbo for a little while. Tonight: Buy tickets to a play.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) ★★★★ You might come off far more assertive than you have in a while. Some people will acquiesce, whereas others will be more dominant. You could see these behaviors manifesting as early as today. Make time for an important talk. Tonight: Be with a favorite person.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) ★★★ Let someone else share more of what he or she feels. Know that it is important to listen. You could be quite frustrated when dealing with this person on a regular basis. Nevertheless, you will be able to change this dynamic in the near future. Tonight: Accept an invitation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) ★★★★ You could make all the difference in what happens. The choice is yours whether you should invest more energy and creativity into a situation or project. If you do, others will appreciate your efforts. Why hold back? Tonight: Share more with a loved one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) ★★★ Holding back might feel right for a while, but knowing when to suspend that behavior this afternoon will be important. Your imagination and intellect merge, which allows you to have more options. Tonight: Know when to let your hair down.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) ★★★★ Speak your mind with the full expectation of being heard loud and clear. Your reception has much to do with your presence. Encourage others to exchange ideas. Check out an investment with care, especially if it will affect your home life. Tonight: Relax at home.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) ★★★ You won't be comfortable with a financial matter, yet you still might consider giving the OK to proceed. Don't. Use your strong intuition to hold off on giving your support for now. Be open up to a wild option that pops up. Tonight: Make the most of the moment.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) ★★★★★ Your strong personality melts barriers and allows greater give-and-take. Your caring opens up others, especially a child or new friend. You will discover that this person is more emotional than you are! Tonight: Accept someone's surprising gesture.

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BORN TODAY

Lexicographer Noah Webster (1758), writer Oscar Wilde (1854), singer/songwriter John Mayer (1977)

DAILY CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Tower site
6 "That last piece of cake is mine!"
10 Hemingway nickname
14 Once __ time ...
15 Shield border, in heraldry
16 Skunk's defense
17 Roulette choices
18 Roulette, for one
19 Baltic native
20 Some boxing wins
23 Not bare
24 Large expanse
25 Cause a stir
31 Bath accessory
33 TV talk pioneer
34 March composer
35 Destructive Greek god
37 Like May through August, literally
40 Bar order
41 Use Comet on
43 Rejection from the top
45 RMN was his vice president
46 Sitcom security device that often defeated its own purpose
50 Bread, at times
51 Salad cheese
52 Where to find the starts of 20-, 25- and 46-Across
59 Winter coat
60 Michigan city or college
61 __ Janeiro
62 Part of a plot
63 Pleased
64 Navel phenomenon
65 Tools for Wolfgang Puck
66 Italian noble family
67 Fancy moldings

DOWN

1 Burger King supply
2 For each one
3 Recipe instruction
4 Supplement nutritionally
5 Race ender
6 Outcome of successful negotiations
7 Camaro __-Z
8 A bit down
9 Dojo instructor
10 Game divided into chukkers
11 Arabian Peninsula seaport
12 Tools for Wolfgang Puck
13 Gallery showing
21 Senegal's capital
22 Swimmers Crocker and Thorpe
25 Rudder's locale
26 Coin-tossing attraction
27 Gooey lump
28 Upholsterer's choice
29 Previously owned
30 Cut the skin from
31 Like "padre," e.g.: Abbr.
32 BP subsidiary
36 Drag to court
38 Like some millionaires
39 Expensive
42 Pear variety
44 Lake on the New York border
47 Silo filler
48 Hogwarts castings
49 Thoughtful
52 Cuzco native
53 Muffin grain
54 Flock females
55 Latin I verb
56 Single
57 "Garfield" canine
58 "Cheers" actor Roger
59 Maple yield

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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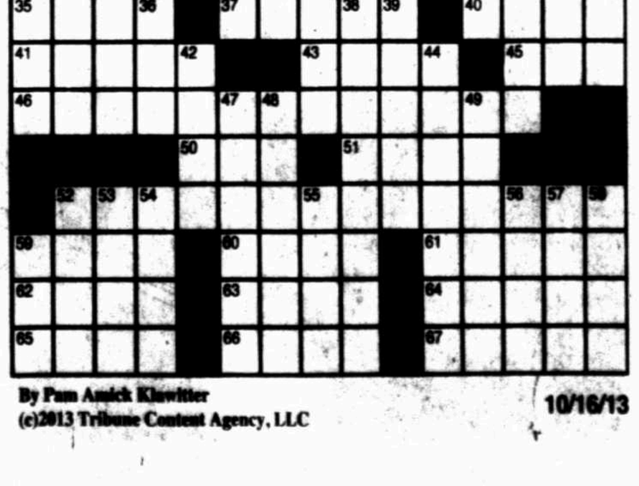

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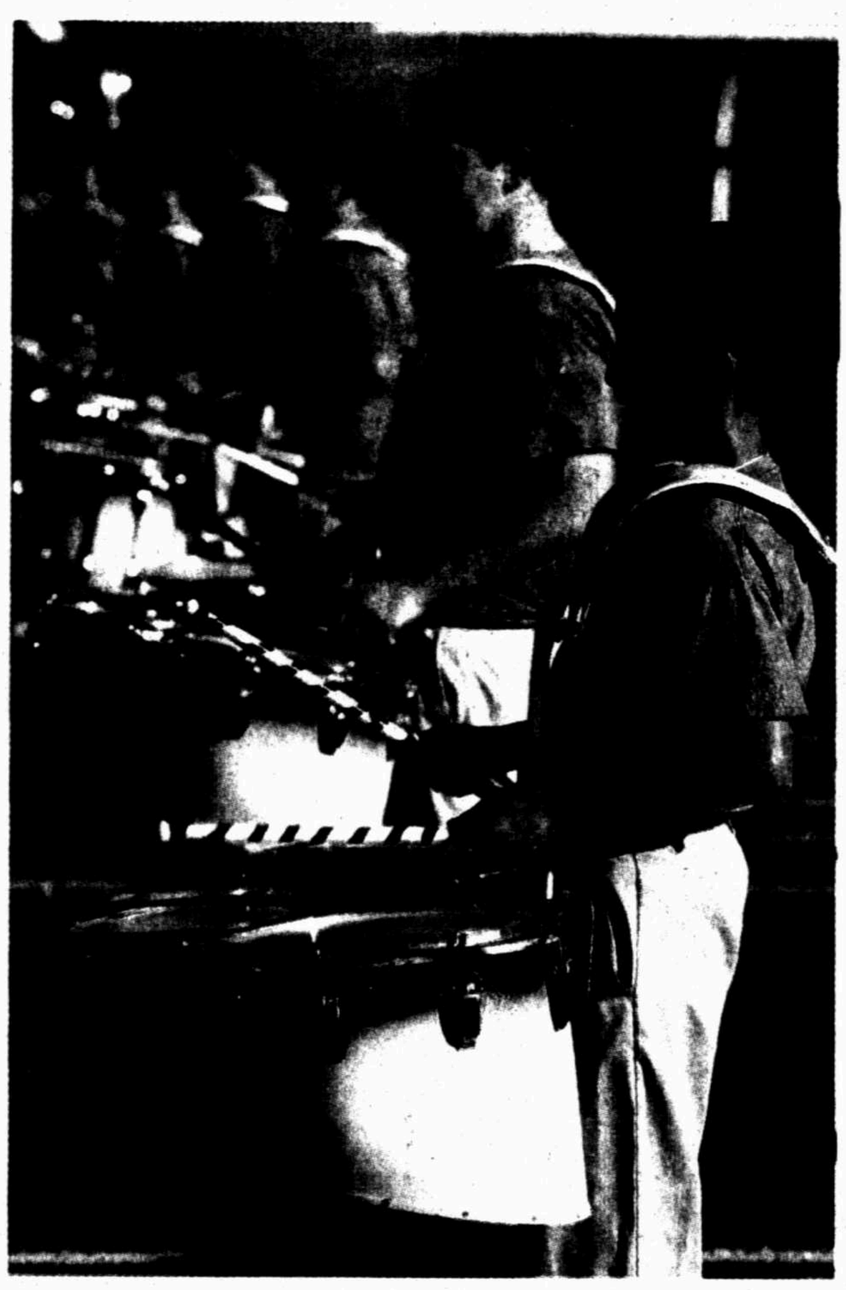
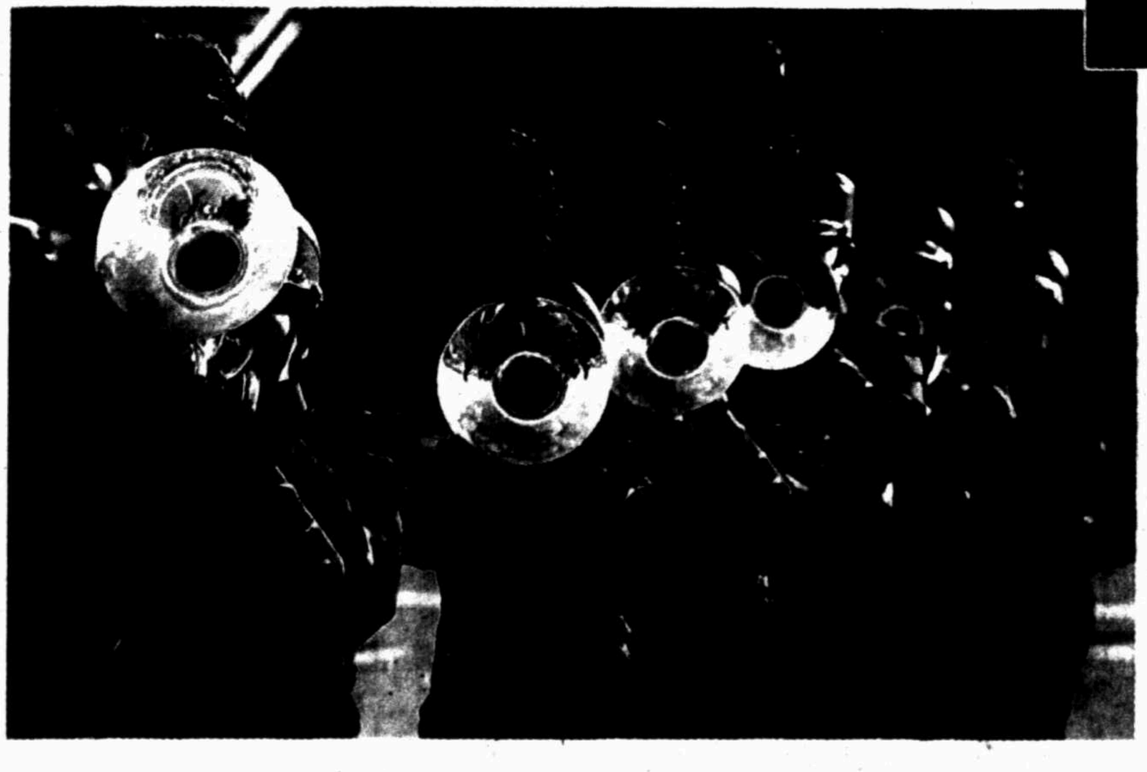
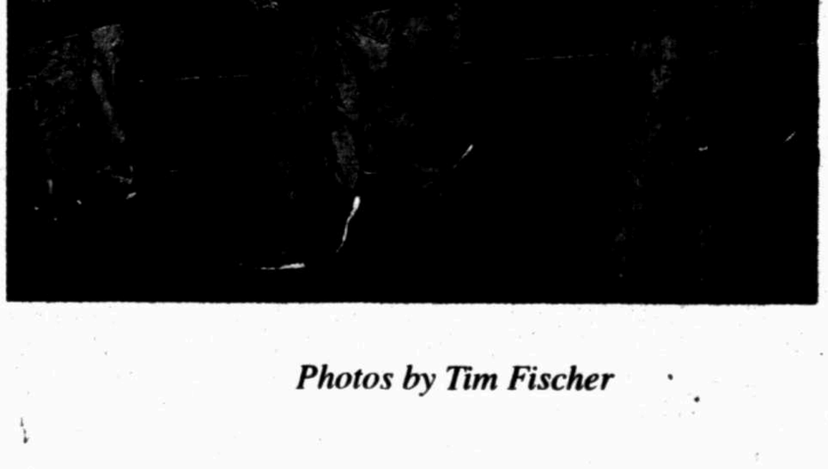


Members of Midland High marching band, at top and below, San Jacinto Junior High marching band, above and far right center, and Abell Junior High marching band, at right, far right above and far right below, perform Oct. 9 at the MISD Marching Festival. The event was planned to introduce and encourage sixth-grade students to join band next school year. Lee High, Goddard Junior High and Alamo Junior High marching bands also performed.





Photos by Tim Fischer

Coach says he'd go for long field goal again

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Big Spring coach Phillip Ritchey said if he had to make the decision again, he would have done the same thing.

Facing a fourth-and-6 with 49 seconds left and down 37-35 to Abilene Wylie at Wylie's Bulldog Stadium, Ritchey turned to one of the best high school kickers in West Texas in Devin Roberson for the 42-yard field goal attempt.

The Steers had just made a valiant effort coming back from being down 21-0 to start the game and down 30-7 late in the second quarter and there was no way Ritchey was going to let the opportunity of winning this game slip through.

But while Roberson's kick had the distance, it went wide left and Wylie held on for the 37-35 victory to begin District 4-3A play.

"It was a heartbreaking loss, but I couldn't be more proud of our kids," said Ritchey, whose team fell to 4-2, 0-1 in district. "They showed a lot of fight and heart in that game just to come back from being down 30-7."

The Steers had gotten the ball at their own 16 with 1 minute, 15 seconds left on the clock and no timeouts, so just for them to have a chance to win this game at the end was miraculous. But a big play, a catch and backwards pitch between Tate Kennedy and Roberson, gained 56 yards into Bulldog territory.

A penalty against the Steers actually got them out of field goal range temporarily but they were able to get back into range. However, Ritchey was faced with a tough decision on fourth-and-6: Go for it and try to get a first down or kick it try to get a win? Ritchey went for the win.

"Devin is a good kicker and kicked the heck out of the ball, but it went wide left," Ritchey said. "I didn't want to drive the ball and end up not taking a shot and winning the game. I felt good about the decision. If we would have turned it over on downs or thrown an interception, I

Please see **LEROY**/4C

Lady Chargers sweep rival

Trinity snags key district victory

Lady Chargers	3
Lady Knights	0

By Jonathan Hull
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After losing three district matches last week, the Trinity volleyball team found itself needing a win in a bad way.

That sense of urgency was clear for the Lady Chargers, who picked up a straight-sets victory against crosstown rival Midland Classical Academy, 25-23, 25-21, 25-22, at MCA gymnasium Tuesday.

With each set being up for grabs late, it was the Lady Chargers (28-7, 2-3 in TAPPS 1-3A) who managed to come through with the clutch points when they needed them most.

"Last week we went 0-3 and the pressure was squarely on us," Trinity coach Ann Stroup said. "That was really the worst we have played. They responded to some things we talked about, and they didn't want their season to be over, and so they came ready to play. I think they just felt like they could do it and they were going to win those big points."

The Lady Chargers were forced to rally from a sizable deficit in the first set as MCA used an 8-1 run

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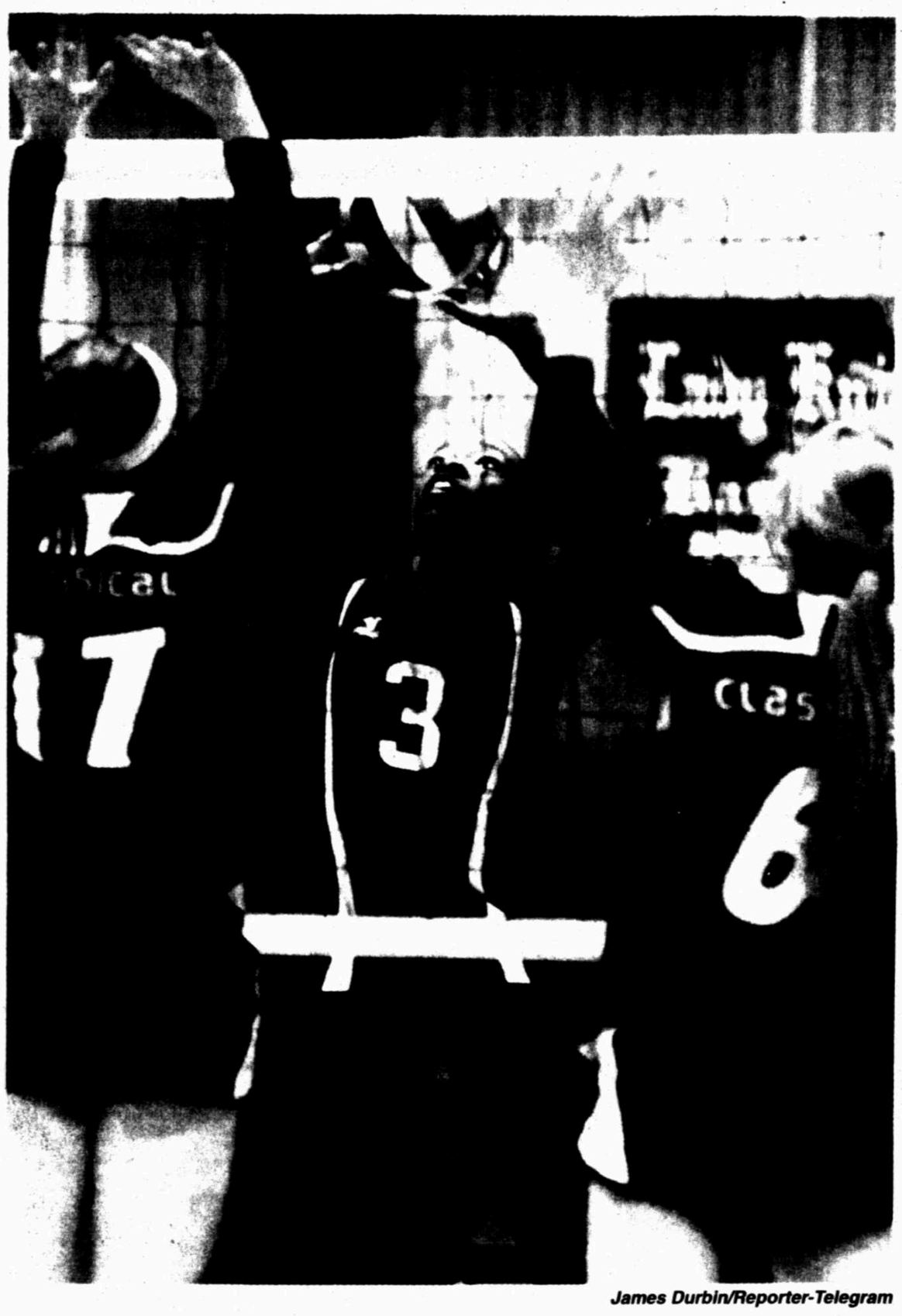

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Trinity's Mylyra Ball sets the ball as Midland Classical's Brianna Rico (17) and McKenzie Griffin (6) go up to block Tuesday at Midland Classical. The Lady Chargers swept the match.

Tascosa rallies to beat Midland High in five

Burleson

Wickman

By Len Hayward
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The Midland High volleyball team put together possibly its best match of the year on Tuesday evening.

Only problem was the Lady Bulldogs were taking on District 2-5A's best team, and even the Lady Bulldogs' best shot wasn't enough to put a blemish on Amarillo Tascosa's record in district play.

The Lady Rebels rallied from an early two-set deficit to beat the Lady Bulldogs in five sets, 15-25, 21-25, 25-21, 25-21, 15-11 at the Midland High gymnasium.

Even with the loss, though, Midland High is still in the thick of the race for the playoffs with a match with rival Lee set for Saturday afternoon.

Lady Rebels	3
Lady Bulldogs	2

"The first two games we went out there with everything, and I think we let down in the third game and it killed us," said Midland High junior outside hitter Channing Burleson, who had 19 kills on Tuesday. "I don't think they were expecting us to play as good as we did. I think they were surprised and realized that they needed to come and play."

The Lady Bulldogs (25-13, 7-5 in District 2-5A) jumped on the Lady Rebels early in the first two sets. Midland High opened up sizable leads in both sets thanks to long runs of points.

The Lady Bulldogs scored five straight points early in the first set and then finished by scoring five of the final six points. In the second set, MHS rolled off seven straight points with Emily Wickman serving for a 10-5 lead.

The Lady Rebels (23-13, 13-0) rallied late in the match to take the lead, but MHS scored the final five points, including two kills from Erin Robbins, to take a 2-0 lead in the match.

"We didn't have many errors, and I thought we were in control of the (first set)," Midland High coach Amanda Lopez said. "We just came out hot, our offense was good, defense was good and serve-receive was great."

Tascosa, though, wasn't going to go away quietly. The Lady Rebels jumped out to a lead in the fourth set, and then held off a late MHS rally.

Midland High held a two point

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CLASS 3A/2A REPORT

Tough times continue on both sides of the ball for Greenwood

By Oscar LeRoy
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The Greenwood football team is up against the wall, but head coach Shad Hanna believes it's only a matter of time before the Rangers put it all together.

The Rangers are in an 0-1 hole in District 4-3A play after a 42-14 loss at always-tough Monahans. While Estes Memorial Stadium has been sort of a House of Horrors for the Rangers (2-4 overall) in the past, it didn't help the Rangers that they turned the ball over six times and couldn't get any consistency going on either offense or defense.

Hanna

Monahans also struck quickly as a two-play scoring drive to begin the game gave the Loboes a 7-0 lead. Then the Rangers threw an interception in their own territory, and that allowed the Loboes to score another quick touchdown and build a 14-0 lead less than a minute and a half into the game.

"Just us not playing from the get-go was the most disappointing thing for me," Hanna said. "We handed them those first two touchdowns because we weren't ready to play from the very beginning and they were. I felt like we worked harder than that to prepare for that ballgame. The way they were able to jump on us shocked us, but they're a good football team and you can't take anything away from what they did."

Before Friday's game, Hanna spoke highly of Monahans' defensive line, and he said that unit was a big reason the Rangers had trouble establishing a running game through the better part of three quarters. Greenwood finished with 146 yards rushing on 44 carries with the majority of those yards coming in the fourth quarter.

"We could not block their defensive line," Hanna said. "I felt at times we did some good things, but I was impressed with those guys. That forced us to do some things we didn't want to do and it forced (quarterback Anthony Salas) into some things he didn't want to do, and he got a little frustrated. He was taking some chances that normally he would not have taken. Whenever you get down like that, those things can happen."

Hanna said while his defense also did some good things at times, it wasn't as aggressive at times, especially early. He added that probably the best part of his team on Friday night was special teams because it limited the Loboes into minimal returns.

Hanna said while the players' spirits remain high, the fourth-year Rangers coach admits it has been a little frustrating for him watching his team struggle at times, knowing their potential.

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WHAT'S ON TV

GOLF

PGA of America, Grand Slam of Golf, final day, at Southampton, Bermuda, 3 p.m., TNT

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Playoffs, National League Championship Series, Game 5, St. Louis at Los Angeles, 3 p.m., TBS

Playoffs, American League Championship Series, Game 4, Boston at Detroit, 6:30 p.m., FOX

NHL

N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7 p.m., NBCSN

LOCAL SCHEDULE

JUNIOR COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL

Odessa College at Midland College, 7 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

National League

COLORADO ROCKIES — Agreed to terms with manager Walt Weiss on a three-year contract.

American Association

ST. PAUL SAINTS — Exercised the 2014 option on RHP Paul Burnside.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association

SACRAMENTO KINGS — Waived F DeQuan Jones and G Brandon Heath.

SAN ANTONIO SPURS — Waived C Marcus Cousin, G Myck Kabongo and F Corey Maggette.

Women's National Basketball Association

TULSA SHOCK — Fired coach Gary Kloppenburg.

FOOTBALL

National Football League

BUFFALO BILLS — Signed OL Mark Asper from the practice squad. Released OL Colin Brown. Signed OL Bryant Browning and LB Jacquies Smith to the practice squad. Released DE Jamie Blatnick from the practice squad.

DALLAS COWBOYS—Signed DE Jarius Wynn. Released DT David Carter and CB Chris Greenwood.

DENVER BRONCOS — Signed WR Tavarres King from the practice squad. Waived LB Adrian Robinson.

DETROIT LIONS — Signed TE Dorin Dickerson. Released WR Patrick Edwards.

GREEN BAY PACKERS — Placed WR Randall Cobb on injured reserve-return. Placed OL Greg Van Roten on injured reserve. Signed TE Jake Stoneburner and Myles White from the practice squad. Signed LB Victor Aiyewa to the practice squad.

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS—Added CB Vernon Kearney to the practice squad roster.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Waived/injured RB Da'Rel Scott. Terminated the practice squad contract of LB Darin Drakeford.

NEW YORK JETS — Signed WR-KR Josh Cribbs and WR Greg Salas from Philadelphia's practice squad. Placed WR Clyde Gates and RB Mike Goodson on injured reserve.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Placed OT Levi Brown and TE-FB David Johnson on injured reserve.

WASHINGTON REDSKINS — Signed LB Josh Hull, LS Kyle Nelson and S Trenton Robinson. Placed LB Bryan Kehl and LS Nick Sundberg on injured reserve. Waived S Jordan Pugh.

Canadian Football League

B.C LIONS — Signed RB-KR Stefan Logan, DT Mykes Wade and OT Nyere Aumaitre to the practice roster.

HOCKEY

National Hockey League

NHL — Suspended Buffalo F Patrick Kaleta 10 games for an illegal check to the head of Columbus D Jack Johnson during an Oct. 10 game. Fined Washington Capitals F Jason Chimera $4,487.18 for boarding Edmonton Oilers D Justin Schultz on Monday, Oct. 14 game.

DETROIT RED WINGS — Recalled G Petr Mrazek from Grand Rapids (AHL).

NEW YORK RANGERS — Recalled F J.T. Miller and G Cam Talbot from Hartford (AHL). Assigned F Arron Asham and G Martin Biron to Hartford.

SAN JOSE SHARKS — Recalled F Bracken Kearns from Worcester (AHL). Placed F Adam Burish on injured reserve.

American Hockey League

AHL — Suspended Iowa LW Jason Zucker two games for receiving a match penalty for an illegal check to the head of an opponent in an Oct. 13 game vs. Oklahoma City. Suspended Springfield D Will Weber one game for a cross-checking incident in an Oct. 12 game vs. Worcester.

HARTFORD WOLF PACK — Recalled G Jeff Malcolm from Greenville (ECHL).

ECHL

ECHL — Suspended Orlando's Myles Harvey four games and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions in an Oct. 12 preseason game at Florida. Suspended Utah's Danick Paquette one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions in an Oct. 12 game at Idaho.

SOCCER

Major League Soccer

MLS — Fined Seattle Sounders FC $5,000 for violating the League's mass confrontation policy in the 74th minute of an Oct. 13 game vs. Portland. Fined Portland coach Sigi Schmid $1,000 because this is the club's second infraction this year.

GOLF THIS WEEK

PGA TOUR

SHRINERS HOSPITALS FOR CHILDREN OPEN

Site: Las Vegas.

Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

Course: TPC Summerlin (7,243 yards, par 71).

Purse: $6 million. Winner's share: $1.08 million.

Television: Golf Channel (Thursday-Friday, 4-7 p.m., 7:30-10:30 p.m.).

Last year: Ryan Moore won the then-Falls Series event for his second tour title, beating Brendon de Jonge by a stroke. Moore is a former UNLV player and lives in Las Vegas.

Last week: Jimmy Walker won the season-opening Frys.com Open in San Martin, Calif., for his first PGA Tour title. Vijay Singh was second, two strokes back.

Notes: U.S. Presidents Cup players Zach Johnson and Webb Simpson are in the field along with International team members de Jonge, Hideki Matsuyama, Graham DeLaet and Angel Cabrera. ... In 2010, Jonathan Byrd made a hole-in-one on the fourth extra hole to beat Martin Laird and Cameron Percy. ... The CIMB Classic is next week in Malaysia, followed by the World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions in Shanghai.

Online: http://www.pgatour.com

CHAMPIONS TOUR

GREATER HICKORY CLASSIC

Site: Conover, N.C.

Schedule: Friday-Sunday.

Course: Rock Barn Golf and Spa, Jones Course (7,090 yards, par 72).

Purse: $1.6 million. Winner's share: $240,000.

Television: Golf Channel (Friday, 1-3:30 p.m.; Saturday-Sunday, 3:30-6 a.m., 1-3:30 p.m.; Monday, 11 p.m.-1 a.m.).

Last year: Fred Funk birdied the final hole to beat Duffy Waldorf by a stroke.

Last week: Russ Cochran won the SAS Championship in Cary, N.C., for his second victory of the year. He birdied the final four holes to beat David Frost by a stroke.

Notes: Kenny Perry leads the Charles Schwab Cup standings, 609 points ahead of second-place Bernhard Langer. Perry won the Senior Players Championship and U.S. Senior Open in consecutive tour starts this summer. ... Funk missed the cut last week in the PGA Tour's Frys.com Open, shooting 75-70. ... The AT&T Championship is next week in San Antonio, followed by the season-ending Charles Schwab Cup Championship in San Francisco.

Online: http://www.pgatour.com

LPGA TOUR

HANABANK CHAMPIONSHIP

Site: Incheon, South Korea.

Schedule: Friday-Sunday.

Course: Sky 72 Golf Club, Ocean Course (6,364 yards, par 72).

Purse: $1.9 million. Winner's share: $285,000.

Television: Golf Channel (Friday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m.).

Last year: Norway's Suzann Pettersen beat Scotland's Catriona Matthew with a 5-foot birdie putt on the third hole of playoff. Pettersen also won the 2007 event.

Last week: Lexi Thompson won the LPGA Malaysia by four strokes for her second career LPGA Tour title. The 18-year-old American finished at 19 under, shooting 67-63-66-69.

Notes: Top-ranked Inbee Park swept the first three major championships of the season and has three other LPGA Tour wins this season. The South Korean is winless in seven starts since the U.S. Women's Open in late June. ... Yani Tseng won the 2011 tournament. ... Jack Nicklaus designed the Ocean Course. ... The LPGA Taiwan Championship is next week. The five-event Asian swing will end Nov. 8-10 with the Mizuno Classic in Japan.

Online: http://www.lpga.com

EUROPEAN TOUR/PGA TOUR OF AUSTRALASIA

PERTH INTERNATIONAL

Site: Perth, Australia.

Schedule: Thursday-Sunday.

Course: Lake Karrinyup Country Club (7,143 yards, par 72).

Purse: $2 million. Winner's share: $333,330.

Television: Golf Channel (Wednesday, 10:30 p.m.-1:30 a.m.; Thursday, 8 a.m.-12 p.m.; Friday-Saturday, 11:30-3:30 a.m., 8-10 a.m.; Sunday, 11 a.m.-3 a.m., 8-10 a.m.).

Last year: Bo Van Pelt held off fellow American Jason Dufner by two strokes.

Last week: England's David Lynn won the Portugal Masters for his second European Tour title, closing with an 8-under 63 for a one-stroke victory. ... New Zealand's Josh Geary won the Western Australia Open by five strokes for his first PGA Tour of Australasia title.

Notes: The top 110 on the European Tour money list will advance to the Finals Series. ... Van Pelt and fellow American Dustin Johnson are in the field. ... Ernie Els won the 2003 Johnnie Walker Classic at Lake Karrinyup at 29-under 259, the lowest score in relation to par in European Tour history. ... The European Tour will be in Shanghai the next two weeks for the BMW Masters and World Golf Championships-HSBC Champions. ...

Online: http://www.europeantour.com

PGA Tour of Australasia site: http://www.pgatour.com.au

NFL GLANCE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	5	1	0	.833	125	97
Miami	3	2	0	.600	114	117
N.Y. Jets	3	3	0	.500	104	135
Buffalo	2	4	0	.333	136	157
South						
Indianapolis	4	2	0	.667	148	98
Tennessee	3	3	0	.500	128	115
Houston	2	4	0	.333	106	177
Jacksonville	0	6	0	.000	70	198
North						
Cincinnati	4	2	0	.667	121	111
Baltimore	3	3	0	.500	134	129
Cleveland	3	3	0	.500	118	125
Pittsburgh	1	4	0	.200	88	116
West						
Kansas City	6	0	0	1.000	152	65
Denver	6	0	0	1.000	265	158
San Diego	3	3	0	.500	144	138
Oakland	2	4	0	.333	105	132

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	3	3	0	.500	183	152
Philadelphia	3	3	0	.500	166	179
Washington	1	4	0	.200	107	143
N.Y. Giants	0	6	0	.000	103	209
South						
New Orleans	5	1	0	.833	161	103
Carolina	2	3	0	.400	109	68
Atlanta	1	4	0	.200	122	134
Tampa Bay	0	5	0	.000	64	101
North						
Detroit	4	2	0	.667	162	140
Chicago	4	2	0	.667	172	161
Green Bay	3	2	0	.600	137	114
Minnesota	1	4	0	.200	125	158
West						
Seattle	5	1	0	.833	157	94
San Francisco	4	2	0	.667	145	118
St. Louis	3	3	0	.500	141	154
Arizona	3	3	0	.500	111	127

Thursday's Scores

Chicago 27, N.Y. Giants 21

Sunday's Scores

Carolina 35, Minnesota 10
Kansas City 24, Oakland 7
St. Louis 38, Houston 13
Green Bay 19, Baltimore 17
Philadelphia 31, Tampa Bay 20
Pittsburgh 19, N.Y. Jets 6
Cincinnati 27, Buffalo 24, OT
Detroit 31, Cleveland 17
Seattle 20, Tennessee 13
Denver 35, Jacksonville 19
San Francisco 32, Arizona 20
New England 30, New Orleans 27
Dallas 31, Washington 16
Open: Atlanta, Miami

Monday's Scores

San Diego 19, Indianapolis 9

Thursday's Game

Seattle at Arizona, 7:25 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Tampa Bay at Atlanta, noon
Chicago at Washington, noon
Dallas at Philadelphia, noon
New England at N.Y. Jets, noon
Buffalo at Miami, noon
St. Louis at Carolina, noon
Cincinnati at Detroit, noon
San Diego at Jacksonville, noon
San Francisco at Tennessee, 3:05 p.m.
Houston at Kansas City, 3:25 p.m.
Cleveland at Green Bay, 3:25 p.m.
Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 3:25 p.m.
Denver at Indianapolis, 7:30 p.m.
Open: New Orleans, Oakland

Monday's Game

Minnesota at N.Y. Giants, 7:40 p.m.

NHL GLANCE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	7	6	1	0	12	27	16
Detroit	7	5	2	0	10	18	16
Montreal	6	4	2	0	8	20	10
Tampa Bay	6	4	2	0	8	23	15
Boston	5	3	2	0	6	12	8
Ottawa	5	1	2	2	4	11	16
Florida	7	2	5	0	4	16	28
Buffalo	8	1	6	1	3	11	21
Metropolitan Division							
Pittsburgh	6	5	1	0	10	23	15
Carolina	7	2	2	3	7	15	21
N.Y. Islanders	6	2	2	2	6	19	17
Columbus	5	2	3	0	4	12	12
Washington	6	2	4	0	4	17	22
New Jersey	6	0	3	3	3	11	21
N.Y. Rangers	5	1	4	0	2	9	25
Philadelphia	7	1	6	0	2	10	20

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	6	6	0	0	12	21	6
Chicago	6	4	1	1	9	18	15
St. Louis	5	4	1	0	8	21	13
Minnesota	7	3	2	2	8	17	17
Nashville	6	3	3	0	6	13	18
Winnipeg	7	3	4	0	6	17	19
Dallas	5	2	3	0	4	11	14
Pacific Division							
San Jose	6	6	0	0	12	30	9
Anaheim	5	4	1	0	8	18	12
Calgary	5	3	0	2	8	18	17
Phoenix	6	4	2	0	8	17	17
Vancouver	7	4	3	0	8	20	22
Los Angeles	7	4	3	0	8	17	19
Edmonton	7	1	5	1	3	21	32

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

Tuesday's Scores

Buffalo 4, N.Y. Islanders 3, SO
Chicago 3, Carolina 2, SO
Toronto 4, Minnesota 1
Vancouver 3, Philadelphia 2
Pittsburgh 3, Edmonton 2
Tampa Bay 5, Los Angeles 1
Detroit 2, Columbus 1
San Jose 6, St. Louis 2
Nashville 4, Florida 3
Montreal 3, Winnipeg 0
Colorado 3, Dallas 2
Ottawa at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

Today's Games

N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7 p.m.
Calgary at Anaheim, 9 p.m.

Lady Chaps look to end losing skid

By Oscar LeRoy
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The look of frustration on Midland College volleyball coach Tammie Jimenez's face is evident.

Her Lady Chaparrals (10-12, 3-3 in WJCAC) are mired in a four-match losing streak, are coming off a four-set loss at struggling Frank Phillips College and are about to host conference leader Odessa College tonight. From what the third-year coach has seen, there doesn't seem to be much light at the end of that tunnel.

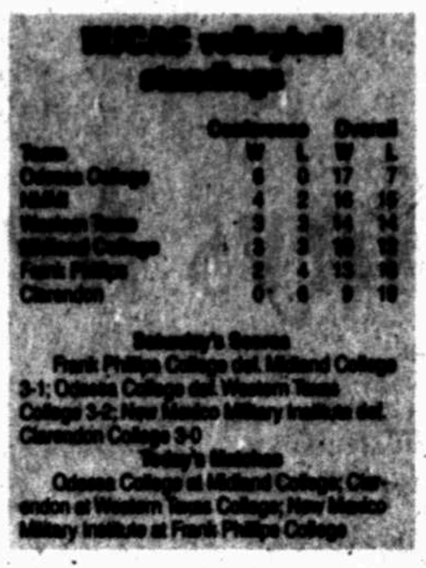
"Our roller coaster seems to be going downhill more than uphill," Jimenez said. "I thought we played really well against (Western Texas — a five-set loss), and we didn't manage to close out that game. But then against Frank Phillips we were a very different team. I don't know which team will show up (today). I don't know if it's going to be a team that competed hard against Western or the team that took Frank lightly."

That is a question that a lot people will be wondering tonight at Chaparral Center.

But considering that the Lady Wranglers (17-7, 6-0) are the only ones to have separated themselves from the jumbled pack, the Lady Chaps are not out of the conference race picture as they are in a tie with Western Texas College for third place and three matches back of OC in the standings.

"This is really important because of the week we had last week," freshman setter Samantha Orta said. "We have to play hard, we have to play our game. We can't go in thinking one way and go another. We have to go in there and play our game."

Jimenez would certainly love to see her team cut down on the mistakes and be a little more focused on their game plan. In the 3-1 loss at Frank Phillips on Saturday, Jimenez said the Lady Chaps were not executing their offense and were not executing the defense that they had practiced.



"I don't know if we underestimated our competition ... I don't know," Jimenez said. "I have to blame myself. I didn't prepare them well enough. I'm struggling to figure out what motivates this team. We've become complacent and I'm at a lost for words."

Orta said it's her team's mental game that needs to be tougher.

"We have to get all our mental stuff out and just have fun," Orta said.

Jimenez said she also hopes that playing a rival will provide some motivation for her team. She added that the Lady Wranglers are talented enough to take advantage of any mistakes or lulls from her team.

"They're on a pretty good roll," said Jimenez of the Lady Wranglers. "I expect them to play their very best against us. They're going to look to shut down (middle blocker) Gaby (Nieto), they're going to look to shut down (outside hitter) Larissa (Gomes), they're going to look to defend our setter jump. They're here to win, there's no doubt about that."

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Match notes

ODESSA COLLEGE AT MIDLAND COLLEGE

When/where: 7 p.m., Chaparral Center

Records: Midland College 10-12, 3-3 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference; Odessa College 17-7, 6-0

Last match: Frank Phillips College def. Midland College 3-1; Odessa College def. Western Texas College 3-2

Notes: Midland College looks to snap a four-match losing streak, while Odessa College is on a four-match winning streak. ... OC won the first meeting between the two teams, 3-1, in Odessa on Sept. 18. The match was tied at one after two close sets before the Lady Wranglers won the next two sets 25-14, 25-16 to win the match. ... OC is led by freshman OH Alexx Thornton with 2.70 kills per set, while sophomore OH Natalie Djordjevic is averaging 2.65 kills per set. ... MC is led by freshman OH Larissa Gomes with 2.92 kills per set and sophomore MB Gaby Nieto with 2.73 kills and 1.12 blocks per set. ... MC coach Tammie Jimenez said freshman OH Alexa Griggs (mono) may be out for the rest of the season, while sophomore OH Naomi Posada (foot) has been limited with her injury.

Next: Midland College at New Mexico Military Institute, 3 p.m. (CDT) Saturday; Clarendon College at Odessa College, 2 p.m. Saturday

Oscar LeRoy

TRINITY

From 1C

to take an 11-4 advantage. Danielle Jackson had two kills during the rally while Lexi Watts added a pair of aces.

Trinity gradually chipped away at the lead and eventually tied the match at 16. As the two teams traded points, the match was still deadlocked at 22.

But the Lady Chargers won the next three points on a pair of MCA errors and a kill by Ashley Stroup to take a 1-0 set lead.

"Even when we were down, if we were down five or six points, we just settled in and got the ball back," Ann Stroup said. "We just kept taking it to them and mixing it up and going after the ball no matter where it was."

The second set ended up playing out the same way except in the end. After a 7-0 run keyed by three Ashley Stroup kills and four MCA errors put Trinity up 18-11, MCA managed to fight back to within 23-21.

But once again, it was Trinity coming up with the key points as Stroup and Alex Beggs picked up back-to-back kills to put the Lady Chargers up 2-0.

"We couldn't capitalize when we needed to," MCA coach Taryn Parker said. "(Our girls) showed a lot of mental toughness having to come back from big deficits, but (Trinity) had something to prove and they came out and proved it."

It was the same story in the third set. Holding a narrow 22-21 lead, the Lady Chargers won three of the next four points to close out the match. Stroup gave Trinity set point when one of her seven blocks made it 24-22 and an attack error by MCA gave the Lady Chargers the win.

Watts led the Lady Knights (20-5, 3-2) with nine digs, five kills and two aces, while McKenzie Griffin had eight kills and a block. Stroup added eight kills to go with her seven blocks, while Mykelti Ball led the Lady Chargers with 11 kills.

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TRINITY DEF. MIDLAND CLASSICAL 25-23, 25-21, 25-22

MCA statistics

Kills — Alex Beggs 5, McKenzie Griffin 8, Kayla Beattie 5, Brianna Rico 3, Kristen Johnson 1, Danielle Jackson 4.

Digs — Beggs 9, Meredith Bledsoe 3, K. Beattie 2, Beth Ann Holmes 1, Alissa Beattie 4.

Assists — A. Beattie 21, K. Beattie 2, Griffin 1.

Blocks — Griffin 1.

Aces — Rico 3, Watts 2, K. Beattie 1, A. Beattie 1.

Trinity statistics

Kills — Mykelti Ball 11, Ashley Stroup 8, Avery Watson 5, Alex Beggs 5, Mylyra Ball 1.

Digs — Caitlin Hendrick 16, Watson 12, Beggs 11, Margo Edwards 8, Greer Baiano 5, Myk. Ball 1.

Assists — Edwards 27, Hendrick 1.

Blocks — Stroup 7, Ball 2.

Aces — Watson 1, Baiano 1.

Record: Trinity 28-7, 2-3 in TAPPS 1-3A; MCA 20-5, 3-2.

Next: Trinity at Lubbock Christian, 6 p.m. Tuesday; Midland Classical at Amarillo San Jacinto, 6 p.m. Friday.

VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

MCS ROLLS IN LUBBOCK

LUBBOCK — The Midland Christian volleyball team locked up at least second place in TAPPS 1-4A with a straight set victory, 25-19, 25-20, 25-15, on Tuesday against Lubbock Trinity Christian.

Annie Fisher led the Lady Mustangs (31-5, 9-2 in TAPPS 1-4A) with nine kills Carleigh Moore added eight and Morgan Ashton seven.

Madi Blanchard had 15 digs, Ashton added 12 and Bailey Wright 10.

The Lady Mustangs will finish the regular season at 5 p.m. Thursday against Fort Worth Christian.

MIDLAND CHRISTIAN DEF. LUBBOCK TRINITY, 25-19, 25-20, 25-15

Midland Christian statistics

Kills — Annie Fisher 9, Carleigh Moore 8, Morgan Ashton 7, Laycie Duncan 4

Assists — Bailey Wright 17, Morgan Ashton 11

Blocks — Carleigh Moore 1, Bailey Wright 1

Digs — Madi Blanchard 15, Morgan Ashton 12, Bailey Wright 10, Laycie Duncan 6, Carleigh Moore 5, Annie Fisher 5, Megan McClendon 3, Megan Ashton 3

Record: Midland Christian 31-5, 9-2 in TAPPS 1-4A

Next: Midland Christian at Fort Worth Christian, 5 p.m. Friday

BIG SPRING SWEEPS GREENWOOD

BIG SPRING — Big Spring defeated Greenwood 25-22, 25-15, 25-17 in District 4-3A action on Tuesday.

Amanda Bell had six kills and nine assists, while Cylie Mabane had nine digs to lead the Rangerettes (10-24, 0-6).

Greenwood next hosts Sweetwater at 5 p.m. Friday.

BIG SPRING DEF. GREENWOOD 25-22, 25-15, 25-17

Greenwood statistics

Kills — Amanda Bell 6, Grace Sunderland 2, Regan Shockley 5, Cylie Mabane 1, Layne Banks 2, Callierose Gilbert 1.

Digs — Marissa Brewer 6, Bell 5, Sunderland 2, Shockley 5, Maben 9, Banks 3, Gilbert 2, Maddiegrace Campbell 4.

Assists — Bell 9, Campbell 4, Shockley 1, Maben 1, Banks 1.

Blocks — Sunderland 3, Shockley 1, Maben 2, Gilbert 3.

Aces — Bell 2, Shockley 2, Maben 1, Campbell 1.

Record: Greenwood 10-24, 0-6 in 4-3A.

Next: Sweetwater at Greenwood, 5 p.m. Friday.

TENNISROUNDUP

FROM WIRE REPORTS

MOSCOW

Navarro advances at Kremlin Cup

Carla Suarez Navarro advanced to the second round of the Kremlin Cup with a 6-4, 6-3 victory over Russia's Vera Dushevina on Tuesday.

The sixth-seeded Spaniard broke serve in the 10th game of the first set and went 3-0 up in the second. Dushevina entered the main draw as a lucky loser.

Magdalena Rybarikova of Slovakia ousted Russian wild-card entry Ksenia Pervak 7-5, 6-2. Also, Dominika Cibulkova struggled with her first serve and lost to Serbian qualifier Vesan Dolonc 3-6, 7-5, 6-3.

The 21st-ranked Cibulkova saved five break points in the 10th game of the second set before returning wide at 40-30 down on her next service game. The 92nd-ranked Dolonc broke the Slovak for a 4-2 lead in the third set and then saved a break point while serving for the match.

In the first round of the men's tournament, Paolo Lorenzi advanced when Filippo Volandri retired with a right hip strain. Lorenzi was leading 3-6, 7-5, 4-1.

Volandri served for the match in the second set while leading 6-3, 5-4, but Lorenzi broke him and then won three consecutive games.

In an all-Italian second-round match, Lorenzi will face defending champion Andreas Seppi, who had a first-round bye.

VIENNA

Pospisil beats Hewitt in 2 sets in Vienna opener

Vasek Pospisil of Canada saved two set points and defeated Lleyton Hewitt 7-6 (6), 6-4 in the first round of the Erste Bank Open on Tuesday.

Pospisil trailed the 53rd-ranked Australian 6-4 in the tiebreaker before reeling off four straight points to take the opening set. An early break in the second proved enough for the seventh-seeded Canadian.

"It's very special for me to beat a former No. 1," said the 23-year-old Pospisil, who won just two games in his only previous match against Hewitt last year in Newport, R.I. "I've come a long way since. I started working with another coach and I've put in a lot of hard work."

Pospisil will play Robin Haase, who rallied to beat Ilija Bozoljac of Serbia 5-7, 6-2, 6-2. The Dutchman won both of his career titles in Austria.

Also, Michael Russell of the United States failed to convert any of his 13 break points in a 6-3, 6-4 loss to qualifier Mirza Basic of Bosnia-Herzegovina. Ruben Bemelmans of Belgium had 10 aces while beating Jan Hajek of Czech Republic 6-2, 6-0. Slovakia's Lukas Lacko defeated Austria's Gerald Melzer, brother of former two-time champion Jurgen, 7-6 (5), 6-1.

Miloslav Mecir Jr. of Slovakia stunned Pablo Andujar of Spain 6-4, 6-4 in his first main draw match. The son of 1988 Olympic champion Miloslav Mecir is ranked 240th and came through three qualifying rounds. He had nine aces and never faced a break point.

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The Boston Red Sox's Mike Napoli hits a home run in the seventh inning during Game 3 of the American League baseball championship series against the Detroit Tigers on Tuesday in Detroit.

Boston holds off Tigers behind Lackey, bullpen

Associated Press

Red Sox **1**
Tigers 0

DETROIT — John Lackey edged Justin Verlander in the latest duel of these pitching-rich playoffs, and Boston's bullpen shut down Detroit's big boppers with the game on the line to lift the Red Sox over the Tigers 1-0 Tuesday for a 2-1 lead in the AL championship series.

Mike Napoli homered off Verlander in the seventh inning, and Detroit's best chance to rally fell short in the eighth when Miguel Cabrera and Prince Fielder struck out with runners at the corners.

Despite three straight gems by their starters, the Tigers suddenly trail in a best-of-seven series they seemed to have complete control of only two days ago. Game 4 is tonight at Comerica Park, with Jake Peavy scheduled to start for the Red Sox against Doug Fister.

Lackey allowed four hits in 6 2-3 innings, striking out eight without a walk in a game that was delayed 17 minutes in the second inning because lights on the stadium towers went out.

It was the second 1-0 game in this matchup between the highest-scoring teams in the majors. That's been the theme throughout these playoffs, which have included four 1-0 scores and seven shutouts in the first 26 games.

After rallying from a five-run deficit to even the series in Game 2, Boston came away with a win in Detroit against one of the game's best pitchers. The Tigers had a chance for their own comeback in the eighth when Austin Jackson drew a one-out walk and Torii Hunter followed with a single.

But Cabrera, who failed to reach base for the first time in 32 postseason games for the Tigers, never looked comfortable against Junichi Tazawa, swinging and missing at the first two offerings and eventually chasing an outside pitch for strike three.

Fielder was even more overmatched against Koji Uehara, striking out on three pitches.

Uehara also pitched the ninth for a save, ensuring that Lackey's fine performance wouldn't go to waste.

Lackey pitched poorly his first two seasons in Boston after signing an $82.5 million, five-year contract in December 2009. Then he missed all of 2012 following elbow ligament-replacement surgery.

He's been better this season, and he kept the Tigers off balance Tuesday by effectively changing speeds.

Napoli's first at-bat in the majors was against Verlander on May 4, 2006, at Detroit's Comerica Park. He homered then, too.

This hit was far more important. In the last two games, the Tigers have started Verlander and 21-game winner Max Scherzer — and the Red Sox won both.

Throw in Anibal Sanchez's outstanding effort in the opener, when the Red Sox managed only a ninth-inning single in a 1-0 loss, and Detroit's three starters in the ALCS have combined to allow two runs and six hits with 35 strikeouts in 21 innings.

Still, the Tigers have fallen behind because their bullpen blew a four-run lead late in Game 2 and the offense came up empty at home on Tuesday.

Detroit stranded runners on first and third in the first, then wasted Jhonny Peralta's leadoff double in the fifth. Peralta reached third with one out, but an overanxious Omar Infante struck out and Andy Dirks grounded out.

Verlander needed every bit of focus after Jacoby Ellsbury's one-out single in the sixth. The Tigers have not held runners well this year, but a number of pickoff throws helped prevent a steal. At one point, Verlander appeared to be pointing at his wrist, as if to ask the dugout if his delivery to the plate was quick enough.

Amid all that, Verlander got Shane Victorino on a flyout, and after Ellsbury moved to second anyway on a wild pitch, Dustin Pedroia grounded out to end the threat.

Napoli's homer was the first run allowed by Verlander since Sept. 18 — he pitched six scoreless innings in each of his last two starts in the regular season before blanking the opposition for 21 innings in the playoffs.

That streak ended with one swing by Napoli.

Lackey was pulled with one on in the seventh. Craig Breslow came on and walked Alex Avila, but Infante's groundout ended the inning.

The Red Sox appeared to be in deep trouble when Detroit led 5-0 in Game 2, but David Ortiz tied it with an eighth-inning grand slam off closer Joaquin Benoit, and the Red Sox won it in the ninth.

Verlander looked ready to halt any notion of momentum for the Red Sox. He struck out six straight in the second and third, matching a single-game postseason record.

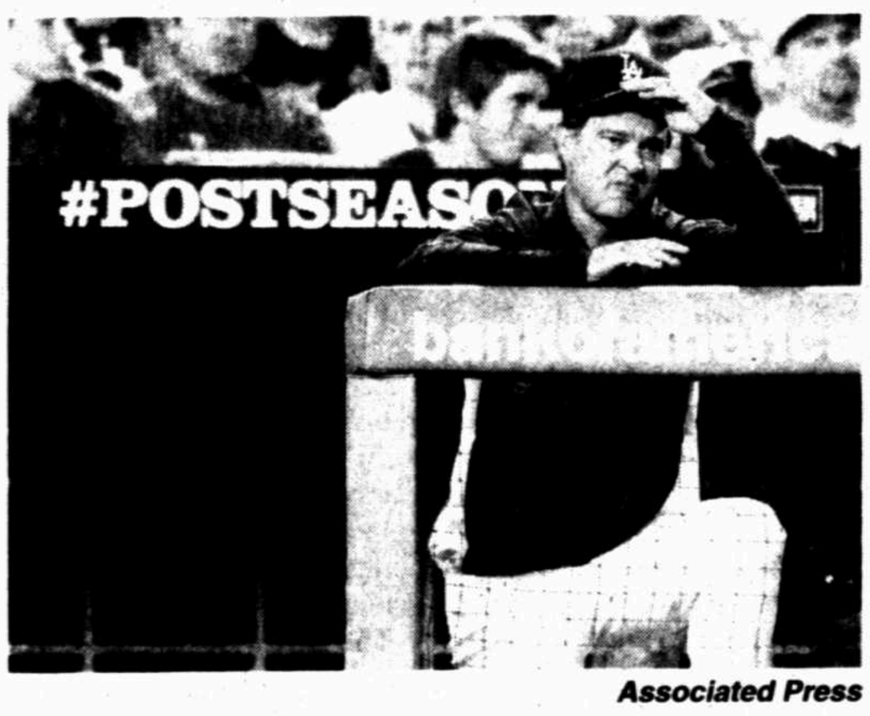
Lackey did his best to keep pace, retiring 10 in a row before Peralta's double.

The Tigers had taken no-hitters into at least the sixth inning of the previous three games. Verlander fell an out short of extending that streak when Jonny Gomes hit a roller up the middle for an infield single in the fifth.

Dodgers can't find magic, pushed to playoff brink

Cardinals **4**
Dodgers 2

Associated Press



Associated Press

Los Angeles Dodgers manager Don Mattingly watches during the sixth inning of Game 4 of the National League baseball championship series against the St. Louis Cardinals on Tuesday in Los Angeles.

LOS ANGELES — After a season filled with dramatic comebacks and game-breaking hits, almost everybody in Chavez Ravine expected to see more magic after the Los Angeles Dodgers fell behind early in Game 4 of the NL Championship Series.

Instead, the only fans who saw Magic had obstructed-view seats behind the Dodgers' 6-foot-9 owner.

Everybody else watched forlornly as their resilient team was pushed to the brink of playoff elimination, unable to do the improbable one more time.

After the Cardinals scored three runs in the third inning off Ricky Nolasco, St. Louis made the lead stand up all the way to a 4-2 victory Tuesday night, taking a commanding 3-1 series lead.

That's a hole the Dodgers have never escaped in their lengthy postseason history. The deficit is daunting, but hardly insurmountable to a team that has thrived in unlikely scenarios.

"We realize we've been through a lot in the regular season, but it pales in comparison to what we're doing now," said second baseman Mark Ellis, who went 0 for 4. "We realize we have it in us to do this. It's a three-game win streak. That's all it is."

But with every methodical inning in Game 4, the playoff-tested Cardinals prevented any sort of exciting surge in the Dodgers' first home loss in four postseason games.

The Dodgers had eight hits — two more than St. Louis — and generated a regular stream of baserunners, but two potential rallies were killed by inning-ending double plays. Another ended with the bases loaded when Nolasco struck out with the bat on his shoulder.

And even when Nick Punto delivered an unlikely double in the seventh inning to get the crowd stirring, the backup utilityman got picked off second base before Carlos Martinez even threw his next pitch.

"That's a lonely place to be," Punto said. "I don't wish that on anybody, but I've got to move past that."

Yasiel Puig had two hits and drove in a run, playing with fire after Cardinals starter Lance Lynn buzzed his chin with a pitch in the fourth. But not even the Dodgers' emotional barometer could lead a comeback.

With Andre Ethier on first base and nobody out in the ninth, Dodger Stadium was buzzing — but Puig grounded into a double play against closer Trevor Rosenthal, putting a pall over the stands.

"We didn't get enough runs on the board, because two is not enough," said Adrian Gonzalez, who had a hit and scored a run. "(But) we've put together a lot better than a three-game winning streak before."

Indeed, Los Angeles was 12 games below .500 on June 21 before a 42-8 surge festooned with hair-raising comebacks and narrow wins put the Dodgers back into the postseason in style.

The Dodgers might have to attempt this next comeback without Hanley Ramirez, who struck out three times before getting pulled with obvious pain in his cracked rib. Ramirez hasn't decided whether to play in Game 5 today, but Punto or Michael Young could step in.

The Dodgers' offense didn't come through in Game 4, but Los Angeles also couldn't overcome the club's first mediocre starting pitching performance of the entire series. The Dodgers had allowed just four runs in the first 33 innings of this series before Nolasco gave up three more in the third.

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lead in the fourth set, but the Lady Rebels scored eight of the final 10 points in the set with some adjustments at the net.

Middle blocker Alexis Washington became more active with a kill and a solo block, along with an assist on another block with Madi Taylor during that run of points.

"Midland came out with a better game plan than we did, and I think their kids took us off guard little bit," First-year Amarillo Tascosa coach April Bolen said. "We knew they were a good team, but they came out with some fire and vengeance, and we didn't really. It took us about two games to step up."

Tascosa, though, still had to work for the fifth set. MHS opened up an early lead, but the Lady Rebels scored six straight points, including four points off MHS errors, to take a 9-5 lead and never let it go the rest of the match.

Washington had a block and Maddy McIlraith, who had 12 kills, added a kill to close out the match. But even with the loss, the Lady Bulldogs seem to gain some confidence heading into Saturday.

"We've just got to keep focused on what we need to do in practice and get better from there," Burleson said.

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AMARILLO TASCOSA DEF. MIDLAND HIGH, 15-25, 21-25, 25-21, 25-21, 15-11

Midland High statistics

Kills — Channing Burleson 19, Erin Robbins 8, Kaydee Strickland 7, Claire Lancaster 7, Shelby Neatherlin 6, Jenna Gillean 8

Digs — Kyndal Cowan 9, Burleson 13, Konner Wood 12, Robbins 2, Strickland 3, Emily Wickman 6, Lancaster 5, Neatherlin 4, Gillean 3, Allyson Gordon 10

Assists — Cowan 21, Robbins 1, Wickman 25, Neatherlin 1, Gordon 1

Blocks — Burleson 1, Strickland 1, Lancaster 1, Neatherlin 5, Gillean 3

Aces — Cowan 2, Burleson 4, Wickman 2, Gillean 3

Amarillo Tascosa statistics

Kills — Maddy Wall 9, Abby Harrison 2, Marissa Torres 5, Madi Taylor 3, Alexis Washington 10, Marnei McIlraith 12

Digs — Wall 30, Sydney Orosco 18, Sam Milbern 11

Assists — Wall 1, Harrison 34, Morgan Hooker 1

Blocks — Marissa Torres 1, Taylor 1.5, Washington 2.5, McIlraith 2

Aces — Richardson 1, Wall 6, , Milbern 3, Orosco 1, McIlraith 1

Records: Midland High 25-13, 7-5 in District 2-5A; Amarillo Tascosa 23-13, 13-0

Next: Midland High at Lee, 2 p.m. Saturday; Abilene Cooper at Amarillo Tascosa, 5 p.m. Friday

District 2-5A volleyball standings

Team	District W	District L	Overall W	Overall L
xy-Amarillo Tascosa	13	0	23	13
San Angelo Central	10	3	27	9
Odessa Permian	8	4	24	10
Lubbock Coronado	8	5	23	14
Midland High	7	5	25	13
Abilene High	5	7	22	12
Lee	4	8	16	17
Abilene Cooper	1	11	11	25
Odessa High	0	13	2	24

x-clinched playoff spot
y-clinch share of district title

Tuesday's Scores

Amarillo Tascosa def. Midland High, 15-25, 21-25, 25-21, 25-21, 15-11; San Angelo Central def. Odessa High, 25-9, 25-18, 25-12; Lubbock Coronado def. Abilene Cooper 25-14, 25-18, 25-13; Odessa Permian def. Abilene High, 25-18, 20-25, 11-25, 25-21, 15-13

Friday's Matches

Odessa Permian at San Angelo Central; Abilene High at Lubbock Coronado; Abilene Cooper at Amarillo Tascosa, all matches at 5 p.m.

Saturday's Match

Midland High at Lee, 2 p.m.

UTPB ROUNDUP

FROM STAFF REPORTS

UTPB SPLITS DUAL WITH WAYLAND, ANGELO STATE

ODESSA — The UTPB volleyball team split a dual match Tuesday against Wayland Baptist and Angelo State at the Falcon Dome.

UTPB defeated Wayland Baptist in five sets 20-25, 25-21,25-16, 23-25, 15-12, but fell to Angelo State 25-22, 25-13, 22-25, 25-22 to move to 6-15 on the season

In the match against Wayland Baptist, UTPB was led by Melissa Lusk with 18 kills, Keeley Brogdon with 12 kills, Terra Peil added 10 kills and Taylor Harmon had 34 digs.

In the loss to Angelo State, UTPB was held to a .095 attack percentage.

Morgann Davis had seven kills, Harmon had 28 digs and Kelsey Zukowski added 20 digs to lead for the Lady Falcons.

Baseball boxes, scores and schedule

Box scores

RED SOX 1, TIGERS 0

Boston	ab	r	h	bi	Detroit	ab	r	h	bi
Ellsury cf	4	0	1	0	AJcksn cf	3	0	0	0
Victorn rf	4	0	0	0	TrHntr rf	4	0	2	0
Pedroia 2b	4	0	0	0	MiCarr 3b	4	0	0	0
D.Ortiz dh	3	0	0	0	Fielder 1b	4	0	1	0
Napoli 1b	4	1	1	1	VMrtnz dh	4	0	2	0
Sltlmch c	3	0	0	0	HPerez pr	0	0	0	0
JGoms lf	3	0	1	0	JhPerlt ss	4	0	1	0
Drew ss	3	0	1	0	Avila c	3	0	0	0
Mdlrks 3b	3	0	0	0	Infante 2b	3	0	0	0
					Dirks lf	2	0	0	0
					Iglesias ph	1	0	0	0
					D.Kelly lf	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	1	4	1	**Totals**	32	0	6	0

Boston .... 000 000 100—1
Detroit .... 000 000 000—0

E—Tor.Hunter (1). DP—Boston 1. LOB—Boston 4, Detroit 7. 2B—Jh.Peralta (3). HR—Napoli (1).

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Boston						
Lackey W,1-0	6 2-3	4	0	0	0	8
Breslow	2-3	0	0	0	2	1
Tazawa	1-3	1	0	0	0	1
Uehara S,1-1	1 1-3	1	0	0	0	2
Detroit						
Verlander L,0-1	8	4	1	1	1	10
Veras	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Coke	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Alburquerque	1-3	0	0	0	0	0

WP—Verlander.

Umpires—Home, Ron Kulpa; First, Alfonso Marquez; Second, Dale Scott; Third, Dan Iassogna; Right, Rob Drake; Left, Joe West.

T—3:20 (Rain delay: 0:17). A—42,327 (41,255).

CARDINALS 4, DODGERS 2

St. Louis	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
MCrpnt 2b	4	1	1	1	Crwfrd lf	4	0	1	0
Beltran rf	3	0	0	0	M.Ellis 2b	4	0	0	0
Hollidy lf	4	1	2	2	HRmrz ss	3	0	0	0
CMrtnz p	0	0	0	0	Howell p	0	0	0	0
Chamrs ph	1	0	0	0	Belisari p	0	0	0	0
Rosnthl p	0	0	0	0	MYong ss	1	0	0	0
MAdms 1b	5	0	0	0	AdGnzl 1b	4	1	1	0
YMolin c	2	0	0	0	Ethier cf	3	1	2	0
Jay cf	3	0	1	0	Puig rf	3	0	2	1
Freese 3b	3	0	0	0	Uribe 3b	4	0	0	0
Kozma ss	0	0	0	0	A.Ellis c	2	0	1	1
Descals ss-3b	4	1	1	0	Nolasco p	1	0	0	0
Lynn p	0	0	0	0	Schmkr ph	1	0	0	0
Maness p	0	0	0	0	Withrw p	0	0	0	0
SRonsn ph-lf	2	1	1	1	Punto ss	1	0	1	0
					Marml p	0	0	0	0
Totals	31	4	6	4	**Totals**	31	2	8	2

St. Louis .... 003 000 100—4
Los Angeles .... 000 200 000—2

E—Withrow (1). DP—St. Louis 3, Los Angeles 1. LOB—St. Louis 9, Los Angeles 5. 2B—M. Carpenter (1), Ad.Gonzalez (2), Punto (1). HR—Holliday (1), S.Robinson (1). SB—M.Carpenter (1). S—Lynn.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
St. Louis						
Lynn W,2-0	5 1-3	6	2	2	3	5
Maness	2-3	0	0	0	0	0
Ca.Martinez	2	1	0	0	0	0
Rosenthal S,2-2	1	1	0	0	0	1
Los Angeles						
Nolasco	4	3	3	3	1	4
Withrow	2	0	0	0	3	1
Howell	1	2	1	1	1	3
Belisario	1-3	1	0	0	0	0
Marmol	1 2-3	0	0	0	1	3

HBP—by Belisario (Kozma). WP—Withrow. Balk—Withrow.

Umpires—Home, Bruce Dreckman; First, Ted Barrett; Second, Greg Gibson; Third, Gerry Davis; Right, Mike Everitt; Left, Mark Carlson.

T—3:17. A—53,992 (56,000).

Scores and schedule

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
American League
All games televised by Fox
Boston 2, Detroit 1

Oct. 12: Detroit 1, Boston 0
Sunday, Oct. 13: Boston 6, Detroit 5
Tuesday, Oct. 15: Boston 1, Detroit 0
Today: Boston (Peavy 12-5) at Detroit (Fister 14-9), 7:07 p.m.
Thursday: Boston at Detroit, 7:07 p.m.
x-Saturday,: Detroit at Boston, 3:37 p.m.
x-Sunday: Detroit at Boston, 7:07 p.m.

National League
All games televised by TBS
St. Louis 3, Los Angeles 1

Oct. 11: St. Louis 3, Los Angeles 2, 13 innings
Oct. 12: St. Louis 1, Los Angeles 0
Monday: Los Angeles 3, St. Louis 0
Tuesday: St. Louis 4, Los Angeles 2
Today: St. Louis (Kelly 10-5) at Los Angeles (Greinke 15-4), 3:07 p.m.
x-Friday: Los Angeles at St. Louis, 7:37 p.m.
x-Saturday: Los Angeles at St. Louis, 7:37 p.m.

WORLD SERIES
(Best-of-7)
All games televised by Fox

Oct. 23: at AL
Oct. 24: at AL
Oct. 26: at NL
Oct. 27: at NL
x-Oct. 28: at NL
x-Oct. 30: at AL
x-Oct. 31: at AL

AREA SPOTLIGHT

Garden City back to being run-first team

By Len Hayward
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It's certainly no secret that a major reason Garden City won a pair of state championships a few years ago was because of the Bearkats' physical style of play on both sides of the ball.

During those years the Bearkats had a collection of talent that was tough for many six-man teams to match. But Garden City's identity during that time was running the ball and being physical on defense.

That identity went away a little last year as coach Matt Odom worked to install a spread scheme. But after a year where the Bearkats notched three wins and suffered a rash of injuries, Odom went back to the run game on offense and simplified the defense.

Through seven games this season, the Bearkats are 6-1 and ranked No. 5 in sixmanfootball.com's Division I poll. The plan has worked.

Odom

"We are trying to be a run-first team, and if we block well, it will hopefully have the run open up the pass," Odom said. "It's just getting back to being a little more physical on defense. It's a formula that worked well for (coach) Vance (Jones) when he was here. We are committed to it, and it's worked out for us so far."

The Bearkats' lone loss this season was a 48-28 setback to Ira, a team that some think could be playing in AT&T Stadium in December for a state championship. But in every other game, Garden City has used its rushing game to churn up yards and score points.

Garden City has outscored its seven opponents 374-104, and nearly half of those points were given up against Ira. The Bearkats are averaging a little more than 280 yards a game rushing and eclipsed the 300-yard mark two straight weeks.

Garden City now enters its bye week playing as well as it has all season, and the team looks forward to another run to the playoffs

"They have definitely taken to it," Odom said of his team. "When we kind of tried to be more of a spread team last year ... you can say whatever you want, injuries and other things, but really these kids' identity is running the ball. That's what they've known since they were little."

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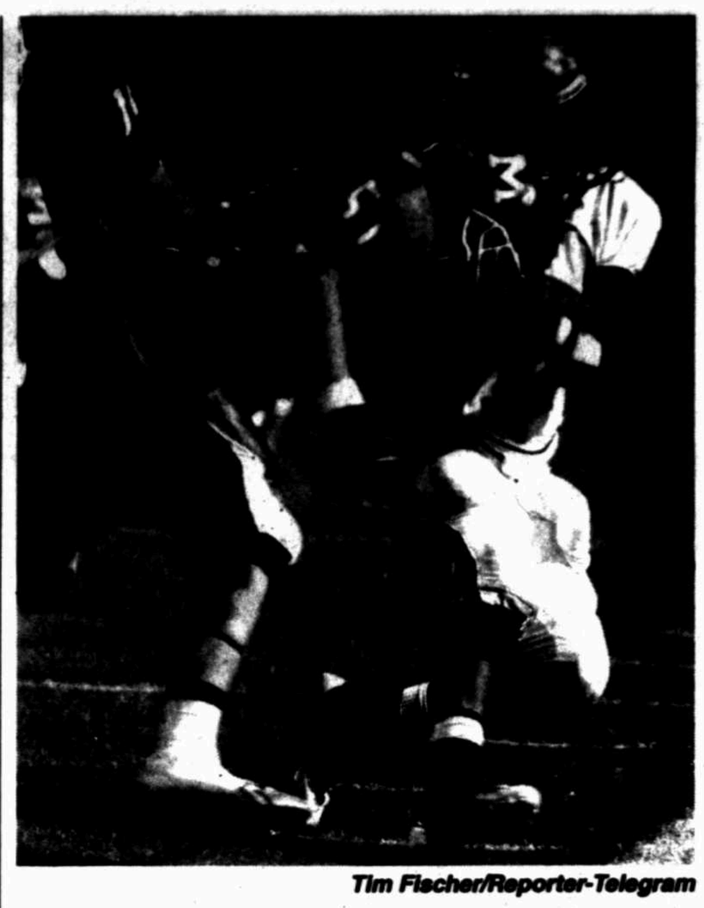
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Greenwood's Anthony Salas takes a hit from Monahans' Stephan Self on Friday evening in Monahans.

Area football standings and schedules

District 2-3A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Shallowater	6	0	317	116	1.000
Lub. Cooper	5	1	222	159	.833
Levelland	4	2	148	148	.667
Estacado	3	3	163	173	.500
Andrews	2	4	224	264	.333
Seminole	2	4	88	200	.333

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Lub. Cooper	1	0	46	21	1.000
Estacado	1	0	35	14	1.000
Shallowater	1	0	58	14	1.000
Andrews	0	1	21	46	.000
Levelland	0	1	14	35	.000
Seminole	0	1	14	58	.000

Last week's scores
Lubbock Cooper 46, Andrews 21. Lubbock Estacado 35, Levelland 14. Shallowater 58, Seminole 14

This week's games
Andrews at Levelland. Lubbock Cooper at Seminole. Lubbock Estacado at Shallowater

District 4-3A
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Big Spring	4	2	196	100	.667
Wylie	4	2	155	142	.667
Monahans	3	2	111	96	.600
Greenwood	2	4	163	212	.333
Sweetwater	2	4	192	228	.333
Snyder	2	4	215	190	.333

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Abilene Wylie	1	0	37	35	1.000
Monahans	1	0	42	14	1.000
Snyder	1	0	41	14	1.000
Big Spring	0	1	35	37	.000
Greenwood	0	1	14	42	.000
Sweetwater	0	1	14	41	.000

Last week's scores
Monahans 42, Greenwood 14. Abilene Wylie 37, Big Spring 35. Snyder 41, Sweetwater 14

This week's games
Sweetwater at Greenwood. Snyder at Big Spring. Abilene Wylie at Monahans

District 3-2A Division II
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Crane	6	0	233	51	1.000
Sonora	5	1	193	129	.833
Stanton	5	1	189	108	.833
Alpine	3	3	210	130	.500
Reagan Co.	2	4	89	150	.333
Coahoma	1	5	70	175	.166

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Crane	1	0	41	14	1.000
Sonora	1	0	43	33	1.000
Stanton	1	0	16	14	1.000
Alpine	0	1	33	43	.000
Coahoma	0	1	14	16	.000
Reagan Co.	0	1	14	41	.000

Last week's scores
Stanton 16, Coahoma 14. Sonora 43, Alpine 33. Crane 41, Reagan County 14

This week's games
Sonora at Coahoma. Crane at Stanton. Alpine at Reagan County

District 4-A Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Anson	6	0	291	116	1.000
Stamford	6	1	306	134	.857
Forsan	3	4	102	158	.428
Haskell	2	5	154	252	.285
Winters	1	5	107	222	.166

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Forsan	1	0	35	6	1.000
Stamford	1	0	54	12	1.000
Anson	0	0	00	00	.000
Haskell	0	1	06	35	.000
Winters	0	1	12	54	.000

Last week's scores
Forsan 35, Haskell 6. Stamford 54, Winters 12. Anson was open

This week's games
Stamford at Haskell. Anson at Winters. Forsan is open

District 5-A Division II
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Iraan	7	0	264	90	1.000
Wink	5	2	183	136	.714
McCamey	2	5	152	221	.285
Van Horn	0	7	51	272	.000

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Iraan	3	0	123	30	1.000
Wink	2	1	92	56	.667
McCamey	1	2	73	104	.333
Van Horn	0	3	33	131	.000

Last week's scores
Iraan 38, McCamey 14. Wink 36, Van Horn 7

This week's games
Iraan. McCamey. Wink and Van Horn are open

District 4 Six-man Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Grady	4	3	387	343	.571
O'Donnell	3	3	271	305	.500
Klondike	3	4	204	209	.428
Borden Co.	2	5	227	317	.285

Last week's scores
Garden City 62, Grady 16. O'Donnell 49, Patton Springs 0. Borden County 75, Plainview Christian 0. Sands 56, Klondike 42

This week's games
O'Donnell at New Home. Grady, Borden County and Klondike are open

District 5 Six-man Division I
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Rankin	6	0	296	118	1.000
Garden City	6	1	374	104	.857
Marfa	1	5	156	321	.167
Fort Davis	0	6	67	340	.000

Last week's scores
Garden City 62, Grady 16. Ira 52, Fort Davis 0. Rankin and Marfa were open

This week's games
Rankin vs. Rotan at Robert Lee. Strawn vs. Marfa at Garden City (Saturday). Garden City and Fort Davis are open

TAPPS Division II District 1
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Mid. Christ.	7	0	369	17	1.000
FW Christian	4	2	142	115	.667
Waco Reicher	3	3	192	230	.500
FWSW Christian	3	4	173	253	.428
Grapevine Faith	2	4	84	165	.333
Pantego Christ.	1	6	179	248	.142
Grace Prep	1	6	70	251	.142

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Mid. Christ.	3	0	171	0	1.000
FW Christian	2	0	48	13	1.000
Waco Reicher	2	0	110	70	1.000
FWSW Christian	1	2	70	142	.333
Grace Prep	1	2	27	89	.333
Grapevine Faith	0	2	07	76	.000
Pantego Christ.	0	3	75	118	.000

Last week's scores
Midland Christian 62, Grapevine Faith 0. Arlington Grace Prep 21, Arlington Pantego Christian 7. Waco Reicher 55, FW Southwest Christian 28. Fort Worth Christian 35, Brock 14

This week's games
Fort Worth Christian at Midland Christian. Arlington Grace Prep at Waco Reicher. Grapevine Faith at Arlington Pantego Christian. Fort Worth Southwest Christian is open

TAPPS Six-man Division I District 1
Overall Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Dal. Lakehill	5	1	386	230	.857
Canyon Creek	5	1	287	131	.857
Abilene Christ.	4	2	328	230	.667
Car. Christian	3	4	203	242	.500
Trinity	3	3	234	215	.500

District Standings

Team	W	L	PF	PA	Pct.
Trinity	1	0	90	42	1.000
Canyon Creek	1	0	62	54	1.000
Abilene Christ.	0	0	0	0	.000
Dal. Lakehill	0	1	42	90	.000
Car. Christian	0	1	54	62	.000

Last week's score
Trinity 90, Dallas Lakehill 42. Richardson Canyon Creek 62, Carrollton Christian 54. Abilene Christian 74, Strawn 64

This week's games
Carrollton Christian at Dallas Lakehill Prep. Richardson Canyon Creek at Abilene Christian. Trinity is open

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would have been regretting it. It's a tough call."

It was a tough and gutsy call, but Ritchey made the right call. For a team that has struggled in district play over the last two years, this was a chance to knock off the (literally) top dog in district on its home field.

Even though Wylie remained at the top of the 4-3A perch, Big Spring showed on this night that it was indeed for real. The Steers showed that even though they faced a huge deficit in a tough environment, that they still had enough confidence in themselves and enough firepower to have a chance to make one of the best comebacks in West Texas high school football in recent memory.

Ritchey said it took his team a while to adjust to Wylie's size and speed early, plus they turned the ball over three times, which didn't help matters. But when the Steers finally adjusted and started creating turnovers themselves, they managed to get back in the game.

Even though the Steers were bummed from the loss, Ritchey said he could see the team was still encouraged by their effort.

"It really emphasized to them that we've got a good team and when we play good football and don't make mistakes, we can play we anybody," Ritchey said.

The Steers proved that right on Friday night and they also proved that if you buy a ticket to watch them play this season, you're certainly going to get your money's worth.

GAMES OF THE WEEK: While the Steers provided excitement last week, there are a few games that could come down to the wire this week.

Keep an eye on Sweetwater (2-4, 0-1 in District 4-3A) visiting Greenwood (2-4, 0-1) as both teams desperately need a win. Also Crane (6-0, 1-0 in District 3-2A, Division II) playing at Stanton (5-1, 1-0) could be a district championship caliber game.

And who knows? The Steers (4-2, 0-1) hosting Snyder (2-4, 1-0) could provide fireworks as well as both teams are capable of lighting up scoreboards.

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Rangers

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"I would like to see my team put it together," he said. "They're working too dang hard not to have it happen."

Quick hits

■ Greenwood coach Shad Hanna said his team remains healthy and should get DB Jose Hernandez (ankle) back this week after missing the last three games.

■ Andrews coach Ralph Mason said senior QB Shane Dolgener injured the same right knee that cost him to miss most of last season during Friday's 46-21 loss to Lubbock Cooper.

Mason said the severity of the injury will be known sometime this week but added that Dolgener seemed to be in good spirits.

Dolgener left the game early after trying to make a cut. Mason said he took Dolgener out as a precaution.

In his place, junior Jase Hammack, who played well in Dolgener's place last year, was 22-of-41 passing for 217 yards, two touchdowns and one interception.

"For him to be coming in like that and playing the way he did, it wasn't too bad of a start," Mason said about Hammack.

■ With Big Spring having dropped its district opener against Abilene Wylie (a 37-35 loss), Steers coach Phillip Ritchey said Friday's home game against Snyder becomes an important one for his team.

"We just have to win a district game," said Ritchey, whose team has not won a district game since 2010. "Once we get that district win, that takes off a lot of pressure. Snyder would almost lock up a playoff spot with a win on Friday, so it's a big game."

■ Stanton coach John Peterson said it helped his team having faced adversity before in finding a way to beat Coahoma 16-14 in come-from-behind fashion Friday night.

The Buffaloes were down 14-7 at the half and 14-10 through three quarters before Etevan Chavez scored the game-winning touchdown with 10:46 remaining in the game.

"I think (facing past adversity) had to play a part and it makes you a better team," Peterson said. "(Coahoma) brought everything they had against us, but our kids stayed calm and did what they needed to do. (Coahoma) took the first drive and took it right down our throats. But in the second half, started executing a little better. I'm proud of our kids for sticking with it."

■ Coahoma coach Trey Gardner said he was proud of his team for its effort in the close loss to Stanton.

"Our kids played well enough to win the ballgame," he said. "We had a lull in the third quarter, but our kids played very hard and we were able to cut down on some turnovers and we were able to clean some things up."

■ Gardner said WR Gilbert Puga (foot) should be back for this week's game against Sonora.

This week's Class 2A/3A schedule

Greenwood (2-4, 0-1 in District 4-3A) hosts Sweetwater (2-4, 0-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday. The winner of this game will have a leg up on getting into the postseason.

Big Spring (4-2, 0-1 in 4-3A) hosts Snyder (2-4, 1-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday. Steers look to get first district win against a Tiger team that rolled in the district opener against Sweetwater.

Andrews (2-4, 0-1 in District 2-3A) travels to Levelland (4-2, 0-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday. Andrews looks to bounce back against the Lobos.

Stanton (5-1, 1-0 in District 3-2A, Division II) hosts Crane (6-0, 1-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday. This game could have district championship implications.

Coahoma (1-5, 0-1 in 3-2A, Division II) hosts Sonora (5-1, 1-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday. The tough schedule to begin district play for the Bulldogs continues against a team they upset last season.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BRIEFS

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COLLEGE STATION

Grass for sale from Texas A&M's Kyle Field

Texas A&M fans can buy some of the same Kyle Field grass run upon by Heisman Trophy winner Johnny Manziel and the rest of the Aggies.

Online sales began Monday on live grass from the football stadium in College Station. A new playing surface is being grown offsite and will be installed in time for the 2014 season.

A&M plans to harvest the current grass following the final home Nov. 9 against Mississippi State. Buyers must pick up their grass the next day.

Each harvested pallet of about 450 square feet of sod goes for $400. A limited number of single squares of grass are $20 apiece. Buyers will receive a certificate of authenticity.

ALABAMA

Malzahn: Marshall back for Auburn-A&M game

AUBURN — Auburn quarterback Nick Marshall will start against No. 7 Texas A&M.

Coach Gus Malzahn said Tuesday Marshall is the guy Saturday for the 24th-ranked Tigers.

The junior college transfer sat out Auburn's easy win over Western Carolina after injuring a knee against Mississippi. Offensive coordinator Rhett Lashlee says Marshall was probably 80 percent healthy for that game and could have played if needed.

Freshman Jeremy Johnson started in his first college action.

Johnson was 17-of-21 passing for 201 yards and four touchdowns against one interception in his college debut against Western Carolina.

Malzahn says Johnson could still play a role in the offense.

Marshall has passed for 902 yards and rushed for 288, while gaining 140 yards on the ground in the Ole Miss game.

KANSAS

Weis shakes up coaching staff to jump-start team

LAWRENCE — Rotating players on the depth chart hasn't worked so well for Kansas this season, so now coach Charlie Weis is shaking up coaching responsibilities to jumpstart his struggling team.

Weis announced Tuesday that he would change how the offensive staff operates. Quarterbacks coach Ron Powlus will be in charge of the passing game, tight ends coach Jeff Blasko will take over the running game and Weis will oversee the offense and help coach skill positions.

Weis also said he wants to receive input from the offensive coaches and have their ideas be the base for the game plan, rather than formulating the majority of it himself.

The first chance to showcase all the changes comes Saturday against No. 18 Oklahoma.

TENNESSEE

Vols' Lane should play Saturday; Maggitt still out

Tennessee running back Marlin Lane is expected to play Saturday against No. 11 South Carolina after missing one game with a foot injury.

Linebacker Curt Maggitt, however, remains sidelined and might have to redshirt this season.

Lane practiced during Tennessee's off week and worked out Tuesday in a green non-contact jersey. He has rushed for 280 yards and four touchdowns on 45 carries this season.

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US stuns Panama 3-2 in stoppage time

Associated Press

Graham Zusi and Aron Johannsson scored in second-half stoppage time, and the United States rallied for a 3-2 win at Panama on Tuesday night that left Mexico's World Cup hopes alive and knocked out the Panamanians.

The U.S., which clinched a World Cup berth last month, didn't use most of its starters, and Gabriel Torres put Panama ahead in the 18th minute in a downpour at Panama City. Michael Orozco tied it the 64th minute, just as Costa Rica took a 2-1 lead at home against Mexico.

Luis Tejada scored in the 83rd, putting Panama within minutes of a fourth-place finish and a berth in next month's playoff against Oceania champion New Zealand. Mexico, which last missed the World Cup in 1990, would have been eliminated.

But Zusi scored 1:24 into three minutes of stoppage time, and Johannsson added his first international goal at the 2:40 mark to seal the U.S. win and Panama's elimination. The Americans, who have lost just once in their last 16 games, finished with a record-tying 22 points in the hexagonal, the final round of the North and Central American and Caribbean region.

It was a similar finish to four years ago, when Jonathan Bornstein's goal in the fifth minute of stoppage time gave the U.S. a 2-2 tie against Costa Rica, clinching a World Cup berth to Honduras and knocking out the Costa Ricans.

The U.S. (7-2-1) and Costa Rica (5-2-3) already had clinched berths last month, and Honduras (4-3-3) earned the region's final automatic spot with a 2-2 tie at last-place Jamaica (0-5-5).

Mexico (2-3-5) finished fourth with 11 points, three ahead of Panama (1-4-5), which has never played in soccer's top event. Before allowing the stoppage-time goals, Panama was even with El Tri on points and goal difference and would have advanced based on a 10-7 advantage in goals scored.

Having earned its seventh straight World Cup berth last month, the U.S. was without many of its regulars because of either injuries or decisions to allow them to return to their clubs. Among the missing were Landon Donovan, Clint Dempsey, Michael Bradley, Jermaine Jones, Tim Howard, Omar Gonzalez and Matt Besler.

In all, the Americans started just two players who began the clinching match against Mexico: defender Clarence Goodson and midfielder Alejandro Bedoya.

In the absence of Dempsey and Howard, Jozy Altidore captained the national team for the first time.

Torres scored after a giveaway by Edgar Castillo. Marcos Sanchez sent a layoff to the top of the penalty area, and Torres split the defenders and easily beat goalkeeper Brad Guzan with a one-timed shot to the corner.

Orozco scored his third international goal off a Davis corner kick. Sacha Kljestan was hauled down by Luis Henriquez right in front of the goal, allowing the ball to fall to Orozco. With his back toward the goal, Orozco lifted his left leg and made just enough contact to score from 6 yards. Orozco then did a little dance with DaMarcus Beasley, the American left back of late who was given the night off.

Panama could have been awarded a penalty kick two minutes later, but Jamaican referee Courtney Campbell didn't whistle Bedoya for knocking over Alberto Quintero as he streaked into the penalty area.

Two minutes later, Guzan got his left hand up to stop a point-blank shot by Torres.

Panama came back when Torres sent the ball down the right flank to Roberto Chen, who sent a low cross through the penalty area. Guzan slapped the ball with his right hand and the ball ricocheted to Tejada, who stepped in front of Kyle Beckerman.

But it wasn't over. Castillo started the set up to the tying goal with a pass to Davis, who sent the ball to Zusi. He climbed over Henriquez and his 8-yard header beat goalkeeper Jaime Penedo. It was his third international goal, and second in five days.

With Panama pressing to get the goal it needed to regain a tie, Terrence Boyd set up Johannsson for a goal on a 20-yard shot.

World Cup qualifying

Home nations listed first
Tuesday
World Cup Qualifying
North and Central America and Caribbean
Final round
Costa Rica 2, Mexico 1
Jamaica 2, Honduras 2
United States 3, Panama 2

Europe
Group A
Belgium 1, Wales 1
Scotland 2, Croatia 0
Serbia 5, Macedonia 1
Group B
Bulgaria 0, Czech Republic 1
Denmark 6, Malta 0
Italy 2, Armenia 2
Group C
Faeroe Islands 0, Austria 3
Ireland 3, Kazakhstan 1
Sweden 3, Germany 5
Group D
Hungary 2, Andorra 0
Romania 2, Estonia 0
Turkey 0, Netherlands 2
Group E
Cyprus 0, Albania 0
Norway 1, Iceland 1
Switzerland 1, Slovenia 0
Group F
Azerbaijan 1, Russia 1
Israel 1, Northern Ireland 1
Portugal 3, Luxembourg 0
Group G
Greece 2, Liechtenstein 0
Latvia 2, Slovakia 2
Lithuania 0, Bosnia-Herzegovina 1
Group H
England 2, Poland 0
Montenegro 2, Moldova 5
San Marino 0, Ukraine 8
Group I
France 3, Finland 0
Spain 2, Georgia 0

South America
Chile 2, Ecuador 1
Colombia 2, Paraguay 1
Uruguay 3, Argentina 2
Peru 1, Bolivia 1

Africa
Third round, first leg
Ghana 6, Egypt 1

Bosnians celebrate World Cup qualification

Associated Press

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Wild celebrations broke loose Sarajevo's central square Tuesday after Bosnia qualified for its first World Cup as an independent nation.

Almost 10,000 delirious fans jumped, cried and screamed 'Vamos Bosnia' — or 'Go Bosnia' — when striker Vedad Ibisevic scored in the 68th minute to secure a 1-0 win over Lithuania at Kaunas.

Bosnian players were seen on TV crying in each other's arms at Kaunas, prompting tears to roll down thousands of cheeks at streets and homes in Bosnia. Thousands of fans, meanwhile, headed to the airport to wait for their "Dragons."

"They have no idea what they have done to the people here," wept unemployed Salih Redzic, 52. "We all need some 'Brazil.' It's not even about soccer any more. It's about this feeling many of us have almost forgotten and the younger ones have never experienced. The feeling of success," he said.

Bosnia has been close before. It narrowly missed out on the 2010 World Cup and 2012 European Championship, both times losing to Portugal in the playoffs. But the current team made no mistake on Tuesday night.

For at least a while, they made their countrymen forget their nation's more than 25 percent unemployment, the low standard of living, the 47 million euro of EU's funds lost last week over internal political bickering.

"We are going to Brazil," the crowd was chanting and TV screens were flashing. That's all that mattered: to use the word 'we' in combination with something synonymous to success.

KEEPING IT SIMPLE

AP file photo

Dallas Cowboys wide receiver Dwayne Harris looks back after scoring a touchdown against the St. Louis Rams Sept. 22, in Arlington.

Harris' straightforward approach to special teams makes him one of the best

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

IRVING — Dallas Cowboys receiver Dwayne Harris keeps it simple when returning punts and kickoffs.

"My job is just to hit the lane they open for me," Harris said. "My job is to keep my eyes open, keep the vision downfield and make one cut and go."

That uncomplicated, decisive approach served him well in Sunday's 31-16 win over Washington. En route to finishing with 222 combined return yards — the fourth most in club history and nine more yards than the Cowboys' offense produced that night — Harris returned a punt 86 yards for a touchdown and had a 90-yard kickoff return that set up another score.

And he did it all while adhering to his straightforward "one cut and go" strategy.

"He has a real good knack for getting north and south quickly both as a kickoff returner and a punt returner," Cowboys coach Jason Garrett said. "That is an important trait."

Dallas receiver Dez Bryant, who returned two punts for scores as a rookie in 2010, believes Harris has another characteristic inherent to all great return men.

"It starts with confidence," Bryant said. "You have to believe you can do it. You can't be afraid. This is a tough game. A lot of guys can't do it.

"It's great to see him out there returning them and getting long yardage. He's scaring a lot of punters and kickers."

Indeed, Harris is the NFL leader in both punt and kickoff returns, averaging 23.6 yards and 34.7 yards, respectively.

"I give all the credit to the guys up front blocking for me," he said. "They open up the lanes for me. All I have to do is run."

But there's more to it than that, Garrett said.

"He is a strong guy," the coach said of the 5-foot-10, 207-pound third-year pro, "so he'll be able to run through tackles more than other guys.

"And he just has a knack. Some guys have a feel for running in open spaces."

Like Harris, Garrett heaped praise on the blockers. In recording the fifth-longest punt return in team history, Harris picked up key blocks from Jeff Heath, Orlando Scandrick and J.J. Wilcox.

"There were four or five blocks on each of those returns that were significant," Garrett said. (Special teams) coach (Rich) Bisaccia will have those on his reel for a long time, not only because of the return but because of how the guys blocked."

Help from his teammates notwithstanding, a case can be made that Harris is the league's top special-teams performer this season. In addition to what he's done as a returner, he leads the team in special-teams tackles with seven as a gunner on punt coverage.

"I look at myself as a football player," said Harris, who had a solo tackle against the Redskins. "I do everything. Whatever coach wants me to do, whatever this team wants me to do, that's what I do."

A sixth-round pick in 2011 from East Carolina, Harris was named NFC special-teams player of the week after he recorded three tackles in the season-opening win over the New York Giants.

"He just has a demeanor about him as a cover guy," Garrett said. "You see him defeat guys on the edges a lot. He has good speed. He has good quickness. He's strong in his lower body. He's strong in his upper body to get away from guys. He's a hard matchup for these guys to block. And he has a nose for it. You see him accelerate to the ball."

Simply put, he excels as a special teams performer.

Jones suggests Ratliff won't play this season

By Tom Orsborn
San Antonio Express-News

Ratliff

IRVING — Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones cast serious doubt Tuesday on defensive tackle Jay Ratliff playing this year.

Ratliff is eligible to come off the physically unable to perform list this week, but Jones said the four-time Pro Bowler's health remains a question mark.

"We've got a situation that's not positive as far as him getting on the field this year," Jones told Dallas' KRLD-FM.

Ratliff has been sidelined since training camp with hamstring and groin issues.

Injury update: Jones ruled out running backs DeMarco Murray (knee) and Lance Dunbar (hamstring) for Sunday's game at Philadelphia.

Murray suffered his injury in the first half of last week's 31-16 win over Washington, a game Dunbar sat out.

Jones wouldn't rule defensive end DeMarcus Ware (quadriceps) out for Philadelphia, but he indicated the franchise's all-time sack leader likely will miss the game and possibly others.

"We'll be pretty conservative because we know how bad we're going to need DeMarcus down the road," Jones said.

Like Murray, Ware was injured in the first half Sunday and did not return.

ROSTER MOVES: With Murray and Ware sidelined, the Cowboys took steps to shore up depth by signing defensive end Jarius Wynn to the 53-man roster and running back Davin Meggett to the practice squad.

The club released defensive tackle David Carter and cornerback Chris Greenwood, leaving them with 52 players on the active roster. The open spot could be filled by Meggett.

Wynn has played for three teams since Green Bay drafted him in the sixth round in 2009.

NO RABBIT TO CHASE?: With signs pointing to quarterback Michael Vick sitting out another game due to a hamstring injury, the Cowboys likely will be facing Nick Foles on Sunday in Philadelphia.

Foles passed for 296 yards and three touchdowns to lead the Eagles to a win over Tampa Bay last week.

"I would like to see Foles," defensive tackle Jason Hatcher. "Vick is like a rabbit. He's all over the place. Foles is more like a stationary guy in the pocket."

Vick told ESPN.com he thinks he needs another week of rehab.

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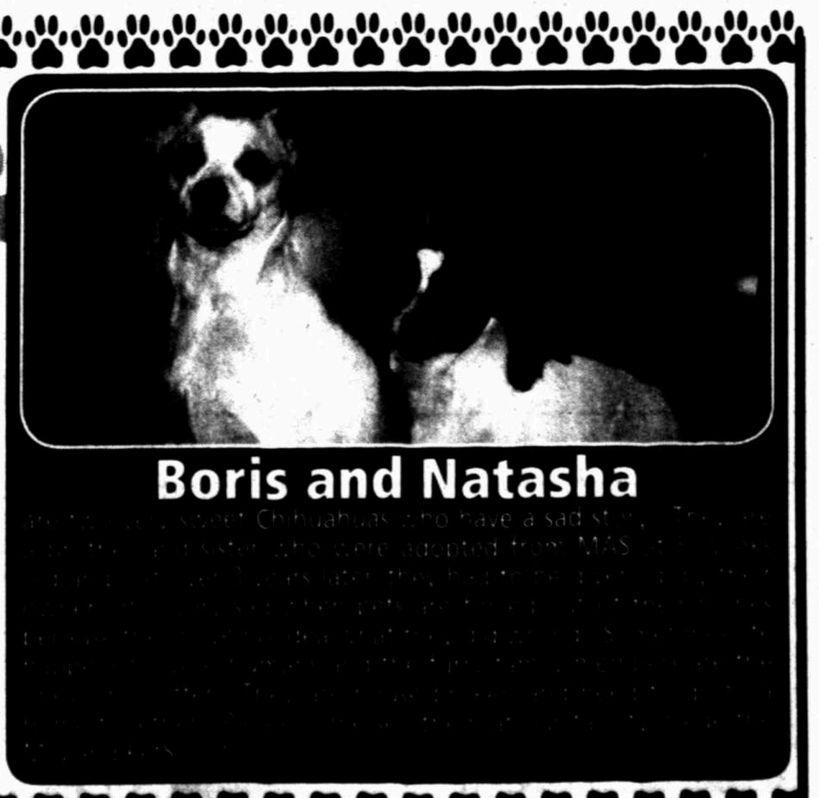
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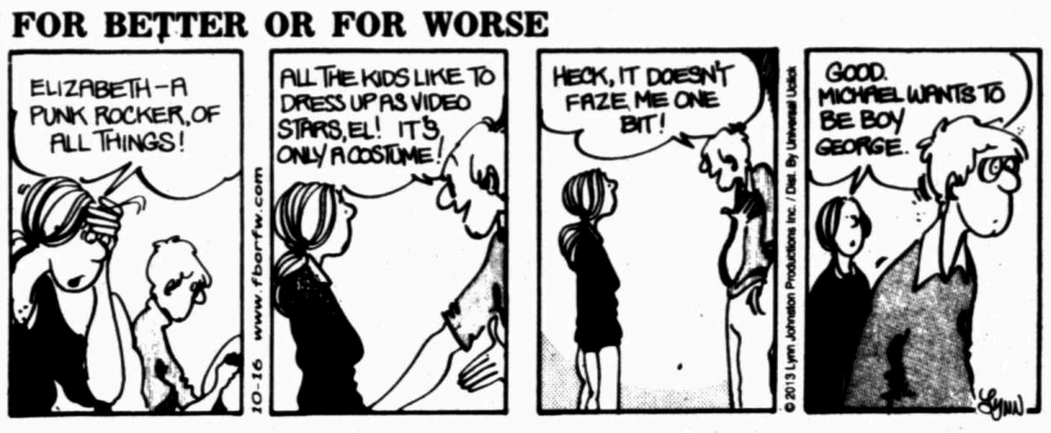

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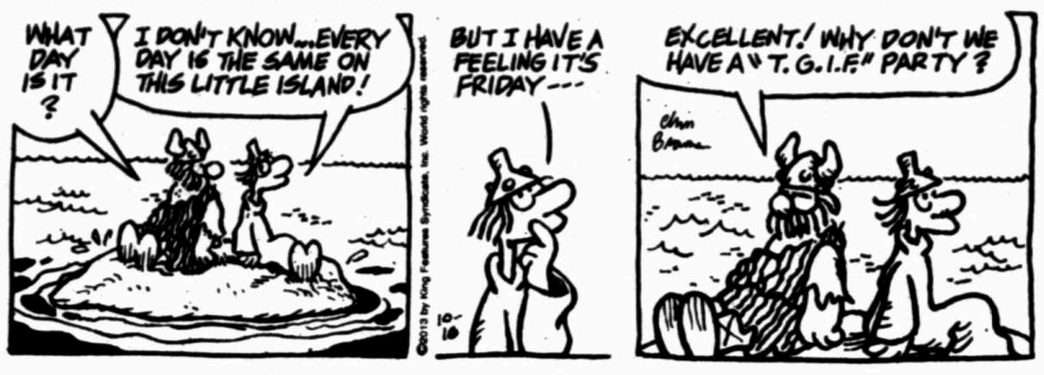

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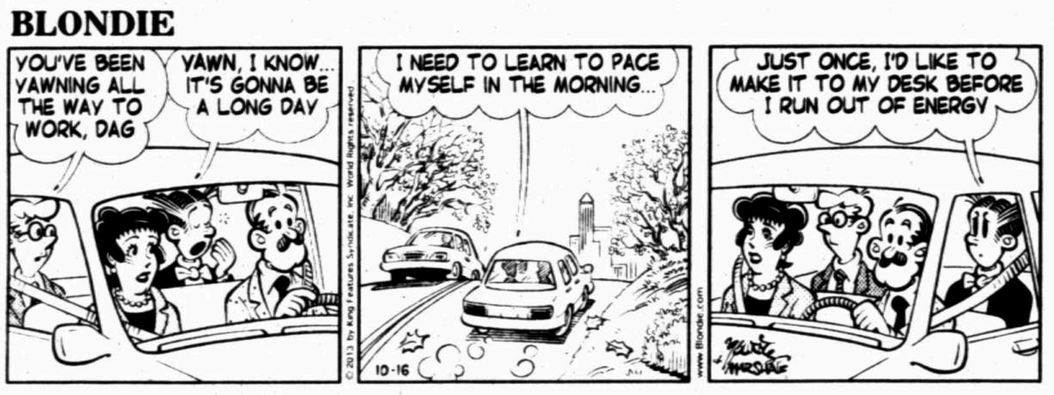

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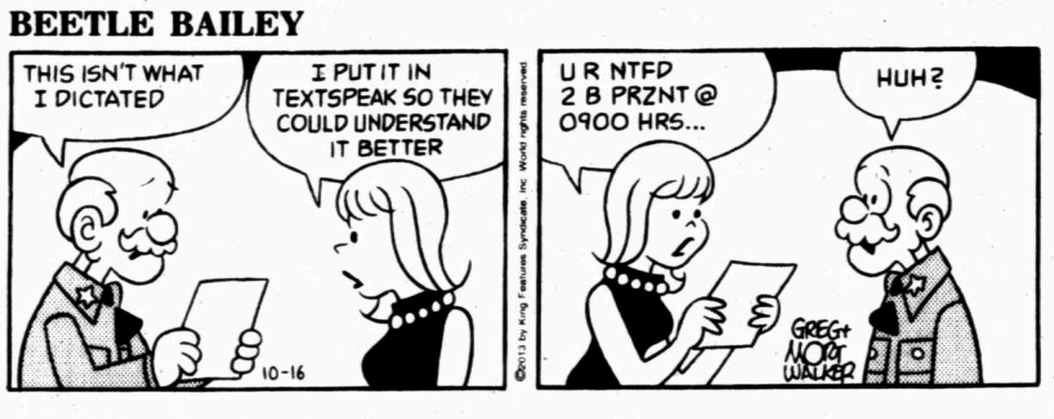

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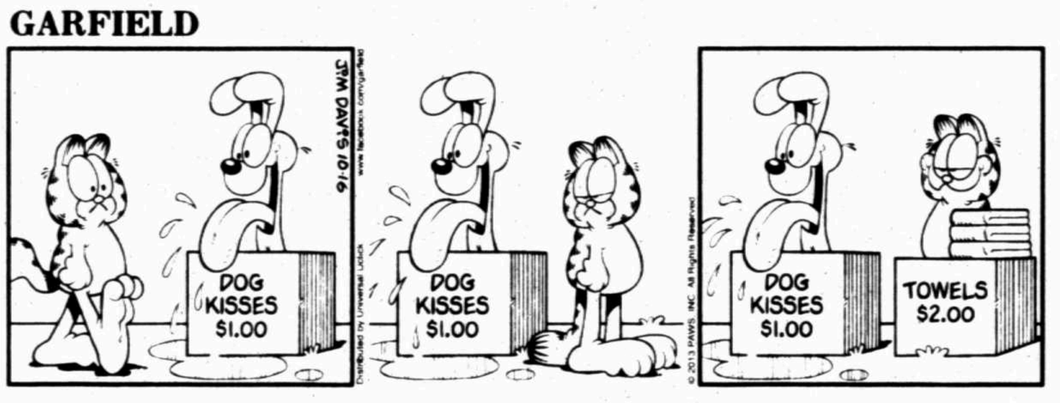

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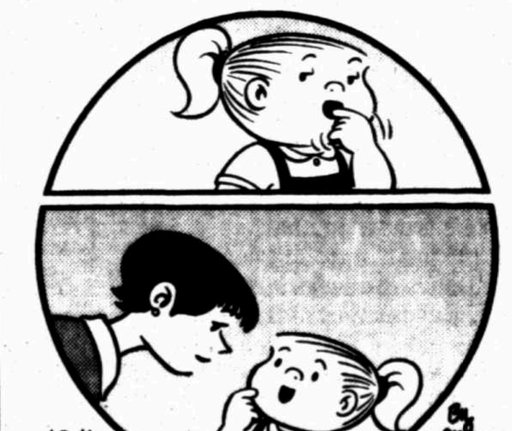
FAMILY CIRCUS



"I hope the Tooth Fairy is in town, because she's gonna have some business with me soon."

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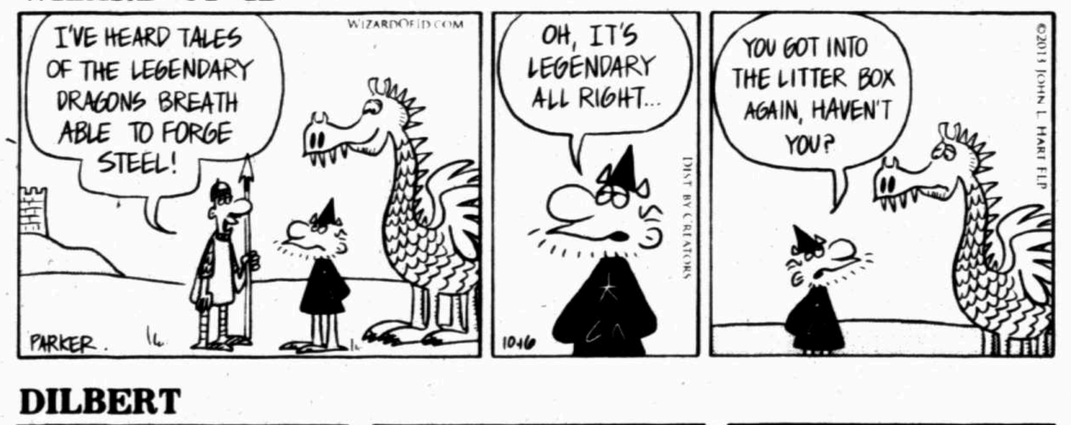

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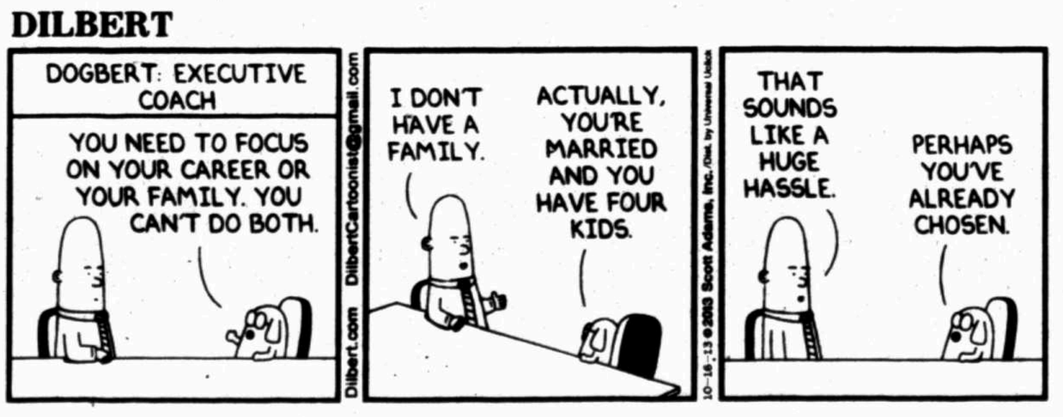

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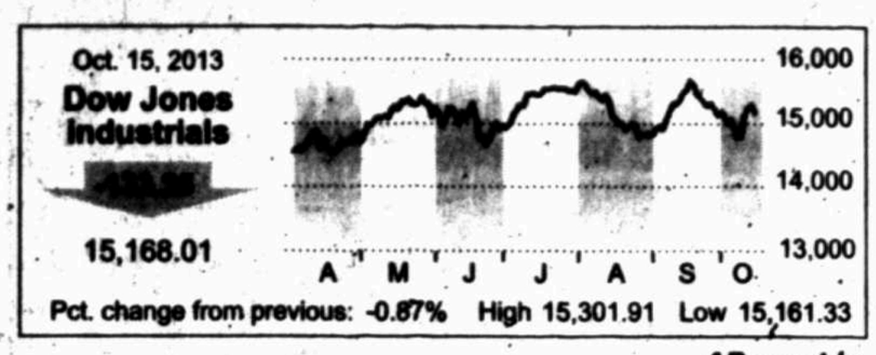

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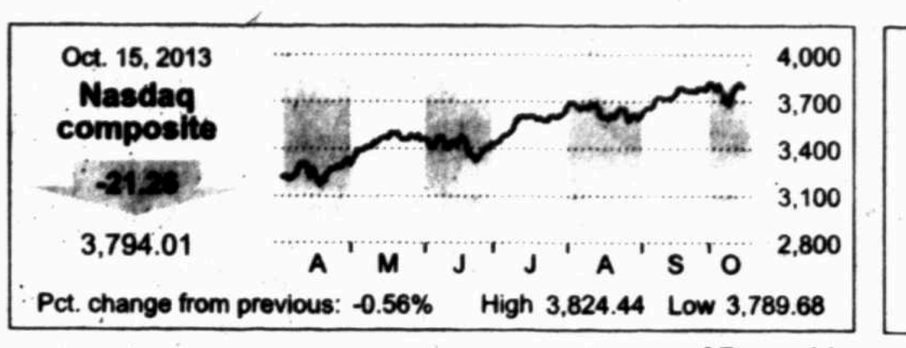

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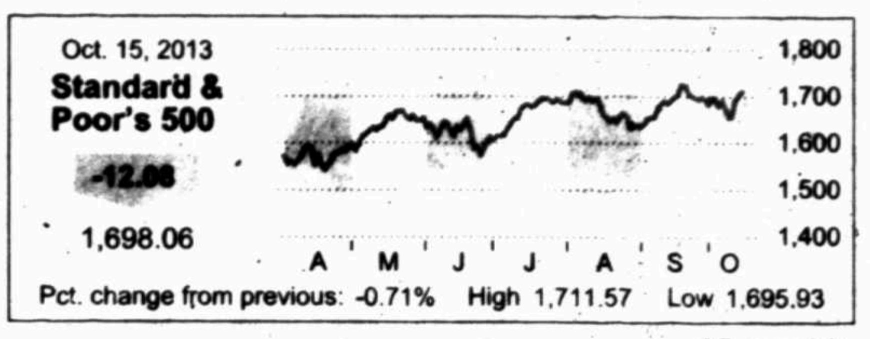

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Ever-Glory	4.67	+.47	+11.2
TellInstEl	4.07	+.27	+7.1
SCEd pfB	21.02	+1.31	+6.7
GldFld	2.00	+.12	+6.4
EnviroStr s	2.65	+.15	+6.0

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
FAB Univ	6.14	-.81	-11.7
RareEle g	2.08	-.22	-9.6
OrionEngy	3.77	-.30	-7.4
IncOpR	4.83	-.36	-6.9
Barnwell	3.40	-.25	-6.8

DIARY

Advanced	168
Declined	243
Unchanged	26
Total issues	437
New Highs	7
New Lows	9
Volume	82,692,747

NASDAQ

MOST ACTIVE ($1 or more)

Name	Vol (00)	Last	Chg
Facebook	786231	49.50	-.01
MicronT	625557	16.92	-.15
Microsoft	464157	34.49	+.04
Intel	391435	23.39	-.06
PwShs QQQ	356451	79.48	-.31

GAINERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
VisnChina	13.89	+4.60	+49.5
MER Tele	2.70	+.86	+46.7
Novogen s	5.57	+1.73	+45.1
Highpwrlnt	2.81	+.61	+27.7
ParkerVsn	2.93	+.47	+19.1

LOSERS ($2 or more)

Name	Last	Chg	%Chg
AltairN rs	5.89	-2.10	-26.3
FLIR Sys	28.59	-4.58	-13.8
Caesars	19.91	-2.48	-11.1
XRS Corp	2.54	-.27	-9.6
StanlFrn	3.52	-.35	-9.0

DIARY

Advanced	728
Declined	1,787
Unchanged	107
Total issues	2,622
New Highs	147
New Lows	27
Volume	1,693,876,852

Speakers say budget impasse has delayed issues confronting producers

By Mella McEwen
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A budget stalemate may have slowed government activity, but the oil and gas industry still should carefully watch several initiatives that could dramatically impact activity.

Opening the annual Executive Oil Conference at the Horseshoe on Tuesday, Ryan Ullman, director of government relations and political affairs at the Independent Petroleum Association of America, listed three areas for the industry to watch: A change in the tax code impacting tax treatment for the industry, hydraulic fracturing and the Endangered Species Act.

"These are something the public doesn't usually see," Ullman told the audience, referring to taxes, but producers invest well over 100 percent of their capital in their business, drilling wells, buying equipment and hiring employees.

He said the Obama administration has tried to eliminate tax deductions used by the industry and other businesses, including deductions for intangible drilling costs and percentage depletion.

Efforts by Republicans to reduce the corporate tax rate would actually have an adverse impact on the capital-intensive industry, he said. The IPAA estimates any changes to tax structure would reduce capital available to operators by 20 to 25 percent. He expressed concern that once the budget impasse is over, legislators may return their focus to rewriting the tax code.

Ullman said there are concerns federal regulators are trying to "federalize" oversight of hydraulic fracturing, with the Bureau of Land Management recently issuing new rules for use of the technology on federal lands.

"We are having some success in the Senate," he said, with Democratic Sen. Ron Wyden, of Oregon, recently hosting a roundtable discussion on energy, with topics ranging from future energy demand to exporting domestic production to regulations.

The industry has begun to push back against opposition to hydraulic fracturing through education efforts, Ullman said.

In relation to the Endangered Species Act, Ullman said the IPAA is calling for the use of sound science in determining whether a species is threatened or endangered and for all shareholders, including landowners and industry representatives, to have a say in conservation plans.

Coming Sunday

In Sunday's Oil Report, local operators and investors discuss their outlook for the Permian Basin.

John Fund, former Wall Street Journal columnist who continues to contribute to the publication and is a writer for National Review and contributor to Fox News, said President Obama's "All of the Above" energy policy "is actually against all that's below ground."

Fund said that two former Obama administration secretaries and one current secretary support hydraulic fracturing. He also said that 95 percent of the international panel on climate change acknowledge that there is no explanation for why climate-change models have failed and acknowledge that the sun may indeed have an impact on rising temperatures and that the climate may be cyclical.

The best way to defend the industry, Ullman said, is to emphasize "jobs, jobs, jobs." The industry has added more than 1 million jobs since 2002 and is responsible for 9.2 million jobs, he said, citing the reopening of a steel mill in Youngstown, Ohio, to make tubular goods for the oil fields. The nation has also just surpassed Russia as the world's largest oil producer.

"This is a stunning turnaround that will fundamentally change the global economic landscape in terms of energy, " he said.

The industry is the cornerstone to building the U.S. economic recovery and to supporting the middle class, he said.

"It's having an industrial sector to go to that pays $60,000 to $80,000 salaries. That lets people buy houses, fund their retirement, send their kids to college."

Fund advised moving beyond pointing out the number of jobs created and point to the recent launch of the website allowing uninsured Americans to search for health insurance. The site has experienced glitches since it launched.

"They can't develop a website" to help compare health insurance, "and you would entrust them with energy policy?" Fund asked. "You need to trumpet what works versus what doesn't work. You need to keep fighting for energy. Energy production is not just about economics. It's fighting for freedom. You take away energy, you take away freedom."

Gold for December delivery falls slightly

Associated Press

Commodities mostly fell Tuesday as the U.S. approaches a deadline on reaching a debt deal with few signs of progress in Washington.

Gold for December delivery edged down $3.40 to $1,273.20 an ounce. December silver fell 16.3 cents to $21.191 an ounce.

In other metals trading, high-grade copper for December delivery edged up half a cent to $3.308 a pound.

December palladium fell $8.95 to $706.30 an ounce.

January platinum fell 10 cents to $1,383.40 an ounce.

Bombardier Business Park breaks ground

Regional officials Tuesday broke ground on a new master planned business development known as Bombardier Business Park. The initial project for the 150-acre development will be a new 12,000 square foot industrial building with 2,500 square feet of office space.

The site is less than a quarter mile from the front entrance of Midland International Airport with significant frontage along Farm-to-Market Road 1788 and Loop 40.

Texas-based Avera Companies, Greenway Investment Company and the Don Evans Group will develop the project, and Avera Construction will serve as the general contractor. The initial phase will encompass 90 acres of land on the west side of the airport directly south of the United States Post Office.

Oil prices rise

Oil fell toward $101 a barrel Tuesday as negotiations on Iran's nuclear program got underway in Geneva, and U.S. lawmakers tried to hammer out an agreement to raise the government's borrowing limit and avoid a possible default.

Benchmark crude for November delivery fell $1.20 to close at $101.21 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

The price of oil has swung back and forth for two weeks as lawmakers attempt to resolve an impasse that has left the government partially closed and the markets worried about the U.S. defaulting on its debt for the first time. The U.S. has to increase the amount of debt it can sell by Oct. 17, the Treasury said.

MIDLAND STOCKS

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Clayton Williams Energy (CWEI)
Closing Price $62.90 Up 0.28

Concho Resources (CXO)
Closing Price $111.41Up 1.00

Dawson Geophysical (DWSN)
Closing Price $31.67 Down 0.44

Diamondback Energy (FANG)
Closing Price $31.46 Down 0.21

Legacy Reserves (LGCY)
Closing Price $27.73 Up 0.06

Mexco Energy (MXC)
Closing Price $7.46 Up 0.25

Natural Gas Services Group (NGS)
Closing Price $27.01Down 0.06

Ring Energy (REI)
Closing Price $13.63 Up 0.06

HOW STOCKS OF LOCAL INTEREST FARED

Name	Div	PE	Last	Chg	YTD %Chg
AT&T Inc	1.80	25	33.71	-.21	...
Abraxas	...	...	2.88	-.02	+31.5
AdamsEx	.67e	...	12.51	...	+18.1
AMD	...	...	4.02	+.05	+67.5
AlcatelLuc	...	...	3.65	-.15	+162.6
Alcoa	.12	24	8.38	-.07	-3.5
AlonUSA	.24a	5	10.37	-.01	-42.7
Amarin	...	...	5.17	+.16	-36.1
Amgen	1.88	19	111.44	-.14	+29.3
Anadarko	.72f	28	95.83	+.08	+29.0
Apache	.80	14	88.73	+.11	+13.0
ApldMatl	.40	...	17.82	-.28	+55.8
AriadP	...	...	4.02	-.18	-79.0
ATMOS	1.40	15	41.21	-1.01	+17.3
AutoData	1.74	25	72.32	-.54	+27.0
BP PLC	2.16	10	42.50	-.10	+2.1
BabsCCInv	1.20a	...	15.00	-.04	-1.8
BakrHu	.60	22	50.12	-.30	+22.7
BkofAm	.04	25	14.24	-.11	+22.7
Barc iPVix	...	...	15.56	+.88	-51.1
BarrickG	.20m	...	17.78	+.52	-49.2
BasicEnSv	...	...	12.28	-.67	+7.6
BerkHa A	...	16	171920.00	-2280.00	+28.2
BerryPet	.32	16	43.77	-.21	+30.5
BestBuy	.68	...	40.62	+1.01	+242.8
BlkHillsCp	1.52	17	48.08	-.63	+32.3
BlackBerry	...	...	8.15	+.01	-31.3
BostonSci	...	...	12.08	-.13	+110.8
BrMySq	1.40	58	47.39	-.28	+47.0
BrownFA	1.02a	25	68.74	-.48	+11.8
BrownFB	1.02a	25	69.75	-.65	+10.3
CVS Care	.90	18	59.06	-.63	+22.2
Cameron	...	21	63.74	-.03	+12.9
Caterpillar	2.40	14	85.75	-.49	-4.3
Celestic g	...	24	11.07	-.13	+35.8
CntryLink	2.16	19	32.53	-.15	-16.8
ChesEng	.35	...	26.50	+.05	+59.4
Chevron	4.00	9	118.15	-.43	+9.3
Chicos	.22	16	16.23	-.21	-12.1
Cimarex	.56	22	101.87	+.86	+76.5
Cisco	.68	12	23.18	-.16	+18.0
Citigroup	.04	13	48.86	-.74	+23.5
ClayEng	...	...	62.90	+.28	+57.3
CocaCola	1.12	20	37.66	-.25	+3.9
ColgPalm s	1.36	26	61.23	-.30	+17.1
ConAgra	1.00	17	30.77	+.01	+4.3
ConchoRes	...	59	111.41	+1.00	+38.3
ConocoPhil	2.76	12	71.89	-.07	+24.0
Corning	.40	11	14.27	-.14	+13.1
CrackerB	3.00	22	105.20	-.99	+63.7
CSVelIVST	...	...	24.45	-1.59	+47.4
CrosTim	2.15e	14	29.31	+.16	+8.9
DCP Mid	2.84f	21	48.00	-.51	+15.0
DTE	2.62	18	65.71	-.78	+9.4
Datarm rsh	...	...	2.32	-.11	+17.2
Dawson	...	18	31.46	-.21	+19.3
DevonE	.88	...	60.97	+.03	+17.2
DxSCBull s	...	...	63.41	-1.72	+98.3
Disney	.75f	20	66.44	-.39	+33.4
DowChm	1.28	44	40.43	-.39	+25.1
DryShips	...	...	3.38	-.01	+111.3
EMC Cp	.40	20	24.65	-.74	-2.6
EOG Res	.75	49	179.97	-.90	+49.0
EmpDist	1.00	15	21.59	-.35	+5.9
Energen	.58	24	80.48	-.09	+78.5
EngyTsfr	3.58	12	51.44	-.43	+19.8
EnPro	...	32	59.70	-.55	+46.0
EntPrPt	2.76f	22	60.51	-.96	+20.8
Ericsson	.43e	...	12.92	+.04	+27.9
ExterranH	...	11	27.68	-.50	+26.3
ExxonMbl	2.52	9	86.79	-.81	+.3
Facebook	...	...	49.50	-.01	+86.0
FordM	.40	12	16.97	-.21	+31.0
ForestOil	...	16	5.38	-.04	-19.6
GATX	1.24	18	47.83	+.41	+10.5
GabMultT	.80	...	9.96	-.06	+26.9
GAInv	2.00e	...	34.42	-.12	+23.7
GenElec	.76	18	24.19	-.19	+15.2
GenMotors	...	12	34.70	-.63	+20.4
GtPlainEn	.87	14	22.20	-.37	+9.3
Groupon	...	...	11.18	+.17	+130.0
HalconRes	...	36	5.10	+.08	-26.3
Hallibrtn	.50	18	51.16	-.19	+47.5
HewlettP	.58	...	22.79	-.11	+59.9
iShBrazil	1.36e	...	50.07	-.37	-10.5
iShJapan	.15e	...	11.86	-.10	+21.6
iShChinaLC	.93e	...	38.12	-.38	-5.8
iShEMkts	.77e	...	42.66	-.42	-3.8
iS Eafe	1.76e	...	64.35	-.31	+13.2
iShR2K	1.70e	..	107.16	-1.06	+27.1
IntegrysE	2.72	14	55.57	-.95	+6.4
Intel	.90	13	23.39	-.06	+13.4
InterDig	.40a	6	37.20	-1.00	-9.5
Invesco	.90	18	32.42	-2.23	+24.3
ItauUnibH	.51r	...	14.81	-.06	-1.0
JPMorgCh	1.52	12	52.31	-.40	+19.8
JohnJn	2.64	20	89.93	+.13	+28.3
KimbClk	3.24	21	96.55	-.41	+14.4
KindME	5.28f	29	79.77	-.18	...
KindMM	5.28t	47	74.28	-.45	-1.6
LegacyRes	2.32f	...	27.73	+.06	+16.5
Lubys	...	31	7.10	-.15	+6.1
MktVGold	.46e	...	23.76	+.65	-48.8
McDnlds	3.24f	17	93.80	-.92	+6.3
Merck	1.72	25	46.57	-.18	+13.8
MeritMed	...	47	13.59	+.06	-2.2
MexcoEn	...	...	7.46	+.25	+15.9
MicronT	...	17	16.92	-.15	+166.9
Microsoft	1.12f	13	34.49	+.04	+29.1
Molycorp	...	...	5.58	-1.52	-40.9
MorgStan	.20	33	27.99	-.19	+46.4
Nabors	.16	40	17.01	-.28	+17.7
NatGrid	3.16e	...	60.13	-.16	+4.7
NOilVarco	1.04	15	79.95	-.13	+17.0
NokiaCp	...	...	6.92	+.30	+75.2
NvMAd	.80a	...	12.06	...	-20.7
NvPMI	.88	...	12.40	-.02	-16.9
NuvPI	.86	...	12.21	-.04	-18.4
NSTFI3	.63a	...	12.66	-.09	-13.4
NTXQI	.70	...	13.23	-.15	-16.5
OcciPet	2.56	18	95.23	-.48	+24.3
OpkoHlth	...	...	12.28	+1.37	+155.3
Oracle	.48f	14	32.75	-.53	-1.7
ParTech	...	...	5.08	+.01	+3.7
ParkDrl	...	...	6.32	-.21	+37.4
PattUTI	.20	16	22.75	-.40	+22.1
Penney	...	...	7.17	-.70	-63.6
PennaRE	.72	...	18.44	-.11	+4.5
Prmian	.84e	19	14.67	+.25	+19.7
Petrobras	.27e	...	15.69	-.03	-19.4
Pfizer	.96	15	29.16	-.19	+16.3
PioNtrl	.08	57	199.72	+4.71	+87.4
PlainsAAP	2.40f	18	50.45	-.82	+11.5
PwShs QQQ	.98e	...	79.48	-.31	+22.0
Praxair	2.40	22	121.10	-1.15	+10.6
PrmEgy	...	10	44.59	+.60	+93.9
PrUVxST rs	...	...	37.18	+4.06	-82.2
ProctGam	2.41	20	77.60	-1.14	+14.3
ProUShSP	...	...	35.75	+.54	-33.9
RangeRs	.16	...	78.92	-.41	+25.6
RiteAid	...	85	5.11	+.04	+275.7
Rowan	...	21	36.18	-.86	+15.7
RoyDShllA	3.60	8	65.27	+.33	-5.3
SpdrDJIA	3.54e	...	151.34	-1.46	+15.9
S&P500ETF	3.39e	...	169.70	-1.24	+19.2
SabnR	3.85e	15	52.16	+.28	+31.1
SanderFm	.80f	16	64.75	-.08	+36.2
SandRdge	...	...	6.37	+.18	+.3
Sapient	...	31	15.27	-.25	+44.6
vjSavientP	...	...	.07	-.50	-93.1
Schlmbrg	1.25	19	90.54	-.63	+30.7
Schwab	.24	35	23.03	+1.02	+60.4
SigmaAld	.86	21	83.20	-.27	+13.1
SiriusXM	.05e	56	3.90	-.04	+34.9
Smucker	2.32f	20	105.97	-.76	+22.9
Sprint n	...	...	6.03	...	+8.6
SP Consum	.82e	...	60.46	-.58	+27.4
SPDR Fncl	.32e	...	20.26	-.15	+23.6
SP Inds	.89e	...	46.51	-.47	+22.7
SunocoLog	2.40f	15	66.50	-.40	+33.7
TelefEsp	.47e	...	16.97	+.01	+25.8
Teradata	...	19	42.91	-9.67	-30.7
Tesoro	1.00f	10	45.33	-.24	+2.9
3M Co	2.54	19	119.82	-1.58	+29.0
Torchmark	.68	13	72.73	-.56	+41.2
TriContl	.70e	...	18.44	-.09	+14.9
TylerTech	...	80	89.22	-1.38	+84.2
UBWV	1.24	18	29.48	-.36	+21.1
USSteel	.20	...	23.52	+1.18	-1.4
Vale SA	.78e	...	16.31	+.09	-22.2
ValeroE	.90f	9	36.49	-.08	+6.9
VangEmg	1.38e	...	41.91	-.51	-5.9
VerizonCm	2.12f	95	46.32	-.49	+7.0
Vodafone	1.57e	...	35.43	-.10	+40.7
VulcanM	.04	...	51.58	-1.35	-.9
Walgrn	1.26	22	56.30	-.40	+52.1
WellsFargo	1.20	11	41.54	-.21	+21.5
WstnRefin	.72f	6	31.94	+.19	+13.3
WhitingPet	...	19	65.41	+.54	+50.8
WmsCos	1.47f	39	35.53	-.24	+8.5
XcelEngy	1.12	14	27.69	-.35	+3.7
Xerox	.23	11	10.56	-.10	+54.8
Yahoo	...	9	33.38	-.62	+67.7
Zynga	...	...	3.52	-.04	+48.9

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We will regularly update the Permian Basin stocks list.

INDEXES

52-Week High	52-Week Low	Name	Last	Chg	Net %Chg	YTD % Chg	52-wk % Chg
15,709.58	12,471.49	Dow Jones Industrials	15,168.01	-133.25	-.87	+15.75	+11.93
6,754.81	4,838.10	Dow Jones Transportation	6,643.18	-10.47	-.16	+25.18	+29.78
537.86	435.57	Dow Jones Utilities	482.57	-6.46	-1.32	+6.51	+.45
9,906.32	7,841.76	NYSE Composite	9,726.62	-70.56	-.72	+15.20	+15.98
2,467.63	2,186.97	Amex Index	2,335.59	-12.64	-.54	-.85	-4.86
3,819.28	2,810.80	Nasdaq Composite	3,794.01	-21.26	-.56	+25.65	+22.34
1,729.86	1,343.35	S&P 500	1,698.06	-12.08	-.71	+19.06	+16.71
18,409.85	14,036.94	Wilshire 5000	18,132.77	-131.71	-.72	+20.92	+19.44
1,090.30	763.55	Russell 2000	1,079.62	-10.68	-.98	+27.11	+29.23

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WEEK 7
Games of Oct. 17-20

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HOW TO PLAY

Select a winner from each of the week's games, listed below. Select in descending order of your CONFIDENCE in your choices. Win points at left for each correct selection toward possible total of 136 points. See complete rules below. You must be at least 8 (eight) years old to enter. To enter, clip along dotted line, then place game entry in POWER POINTS container at Midland Reporter-Telegram. Entrants must list name, address and phone number below.

LIMIT: You may enter the contest only once per week.

DEADLINE: 2 P.M. THURSDAY

TIEBREAKER 1 ☐ Total points scored (both teams) in STEELERS game.

TIEBREAKER 2 ☐ Total offensive yards (both teams) in this game.

THIS WEEK'S GAMES

Seattle at Arizona	Dallas at Philadelphia
Tampa Bay at Atlanta	Chicago at Washington
St. Louis at Carolina	San Francisco at Tennessee
Cincinnati at Detroit	Cleveland at Green Bay
San Diego at Jacksonville	Baltimore at Pittsburgh
Houston at Kansas City	Denver at Indianapolis
Buffalo at Miami	USC at Notre Dame
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2. Any entry form that does not contain a legible name, address, etc., will be disqualified.

3. Entries that fail to forecast a winner from each and every game will be disqualified, as will entries that fail to distinguish between the Jets and Giants of New York and other similar-sounding team names.

4. No points are awarded on tie games or in case any game is not played for any reason during its scheduled week.

5. Entering POWER POINTS constitutes permission by contestant for his or her name and photograph to be used for news and reasonable promotional purposes at no charge.

6. Employees of this newspaper and their immediate families are ineligible to participate.

7. Any inquiry about or protest of weekly results must be made by noon on the Friday following the announcement of winners.

8. No purchase necessary. Facsimile game entry forms will be accepted. Enter contest by dropping entry form into POWER POINTS container at participating co-sponsors.

9. Weekly deadline for entry will be 2 p.m. Thursdays except when noted otherwise on weekly entry form.

10. Neither this newspaper nor any co-sponsor will be responsible for illegible entry forms or those lost, stolen or damaged in any way or entries mis-directed or arriving postage due or for any claim or injury by contestants made in connection to any activity involved in entering contest. Entrants assume all liabilities.

11. Limit: one entry per person per week. Each entry must represent the original work of one entrant, "group" entries, "systems" or other attempt to enter multiple entries will be disqualified. Filling out extra forms and putting your friends' and relatives' names on them violates this rule. Any such entries are destroyed prior to grading.

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Texas Leadership will hold a public meeting on October 30, 2013 at 1:30 pm at 4114 Sunset Dr., San Angelo, Texas 76904. Texas Leadership shall report School FIRST Rating for 2011-2012 issued by the Texas Education Agency including the Financial Management Report, Reimbursements to the Superintendent, Reimbursements to the Board of Directors, and Summary Schedule of data previously submitted to TEA under the financial solvency provisions of TEC§39.0822.

Legal & Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE

Sealed Bid(s) will be received until 11:00 A.M., October 23, 2013 to be opened at 11:00 A.M., in the City Hall, 300 N. Loraine, Midland, Texas for the following Bid(s):

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Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Robert D. Wallace, Deceased, were issued on October 15, 2013, in Cause No. P17622, pending in the County Court of Midland County, Texas, to: Margaret L Wallace.

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c/o: Margaret L. Wallace
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DATED the 15th day of October, 2013.

/s/ Austin L. Ramsey
Attorney for Margaret L. Wallace
State Bar No.: 24073484
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Midland, TX 79701
Telephone: (432) 683-3351
Facsimile: (432) 683-2587

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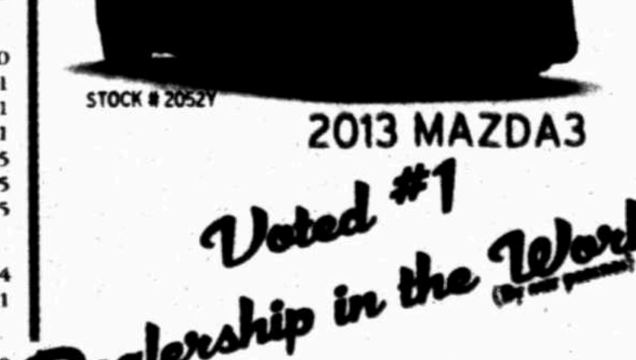

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OTHER JOBS

Midland Reporter-Telegram
HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR PART TIME DAY ASSOCIATE

Part Time Day Associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to work Monday thru Saturday from 8am-6pm. Tuesday will be here later till about 8 or 9 pm. Need to be able to work on your feet thru 6-8 hour shift. Will work at night occasionally. We will train the right person

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

These positions require some physical lifiting of 5-15 lbs. Must be able to bend and stand for at least a 6 hr. shift. No experience required we will train you. Work performed in this department includes processing and handling of newspaper bundles. Applicants must be dependable, be over 18, and have a valid ID card and social security card with dependable transportation.

Apply in person at: 201 E. Illinois, Lobby Information Desk • Monday-Friday 8-5 or email
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ENERGY & UTILITIES

Multiple Positions
R360 Environmental Solutions FT/
Midland, TX 1 Years Exp.
R360 Environmental Solutions is currently hiring future TEAM members, including an Office Manager, Site Supervisor, Master Electrician, Scale House Clerks, Operators and more. You will be joining a great TEAM and a company in a "work hard, play harder" environment along with a competitive salary. If you are looking for a growing, stable company that offers a work-life balance, then search no more. We offer excellent benefits including: medical, dental, vision, short and long term disability, life insurance and 401K retirement. You'll also benefit from a strong presence in our local communities, sustainability initiatives, and more. Apply on-line today at www.r360es.com

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San Angelo, TX 76901
We are looking for an Opened Hole/Cased Hole Fisherman. Experience required. Please send resume to: p.krebs46@yahoo.com

Swab Rig Operator
Swabbing Services, Inc FT
Local oilfield service company seeking Swab Rig Operator. Full benefits, Must have a CDL license and pass drug test. Apply at 14 East Industrial Loop. Midland, TX. 79701. Call 432-699-1200

Mechanical Engineer/Draftsman/Designer
Rig Tech FT

Candidates will design and detail mechanical and structural assemblies along with weldment drawings using Inventor and possess the ability to take layouts and produce detailed drawings.

Associates degree in drafting design or equivalent experience preferred for draftsman. In addition, one to three years mechanical drafting/design experience required.

- Proficient computer skills, including AutoCAD Inventor, Windows, Word and Excel
- CorelDraw is a plus
- Need to understand part tolerance and fits
- Strong Mechanical aptitude and problem solving skills
- Ability to read and use precision instruments including micrometers
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HEALTHCARE

Dental Assistant
Midland Dental Center FT
Midland, TX 79705 1 Years Exp.
Fast paced dental practice seeks a caring, enthusiastic RDA to join our dental team. Strong communication skills and ability to multi-task needed. One year dental experience preferred but not required. Radiology and N202 certification required. Great working environment and competitive salary. Please fax resume to: 432-570-8053 or e-mail to: mh@jordongreendds.com

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Confidential FT
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HEALTHCARE

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Treatment planning/Case management. Personal days/CEU days. Paid holidays. Fax resume to 800-671-8364.

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Confidential FT/PT
Med-Aide for days, 2 LVN - nights, 1 LVN part time days, for correctional facility. Must past drug test and background check. Send Resume to Loria@boonchapman.com

Optometric Tech/Bookkeeper
Luke Eye Associate FT/PT
Front office, reception, pre-screening. Experience helpful, but not required. Bilingual a plus. Send resume to: luke_eye@hotmail.com

OTHER JOBS

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HAS IMMEDIATE OPENINGS IN IT'S DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT FOR NIGHT TIME ASSOCIATE

Night time associate - MUST BE DEPENDABLE

Must be able to count at a fast pace. Be able to work between the hours of 12-6 am Sunday night thru Friday night and be able to work Saturday night 8pm -4am. Will be working inside and outside depending on the job you are doing that night. Will be 5-6 nights per week. We will train the right person

Pay 10.00 per hour paid every 2 weeks

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ENERGY & UTILITIES

Instrumentation/Electrical Technician

Energen Resources Corporation, a subsidiary of Energen Corporation has an immediate opening for a Instrumentation/Electrical Technician in its Andrews, Texas office. Responsibilities include:

- Installation and maintenance of electrical equipment, PLC Controllers, Instrumentation Transmitters, Pump Off Controllers, Telemetry and radio equipment.
- PLC and HMI Display programming
- Supervision of electrical/automation contractors
- Assuring that all work meets regulatory compliance

The qualified applicant will have 3- 5 year's Instrumentation/Electrical experience with a broad knowledge of all types of instrumentation and electrical equipment. A good knowledge of Personal Computer Systems, Windows operating system and proficiency with Excel spreadsheets a must. Experience with Automation Direct PLC Controllers and a Journeyman Electrical License is a plus. We offer a highly competitive salary and bonus plan with a complete benefits package.

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Housekeeper
Villa Chateau Apartments FT
Full-time Housekeeper needed. Physical/Drug screen & Background check done. Apply in person at: Villa Chateau Apts., 1603 N. Midkiff Rd, Midland, TX 79701. No phone calls please.

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PT
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Resident Monitor, Cook & Social Service Coordinator
Dismas Charities FT/PT
Midland, TX 79701
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OTHER JOBS

Assistant District Manager

The Midland Reporter-Telegram has an immediate opening for an Assistant District Manager – this is an entry-level part-time position, offering competitive compensation/benefits package – flexible work schedule, must be available to work at night and/or weekends during our production/delivery window.

This position will assist in the distribution and delivery of Home Delivery and Single Copy newspapers. The successful candidate may also receive work assignments within many areas of the distribution function, which may include route delivery, transportation, customer service, and redelivery operations. The primary role of the Asst. District Manager is to provide exceptional customer service to both our subscribers and our independent contractor carrier force. This position works part of the time in an office or distribution center environment and the majority of the time within the assigned newspaper district or distribution area. Flexible work hours are required and may accommodate the applicants other obligations. Must have reliable transportation, high school diploma & positive work attitude.

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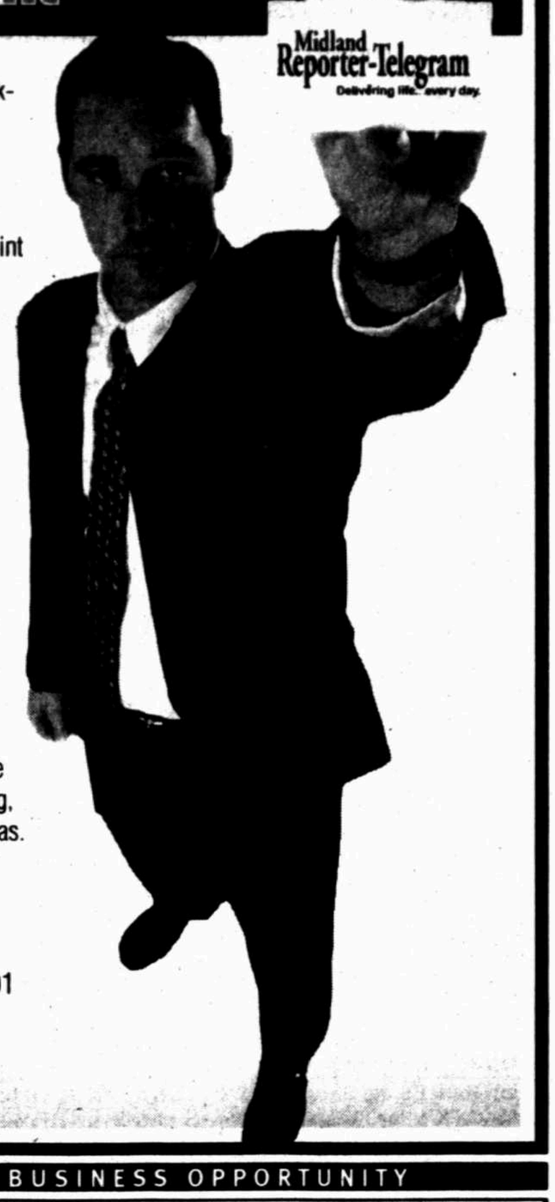

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit **www.sudoku.org.uk**

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1	2	7	4	6	3	9	8	5
4	6	9	5	8	2	3	1	7
3	5	8	7	9	1	6	4	2
8	3	6	1	2	7	5	9	4
5	7	1	9	3	4	2	6	8
2	9	4	8	5	6	7	3	1
7	4	2	3	1	9	8	5	6
6	8	3	2	4	5	1	7	9
9	1	5	6	7	8	4	2	3

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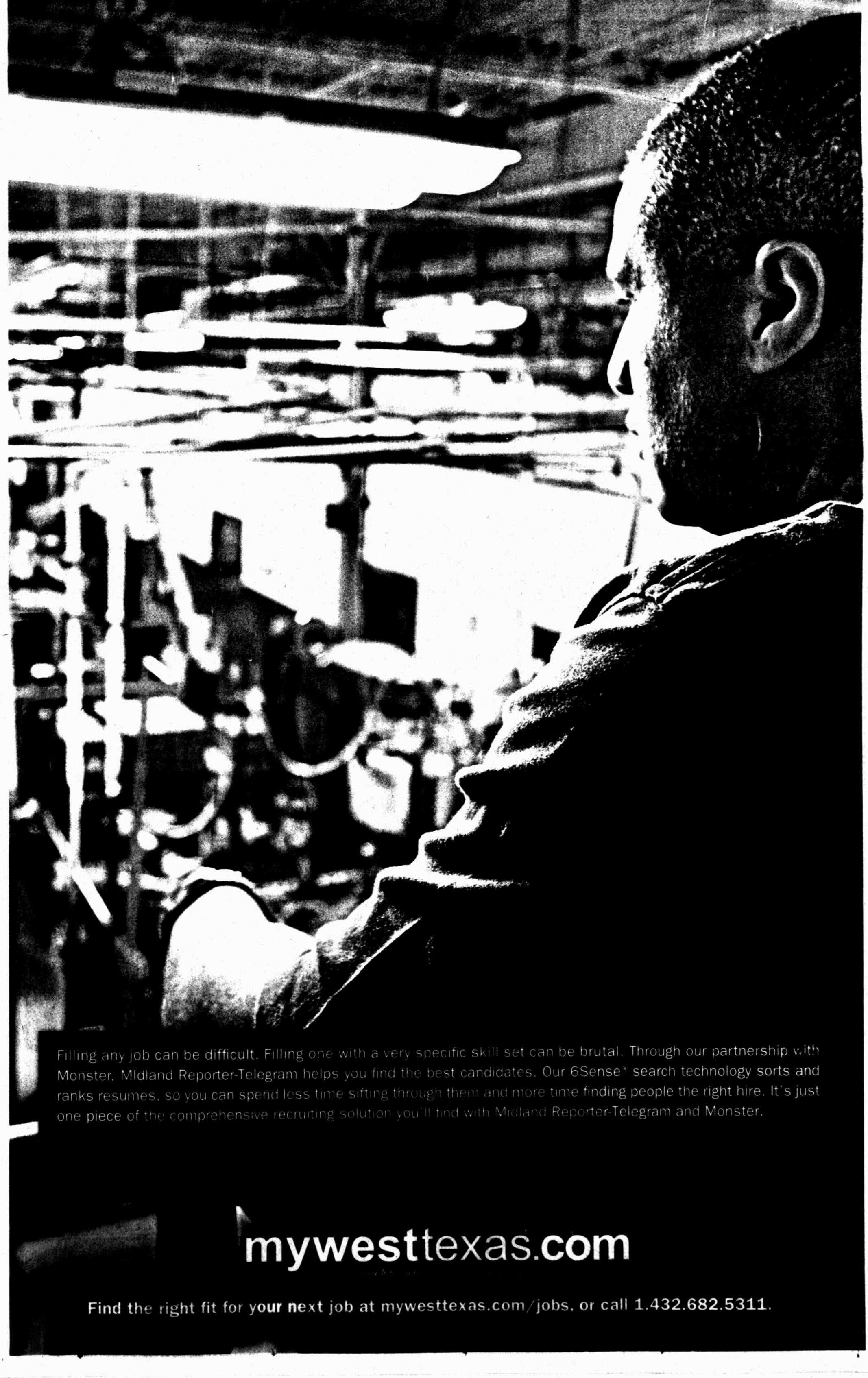

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